THE BRIEF

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An electronic update for the legal community providing a brief look at news in Eau Claire County Courts

COVID-19 and the Eau Claire County Circuit Courts Status Update

The <u>Temporary Order Suspending Jury Trials and In-person Court Appearances in Eau Claire County</u> (signed November 13, 2020) was amended on January 13, 2021 and extended until further order of the court.

Reminders to defense counsel:

- If you only need a new return date at the 9:30 Intake session, please do not take up valuable court time asking the Judge for a new date, contact the DA's office to reschedule.
- If your case is out of intake, contact the assigned Judge's Judicial Assistant for a new date.
- Absent abuse, your request will most likely be granted.
- Two days notice for such requests is appreciated, and may be necessary for proper victim notification.

Eviction Moratorium

Effective January 31, 2021 the CDC extended the <u>Order Regarding the Temporary Halt in Residential Evictions</u> through March 31, 2021 unless extended, modified or rescinded.

New Register in Probate

Congratulations to Susan Warner who has been appointed to the Register in Probate position vacated through Jean Gay's retirement. Susan has worked in the Probate Office since January of 2012. She received her Paralegal Associate's Degree from Chippewa Valley Technical College in 2008, and her Bachelor's Degree in Leadership and Organizational Studies from UW-Oshkosh in 2017. Susan was sworn in to office on February 1, 2021.

Clerk of Court's Lobby Remodeling Project

The Clerk of Court lobby is currently undergoing a remodel to provide added safety and security for staff. We are incredibly thankful for everyone who played a part in making this happen! Due to COVID, we will be unable to hold an open house, but once the project is complete, we will provide photos in a future edition of The Brief.



