

IN THE  
SUPREME COURT OF ILLINOIS

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In re: Emergency Preparedness Standards  
for the Illinois Circuit Courts

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M.R. 22717

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ORDER

In the exercise of its general administrative and supervisory authority over all courts, the Supreme Court hereby establishes *Emergency Preparedness Standards for the Illinois Circuit Courts* in support of emergency preparedness in all circuit courts of Illinois for the protection of the health and safety of Judicial Branch personnel and to keep the courts open and operational in the event of a disruption or emergency. Therefore, and until further order of the Court, IT IS ORDERED:

The *Emergency Preparedness Standards for the Illinois Circuit Courts (Standards)* is an official policy of the Illinois Courts.

Each circuit court shall create and maintain an *Emergency Preparedness Plan (Plan)* in accordance with the *Standards*. The *Plan* shall be filed with and approved by the Administrative Director within two years of the effective date of this order and filed annually thereafter.

The Administrative Director may authorize exceptions to and amend the *Standards* as necessary and appropriate.

The *Standards*, as approved by the Administrative Director, become effective on January 1, 2009.

Order entered by the Court.

**FILED**

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**SUPREME COURT  
CLERK**