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SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY APPELLATE DIVISION DOCKET NO. A-3840-17T3

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.,

Plaintiff-Respondent,

v.

ENRIQUE ENCARNACION and MR. RAMIREZ, husband of MARLYN RAMIREZ,

Defendants,

and

MARLYN RAMIREZ,

Defendant-Appellant.

Submitted May 15, 2019 – Decided June 5, 2019

Before Judges Alvarez and Reisner.

On appeal from Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Hudson County, Docket No. F-039826-15.

Marlyn Ramirez, appellant pro se.

Respondent has not filed a brief.

PER CURIAM

Defendant Marlyn Ramirez's appeal of a final judgment of foreclosure entered against her was denied in a May 23, 2018 unpublished opinion. <u>Bank of America, N.A. v. Marlyn Ramirez</u>, No. A-3448-16 (App. Div. May 23, 2018). While the appeal was pending, on March 29, 2018, the Honorable Barry P. Sarkisian, P.J. Chancery, denied Ramirez's motion to vacate or stay a writ of possession on the property, which she continued to occupy. We affirm for the reasons stated by Judge Sarkisian.

The judge explained no relief would be granted because Ramirez's request did not satisfy the <u>Crowe v. De Gioia</u>¹ standard. As he said, Ramirez had failed to articulate any basis on which her appeal would be granted. To the contrary:

... at all stages of this litigation [Ramirez] failed to establish a genuine issue of material fact that would rebut [p]laintiff's right to foreclose.

Moreover, [Ramirez] has failed to demonstrate that any irreparable harm will ensue should the [c]ourt grant the stay requested in the application. [Ramirez] only states that it would be a grave injustice to evict [Ramirez] pending the appeal; however, [Ramirez's] emergent motion to stay the eviction has already been granted . . . and adjourned from March 27, 2018 to May 31, 2018. Putting off the eviction pending the outcome of this appeal would unduly prejudice the [p]laintiff, since final judgment has already been entered, and

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¹ 90 N.J. 126 (1982).

[Ramirez] has otherwise failed to show that it is likely to prevail on appeal.

Lastly, the [c]ourt finds that [the] balance of equities do not favor a stay of the writ of possession. [Ramirez] defaulted in February 1, 2015, and has been living in the property rent-free for a little over three years. This [c]ourt entered final judgment in this action, having previously found that [Ramirez] failed to rebut [p]laintiff's prima facie right to foreclose. For these reasons, the [c]ourt finds that it would be inequitable to further prolong the foreclosure process.

Ramirez's appeal of Judge Sarkisian's denial of a stay is grounded on her claim that, if the appeal was successful, to have allowed the eviction to proceed would work a grave injustice upon her and could harm an innocent third party. The appeal was not successful, however, and the final judgment of foreclosure was affirmed. The reasons stated by Judge Sarkisian contain no error of law, and although Ramirez may disagree, no error as to fact either.

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Affirmed.

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