

STATE OF MAINE
SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER JB-21-01

Effective: January 8, 2021

LIMITED AUTHORIZATION OF THE TRIAL COURT CHIEFS
OR THEIR DESIGNEES TO ALTER THE HOURS OF OPERATION
AT A COURT LOCATION

Maine State Courthouses are ordinarily open to the public during the hours of operation described in Administrative Order JB-05-4 (as amended by A. 9-16) (effective Sept. 6, 2016). The hours of operation at individual court locations may, however, be altered from time to time, including when courthouses are closed to the public or to both the public and staff, for a variety of reasons. These reasons include, but are not limited to, inclement weather, staffing shortages, facility problems, health emergencies, and other emergent events and situations.

In accordance with 4 M.R.S. §§ 1, 101-A and 164, the Supreme Judicial Court and the Acting Chief Justice hereby authorize the Chief Justice of the Superior Court and the Chief Judge of the District Court (the Trial Court Chiefs) to make decisions to alter the normal operating hours at individual court locations, including by fully or partially closing court locations, from time to time for the reasons stated above. The Trial Court Chiefs may delegate this authority to a designee by communicating that delegation through either a standing order or a direct communication to the designee.

For the Court,

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Andrew M. Mead
Acting Chief Justice

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