



Jackson County Circuit Court
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News Release

This afternoon the Jackson County Circuit Court issued an administrative order regarding the issuance and enforcement of writs. After a judgment is entered in a case, such as a landlord-tenant case, writs are issued. The Civil Process Department employs execution deputies who deliver writs of restitution to tenants that require them to be evicted from the property or, in the case of writs of replevin, to return property to satisfy a judgment.

By Jackson County Charter, these duties are performed by a department within the Court rather than by the Jackson County Sheriff's Department. Presiding Judge David Byrn expressed concern about the health of the public and court employees.

Byrn stated in his order, "Directives from many levels of government have determined that it is not in the interests of public health to displace persons from their residences at this time during this COVID-19 emergency."

The full order is attached.

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