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SECOND DISTRICT

JASON M. WAVRA and MICHELLE R. WAVRA,)
Appellants,)
٧.) Case No. 2D10-2976
NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION BOARD in its capacity as liquidating agent for Huron River Area Credit Union,)))
Appellee.)) and
JASON M. WAVRA and MICHELLE R. WAVRA,)
Appellants,)
v.) Case No. 2D10-2978
NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION BOARD in its capacity as liquidating agent for Huron River Area Credit Union,	/)))
Appellee.)) and
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FUE R. VANG and CHONNIE VANG,)
Appellants,)
v.	Case No. 2D10-2979
NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION BOARD in its capacity as liquidating agent for Huron River Area Credit Union,))))
Appellee.)) and
FUE R. VANG and CHONNIE VANG,)
Appellants,)
٧.) Case No. 2D10-2980
NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION BOARD in its capacity as liquidating agent for Huron River Area Credit Union,)))
Appellee.)) and
WILLIAM G. SMITH and JUDITH L. SMITH,)
Appellants,)
V.) Case No. 2D10-2982
NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION BOARD in its capacity as liquidating agent for Huron River Area Credit Union,	/)))
Appellee.)) and
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DOMINICK C. SAVOCA,)
Appellant,)
٧.) Case No. 2D10-2983
NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION BOARD in its capacity as liquidating agent for Huron River Area Credit Union,))))
Appellee.) and
ORRIS A. RODAHL,)
Appellant,)
٧.) Case No. 2D10-2984
NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION BOARD in its capacity as liquidating agent for Huron River Area Credit Union,)))
Appellee.)) and
NANCY A. MILLER,)
Appellant,)
٧.) Case No. 2D10-2985
NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION BOARD in its capacity as liquidating agent for Huron River Area Credit Union,	/)))
Appellee.)) and
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NANCY A. MILLER,)
Appellant,)
V.) Case No. 2D10-2986
NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION BOARD in its capacity as liquidating agent for Huron River Area Credit Union,)))
Appellee.)) and
GARRY KUHN,)
Appellant,)
V.) Case No. 2D10-2989
NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION BOARD in its capacity as liquidating agent for Huron River Area Credit Union,)))
Appellee.)) and
JOHN KOPROWSKI and DANIELLE KOPROWSKI,)
Appellants,)
V.) Case No. 2D10-2990
NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION BOARD in its capacity as liquidating agent for Huron River Area Credit Union,	/)))
Appellee.)) and
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JOHN KOPROWSKI and DANIELLE KOPROWSKI,)
Appellants,)
V.) Case No. 2D10-2992
NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION BOARD in its capacity as liquidating agent for Huron River Area Credit Union,)))
Appellee.) and
SHAYNE P. KING and ERIN L. LYDON-KING,)
Appellants,)
٧.) Case No. 2D10-2995
NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION BOARD in its capacity as liquidating agent for Huron River Area Credit Union,	/))
Appellee.)) and
CHARISE M. DAVIS,)
Appellant,)
V.) Case No. 2D10-2996
NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION BOARD in its capacity as liquidating agent for Huron River Area Credit Union,	/)))
Appellee.) and

JOHN STEVEN BURTON,)
Appellant,)
v.) Case No. 2D10-2997
NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION BOARD in its capacity as liquidating agent for Huron River Area Credit Union,)))
Appellee.)) and
THOMAS L. ALTIMAS and LISA GIRARD,)
Appellants,)
v.) Case No. 2D10-2998
NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION BOARD in its capacity as liquidating agent for Huron River Area Credit Union,)))
Appellee.)) and
THOMAS L. ALTIMAS and LISA GIRARD,)
Appellants,)
V.) Case No. 2D10-3000
NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION BOARD in its capacity as liquidating agent for Huron River Area Credit Union,	,)))
Appellee.)) <u>CONSOLIDATED</u>

Opinion filed May 9, 2012.

Appeals from the Circuit Court for Sarasota County; Charles E. Williams, Judge.

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MORRIS, Judge.

The homeowners in these seventeen consolidated cases appeal final summary judgments of foreclosure entered in favor of the National Credit Union Administration (NCUA). We affirm the final judgments without comment, with the exception of the portions of the judgments awarding attorney's fees to the NCUA, which we reverse.

At the conclusion of the hearing on the NCUA's motions for summary judgments, the trial court stated that if it ruled in favor of the NCUA on the motions for summary judgments, the court would reserve ruling on the issue of attorney's fees. The parties agreed that they would deal with the issue of attorney's fees later. But no hearing on attorney's fees was ever conducted, and when the trial court entered its final judgments of foreclosure, the trial court found that "based upon the affidavits presented and upon inquiry of counsel for [the NCUA] that *40.45* hours were reasonably expended by [the NCUA's] counsel and that an hourly rate of \$100-\$300 is reasonable."

On appeal, the homeowners argue that they were entitled to a hearing on attorney's fees and that because they did not waive such a hearing, the fee award must be reversed. The NCUA conceded at oral argument that a reversal is necessary on this issue. We agree that because the homeowners did not waive their right to a hearing on attorney's fees, the fee award should be reversed and remanded for a hearing. <u>See Zumpf v. Countrywide Home Loans, Inc.</u>, 43 So. 3d 764, 766 (Fla. 2d DCA 2010) (holding that in a foreclosure case, attorney's fees are not liquidated damages and therefore require an evidentiary hearing: "[a]bsent an evidentiary hearing, the fee award will be reversed for a hearing unless there is an indication that the right to a hearing was waived" (citing <u>Guyton v. Leonard Dewey Wilkinson Action Welding Supply, Inc.</u>, 707 So. 2d 885, 886 (Fla. 1st DCA 1998))).

Affirmed in part; reversed in part; remanded.

KELLY and CRENSHAW, JJ., Concur.