

On Monday, January 11, 2021, the Judges of Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court – General Division voted to extend the current moratorium on jury trials to March 1, 2021, based on current recommendations of public health experts. The Judges also agreed to review that date in early February based on available COVID data at that time.

While indicating that the action was taken to protect the health and safety of all persons involved in the process, Administrative and Presiding Judge Brendan J. Sheehan also stated that it provides some guidance to attorneys and clients for potential resumption of pending matters.

Judge Sheehan further noted that even in the absence of jury trials, bench trials are still an option and attorneys have been advised to continue pursuing potential non-trial resolutions.

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