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IN THE COMMON PLEAS OF RICHLAND COUNTY, OHIO

GENERAL DIVISION 12:49

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IN THE MATTER OF THE COVID-19
PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
AS TO ORDER OF SALES
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The Judges of the Richland County Court of Common Pleas, General Division, make the following findings:

1. On March 9, 2020, Ohio Governor Mike DeWine issued Executive Order 2020-01D declaring a state of emergency in response to the COVID-19 (also known as “the coronavirus”) pandemic.
2. On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization officially declared COVID-19 to be a global pandemic, requiring urgent and aggressive action to control the spread of the virus.
3. On March 13, 2020, the Richland County Commissioners urged Richland County agencies to embrace social distancing and accessing public services remotely when possible.
4. On March 18, 2020, the Office of Ohio Attorney General Dave Yost issued Opinion No. 2020-002 stating that “[c]ourts may suspend jury trials to prevent the spread of the novel coronavirus, and they may do so consistent with state and federal speedy-trial obligations.”

Based on these findings, the Richland County Common Pleas Court, finds it necessary to amend its Local Rules and modify its policies to accomplish two overarching goals: (1) protect

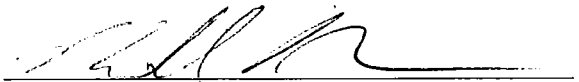
its employees, litigants, and the community as a whole and (2) administer justice and protect individuals' constitutional and statutory rights. Therefore, it is hereby ORDERED that:

1. The Court hereby stays the execution of Decrees of Foreclosure and all Orders of Sale until after May 30, 2020.

It is so **ORDERED**.



Judge Brent N. Robinson, General Division



Judge Phillip S. Naumoff, General Division