

## Senior Courts of Belize #1 Treasury Lane Belize City, Belize

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## **Senior Courts of Belize Announces Closure of Court**

The Hon. Chief Justice of Belize, Louise Esther Blenman wishes to inform the public that, in light of the impending effects of Tropical Storm Sara, the Belize Magistrate Court and the Belize Family Court will be closed with effect 3:00 p.m. Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2024.

This decision has been taken to ensure the safety and well-being of all court staff, attorneys, court assets and the general public.

## **Details of Adjournments:**

- Rescheduling of Cases: Cases affected by this adjournment will be rescheduled, and new dates will be communicated to all relevant parties in due course.
- Court Operations: Normal court operations are expected to resume on Monday 18<sup>th</sup>
   November, 2024 at 9:00 am pending outcome of the storm. Kindly note that further notice will be sent where such is not possible.
- In exceptional Circumstances the Magistrate Court and the Belize Family Court will be available to hear urgent applications once the circumstance permit.

We urge all court users to stay informed through official channels and to adhere to any further advisories issued by the National Emergency Management Organization (NEMO). For further inquiries or updates about court matters, please contact the office of the Magistrate Court and Family Courts (within the respective district areas).

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation as we take this important step to ensure the safety of all.