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MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 22, 2020

TO: District Court Judges
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FROM: Bobbi Morrow, Management Analyst
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RE: Amendment of Administrative Order No. 2020-17 and New Procedure for
Landlord/Tenant Cases

On June 24, 2020, the Michigan Supreme Court released an [Amendment of Administrative Order No. 2020-17](#) directing courts to process landlord/tenant cases using a prioritization approach. This approach ensures that landlord/tenant cases are able to be filed and adjudicated efficiently. The [guidance document](#) issued in conjunction with Administrative Order No. 2020-17 was also updated. Additionally, on July 7, 2020, the Michigan Judicial Institute in association with the State Court Administrative Office (SCAO) conducted a webinar¹ regarding “Priority Treatment and New Procedure for Landlord/Tenant Cases” based on the procedures outlined in amended AO No. 2020-17. Since that time, SCAO has received several additional questions seeking clarification of the new landlord/tenant procedure.

For more information, see the UPDATED [Frequently Asked Questions](#) (FAQs).

If you have any additional questions, please contact Bobbi Morrow at MorrowB@courts.mi.gov or 517-373-2173 or Michele Muscat at MuscatM@courts.mi.gov or 517-373-3756.

¹ The webinar presentation and reference materials can be found by clicking [here](#).

