



**THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
OF MICHIGAN**

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DOCKET DIRECTIVE 2006 - 05

**STATE OF MICHIGAN
THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT**

SUBJECT: CITY OF DETROIT PROPERTY TAX FORECLOSURE CASES

This docket directive is issued pursuant to MCR 8.110 and 8.111.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

Effective April 17, 2006, all property tax foreclosure cases (CH) filed in the Third Judicial Circuit by the City of Detroit or on behalf of the City of Detroit shall be assigned to the docket of Judge Michael F. Sapala.

This docket directive is necessary for the purpose of administrative efficiency, judicial economy and to avoid the potential for conflicting decisions on the same issues by judges of the same court.

In order to separate these actions from Judge Sapala's current civil inventory, they will be assigned to the judicial docket code of CFCON on the Court's case management system.

The City of Detroit or firm representing the same shall affix the following language to the face of each complaint: DETROIT (CITY OF) - TAX to clearly identify these filings and the Office of the Wayne County Clerk shall assign them pursuant to this Docket Directive.


Each filed complaint must include, as an exhibit, the relevant tax bill(s) evidencing the alleged unpaid taxes owed.

Upon the filing of a motion for default judgment, the most recent copy of the City of Detroit Tax Bill and an affidavit of fees and costs shall be attached to the motion. The motion shall otherwise be in conformity with applicable court rules.

This Docket Directive rescinds Docket Directive 1989-8.

The Wayne County Clerk, Circuit Court Case Processing and Circuit Court Information and Technology and System Bureau are directed to take the appropriate actions necessary to implement this Directive.

Dated: April 13, 2006



Mary Beth Kelly
Chief Judge
Third Judicial Circuit