

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF CONNECTICUT

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In Re:

STAY OF CERTAIN CIVIL CASES PENDING THE
RESTORATION OF DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FUNDING
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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
NO. 2025- 22

Federal funding for certain functions of the United States of America lapsed on October 1, 2025. Attorneys and staff members of the Civil Division of the United States Attorney's Office for the District of Connecticut and other Department of Justice civil litigating components are generally prohibited — with limited exceptions — from working, even on a voluntary basis, during the lapse of appropriations. Upon request of the United States Attorney for the District of Connecticut, in light of the lapse of funding to the United States Department of Justice, and to facilitate the management of the Court's docket, it is hereby ordered as follows:

1. Except as ordered otherwise by a judge presiding over a particular case, all civil cases (other than civil forfeiture cases, immigration cases, habeas petitions, or cases requesting temporary restraining orders or other emergency relief) in which the United States Attorney's Office for the District of Connecticut or the Department of Justice has appeared as counsel of record for the United States, its agencies, and/or its employees are hereby stayed until two businesses days after the date the President signs into law a budget appropriation that restores Department of Justice funding.
2. Except as ordered otherwise by a judge presiding over a particular case, all court deadlines, including scheduling order deadlines and seal deadlines in *qui tam* cases, in all civil cases (other than civil forfeiture cases, immigration cases, habeas petitions, or cases requesting temporary restraining orders or other emergency relief) in which the United States Attorney's Office for the District of Connecticut or the Department of Justice has appeared as counsel of record for the United States, its agencies, and/or its employees are hereby tolled during the duration of the government shutdown and extended thereafter for a period of time equal to the number of calendar days between October 1, 2025 and two business days after the date the President signs into law a budget appropriation that restores Department of Justice funding.

3. The United States Attorney's Office shall notify the Court immediately upon the restoration of Department of Justice funding.

SO ORDERED:

Dated: October 16, 2025
Hartford, Connecticut

/s/Michael P. Shea
Michael P. Shea
Chief United States District Judge