

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE**

**In Re: STAY OF CIVIL PROCEEDINGS IN
THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT
COURT FOR THE WESTERN
DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE IN THE
ABSENCE OF AN APROPRIATION
BILL OR CONTINUING RESOLUTION
BY THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS**

**Misc. Case No.
2:mc-00051-STA**

ORDER GRANTING MOTION

The United States Attorney has indicated in its Motion for a Stay of Proceedings that there has been a lapse in appropriations needed to maintain operation of the Office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Tennessee, and that attorneys and other employees of the Civil Division of that Office are prohibited from working, even on a voluntary basis, with but one very limited exception. Therefore, the United States Attorney has requested a stay of proceedings for civil cases being handled by that Office. Based upon this motion and for good cause shown, it is hereby:

ORDERED, that because of the lapse of appropriations needed to fund the Office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Tennessee, all proceedings in all civil cases in which the United States Attorney is counsel of record will be stayed until such time that Congress has restored appropriations to that Office;

ORDERED FURTHER, that the United States Attorney shall forthwith notify the Court in writing when Congress has appropriated funding for that Office and the date upon which Civil Division attorneys and employees will be able to resume their duties; and

ORDERED FURTHER, that all current deadlines in civil cases affected by this Order shall be extended for a period of time commensurate with the duration of this stay or as otherwise directed by the judge overseeing the case.

The Court shall distribute this Order:

- (a) by electronic service to all registered CM/ECF users;
- (b) by first-class mail to unregistered civil litigants, including pro se litigants, and to attorneys pending pro hac vice admission; and

(c) by posting the Order on the Court's public website.

If requested by motion filed by any party, the Court will clarify the status of case schedules upon expiration of the stay and dependent on the timing of the funding resolution.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

FOR THE COURT, the 28th day of December, 2018.

s/ S. Thomas Anderson
S. THOMAS ANDERSON
CHIEF U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE