ONLINE DISPUTE RESOLUTION 18th Judicial Circuit – Brevard County SMALL CLAIMS RESOLUTION CENTER

The 18th Judicial Circuit-Brevard County is pleased to invite you to participate in the Court's Online Dispute Resolution (ODR) process. ODR can be used by parties to a Small Claims lawsuit to negotiate a settlement. Instead of a Judge deciding your case, you can take control of the process by resolving your case online.

ODR allows you the opportunity to settle with the other party at your convenience, using your computer, tablet, or smartphone. You can work online to negotiate from any location and at any time, including evenings and weekends. If you reach an agreement using this option, and it is filed with the Clerk of Court as required, you will not have to appear in court on your Pre-Trial Conference date.

After reviewing your case for eligibility AND if you have filed a Designation of Email Address for service with the Clerk of Court, plaintiffs will receive an email inviting them to participate and initiate the process. <u>ODR is optional, so both parties would have to agree to use this process</u>.

IMPORTANT NOTE REGARDING DEBT COLLECTION

If you agree to use this ODR process, you are permitting the creditor to contact you via this platform to attempt to settle your lawsuit. Either party may discontinue the process at any time, for any reason, with written notice to the other party.

For additional information from the Circuit's website, please view this link: <u>https://flcourts18.org/court-programs/odr/</u>

PLAINTIFFS: Please check your email frequently for the invitation from the Court. PLAINTIFFS AND DEFENDANTS: If you would like to participate and have not filed a Designation of Email Address agreeing to eservice, please send an email requesting participation to: <u>BrevardODR@flcourts18.org</u>. If you prefer, you may download a Non-Attorney Designation of Email Address form, complete it, and file it with the Clerk of Court. You may access this form at <u>http://www.brevardclerk.us/index.cfm/administration</u>