

## **Second Department Lifts the Suspension of Filing Deadlines for Respondents and Reply Briefs in non-actively managed civil matters**

By Administrative Order of today's date ([ADM 2020-0610](#)) the Second Department amended Administrative Order 2020-0506 and lifted the suspension of filing deadlines and imposed new deadlines in certain civil matters. In specific, [Administrative Order 2020-0610](#) provides for new deadlines for the filing of Respondents and Reply Briefs in civil matters. This is in addition to the new deadlines imposed upon motion filings, and the filing of briefs in criminal and actively-managed civil matters by Administrative Order 2020-0506. As the new order indicates, filing deadlines relating to the perfection of non-actively-managed civil appeals remain suspended at this time. Please note that a party who perfected an appeal or filed a respondent's brief to which the response or reply, respectively, shall become due in light of Administrative Order 2020-0610, should provide a digital copy of that filing to the Court and their adversary if they have not already done so.

The Court continues to encourage counsel to make digital filings in all matters whenever possible, either via NYSCEF if the appeal is subject to mandatory e-filing, or through the digital portal on the Court's website [https://www.nycourts.gov/courts/AD2/Digital\\_Submission.shtml](https://www.nycourts.gov/courts/AD2/Digital_Submission.shtml) . The Court also encourages counsel to make digital submissions through its portal in matters currently pending in which only hard copy submissions were previously made. Submissions of digital copies will assist the Court in processing those matters expeditiously during this time where the Court must operate only while virtually.

Please review the Court's order for details, and feel free to contact the Court at [ad2clerk@nycourts.gov](mailto:ad2clerk@nycourts.gov) with any questions.