

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

SPECIAL ORDER NO.: 2026-11

SUBJECT: Temporary Assignment of Hon. John A. Fairman

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article VI of the Illinois Constitution and applicable law, the Chief Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County is vested with the authority and responsibility for the general administrative supervision of the courts within the Circuit; and

WHEREAS, information has been presented to the Office of the Chief Judge concerning the conduct of the Honorable John A. Fairman which, if substantiated, may implicate the Illinois Code of Judicial Conduct; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Illinois Supreme Court Rule 56, the Chief Judge has determined that reasonable cause exists to conclude that the continued assignment of the Honorable John A. Fairman to regular judicial duties may impede the orderly administration of justice; and

WHEREAS, this action constitutes an administrative measure undertaken to safeguard the integrity of the judiciary, ensure the efficient operation of the courts, and maintain public confidence in the judicial system, and does not constitute a finding of misconduct;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that, effective March 4, 2026, the Honorable John A. Fairman is temporarily reassigned to duties other than judicial duties, as designated by the Chief Judge, pending further order of the Court.

Dated this 3rd day of March, 2026.