



COLLATERAL RECOVERY ASSOCIATION OF ILLINOIS

The Future of Illinois Repossessions

The Collateral Recovery Association of Illinois was created in January 2020 in an attempt to bring Illinois repossession companies together as a united front in the fight against the dwindling fees and suffocating requirements and expectations that are slowly closing companies across the state. Then covid-19 hit.

Amid the initial executive order restricting repossessions on March 26th, we received a flurry of phone calls from repossession owners all asking the same question, how long will this last? Our hopes of returning to work diminished over time following the initial shutdown as the Governor continued to extend his orders month after month. We have since sent letters to the Governor's office, the Illinois Commerce Commission, and to the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity with little to no response.

Despite the fact that all of Governor Pritzker's executive orders after April 8th have been ruled void by Judge Michael McHaney in Clay County on July 2nd, the Illinois Commerce Commission and Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity continue to enforce them and we are forced to remain closed. We have been in contact with the attorney who won the case against Pritzker in Clay County, Tom DeVore, the ICC Transportation Counsel, Martin Barzawa, and a handful of referred attorneys with no results and more disturbingly, no answers.

Companies are becoming desperate at this point and a handful of them have retained their own attorney in hopes of getting Illinois repossession companies back to work. But for now, we are all left asking the same question we asked months ago, how long will this last?

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