## SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

PAUL R. WALLACE JUDGE

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Date Submitted: July 7, 2021 Date Decided: July 12, 2021

Mr. Maheswar Mikkilineni 64 Welsh Tract Road, #203 Newark, DE 19713

> RE: *Mikkilineni v. PayPal, Inc., et al.* C.A. No. N19C-05-123 PRW CCLD

Dear Mr. Mikkilineni:

The Court is in receipt of your filing of July 7, 2021, which you caption a "Motion for enlargement of time under Rule 6(b) to submit a Request for reconsideration of the partial-Order on July 1, 2021." (D.I. 116). You request this extension due to the length of the Court's July 1<sup>st</sup> order and your status as a self-represented plaintiff. *Id*.

As Superior Court Civil Rule 6(b)'s terms expressly state, the Court "may not extend the time for taking any action under Rule[] . . . 59(b), (d) and (e) . . . except to the extent and under the conditions stated in them." Civil Rule 59(e) governs a motion for reargument,<sup>1</sup> and there is no exceptive provision to that rule's time

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The label attached by a litigant—"motion for reconsideration" or "motion for reargument"—is neither here nor there, any such application is governed by this Court's Civil Rule 59(e). *See Patterson-Woods & Assoc., LLC v. Independence Mall, Inc.,* 2019 WL 6329069, at \*1 (Del. Super. Ct. Nov. 26, 2019) ("A motion for reconsideration or reargument is governed by Superior Court Civil Rule 59(e)."); *see also State v. Brown,* 2019 WL 2429402, at \*1 n.11 (Del. Super. Ct. July 18, 2019) (where movant styled his request a "letter memorandum requesting . . . reconsideration" of the Court's prior order, the Court observed that "no matter the label, [Movant]'s is a motion for reargument under this Court's rules" and controlled by Civil Rule 59(e)).

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deadline stated therein. Indeed, under long-settled Delaware law, this Court has no authority to extend the time in which to move for reargument.<sup>2</sup> And this Court would have no jurisdiction to consider the substance of any untimely motion for reargument.<sup>3</sup>

Consequently, Mr. Mikkilineni, your motion made under Superior Court Civil Rule 6(b) must be **DENIED**.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

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Paul R. Wallace, Judge

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cc: All Counsel via File and Serve

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Hessler, Inc. v. Farrell, 260 A.2d 701, 701 n.1 (Del. 1969) (Under Civil Rule 6(b), this Court "has divested itself of the power to enlarge the time for a motion for reargument.").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Lewis v. Coupe, 2016 WL 6081825, at \*1 (Del. Oct. 17, 2016) (concluding that this Court "would have lacked jurisdiction to consider" the substance of an untimely motion for reargument) (citing *Boyer v. State*, 2007 WL 452300, at \*1 (Del. 13, 2007) and *Preform Building Components, Inc. v. Edwards*, 280 A.2d 697, 698 (Del. 1971)); *Gunn v. Zurich American Ins. Co.*, 2013 WL 1859349, at \*1 (Del. Super. Ct. Apr. 29, 2013) ("If a motion for reargument is untimely filed, this Court lacks jurisdiction to consider the motion.").