

REQUEST FOR MEDIATION

Case No: _____ Borrower/Homeowner Name(s): _____

Judge _____

Address: _____

Phone No. _____

E-mail: _____

You will be required to attend a homeowner information class and comply with deadlines for submitting financial information. Failure to comply with these requirements will preclude you from participating in mediation.

Check all that apply:

_____ This is a rental property.

_____ I/we want to keep and live in the property.

_____ I/we are unable to remain in the property and no longer want to own the property, but want to resolve the case.

_____ I/we are represented by an attorney for this foreclosure.

Please note that your bankruptcy attorney does not represent you in this foreclosure case unless you have specifically retained him/her for this purpose.

Provide your attorney's contact information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

MAIL ORIGINAL AND ONE COPY OF REQUEST BY U.S. REGULAR MAIL TO:

Stark County Clerk of Courts
115 Central Plaza North, Suite 101
Canton, Ohio 44702

ALSO MAIL A COPY BY U.S. REGULAR MAIL TO THE ATTORNEY FOR THE MORTGAGE SERVICE COMPANY AND VERIFY THAT BY SIGNING THE FOLLOWING PROOF OF SERVICE:

PROOF OF SERVICE

I sent a copy of the foregoing Request for Mediation by regular US Mail to the Attorney for the Plaintiff (lender) at the address on the summons on _____.

Date

Borrower/Homeowner's Signature

Important Information Concerning The Lawsuit And Our Mediation Program

Dear Homeowner,

You have been named as a defendant in a foreclosure lawsuit. This lawsuit could result in the loss of your home, so you must take this matter seriously and act quickly to preserve your legal rights. It is recommended that you immediately seek the advice of a lawyer.

BEWARE

Individuals, companies, and/or lawyers will contact you claiming they will save your home for a fee. Be very cautious of such promises. Contact UW-211 or (330)-491-9997 (United Way's First Call for Help line) to find out about free, non-legal assistance to aid you through this process.

If you believe that you can afford your home or you no longer want to own the property, you may request mediation using the enclosed form. Mediation is a free process where a neutral party works to see if you and your mortgage company can come to an agreement on how to save your home or how to resolve the lawsuit. **You will be required to attend a homeowner information class and comply with deadlines for submitting financial information. Failure to comply with these requirements will preclude you from participating in mediation.**

The original and one (1) copy of the completed mediation request must be filed at the address listed in the mediation request form within twenty-eight (28) days from when you were served with the foreclosure Summons and Complaint. A copy of the completed request also must be mailed to the plaintiff's attorney listed in the lawsuit. If your mediation request is granted, you may attend mediation with or without a lawyer.

No mediation request should be made for the purpose of delay.

If the Court grants a timely request for mediation no further action on the lawsuit will occur while the mediation is proceeding. However, you still must protect your legal rights and should consult immediately with legal counsel.

Sincerely,

THE STARK COUNTY COMMON PLEAS COURT

Judge Kristin G. Farmer
Judge Frank G. Forchione
Judge John G. Haas
Judge Chryssa N. Hartnett
Judge Taryn L. Heath