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Sheriff Sale Information

Date & Time of Sale: First Tuesday of every month at 10 a.m.
Location: Galveston County Courthouse, 722 Moody, Galveston, Texas

Properties are advertised 21 days prior to the sale in the Galveston County Daily News and are listed on bulletin boards at County offices. Detailed listings may be viewed or copy purchased (\$0.10 per page) at all Galveston County Tax Offices. The listing is posted each month at www.galcotax.com (under the **Sheriff Sale Listing** tab). To be added to the *Sheriff Sale Monthly Distribution List*, email galcotax@co.galveston.tx.us.

Sheriff Sales are open to the public. Those wishing to participate in the bidding process must register or check in prior to the sale to obtain a bidder number. Absentee bidding is NOT permitted. Successful bidders must remit full payment on sale day no later than 4:00 pm in the form of cash, cashier's check, or money order (**payable to Galveston County Sheriff's Office**). Financing is NOT available. Properties not sold at auction are struck off to one of the taxing entities (see Resale of Struck Off Properties below).

Successful bidders must present a Certificate of Eligibility and a \$20.00 money order or cashier's check payable to the Galveston County Clerk to the Sheriff's Department in order for the deed to be prepared and recorded. Buyers will receive a copy of the deed once it is filed. Additional information may be obtained by contacting Captain Darrell Isaacks, Galveston County Sheriff's Department, at (409) 766-2312. Certificate Applications are available at all Tax Offices, included with all Sheriff Sale packets, and posted on our website. A \$10.00 processing fee is required with each Certificate Application.

Redemption Periods & Fees

Redemption periods begin the date the deed is recorded. Homestead and agricultural exempt properties may be redeemed up to two (2) years from deed recording. All other properties may be redeemed within six (6) months of recording. Redemption fees due buyer follow:

Homestead or Ag:	First Year:	Price of Sale + 25%
	Second Year:	Price of Sale + 50%
All others:	Six Months:	Price of Sale + 25%

Resale of Struck Off Properties

Properties not sold at the auction are struck off to a taxing entity and sold by a resale committee. Contact either delinquent law firm for additional information on these property sales. Bid forms are required.

Linebarger, et al	www.publicans.com	409-948-3401	mark.ciavaglia@publicans.com
Perdue Brandon, et al	www.pbfc.com	800-833-5886	

Other Legal Matters to Consider When Purchasing Property at Tax Sales

1. All properties – whether sold at the Sheriff Sale or Resale are sold “as is” with regard to title and physical condition of the property. If you have questions, consult your attorney.
2. Bidders or buyers of Sheriff Sale or Resale property are **strongly encouraged** to do their own title research before bidding or purchasing property at delinquent tax sales.
3. For information about post judgment tax write offs please contact the Property Tax Department at 409-766-2481 or toll free at 1-877-766-2284
4. Properties are frequently removed from a sale. Contact the Property Tax Dept. for a list of cancellations.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Mortgage foreclosure information is available for review at the Office of the County Clerk. Copies are \$1/page. Galveston County is not involved in these sales.

**Application to Obtain Certificate of Eligibility
to Purchase Galveston County Sheriff Sale Real Property**

STATE OF TEXAS)
)
COUNTY OF GALVESTON)

I, _____ hereby request the Galveston County Tax Assessor Collector issue a Certificate of Eligibility to purchase real property at the Sheriff Tax Sale in my name and to:

Mail said Certificate to me at: _____

Contact me at _____ to make arrangements to pick up the Certificate

I understand that this application must be completed and delivered to the Galveston County Tax Office along with a \$10.00 processing fee within six months from the sale in order to obtain my Sheriff's Deed.

By signing this document, I affirm that I have included below the names or assumed names of all proprietorships, corporations, partnerships, limited partnerships, and/or limited liability companies in which I have an ownership interest and/or properties which I own individually or jointly with another party. I also affirm that I have legal authority to do so on behalf of any entity listed herein.

Additionally listed are addresses or legal description(s) for any and all properties in which I currently own an interest (exclusive of liens), in whole or part. *(Attach additional pages if necessary.)*

I hereby swear and attest that all statements contained herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date

Signature of Requestor

Please send monthly Sheriff Sale listings to me via email at: _____

OFFICE USE ONLY	Deputy Receiving Request & Fee:
Date Submitted to Property Tax Department for Action:	_____

