

EXHIBIT A  
Standing Order In All  
Partition Actions

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )  
 )  
COUNTY OF CHARLESTON )

IN THE MASTER IN EQUITY COURT  
FOR CHARLESTON COUNTY

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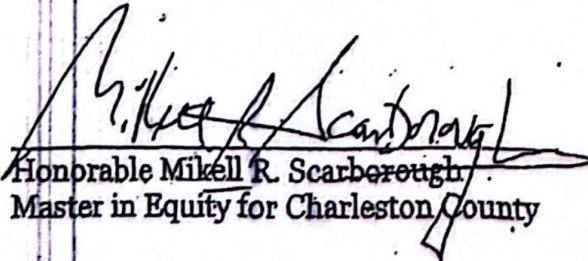
This court is now regularly seeing partition actions in which the purpose of the action is the contemplated sale of the real estate contained therein. Therefore, pursuant to Section 15-61-25, 1976 SC Code of Laws, as Amended, (2007 Supp.), this court shall require Notice of the requirements of this statute to be served upon all parties in the action and upon all joint tenants or tenants in common. This statute states:

"The Court shall provide for the non-petitioning joint tenants or tenants in common who are interested in purchasing the property to notify the Court of that interest no later than ten (10) days prior to the date set for the trial of the case. The non-petitioning joint tenants or tenants in common shall be allowed to purchase the interests in the property as provided in this section whether default has been entered against them or not." 1976 SC Code of Laws, Section 15-61-25 (A).

This notice shall be served upon all parties and the required tenants in common at the time the Notice of Hearing is served herein. Proof of service of the Notice of Hearing and this Order providing Notice to the tenants of their rights in the property shall be required at the time of the hearing.

IT IS SO ORDERED!

December 20, 2007  
Charleston, South Carolina

  
Honorable Mikell R. Scarborough  
Master in Equity for Charleston County