## COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF MONROE COUNTY FORTY-THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA CIVIL DIVISION

IN RE: 43rd JUDICIAL DISTRICT **EMERGENCY ADMINISTRATIVE** 

No. 91 AD 2020 5 CV 2020

**ORDER COVID-19** 

REAL ESTATE SHERIFF SALES

Supreme Court Docketing No. 38MM2020

## **EMERGENCY ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER**

AND NOW, this 13th day of November, 2020 pursuant to this Court's Declaration of Judicial Emergency dated March 16, 2020 and all subsequent Orders extending the Judicial Emergency to January 4, 2021 and in accordance with the Pennsylvania Supreme Court's Declaration of Judicial Emergency and Supplemental Orders issued as a result of the COVID19 Pandemic and; after consideration of the recommendations and guidelines issued by the CDC, the Pennsylvania Department of Health and Governor's office, and numerous local and regional medical experts consulted by this Court: in furtherance of the mandate of Pennsylvania Rule of Judicial Administration 1952(B)(2) that the President Judge "take necessary action to provide for the ...safety of court personnel, court users and the public ... ", and following a careful balancing of the public's right of access to courts against health, safety, and welfare concerns arising from the COVID-19 pandemic that necessitated the Emergency Orders, We hereby AUTHORIZE and ORDER the following:

- 1. All Real Estate Sheriff Sales previously scheduled for December 3, 2020 (except for sales of Timeshare properties which occur as scheduled) are continued to January 28, 2021 at 10:00 am in Hearing Room B, Monroe County Courthouse, Stroudsburg, PA or on a digital platform to be announced on the Sheriff's website.
- 2. All Real Estate Sheriff Sales previously scheduled for January 28, 2021 (except for sales of Timeshare properties which occur as scheduled) are continued to February

- 3. 25, 2021 at 10:00 am in Hearing Room B, Monroe County Courthouse, Stroudsburg, PA or on a digital platform to be announced on the Sheriff's website.
- 4. No new service of notice or oral public announcement of the Sheriff's Sale is required under Pa.R.C.P.3129.3 pursuant to this Court's Declaration of Judicial Emergency and Orders dated March 16, 2020 and March 18, 2020 suspending any such notice requirements.
- 5. Sheriff's personnel shall post this Court Order of the continued sale dates of December 3, 2020 and January 28, 2021 at the public entrance of the Monroe County Courthouse and the Monroe County Administration Building and arrange for posting on both the County and Court websites.
- 6. A copy of this Order continuing the December 3, 2020 and January 28, 2021 Sheriff Sales to January 28, 2021 and February 25, 2021 respectively shall be recorded in the Monroe County Office of the Recorder of Deeds and to a miscellaneous docket number in the office of the Monroe County Prothonotary.
- 7. All cases currently scheduled on the December 3, 2020 or January 28, 2021 sales, including those which have previously been postponed to those dates, may be postponed by the Plaintiff to a regularly scheduled sale date in February 2021 or any regularly scheduled sale thereafter. Requests for postponement under this paragraph shall be made in writing to the Monroe County Sheriff's Office on or before January 28, 2021. The Sheriff shall abate the postponement fee one time for each sale case number.

All postponed sales resulting from this Order shall be considered without defect and properly held pursuant to Pa.R.C.P.3129.1 *et seq.* 

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BY THE COURT:

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