IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA

CIVIL DIVISION "AB"

IN RE: **STANDING ORDER ON** 

**MOTIONS FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT** 

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WHEREAS, Rule 1.510, Florida Rules of Civil Procedure, governs motions for summary judgment, and provides that the motion shall state with particularity the grounds upon which it is based and further, requires that the court shall ascertain at a hearing on the motion what material facts exist without substantial controversy and what material facts are actually in good faith controverted;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is ORDERED that if the movant will rely on anything other than affidavits to support the motion, then no later than twenty (20) days prior to the scheduled hearing on a motion for summary judgment, the movant shall file a statement of each fact alleged to be without controversy and a citation of the record establishing such fact. All citations shall be with particularity to (1) the page and line of depositions, (2) the docket number and paragraph of pleadings, and (3) the docket number and page of interrogatories or requests for admissions. The statement should designate the date and time of the upcoming hearing.

It is further **ORDERED** that within seven (7) days prior to the hearing, the party opposing the motion for summary judgment shall file a response to each fact alleged not to be in controversy, and either admit that such fact is not in controversy or set forth citation of the record with the particularity described above where the fact is controverted. The response should designate the date and time of the upcoming hearing.

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AT LEAST SEVEN (7) DAYS PRIOR THE HEARING, THE PARTIES SHALL SUBMIT HARD COPIES OF ALL MOTIONS, RESPONSES IN OPPOSITION. SUPPORTING OR OPPOSING AFFIDAVITS, MEMORANDA (WHICH SHALL NOT EXCEED TEN (10) DOUBLE SPACED PAGES), AND CASE AUTHORITY (WHICH MUST BE TABBED WITH PERTINENT SECTIONS HIGHLIGHTED) DIRECTLY TO MY OFFICE. THE SUBMISSIONS SHALL INDICATE THE DATE AND TIME OF THE SCHEDULED HEARING.

Time for argument shall be divided equally between the parties based upon the time requested for hearing.

Failure to comply with this order may result in sanctions, including but not limited to attorney's fees incurred by the other side in attending a summary judgment motion which cannot be concluded because of the failure to comply with this order.

All exhibits must be clearly marked before the hearing is set to begin. Exhibits shall be marked by a numbered sticker on the top right-hand corner of the front of each exhibit clearly identifying the case number and party who is offering the exhibit, e.g., Plaintiff or Defendant; Petitioner or Respondent. An Exhibit List shall be provided to the Court at the start of the hearing and must be numbered chronologically.

**DONE AND ORDERED** at West Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, on this 17<sup>TH</sup> day of January, 2017.

Judge Peter D. Blanc, Circuit Judge