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## **UPDATE FOR EVICTIONS**

To: All Landlords:

Harvey County Courthouse has opened.

Sedgwick County Courthouse remains closed.

Evictions are being filed in Sedgwick County and reserved on the 6/17/2020 appearance docket.

To file an eviction:

1) You must not be covered by the Cares Act.

2) If your tenant has been financially impacted by Covid-19, the Kansas Governor issued an Executive Order continuing her previous Order to 5/31/2020. The Order states a landlord cannot evict a tenant when the default is caused by financial hardships due to Covid-19. If you initiate an eviction, you have the burden of showing the eviction is <u>not</u> being initiated solely because of the default caused by a financial hardship resulting from the Covid-19 Pandemic.

Initiating in May might be a concern. We also cannot predict if this will be the final Order from the Governor.

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