

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIRCUIT CIVIL DIVISION**

Plaintiff(s),

CASE NO: _____

v.

DIVISION: H

Defendant(s).

**RESIDENTIAL FORECLOSURE ORDER SETTING NON-JURY TRIAL
AND DIRECTING PRE-TRIAL PROCEDURES**

This matter came to be considered by the Court upon Plaintiff's Notice of Trial and the Court finding that this cause is at issue and should be scheduled, it is ORDERED as follows:

1. TRIAL DATE: This case is set for non-jury trial on _____ at _____ am/pm 800 E. Twiggs St., Tampa, FL 33602 Courtroom #502.
2. PRE-TRIAL CONFERENCE: No pre-trial conference will be scheduled unless requested in writing at least twenty 20 days prior to the trial date. Please provide a copy of your request for a pretrial conference to the Judge's Judicial Assistant so that one may be scheduled.
3. MEDIATION: Mediation is required. The court follows the mediation procedures contained in Section 20 of the Administrative Order S-2021-014, or its successor. Mediations may be conducted by the Hillsborough County Bar Foundation's Residential Mortgage Foreclosure Mediation Program ("RMFM"). The parties may opt-out of mediation through RMFM Program by mutually agreeing upon the designation of a private certified foreclosure mediator of their choice within 10 days of the date of the Uniform Order of Referral to Foreclosure Mediation. Parties are required to submit the Uniform Order of Referral to Foreclosure Mediation to Division H and complete mediation prior to trial unless waived by the Court. All parties and lead counsel will attend the mediation (no telephonic appearances) unless excused by the Court.
4. EXCHANGE OF EXHIBITS AND WITNESS LISTS: All exhibits to be offered at trial shall be tendered to opposing counsel at least 10 days prior to trial. A complete list of witnesses, including live witnesses, deposition witnesses and video deposition witnesses, specifying the name and address of each from whom testimony may be presented at trial

must be provided to opposing counsel at least ten days prior to trial. Failure by either party to comply with this paragraph may result in sanctions, including exclusion at trial of exhibits and witnesses not disclosed.

5. CONTINUANCES: Stipulations between counsel as to a continuance of the trial are of no force and effect and the parties should not presume that the Court will continue trial simply because counsel have so agreed between themselves.

6. All counsel and parties shall be present before the Court at the pretrial and trial. PURSUANT TO RULE 1.200(C), FLORIDA RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE, ON FAILURE OF A PARTY AND COUNSEL TO ATTEND THE CONFERENCE, THE COURT MAY DISMISS THE ACTION, STRIKE THE PLEADINGS, LIMIT PROOF OF WITNESSES OR TAKE ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE ACTION. FAILURE OF A PLAINTIFF REPRESENTATIVE AND COUNSEL TO APPEAR SHALL RESULT IN DISMISSAL OF THIS ACTION.

Plaintiff's attorney is hereby Ordered to serve a copy of this Order on all Defendants, within ten days, and file a Notice of Service with the Clerk of Court.

Ordered On: _____

EMMETT LAMAR BATTLES
Circuit Judge

ATTN: If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodations in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Hillsborough County Courthouse, 800 E. Twiggs St., Room 604, Tampa, FL, 33602, (813) 272-7040, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

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