

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY
COUNTY DEPARTMENT, CHANCERY DIVISION**

GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2016-04

**SUBJECT: SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVES' FEES AND COSTS
FORECLOSURE CASES**

General Administrative Orders 2015-02 and 2016-02 established a new procedure and guidelines for special representatives in mortgage foreclosure cases. This general administrative order addresses issues related to motions and fees and costs.

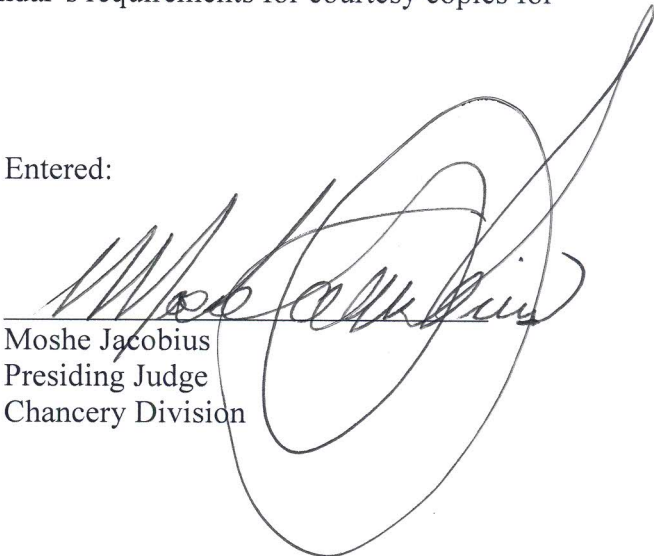
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. General Administrative Orders 2015-02 and 2016-02 stand in their entirety, until further order of the court.
2. General Administrative Orders 2015-02, 2016-02, and this order, 2016-04 apply to all motions to appoint a special representative whether brought under 735 ILCS 5/13-209, 735 ILCS 5/2-1008, or any other statutory provision allowing for the appointment of a special representative to stand in the place of a deceased party.
3. The order appointing the special representative shall waive the cost of the appearance filing fee until the initial list of court-approved special representatives is established by the Special Representatives Committee. When the initial list is finalized and published, the Office of the Presiding Judge will send a notice to the court-approved special representatives and judges that the special representatives should begin paying the appearance fees.
4. Attorney's fees for special representatives shall be set at \$200 per hour, not to exceed a total attorney's fee recovery of \$1,000 in addition to filing fees. Notwithstanding the foregoing, when appropriate circumstances exist, the Court may adjust the attorney's fees awarded for good cause shown.
5. Petitions for approval of costs and fees should be filed as another petition for fees with the Clerk of the Circuit Court with a time and task affidavit in all cases. Filed petitions may be scheduled and noticed for the same time as the Plaintiff's motion for summary judgment and entry of a judgment of foreclosure for all mortgage foreclosure calendars. Alternatively, a special representative may spindle a petition for approval of fees and costs on a motion call date separate from the plaintiff's motion for summary judgment.

All petitions for fees are subject to each calendar's requirements for courtesy copies for presentment.

Date: April 7, 2016

Entered:



Moshe Jacobius
Presiding Judge
Chancery Division