## IN THE COURTS OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STATE OF FLORIDA

## ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2018-15

IN RE:

**FORECLOSURE** 

RESTRUCTURING OF THE RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE DIVISION - ESCAMBIA COUNTY

WHEREAS, the First Judicial Circuit has established case management strategies to reduce the backlog of residential mortgage foreclosures through the Circuit; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to restructure processes to continue efforts to utilize established case management strategies; and

WHEREAS, a review of current statistics establish a clear need to restructure certain resources to continue the efficient management of these cases in Escambia County; it is

## **ORDERED** that

- 1. **Effective upon entry of this order**, all open and re-opened residential mortgage foreclosure cases shall be reassigned by the Clerk of Court to the divisions of original assignment prior to the creation of Division "W."
- 2. Cases currently set for hearing before Magistrate Keith A. McIver shall remain on the calendar of Magistrate McIver for hearing but shall be included in the reassignment process ordered in Paragraph "1." of this order. Upon completion of the hearings currently set before Magistrate McIver, Magistrate McIver shall no longer preside in residential mortgage foreclosure cases.
- 3. Upon entry of this order, no additional residential mortgage foreclosure cases shall be set before Magistrate Keith A. McIver.

- 4. All hearings before Magistrate McIver shall be concluded on or before September 4, 2018.
- 5. Effective upon entry of this order all new residential mortgage foreclosure cases shall be assigned in random manner to current circuit civil divisions.

**DONE AND ORDERED** in Chambers, Pensacola, Escambia County, Florida this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2018.

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**CHIEF JUDGE** 

Copies furnished to:

Circuit Judges of Escambia County Robin M. Wright, Trial Court Administrator, First Judicial Circuit Honorable Pam Childers, Clerk of Court, Escambia County Cathy White, Director of Case Management, First Judicial Circuit