

MAHONING COUNTY COURT
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Canfield, Ohio

IN RE:)
CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19))
PUBLIC EMERGENCY:)
SPEEDY TRIAL – JURY TRIALS and)
BENCH TRIALS) **JUDGMENT ENTRY**

CASE NO. 2020 CV OPEN
GENERAL ORDER

WHEREAS, pursuant to Executive Order 2020-011 dated March 2, 2020 the Governor of the State of Ohio has declared a public health emergency in response to the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19), and;

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and other public health authorities have advised the taking of precautions to reduce the possibility of exposure to the virus and slow the spread of the disease. The Governor of the State of Ohio has additionally issued a “Stay at Home” Order effective March 23, 2020 remaining in effect until April 6, 2020 unless rescinded, modified or extended, and;

WHEREAS, on March 27, 2020, the Governor of Ohio signed into law Am. Sub. H.B. 197, which immediately tolled, retroactive to March 9, 2020, all statutes of limitation, time limitations, and deadlines in the Ohio Revised Code and the Ohio Administrative Code until the expiration of Executive Order 2020-01D or July 30, 2020, and;

WHEREAS, on March 27, 2020 the Supreme Court of Ohio has issued an order tolling of time requirements imposed by rules promulgated by the Supreme Court and Use of Technology, and;

WHEREAS, the Court has an obligation to protect the health and due to the Court staff, jurors, attorneys, prosecutors, plaintiffs and defendants and the public at large, and;

WHEREAS, due to the “Stay at Home” order referenced above, the Court has a limited ability to obtain an adequate spectrum of jurors, and;

WHEREAS, the Court has weighed the interests of justice against the interest of any defendant’s right to a speedy trial pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 2945.72(H) and determined that justice requires a stay of all speedy trial considerations as to jury trials and bench trials.

NOW, therefore, the Court adopts the following temporary orders:

This order shall apply retroactively to the date of the emergency declared by Executive Order 2020-01D and shall expire on the date the period of emergency ends or July 30, 2020, whichever is sooner.

- All jury and bench trials currently scheduled are hereby suspended until further notice
- The Court shall reschedule all jury and bench trials which were scheduled during this time period at its convenience.
- The Court hereby issues a temporary stay of all speedy trial considerations until further notice.

This order shall apply retroactively to the date of the emergency declared by Executive Order 2020-01D and shall expire on the date the period of emergency ends or July 30, 2020, whichever is sooner.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

HON.



Scott D. Hunter, Administrative and Presiding Judge