

**IN THE
CIRCUIT COURT FOR BALTIMORE CITY
Administrative Order No. 2023-08**

WHEREAS, the Circuit Court for Baltimore City's Go Live date for the implementation of Maryland Electronic Courts (MDEC) is to begin on Thursday, May 2, 2024, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Maryland Rule 16-201(a)(2), having found good cause to close the Circuit Court of Baltimore City to the public on Monday, May 6, 2024, to ensure that the implementation of MDEC goes as seamlessly and smoothly as possible and guarantee the staff is prepared to serve the public after the implementation,

NOW, THEREFORE, on this 27th day of September 2023, it is hereby

ORDERED that on Thursday, May 2, 2024, and Friday, May 3, 2024, dockets shall be closed except for the consideration of emergency matters; and it is further

ORDERED that the Circuit Court for Baltimore City shall be open to staff only on Monday, May 6, 2024, and shall be closed to the public to permit the staff to continue to work with the new system and to be provided with support from onsite assistance for any issues that arise; and it is further

ORDERED that the Circuit Court for Baltimore City shall reopen to the public on Tuesday, May 7, 2024.

_____/s/_____
Audrey J.S. Carrión
Administrative Judge
Circuit Court for Baltimore City

cc:

Chief Justice Matthew J. Fader, Supreme Court of Maryland
Chief Judge Gregory Wells, Appellate Court of Maryland
Chief Judge John P. Morrissey, Maryland District Court Judge
Judges, Senior Judges, and Magistrates of the Circuit Court for Baltimore City, and staff
Judge Geoffrey G. Hengerer, Administrative Judge of the District Court of Maryland in Baltimore City
Justice Shirley M. Watts and staff
Judge Stuart R. Berger and staff
Judge Kevin F. Arthur and staff
Judge Michael Wilson Reed and staff
Xavier A. Conaway, Clerk, Circuit Court for Baltimore City
Sheriff Samuel L. Cogen, Sheriff's Office
Major Spencer Giles, Sheriff's Office
Lionel Moore, Court Administrator, Circuit Court for Baltimore City
Sophia Sanders, Deputy Court Administrator, Circuit Court for Baltimore City
Patricia Johnson, Chief Deputy Clerk, Circuit Court for Baltimore City
Obiora Dallah, Deputy Clerk of Administration, Circuit Court for Baltimore City
Selena Harris, Assistant Chief Deputy, Circuit Court for Baltimore City
Scott Gregory Smith, Jury Commissioner, Circuit Court for Baltimore City
Patricia Trikeriotis, Chief Court Reporter, Circuit Court for Baltimore City
Byron Monts, IT Director, Circuit Court for Baltimore City
Assignment Clerks of the Circuit Court for Baltimore City
Joseph W. Bennett, Librarian, Circuit Court for Baltimore City
Kimberly Barranco, Associate Administrator, Circuit Court for Baltimore City
Eboni Brooks, Criminal Division Analyst, Circuit Court for Baltimore City
Charquis Meadows, Associate Administrator, Circuit Court for Baltimore City
Suzanne Banister, Associate Administrator, Circuit Court for Baltimore City
Jacqueline Hale, HR Officer, Circuit Court for Baltimore City
Drusilla Pierce, Fiscal Officer, Circuit Court for Baltimore City
Dr. Lawrence Heller, Chief Medical Officer, Circuit Court for Baltimore City
Orphans' Court for Baltimore City
Baltimore City Register of Wills
Janee Fountain, Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General
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Natasha Dartigue, Public Defender, Office of the Public Defender
Alycia Capozello, Deputy District Public Defender, Office of the Public Defender
Ivan J. Bates, State's Attorney for Baltimore City, Office of the State's Attorney
Catherine Flynn, Chief Operating Officer, Office of the State's Attorney
Ebony Thompson, Acting City Solicitor
Judy K. Rupp, State Court Administrator, Administrative Office of the Courts
Nancy Faulkner, Deputy State Court Administrator, Administrative Office of the Courts
Toba Owonubi, MDEC Project Manager
Lisa Preston, Senior Manager, Case Management Systems
Bradley Tanner, Office of Governmental Relations and Public Affairs
Robert Weisengoff, Executive Director, Pretrial Release Services Program
Maryland Legal Aid
The Women's Law Center of Maryland
Alliance of Black Women Attorneys of Maryland

Maryland State Bar Association
Bar Association of Baltimore City
Monumental City Bar Association
Women's Bar Association
LGBTQ Bar Association
Maryland Hispanic Bar Association
Simon E. Sobeloff Law Society
South Asian Bar Association
Maryland Criminal Defense Bar
Maryland Association of Justice
Maryland Defense Counsel, Inc.