

**IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS  
GEAUGA COUNTY, OHIO**

IN RE: ) JUDGE CAROLYN J. PASCHKE  
) JUDGE DAVID M. ONDREY  
CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) )  
HEALTH CRISIS ) **ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER**  
) **[2020-7 STAY OF ALL**  
) **FORECLOSURE CASES]**  
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Due to the existing state and national emergency and concerns regarding the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Health Crisis, the Geauga County Court of Common Pleas is taking the following action regarding foreclosure cases:

1. The Geauga County Common Pleas Court hereby stays ALL foreclosure cases through June 1, 2020 subject to the provisions set forth below.
2. The Clerk of Courts may accept filings of foreclosure cases. If service is accomplished prior to June 1, 2020, the Stay set forth in Paragraph 1 herein shall take effect.
3. The Clerk of Courts may accept filings in foreclosure cases during this Stay, but there will be no rulings or decisions except as set forth in Paragraph 8 until the June 1, 2020 stay is vacated.
4. The Clerk of Courts shall not issue any Order of Sale until the June 1, 2020 Stay is vacated.
5. The Geauga County Sheriff shall not proceed with any appraisals in any foreclosure cases until the June 1, 2020, Stay is vacated.
6. The Geauga County Sheriff shall return all pending Orders of Appraisal or Orders of Sale, if incomplete, to the Clerk.
7. All private selling officer sales in foreclosure cases are stayed until the June 1, 2020 Stay is vacated.
8. Motions, notices and orders may be filed and ruled on as follows:
  - a. Motions to confirm sales and distribute proceeds and other motions where a sale has already occurred.
  - b. Motions to Dismiss and/or Notices of Dismissal filed by Plaintiffs.
  - c. Requests for mediation.

- d. Motions to lift the Stay for a particular case for good cause shown on a case by case basis.

The Court may order further continuances, suspensions and stays in foreclosure cases as deemed necessary.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

  
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CAROLYN J. PASCHKE, ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE

  
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DAVID M. ONDREY, JUDGE

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