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

## **ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2008-3**

SUBJECT: TAX VALUATION PROCEEDINGS

**NEWLY FILED CASES:** Effective January 28, 2008, the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois shall cause all newly filed tax valuation complaints to be randomly assigned to Calendars 4 and 11. Each Calendar shall receive 50% of the newly filed cases.

PENDING CASES: All pending cases that have been assigned an odd case number are hereby reassigned to Calendar 4. Such reassignment shall be effected on the first court date scheduled for such case by the terms of Circuit Court General Order 10.8 occurring on or after January 28, 2008. Calendar 11 shall retain jurisdiction over all such cases scheduled for case management on February 5, 2008 for the purpose of entering orders of dismissal, re-designation of the matter and assignment to one of the several Calendars as a "Small Claim," and/or transfer to Calendar 4. The remaining cases will remain pending on Calendar 11 until an order of transfer is entered. Thus all matters relating to such cases shall be scheduled for hearing on calendar 11 until such order is entered.

MOTIONS TO CONSOLIDATE: Any party seeking to consolidate a newly filed pending valuation objection case with prior filed valuation objection case shall schedule such Motion for hearing on the Calendar or Calendars on which the later filed matters are pending. The judge presiding on that Calendar may enter an order consolidating such cases into the earliest filed matter. If the earliest filed case has an odd case number, was filed prior to the date of this order, and remains pending on Calendar 11, in addition to the order of consolidation, the court shall transfer the consolidated matter to Calendar 4.

SUBSTITUTION OF JUDGE: In any case where a party exercises its right to a substitution of judge, the matter shall be transferred to Calendar 3 (the Presiding Judge) for re-assignment among the several Calendars of the County Division. If a party seeks a substitution of judge for cause, the matter shall be re-assigned to Calendar 3 for assignment among the several Calendars of the County Division for hearing on said Motion. If the Motion is denied, the matter shall be returned directly to the Calendar to which it was assigned when the Motion was filed. If the Motion is granted, the matter shall be returned to Calendar 3 for re-assignment among the remaining Calendars of the County Division.

Dated this 28th Day of January 2008 and spread upon the records of this Court.

Patrick E. McGann Presiding Judge

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