DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA FOURTH DISTRICT July Term 2008

ROSS PROVENZANO, JR.,

Appellant,

v.

DANIEL PROVENZANO, JOANNE OLSZEWSKI PROVENZANO, and DONALD R. WALTERS,

Appellees.

No. 4D07-2273

August 6, 2008

PER CURIAM.

The parties do not dispute that it was error to appoint Donald Walters, a stranger to the estate, as personal representative, without affording Appellant and Appellees notice and an opportunity to be heard on their competing motions for appointment.

We reverse the order and remand for further proceedings on the motions for appointment of personal representative.

STONE, HAZOURI, JJ. and GERBER, JONATHAN, ASSOCIATE JUDGE, CONCUR.

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Appeal from the Circuit Court for the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit, Broward County; Mel Grossman, Judge; L.T. Case No. PRC05-0004354.

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Not final until disposition of timely filed motion for rehearing.