



### **Kansas State Moratorium**

On March 17, 2020, Kansas Governor Laura Kelly issued the attached Executive Order No. 20-06 (“Order”). In order to mitigate the economic effects of the spread of COVID-19, the Order directs and orders all financial institutions operating in Kansas to “temporarily suspend the initiation of any mortgage foreclosure efforts or judicial proceedings and any commercial or residential eviction efforts or judicial proceedings until May 1, 2020.” The Order is effective as of March 17, 2020.

While the Order does not specifically address completion or continuation of proceedings that were already initiated as of the effective date of the Order, the intent and spirit of the Order is to cease foreclosure and eviction proceedings. Out of an abundance of caution, pending further clarification from the Governor and the courts, we recommend the cancelation of sales and suspension of judicial proceedings related to foreclosure and eviction through and including May 1, 2020. We will be placing all such matters on hold until after May 1, 2020 or until such time as we receive further guidance.

### **Court Updates**

Our firm has received notification from the following courts regarding cancellations and closures due to the Covid-19 pandemic. The list is current as of this blast and updates will be provided in the coming days as necessary. Please share with others in your organization these closures may affect.

<b>Kansas</b>	<b>Closure/Cancellation</b>	<b>Time Frame</b>
<b>Statewide</b>	All foreclosure and eviction actions have been suspended by order of the Governor of Kansas.	March 17, 2020 - May 1, 2020, unless rescinded or the statewide State of Emergency expires, whichever is sooner.
<b>Kansas City Kansas Bankruptcy Court - Clerk's Office</b>	Closed	Until further notice.

<b>Kentucky</b>	<b>Closure/Cancellation</b>	<b>Time Frame</b>
<b>All Kentucky Courts – As ordered by the Kentucky Supreme Court</b>	All pending in-person appearances/motions for civil cases are canceled and will be rescheduled.	March 16, 2020 – April 10, 2020
<b>Kentucky Bankruptcy Courts (Eastern &amp; Western Districts)</b>	Telephonic appearances and participation are available to limit personal contact.	None provided

<b>Missouri</b>	<b>Closure/Cancellation</b>	<b>Time Frame</b>
<b>All Missouri Courts</b>	All in-person hearings	March 16, 2020 – April 3, 2020
<b>Western District of Missouri</b>	To limit the number of people coming into the courthouse, upcoming dockets will be held by phone.	Weeks of March 16th and March 26th, 2020

The firm will be notifying clients on a case by case basis as loans are affected and will place holds as necessary. Cases requiring an in-person hearing will necessarily result in an uncontrollable delay in the foreclosure process for affected loans. We will seek to have the matters re-scheduled for the next available court date after normal operations in the jurisdiction resume and will work to schedule phone hearings where applicable and available. Throughout this event, our firm is working diligently to protect our clients' interests and minimize the impact and disruption of service.

Please contact us at your convenience if you have questions or concerns regarding this matter.

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