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Hurricane Irma

Rescheduling Missed Hearings, Trials, Court Events or Appointments

Hurricane Irma caused courthouse closures throughout the Twentieth Judicial Circuit, which includes Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Hendry, and Glades Counties. To ensure the safety of our citizens and employees, each courthouse was closed <u>*Thursday, September 7, 2017, through*</u> <u>*Friday, September 15, 2017*</u>. All courthouses in the Twentieth Judicial Circuit re-opened for regular business on Monday, September 18, 2017.

Please be aware that the Florida Supreme Court has issued an Administrative Order that extends all critical time periods and time limits affected by those closures. A copy of the Florida Supreme Court Administrative Order AOSC17-70 can be viewed on the Florida Supreme Court website at:

http://www.floridasupremecourt.org/clerk/adminorders/2017/AOSC17-70.pdf

If you missed a hearing, trial, court event, or appointment scheduled between <u>*Thursday*</u>, <u>September 7, 2017, and Friday, September 15, 2017</u>, you will not be penalized. Our Judges' Offices and court staff, in conjunction with the Clerks of Court, are working hard to ensure that, in appropriate circumstances, hearings, trials, and court events are rescheduled in a timely fashion and that notices of new court dates are mailed or e-mailed to counsel of record and self-represented parties.

If you have not received notice of a rescheduled hearing, trial, or court event by *Friday*, *September 29, 2017*, please first contact your attorney. If you are an attorney or if you are self-represented, and if you previously scheduled a hearing using the Court's online scheduling system (JACS), please reschedule your hearing through that same online scheduling system (JACS). If you did not previously schedule your hearing using the Court's online scheduling system (JACS), please contact the appropriate Judge's Office, Clerk's Office, or Case Management Office for rescheduling information.

If you are on pre-trial supervision or county probation and missed a mandatory appointment with a county pre-trial supervisor or county probation officer between <u>*Thursday, September 7, 2017, and Friday, September 15, 2017, and if you have not already been contacted to reschedule your appointment, please contact your assigned county pre-trial supervisor or county probation officer.*</u>