

**In the Franklin County Municipal Court
Columbus, Ohio**

Administrative Order Number: 11-2020

Effective: 5-21-2020

In order to implement Section 4024(b) of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act of 2020, Pub. L. No. 116-136, the Clerk of Court is directed as follows.


Between the effective date of this Order and July 25, 2020, the Clerk shall not accept for filing any complaint seeking restitution of premises under R.C. 1923 *et seq* unless it is submitted with a completed "CARES Act Compliance Affidavit," the form for which is attached and incorporated into this Order.

The "CARES Act Compliance Affidavit" shall be completed either by the plaintiff named in the complaint, by an appropriate agent of the plaintiff, or by an attorney representing the plaintiff.

If a complaint for restitution of premises is submitted without a completed "CARES Act Compliance Affidavit," the Clerk shall return the complaint and the tendered filing cost to the plaintiff as soon as practicable.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

5.18.20
Date



Judge Ted Barrows
Administrative and Presiding Judge

CARES ACT COMPLIANCE AFFIDAVIT

I, _____, being first duly sworn, do hereby state:

I am aware of the existence of the CARES Act and specifically that it prohibits landlords of certain rental "covered dwellings" from initiating eviction proceedings against a tenant for nonpayment of rent at any time between March 27, 2020 and July 25, 2020.

I hereby affirm that I have reviewed the law and its prohibitions, and that **either**:

1) the premises for which the plaintiff is seeking restitution by filing this civil action is not a "covered dwelling" as defined in the CARES Act, in that it is not the subject of a federally-backed mortgage loan or a federally backed multifamily mortgage loan, and does not participate in the rural housing voucher program or a housing program covered by the Violence Against Women Act.

- or -

2) the premises for which the plaintiff is seeking restitution is a "covered dwelling" as defined in the CARES Act, but the plaintiff is seeking restitution of the premises for a reason other than nonpayment of rent.

I further understand that knowingly making a false statement in an official proceeding, such as filing a civil action with a court, constitutes the offense of Falsification, as prohibited by R.C. 2921.13 and by C.C.C. 2321.13, which is a first degree misdemeanor, punishable by up to 180 days in jail and a fine up to \$1,000.

DATE

SIGNATURE

PRINTED NAME

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence this ____ day of _____, 2020.

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