IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE ILED SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA AUGUSTA DIV. DUBLIN DIVISION

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CIVIL ACTION NO.

CV 314-118

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BANK SHARES, INC.,

Plaintiff,

vs.

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION, as Receiver for Montgomery Bank & Trust,

Defendant.

ORDER

The captioned case was stayed on May 23, 2016, to afford the parties an opportunity to engage in a magistrate-supervised settlement conference. On September 1, 2016, counsel for Defendants Community of Hope Center, Inc., and Johnny Vaughn filed a motion to withdraw from the case as counsel of record. Counsel provided the requisite notice to Defendants on June 28, 2016, <u>see</u> Local Rule 83.7, SDGa. The notice also seeks a stay of sixty (60) days to give Defendants an opportunity to seek new counsel. Indeed, Defendant Community Hope Center, Inc. may not proceed without an attorney. <u>See Palazzo v. Gulf Oil</u> <u>Corp.</u>, 764 F.2d 1381, 1385 (11th Cir. 1985) (stating that a corporation may not proceed *pro se* or by a representative or agent of the corporation). Upon due consideration, the motion to withdraw and to stay (doc. no. 35) is GRANTED. The Clerk is directed to TERMINATE Messrs. Charles E. Cox, Jr., and C. Brian Jarrard as counsel of record for Defendants. This leaves a corporate entity unrepresented by counsel. Accordingly, Defendant Community Hope Center, Inc., is directed to retain new counsel and to have new counsel file a notice of appearance in this case by close of business within sixty (60) days hereof. Failure to do so may result in the entry of default against Defendant Community Hope Center, Inc. The Clerk shall send a service copy of this Order to the following address:

Community Hope Center, Inc. c/o Mr. Johnny Vaughn Post Office Box 1072 Dublin, Georgia 31040

ORDER ENTERED at Augusta, Georgia, this

day of

September, 2016.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDG