STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT COUNTY OF WAUKESHA

IN RE THE MATTER OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF FORECLOSURE MEDIATION ALTERNATIVES

ORDER

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CIRCUIT COURT
WAUKESHA COUNTY, WI

Whereas mortgage foreclosure filings in 2013 were being filed at significant levels in Wisconsin, and;

Whereas Wisconsin statute sec. 802.12(2) provided the Circuit Court with authority in appropriate cases to order the parties to select a settlement alternative such as mediation, and;

Whereas the Wisconsin Foreclosure Mediation Network and The Waukesha County Clerk of Circuit Courts offered a voluntary foreclosure mediation program, which was available to one-four family residences and lenders to communicate and discuss settlement alternatives early in the foreclosure process with the goal of reducing the number of foreclosures either through work outs, loan modifications or other alternatives to foreclosure; and

Whereas, pursuant to the Order dated 4/30/13, all residential (1-4 family) foreclosure actions filed on and after the effective date of May 1, 2013, were to have attached to the front of the summons and complaint a Notice of Availability of Mediation and a Mediation Request Form, and

Whereas, due to budgetary constraints, Wisconsin Foreclosure Mediation Network/Mediate Wisconsin is no longer processing foreclosure mediation referrals and has discontinued this service,

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the 4/30/13 Order is rescinded but that other options/information shall be made available on the Waukesha County Clerk of Circuit Court website in this regard.

Dated: 2/19/26

Paul Bugenhagen, Jr. Circuit Court Judge Civil Division	J. Arthur Melvin, III Circuit Court Judge Civil Division	Zachary A. Wittchow Circuit Court Judge Civil Division