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

WILLIAM R. RUPP,

Petitioner,

v.

CASE NO. 1D16-3748

HMC ASSETS, LLC, IN ITS CAPACITY AS SEPARATE TRUSTEE OF CAM X TRUST,

Respondent.

Opinion filed March 31, 2017.

Petition for Writ of Mandamus -- Original Jurisdiction.

Claire Cubbin of Claire Cubbin, Esq., Fort Lauderdale, for Petitioner.

Dariel Abrahamy of Greenspoon Marder, P.A., Boca Raton, for Respondent.

PER CURIAM.

Through his August 19, 2016 emergency petition for writ of mandamus, William Rupp sought to halt a trial set for August 25. According to the petition, the action was not "at issue" because pleading issues remained outstanding. Accordingly, Rupp argued, the trial court violated Florida Rule of Civil Procedure 1.440 by setting the case for trial. Shortly after Rupp filed his petition, and several days before the scheduled trial, this court's motions panel issued an order staying the trial pending resolution of Rupp's petition. The stay effectively removed the case from the August 25th docket, which is all the petition sought. At this point, there is nothing to do but dismiss the petition as moot.

DISMISSED.

OSTERHAUS, JAY, and WINSOR, JJ., CONCUR.