M.O., 2020

Order number 4282 of the Chief Justice of Québec and the Minister of Justice dated 6 July 2020

Code of Civil Procedure (chapter C-25.01)

CONCERNING the lifting of the suspension of certain time limits for extinctive prescription, forfeiture and civil proceedings

The Chief Justice of Québec and the Minister of Justice, jointly,

CONSIDERING the first paragraph of article 27 of the Code of Civil Procedure (chapter C-25.01) that states that, in a state of emergency declared by the Government, the Chief Justice of Québec and the Minister of Justice may jointly suspend or extend a prescription or procedural period for a specified time in the manner they specify;

CONSIDERING the second paragraph of the said article that states that their decision takes effect immediately;

CONSIDERING order in council 177-2020 dated March 13, 2020, which declares a public health emergency throughout Québec for a period of 10 days;

CONSIDERING that the public health emergency was renewed until March 29, 2020, by order in council 222-2020 dated March 20, 2020, until April 7, 2020, by order in council 388-2020 dated March 29, 2020, until April 16, 2020, by order in council 418-2020 dated April 7, 2020, until April 24, 2020, by order in council 460-2020 dated April 15, 2020, until April 29, 2020, by order in council 478-2020 dated April 22, 2020, until May 6, 2020, by order in council 483-2020 dated April 29, 2020, until May 13, 2020, by order in council 501-2020 dated May 6, 2020, until May 20, 2020, by order in council 509-2020, dated May 13, 2020, until May 27, 2020, by order in council 531-2020 dated May 20, 2020, until June 3, 2020, by order in council 544-2020 dated May 27, 2020, until June 10, 2020, by order in council 572-2020 dated June 3, 2020, until June 17, 2020, by order in council 593-2020 dated June 10, 2020, until June 23, 2020, by order in council 630-2020 dated June 17, 2020, until June 30, 2020, by order in council 667-2020 dated June 23, 2020, and until July 8, 2020, by order in council 690-2020 dated June 30, 2020;

CONSIDERING Order 2020-4251 of the Chief Justice of Québec and the Minister of Justice dated March 15, 2020, which suspends, as long as the public health emergency declared by order in council 177-2020 dated March 13, 2020, is renewed, the time limits for extinctive prescription, forfeiture in civil matters, and civil proceedings, except, in the latter case, for matters deemed urgent by the courts;

CONSIDERING that it is necessary to lift the suspension of certain time limits for civil proceedings to allow, among other things, the enforcement of judgments by a court or decisions by the Régie du logement ordering the repossession of a dwelling or the eviction of a tenant of a dwelling or ordering the expulsion of a tenant or occupant of a dwelling;

ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

THAT the suspension of time limits for extinctive prescription, forfeiture and civil proceedings related to repossession of a dwelling, eviction of a tenant of a dwelling or expulsion of a tenant or occupant of a dwelling be lifted on July 6, 2020;

THAT, notwithstanding the foregoing and subject to matters deemed urgent by the courts in accordance with the second paragraph of Order 2020-4251, the suspension of time limits for appeals and enforcement of judgments by a court or decisions by the Régie du logement rendered on or after March 1, 2020, and ordering the repossession of a dwelling or the eviction of a tenant of a dwelling or ordering the expulsion of a tenant or occupant of a dwelling be lifted on July 20, 2020.

Québec, on July 6, 2020

SIMON JOLIN-BARRETTE, *Minister of Justice*

MANON SAVARD, Chief Justice of Québec

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