

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
TWENTY-FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

IN RE:	EXTENSION TO ALLOW LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES SUFFICIENT TIME TO COMPLY WITH RECENTLY REVISED UNIFORM CITATION AND COMPLAINT FORMS))))))	GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER. 24-15
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On August 9, 2024, Public Act 103-789 was signed into law. Pursuant to said Public Act, 625 ILCS 5/6-308 was amended, effective January 1, 2025. Said amended statute requires notice to be given to persons charged with various traffic violations "that a subsequent failure to appear in court could result in a warrant for the defendant's arrest and other significant consequences affecting their driving privileges." 625 ILCS 5/6-308, effective 1/1/25.

Pursuant to Illinois Supreme Court Rule 552, Uniform Citation and Complaint forms and conservation complaint forms shall be approved by the Conference of Chief Circuit Judges and filed with the Illinois Supreme Court. To incorporate the statutory notice requirement as contained in amended 625 ILCS 5/6-308, the Conference of Chief Judges revised the Uniform Citation and Complaint forms and conservation complaint forms and filed the same with the Illinois Supreme Court on December 19, 2024. Said new forms are to be used by all law enforcement agencies beginning on January 1, 2025.

Many law enforcement agencies in the counties of the 24th Judicial Circuit are small agencies with limited resources. Some agencies have implemented electronic citation programs, but many agencies are still using paper citation forms. Based on the timeline set forth above, law enforcement agencies have been given less than two weeks to come into compliance with the revised Uniform Citation and Complaint forms and conservation complaint forms approved by the Conference of Chief Judges. This short timeframe poses an unrealistic challenge for law enforcement agencies in the counties of the 24th Judicial Circuit and poses an undue hardship on them.

Based on the foregoing, and pursuant to the general administrative authority conferred on the undersigned by Article VI, § 7 of the Constitution of the State of Illinois as well as Illinois Supreme Court Rule 21(b), all law enforcement agencies in the counties of the 24th Judicial Circuit shall have until April 1, 2025, to adopt the use of the revised Uniform Citation and Complaint forms and conservation complaint forms approved by the Conference of Chief Judges and filed with the Illinois Supreme Court on December 19, 2024. Said forms can be found at <https://www.illinoiscourts.gov/eservices/uniform-citation-forms/>.

Dated this 31st day of December, 2024.



Daniel J. Emge,
Chief Circuit Judge