

Procedural and organizational measures to deal with COVID-19 in the field of the Administration of Justice came into force.

We analyze some of these measures included in The Royal Decree Law 16/2020 of 28 April.

1. Urgent procedural measures

August is **exceptionally and partially enabled** to give continuity to the judicial activity during this month which, in general, is in recess. In this sense, see below some of those:

- a) All urgent legal proceedings (Article 183 of Organic Law 6/1985) are declared **enabled from 11 to 31 August 2020**. Saturdays, Sundays and bank holidays are excluded from this provision, except for those legal proceedings for which these days are already working days in accordance with procedural laws.
 - **File a legal proceeding to challenge an ERTE** referred to in article 23 of Royal Decree Law 8/2020.

c) Preferential treatment of certain procedures

- Voluntary jurisdiction in which the measures referred to in article 158 of the Civil Code are adopted, as well as the special and summary procedure foreseen for the procedure in family matters (articles 3 to 5 of the present RD);
- In the civil jurisdiction, the proceedings derived from the lack of recognition by the financial entity of the **legal moratorium** in the mortgages. Also those processes derived from claims by tenants due to the lack of application of the legally established moratorium, between others.
- In the contentious-administrative jurisdiction, the appeals lodged against the acts and resolutions of the Public Administrations **denying the application of the measures** legally provided.
- In the social jurisdiction order:



- processes for **dismissal or termination of contract**;
- the procedures for application of the **MECUIDA plan**
- the procedures for the individual or collective challenge of **ERTEs**

2. Organizational and technological measures

Some of the most important measure are:

- a) Holding of procedural acts by means of telematics presence:
- b) Attention to the public will be made by **telephone or through the e-mail** enabled for this purpose.
- c) Full working day for the court-appointed lawyers.: during the state of alarm and up to three months after its end



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