

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR POLK COUNTY, FLORIDA

SPECIAL ORDER

DISSOLVING SECTION 16 AND REASSIGNING DISPOSED AND PENDING
REAL PROPERTY/MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE CASES

WHEREAS, Section 16 was established on July 1, 2010, as a mortgage foreclosure project; and

WHEREAS, Section 16 was primarily presided over by senior judges, made possible by an appropriation of funds by the Florida Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the mortgage foreclosure project was successful in reducing backlogged cases; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature, as a result of economic hardship, has not reappropriated additional funds for the continuance of the mortgage foreclosure project; and

WHEREAS, because of the discontinued funding for the mortgage foreclosure project and the unavailability of other resources, it is necessary to dissolve Section 16 and reassign all real property/mortgage foreclosure cases in Section 16 to Sections 04, 07, 08, 11, and 15 in order to promote judicial economy, maximize judicial resources, and provide for prompt and efficient administration of justice in this circuit; and

It is therefore,

ORDERED and **ADJUDGED** that:

Effective upon the signing of this order, the Polk County Clerk of Courts is hereby directed to randomly reassign all disposed and pending real property/mortgage foreclosure cases in Section 16 to Sections 04, 07, 08, 11, and 15.

DONE and **ORDERED** on this 6 day of January, 2012.



WM. BRUCE SMITH, Chief Judge

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