

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ATTORNEYS
RE: PINELLAS CIRCUIT CIVIL CASE ASSIGNMENTS

4/24/15

Pursuant to Administrative Order 2015-018 PI-CIR, the Court is closing circuit civil Section 33 (mortgage foreclosure section) and reopening circuit civil Section 20 in Clearwater effective July 1, 2015.

As a result, some open cases will need to be reassigned from circuit civil sections 7, 15, 21, and 33 to repopulate Section 20. Cases in Section 33 that are in a “reopened” posture will be assigned to the four St. Petersburg circuit civil sections (8, 11, 13, and 19). The reassignments were made on April 10th; however, the new assignments will not go into effect until July 1, 2015.

Hearings that are currently scheduled between now and June 30, 2015, will remain scheduled in the current section. If you need to set a hearing, or cancel or reschedule a hearing before July 1, 2015, please contact the office of the judge of the section to which the case is **currently** assigned.

If you currently have a case assigned to Sections 7, 15, 21 or 33 and you need to set a hearing on July 1, 2015 or later, please check the On-line Attorney Access system to determine whether or not the case has been reassigned to a new section effective July 1st. The Clerk of Court will not be mailing individual notices of case reassignments; you must check the On-line Attorney Access system to determine the status of your case assignment effective July 1, 2015.

If you check the On-line Attorney Access system and determine that your case has been reassigned to Section 20 as of July 1, 2015, and you need to set a hearing for July 1, 2015 or later, please contact Section20@jud6.org to request a hearing date.

If you check the On-line Attorney Access system and determine that your Section 33 case has been reassigned to one of the Clearwater circuit civil sections (7, 15 or 21) as of July 1, and you need to set a hearing for July 1 or later, please contact the office of the judge of the section to which the case **will be assigned** as of July 1st.

If you check the On-line Attorney Access system and determine that your reopened Section 33 case has been reassigned to one of the St. Petersburg circuit civil sections (8, 11, 13, and 19) as of July 1, and you need to set a hearing for July 1 or later, please contact the office of the judge of the section to which the case **will be assigned** as of July 1st.

Uncontested Motions for Summary Judgment and Non-Jury Trial in foreclosure cases filed *before* January 1, 2013, will continue to be scheduled on separate calendars to be heard by senior or sitting judges. Please follow the procedures for those cases listed on the foreclosure page of our website.

All Motions for Summary Judgment and Non-Jury Trial in foreclosure cases filed *on or after* January 1, 2013, are to be heard by the assigned section judge as indicated above, and will not be heard on a senior judge calendar.

Thank you for your cooperation and patience.