

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT, COUNTY DIVISION**

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2006 – 04

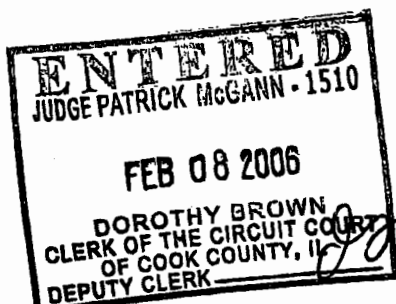
**SUBJECT: ACTIONS UNDER THE ESTRAYS AND
 LOST PROPERTY ACT (765 ILCS 1020/0.01 et seq.)**

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

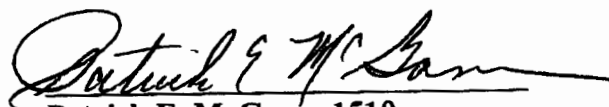
1. That on and after February 14, 2006 all actions purporting to be brought under the Estrays and Lost Property Act shall be assigned to the various Calendars in the following manner until the complete implementation of the computer assignment protocol of the "Court Wise" system:

Assigned to Calendar	Cases Ending with the Number
3 – Presiding Judge	0 and 1
4 – Judge Bertucci	2 and 3
5 – Judge Gillis	4 and 5
6 – Judge Hayes	6 and 7
7 – Judge Howse	8 and 9

2. Individuals filing said cases should be instructed to schedule a hearing pursuant to 765 ILCS 1020/27 within seven days of filing said claim. Upon entry of an order by the Court establishing the value of the lost property regardless of the perishable nature of the goods, the assigned judge shall cause the matter to be scheduled for the hearing required under 765 ILCS 1020/28 for a date not sooner than 13 months after the entry of the original order. This latter date is for proof of publication and the order vesting ownership of the goods in the Petitioner.
3. The individual, or attorney, making this initial presentment shall be instructed to file with the County Clerk within 10 days a certified copy of the order and the affidavit herein in the Estray Book. This is maintained in the Vital Statistics Division located in the lower Randolph Street level of the County Building. The Petitioner should be reminded of the publication requirement found in the statute.
4. The Clerk shall establish on each assigned call a case management date for each estray case. Said case management date shall be not less than 180 days after the filing of the estray action. Only those cases where an order establishing value pursuant to 65 ILCS 1020/27 has not been entered shall be placed on the call. The person filing the claim or the attorney filing the claim on behalf of the petitioner shall receive notice of the case management date by regular mail deposited not later than 30 days prior to the scheduled hearing.



ENTERED:


**Patrick E. McGann, 1510
Presiding Judge – County Division**