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Dear Valued Clients,

We hope this message finds you and your family safe and comfortable. In light of the recent expansion of the COVID-19 throughout our country and the recent announcements from both the Governor of Illinois and Mayor of Chicago, we want to take this opportunity to reach out to each of you and remind you that we are still here, in your corner, working diligently on your cases and protecting your rights under the law. If we are not currently handling a case for you at this time, please be aware that we are also still accepting new clients and new cases by offering virtual consultations to anyone who needs assistance.

Over the weekend, the State of Illinois announced mass closures to schools, restaurants, government offices and a large portion of the court system. While this is an unprecedented time in our nation's history, we want you to be assured that right now your highest priority should be focused on that of you and your family, your health, and your loved ones; not your pending litigation. You are in capable hands with Gordon & Centracchio and we are here to ensure that your case transitions smoothly through the courts upcoming hiatus.

While all currently announced closures are subject to modification, the Cook County Circuit Courts will be closed beginning Tuesday, March 17, 2020, and will remain closed until April 16, 2020; though Chief Judge Timothy Evans did include in his announcement that an additional 30 day extension may be warranted. Additionally, the Illinois Worker's Compensation Commission will be closed beginning Tuesday, March 17, 2020, and will remain closed until March 31, 2020. If in fact it is an emergency that you are not receiving your weekly TTD payments or need medical treatment, we can still file for an immediate 19B hearing to remedy the failure of the Respondent/Employer to pay benefits under the law. In addition, we will still be able to file any and all cases with the State of Illinois during this period of time. As our office continues to receive updates on court scheduling, we will keep our clients as informed as possible. We appreciate your patience and cooperation with our office.

At our firm, we truly do treat each other like family; we too are concerned for each other's health and that of our families. While national and state officials are encouraging everyone to stay home as much as possible, we are fortunate at Gordon & Centracchio to have recently upgraded our phone and computer systems, allowing our office to run effectively from anywhere, including our homes. In addition, we are now offering virtual meetings to our clients for those of you who prefer face to face communication but prefer not to travel to the office. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this announcement, or how it effects your case, please do not hesitate to contact our office at the above listed phone number. If you are unable to reach us at the office, please do not hesitate to contact Larry Gordon on his cell phone at (312) 593-1043. Stay safe and be well.

All the Best,

GORDON & CENTRACCHIO, L.L.C.

Handwritten signature of Julie Eberhardt in black ink.

Handwritten signature of Joseph G. Ryan in black ink.

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