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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL

OF FLORIDA

THIRD DISTRICT

JULY TERM, A.D. 2002

CHRISTEL PLAZA CORPORATION, **

** CASE NO. 3D01-1993

Appellant,

* *

vs.

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SOUTHERN SKATING, INC., et al.,

LOWER TRIBUNAL
** CASE NO. 00-6114

Appellees. **

Opinion filed November 6, 2002.

An appeal from the Circuit Court of Miami-Dade County, Bernard S. Shapiro, Judge.

Salas, Ede, Peterson & Lage and Douglas E. Ede, for appellant.

Alan C. Gold; Hessen, Schimmel & De Castro; Allan Jay Atlas, for appellees.

Before COPE, LEVY, and FLETCHER, JJ.

PER CURIAM.

This is an appeal from a dismissal of an intervention action

for failure to timely file an amended complaint. Finding the dismissal too severe a sanction under the circumstances herein, which involved the actions of the intervener's counsel and not his client, we reverse for reinstatement. See e.g. Town of Manalapan v. Florida Power & Light Co., 815 So. 2d 670 (Fla. 4th DCA 2002); Rosenberg v. Miller, 453 So. 2d 885 (Fla. 3d DCA 1984). Upon remand, the trial court may consider imposing a more appropriate sanction upon the attorney.

Reversed and remanded with directions to reinstate the action.