IN THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 3.07

ONLINE ELECTRONIC JUDICIAL SALES OF REAL PROPERTY

WHEREAS, there is a need for smooth transition from court-ordered on-site auctions to online electronic auctions of real property, as authorized by § 45.031(10), Florida Statutes, and

WHEREAS, The Alachua County Clerk of Court has partnered with "Realauction" (www.realauction.com), a company with the demonstrated ability to efficiently and fairly administer online auctions for court-ordered sales of real property, it is hereby

ORDERED:

1. Effective September 1, 2015, the Alachua County Clerk of Court (Clerk) is authorized to conduct online auctions for court-ordered sales of Alachua County real property in lieu of on-site auctions.

2. Online auctions are authorized, notwithstanding the location provisions that may be included in final judgments or court orders.

3. All published Notices of Sales for sales occurring after September 1, 2015 must include that the sale will be held online at www.alachua.realforeclose.com at 11:00 a.m. local time.

4. The Clerk is responsible for informing the public of the online sale process and for the training of all interested parties.

5. Upon reasonable request, the Clerk will make provisions for those registered bidders lacking proper equipment to participate in the online auctions.

6. Prior to the sale, the Plaintiff must pay the sale fee required by § 45.035(1), Florida Statutes, and the online sale may be conducted even if the Plaintiff does not participate.

7. Bidders interested in participating in on-line auctions must register and establish a bidder account with Realauction at www.alachua.realforeclose.com. To participate, the bidder

must deposit funds sufficient to cover: (1) the cost of a deposit equal to five percent of the final bid; and (2) a $70 electronic sale service charge as per § 45.035(3), Florida Statutes.

ORDERED ON this 28th day of May, 2015.

Robert E. Roundtree, Jr., Chief Judge