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FOURTH REVISED COMMUNICATION REGARDING AFFIDAVIT JUDGMENT IN THE DISTRICT COURT

March 12, 2021

As the District Court returns to Phase IV of the phased reopening, beginning March 15, 2021, the District Court may begin processing and scheduling civil cases for affidavit judgment. A defendant may file a Notice of Intention to Defend prior to the affidavit judgment date or may appear in person on the affidavit judgment date. If a defendant does not file a Notice of Intention to Defend or appear in person on the affidavit judgment date, an affidavit judgment may be entered against the defendant.

Some courts are offering remote hearings by video or phone. If a defendant is interested in appearing remotely on the affidavit judgment date, please use the following form: https://mdcourts.gov/sites/default/files/court-forms/ccdc110.pdf and see the Remote Hearing Toolkit to help prepare for the hearing: https://mdcourts.gov/remotehearings.

For additional information regarding the Court's return to Phase IV please see:

- Communication Regarding District Court Restricted Operations and Landlord/Tenant Actions During Return to Phase IV
- Amended Administrative Order Expanding Statewide Judiciary Operations in Light of the COVID-19 Emergency

This Communication will be posted on the Judiciary's website and on each District Court's webpage.