

**CIVIL COURT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK**

**ADVISORY NOTICE**

Subject: Kings County Housing In-person Trials

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**BACKGROUND:**

At its height, the Coronavirus pandemic caused a near-total cessation of in-person operations in the New York City Civil Court. In response, the Court developed and implemented a number of measures to provide a continuity of justice services during the pandemic, specifically through virtual appearances and electronic document processing.

The Court will continue to develop and expand virtual services for the foreseeable future, however, as we move through Phase 3 of New York City's reopening, it is apparent there are still some matters that have not benefitted from these innovations. For this reason, a targeted and limited return to in-person operations is required in order for the Court to meet the increasing demand for services that are being placed upon it. One such area where a limited resumption of in-person operations has become necessary is the trial of pending Housing matters. Therefore, the Court will implement a program of incremental return to in-person trials of Housing matters, balancing operational needs with health and safety requirements, beginning with Kings County on July 27, 2020.

**ADVISORY:**

In-person trials of pending Housing matters will resume in Kings County on or about July 27, 2020. All trials during this phase will be held in courtrooms designated for such purpose in the courthouse at 320 Jay Street, Brooklyn (Supreme Court, Criminal Term).

The Supervising Judge will select cases for trial, prioritizing, for the time being, two-attorney matters that were placed on the trial calendar before March 16, 2020 and cannot be resolved virtually. Members of the bar and litigants will receive scheduling notices for these trials.

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Hon. Anthony Cannataro  
Administrative Judge  
Civil Court of the City of New York