

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS**

**GENERAL ORDER 25-0028**

**RESETTING OF DEADLINES  
IN CIVIL MATTERS INVOLVING THE UNITED STATES AS A PARTY**

IT APPEARING THAT as a result of the partial federal government shutdown, this Court amended General Order 25-0024 suspending as of October 1, 2025, all civil litigation in which the United States of America, its agencies, its officers, or employees were parties, with the stated intention of clarifying schedules in such cases upon the expiration of the lapse in appropriations; and

IT FURTHER APPEARING THAT appropriations having been restored to fund the Department of Justice and other Executive Branch agencies, with employees beginning to report for work beginning on November 13, 2025; accordingly


IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the stay entered by General Order 25-0024 is hereby lifted, and any and all deadlines in affected civil cases (whether established by order, rule, or agreement.), including but not limited to any scheduled discovery and pleading dates, are extended by 49 days. The Court warns litigants that this General Order does not purport to affect rights to or deadlines concerning appeal from any decision of this Court. Any litigant affected by this General Order may seek relief from the order by motion. Trial dates in the affected cases will stand, although they may need to be adjusted in individual cases to account for the extension of other dates. The Court may, in any particular case, vary the effect or operation of this General Order by a separate ruling.

The Court shall distribute this General Order:

- (a) by electronic service to all registered CM/ECF users;
- (b) by first-class mail to unregistered civil litigants, including *pro se* litigants, and to attorneys pending *pro hac vice* admission; and
- (c) by posting the General Order on the Court's public website.

ENTER:

FOR THE COURT

  
VIRGINIA M. KENDALL  
Chief District Judge

Dated in Chicago, Illinois this 13th day Of November, 2025.