

IN THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF IOWA

IN THE MATTER OF:  
CLERK OF COURT  
DETERMINING REAL ESTATE  
REDEMPTION AMOUNT

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NO. 2012-8  
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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

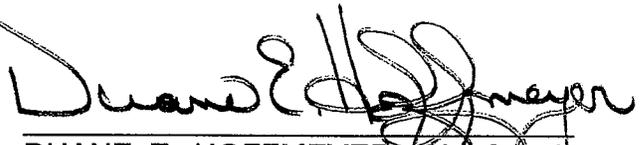
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT  
DEPUTY

A Clerk of Court has recently ~~by~~ inquired whether it is required to compute the amount which a party must pay in order to redeem property from a sheriff's sale.

The Clerk of Court has no duty to compute the amount required for redemption and the clerk should not do so. To properly compute the redemption amount, a party must accurately determine the facts and correctly apply the law. A Clerk of Court is not in a position to determine someone's right to redeem or the amount of any lien. The giving of advice as to such a computation is a function of an attorney rather than a duty of a Clerk of Court. If a dispute arises with respect to someone's right to redeem or the redemption amount, the dispute may be submitted to the Court for determination pursuant to Iowa Code Section 628.21.

District Court Administration shall notify all Clerks of Court.

**SO ORDERED.**

  
DUANE E. HOFFMEYER, Chief Judge  
of the Third Judicial District of Iowa

Copies emailed to all District 3 Clerks of Court on August 8, 2012.

By: LAH  
District Court Administration