

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SPOKANE

IN THE MATTER OF STATEWIDE
RESPONSE BY WASHINGTON STATE
COURTS TO THE COURT SYSTEM
NETWORK OUTAGE

EMERGENCY ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
NO. 2024-01

WHEREAS, an emergency order is necessary due to Washington's Administrative Office of the Courts identifying unauthorized activity on the state courts network. The Administrative Office of the Courts took immediate action to secure critical systems and is working to safely restore service. As a result, the state's Judicial Information Systems, Washington Courts website and affiliate websites, networks, and databases including ETP/Sector, have been unavailable since Monday, November 4, 2024.

WHEREAS, on November 8, 2024, the Washington State Supreme Court promulgated Emergency Administrative Order No. 25700-B-720 allowing Washington Courts to expand or extend time rules on criminal cases regarding filing, speedy trial, sentencing and out of custody arraignments, and speedy infraction filings, hearings, and disposition, if the unavailability of the AOC networks and databases hinders the local court's ability to meet said deadlines or process filings submitted by litigants, and allowing courts to use other databases to get information not available via JIS or DOL as required by statute.

WHEREAS, the loss of these judicial information systems has had an impact on the Spokane County District Court's processes and has therefore created an emergency requiring the adoption of the Washington State Supreme Court Emergency Administrative Order No. 25700-B-720, and all the extensions contained therein.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that to continue the essential work during the AOC system disruption, the Spokane County District Court adopts all portions of the Washington State Supreme Court Emergency Administrative Order No. 25700-B-720.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Emergency Administrative Order will expire automatically two days after the judicial information system, networks, and/or databases, hosted by the Administrative Office of the Courts are restored and operational as announced by the Administrative Office of the Courts unless extended by further order of this Court.

DATED this 13th day of November, 2024.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Fassbender", written in a cursive style.

Presiding Judge Jennifer L. Fassbender