



**COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE  
FIRST DISTRICT OF TEXAS AT HOUSTON**

**ORDER**

Appellate case name: Cora Lea Byford v. Lila Thompson

Appellate case number: 01-20-00180-CV

Trial court case number: 20CCV0001

Trial court: County Court of Chambers County

Appellant's brief was due on May 11, 2020. Appellant filed a motion for extension of time to file her brief. On May 19, 2020, the En Banc Court issued an order granting all pending motions to extend time until June 30, 2019. We now **grant** appellant an additional 30 days, making her brief due by August 3, 2019.

Appellant has also filed a motion asking (1) that we permit her to appeal as indigent; (2) appoint counsel; and (3) stay the eviction. Appellant filed in the trial court a statement of inability to afford the costs of appeal. *See* TEX. R. CIV. P. 145(a). No order in the clerk's record indicates that appellant's assertions in this statement of inability were overruled by the trial court. Therefore, she was deemed indigent in the trial court and that status carries forward to the appeal. *See id.* TEX. R. APP. P. 20.1. Appellant will not be required to pay the costs of the appellate record or any appellate filing fees.

As for her request to stay the eviction, this Court is precluded from staying the order by statute. *See* TEX. PROP. CODE § 24.007. However, appellant may seek a supersedeas bond in the trial court to stay the eviction. *See* TEX. R. APP. P. 24.1.

Finally, this Court does not appoint counsel on appeal. But the Court has forwarded appellant's information to an outside agency for possible assistance.

It is so ORDERED.

Judge's signature: Justice Peter Kelly  
 Acting individually     Acting for the Court

Date: July 2, 2020