## IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY COUNTY DEPARTMENT, CHANCERY DIVISION

## **GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2017-03**

SUBJECT: FEE PETITIONS FOR SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVES (MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE CASES)

In addition to the directives set forth in General Administrative Order 2016-04, it is hereby ordered:

## IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

- 1. Fee petitions filed by court-appointed special representatives may be filed in conjunction with the plaintiff's motion for summary judgment (i.e., "piggybacked" with the motion) on all mortgage foreclosure calendars.
- 2. If a special representative seeks approval of fees prior to the motion for summary judgment, the special representative may spindle the petition for interim fees to be heard by the judge at a separate date.
- 3. If a special representative files his or her petition at the same time as a motion for summary judgment and the plaintiff has no objections to the petition for fees, the special representative need not appear in court on the petition for fees. However, judges have the discretion to make a special representative appear on the petition if the judge has a question about the fees being reimbursed, even if the plaintiff does not object.
- 4. Petitions for fees will not be granted off call for any calendar.

5. The fee petition procedures outlined above shall be effective April 1, 2017.

6. Special Representatives shall begin paying appearance fees on April 17, 2017.

ENTER:

Date: March 16, 2017

Moshe Jacobius Presiding Judge

Chancery Division