

7/9/24 Litigation Report – Request for Authority to Initiate or Defend

This list does not include the following types of cases: (1) Workers' Comp (OJCC); (2) garnishments, (3) foreclosures, (4) Probate, (5) misdemeanor citations, (6) any bankruptcy cases that might involve debts owed to Alachua County; or (7) employee procedures and Collective Bargaining Agreements.

1. Alachua County, Petitioner, vs. Dhyana D. O'Driscoll and Angel Whispurrz Cat Rescue, Inc., Respondents
Case # TBD
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Corbin Hanson

The County Attorney seeks authority for her designee(s) to take legal action against Dhyana D. O'Driscoll, a resident of Alachua County, and Angel Whispurrz Cat Rescue, Inc., a Florida corporation. On June 24, 2024, pursuant to Section 828.073, Florida Statutes, Alachua County Animal Enforcement Officers lawfully took animals in possession of Respondents at a property owned by the corporation located in Alachua County, Florida. A petition for relief for custody of animals was timely filed in the Eighth Judicial Circuit in and for Alachua County, Florida. The law requires such petition to be filed in the County Court within 10 days after the animals are seized. Under Alachua County Code 21.41(e), the County Attorney is authorized and directed to take such action on behalf of the County as to protect the rights of the County in any legal action or to seek emergency relief, pending an opportunity to request required approval of the Board.