IN RE THE MATTER OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF FORECLOSURE MEDIATION ALTERNATIVES

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REBECCA A. DETÉRVILLE CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT (EWAUNEE COUNTY, WISCONSIN 12-GF-17

ORDER

WHEREAS mortgage foreclosure filings continue to remain at significant levels in Wisconsin, and;

WHEREAS Wisconsin Statute § 802.12(3) provides the Circuit Court with authority in appropriate cases to order the parties to select a settlement alternative such as mediation, and;

WHEREAS the Wisconsin Foreclosure Mediation Network and Dispute Solutions offer a voluntary foreclosure mediation program, which is available to one-four family residences and lenders to communicate and discuss settlement alternatives early in the foreclosure process with the goal of reducing the number of foreclosures either through work outs, loan modifications or other alternatives to foreclosure that may be available, and

WHEREAS the Kewaunee County Circuit Judge has reviewed and approved the implementation of the program for Kewaunee County cases;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED until further order, in all residential (1-4 family) foreclosure actions filed on and after the effective date of January 1, 2013, the plaintiff shall attach to the front of the summons served on the defendant/mortgagor the attached forms:

- (1) Notice of Availability of Mediation; and
- (2) Mediation Request Form

Which shall both be reproduced on yellow paper.

Dated at Kewaunee, Wisconsin, this 3/ day of <u>December</u>, 2013

BY THE COURT

Dennis J. Miezava Circuit Court Ludge SECTION 9. Rule 1003 of the Kewaunee County Circuit Court Rules is created to read as follows:

"Rule 1003.

In all residential foreclosure actions, the plaintiff shall attach to the Summons and Complaint served on all mortgagors named in the action the following forms printed on yellow paper and which are available at the Kewaunee County Clerk of Court's office:

a) Notice of availability of Mediation

b) Application for Mediation."

SECTION 10. The effective date of Rule 1003 shall be March 1, 2013.