IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL FIRST DISTRICT, STATE OF FLORIDA

NOT FINAL UNTIL TIME EXPIRES TO FILE MOTION FOR REHEARING AND

DISPOSITION THEREOF IF FILED

LINDA M. FEHLING,

Appellant,

v.

CASE NO. 1D16-4391

DAVID K. FEHLING SR.,

Appellee.

Opinion filed November 4, 2016.

An appeal from an order of the Circuit Court for Santa Rosa County. David Rimmer, Judge.

Linda M. Fehling, pro se, Appellant.

No appearance for Appellee.

PER CURIAM.

The Court has determined that appellant's notice of appeal failed to invoke its appellate jurisdiction in a timely manner. To be timely, a notice of appeal must be <u>filed</u> with the appropriate court within 30 days of rendition of the order on appeal. Fla. R. App. P. 9.110(b). Merely mailing the notice or having the notice placed in a post office box within the required time period is not sufficient. <u>Raysor</u> v. Raysor, 706 So. 2d 400, 401 (Fla. 1st DCA 1998). Further, the filing of a notice of appeal is jurisdictional. Florida courts are required to dismiss an appeal if the notice is not <u>filed</u> within the applicable time limit. <u>See Miami-Dade County v.</u> <u>Peart</u>, 843 So. 2d 363 (Fla. 3d DCA 2003). Accordingly, the appeal is dismissed. B.L. THOMAS, WETHERELL, and M.K. THOMAS, JJ., CONCUR.