

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA.

APPELLATE DIVISION (CIVIL): "AY"
Case No.: 502011AP000052XXXXMB
L.T. No.: 502011SC003856XXXXMB

LAUREN MALIS,

Appellant,

v.

JOSE GRATEROL DESIGNS, INC.,

Appellee.

Opinion filed: **FEB 21 2013**

✓ **Appeal from the County Court in and for Palm Beach County,
Judge Reginald R. Corlew.**

✓ For Appellant: Lauren Malis, *pro se*, 222 Main Street, Farmington, ~~CT~~ 06032.

✓ For Appellee: Anthony D. Sokol, Esq., 1111 Kane Concourse, Suite # 600, Bay Harbor Islands,
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PER CURIAM.

Notwithstanding the absence of a transcript, an appellate court can review the merits without a record if the facts are not in dispute or the appeal presents an issue of law. *See Seal Prods. v. Mansfield*, 705 So. 2d 973, 975 (Fla. 3d DCA 1998). Having reviewed the issues on appeal, this Court concludes that there was no basis for the award of attorney's fees. Additionally, attorney's fees may not be awarded for travel time when competent attorneys are available locally. *Gwen Fearing Real Estate, Inc. v. Wilson*, 430 So. 2d 589, 591 (Fla. 4th DCA 1983). Accordingly, the award of attorney's fees is REVERSED and VACATED.

J. KEYSER, KASTRENAKES, FINE JJ., concur.