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GUARDIAN'S AUCTION

\$50,000 Opening Bid



TWO STORY TOWNHOME

2 Bedrooms ◆ 1.5 Baths

Known As

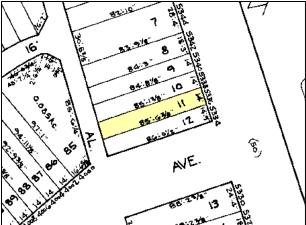
5336 GIST AVENUE

Baltimore, MD 21215

Sale On Premises

TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 2024 AT 11:00 A.M.





Pursuant to an Order of the Circuit Court for Baltimore City, passed in the Matter of Arlene Mason, Case No. 24-T-23-000182, the undersigned Guardian will sell at public auction, the above-captioned property.

NOTE: The information contained herein has been obtained from sources deemed reliable and is believed to be accurate. However, no express or implied warranty is made or may be inferred from any such representation. Dimensions, square footage and acreage contained herein are more or less. Prospective purchasers are encouraged to perform their own due diligence, in advance of the auction, regarding the permitted uses of the property.

LOCATION:

5336 Gist Avenue is located in the Woodmere neighborhood of northwest Baltimore City, off the 4000 block of Woodmere Avenue and two blocks north of Reisterstown Road (MD-140). The surrounding neighborhood is comprised of well-kept two story townhouses and garden apartments. Shopping and public transportation are within walking distance. According to Bright MLS, homes in the immediate neighborhood have sold for \$66,000 to \$263,000 during the past 12 months.

SITE:

Rectangular lot – 14' x 85'6" Zoning R-6, residential Public utilities Fenced front and rear yards. Rear yard has room for parking.

IMPROVEMENTS:

Two story inside-group brick townhome, built in 1949, containing 840 square feet of living area and 420 square feet of basement space. The home has a covered front porch and covered rear deck, vinyl-clad sliding windows, built-up roof and full concrete block basement foundation.

First Floor

- Foyer vinyl floor
- Living Room carpeting over wood floor
- Eat-in Kitchen ceramic tile floor, laminate cabinets and counters, stainless steel gas range/oven and refrigerator

Second Floor

- o Bedroom #1 wood floor
- o Bedroom #2 carpeting over wood floor
- Full Bathroom vinyl floor, ceramic wainscot, skylight

Basement

- Full, Unfinished vinyl floor
- Half-Bath vinyl floor
- Laundry Area utility sink

Mechanical – gas forced air heat, central air conditioning, gas water heater, 100-amp. electric

The property needs updating and cosmetic repairs. Some personal property may not be removed.

TITLE:

The property is sold free and clear of liens, subject to an annual \$90 ground rent, payable half-yearly on the 20th days of May and November in each and every year. Baltimore City Deed Book MB 24233, Page 1.

TAXES:

Published annual real estate taxes are \$1,655, based on a full value assessment of \$70,133.

Purchasers may petition for a reduction in the assessment of their property in conjunction with a purchase price substantially less than the currently assessed value of the property. Purchasers are encouraged to contact the Maryland State Department of Assessments & Taxation concerning the appeals process, and may see the following link for helpful information: Assessment Appeal Process http://dat.maryland.gov/realproperty/Pages/Assessment-Appeal-Process.aspx

SUMMARY TERMS OF SALE:

Please see the contract of sale for complete terms.

A \$5,000 deposit, payable by cashier's check, will be required of the purchaser at time and place of sale. The deposit shall be increased to 10% of the purchase price within 24 hours at the Auctioneer's office. Deposit funds shall be held by A. J. Billig & Co., LLC. Balance to be paid in cash at settlement, which shall take place within 45 days. If payment of the deposit or balance does not take place within the specified time, the deposit shall be forfeited and the property may be resold at the risk and expense of the purchaser. Interest to be charged on the unpaid purchase money, at the rate of 12% per annum, from date of contract to date of settlement. All adjustments, including taxes, ground rent, all other public charges and assessments payable on a monthly or annual basis, and sanitary and/or metropolitan district charges, if any, to be adjusted for the current year to date of contract and assumed thereafter by the purchaser. The property will be sold in "AS IS" condition, and subject to easements, agreements, restrictions or covenants of record affecting same, if any. Purchaser assumes the risk of loss from the date of contract forward. The purchaser agrees to waive the right of inspection for lead paint, as provided under current Federal and State law. If the Seller is unable to convey good and marketable title, the purchaser's sole remedy in law or equity shall be limited to the refund of the deposit. Upon refund of the deposit this sale shall be null and void and of no effect, and the purchaser shall have no further claim against the Seller or Auctioneers. Recordation costs, transfer taxes and all costs incidental to settlement to be paid by the purchaser except where otherwise mandated by local, State or Federal law. Time is of the essence.

No buyer's premium.

Steven Reckard, Guardian of the Property of Arlene Mason

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PURCHASING REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION

The following information is provided by A. J. Billig & Co., Auctioneers to assist you in understanding your purchase of a property at public auction. The material in this form is general in nature and does not limit your obligations under the contract of sale that you will be required to sign.

TERMS OF SALE: Your responsibilities as a purchaser have been advertised prior to the day of sale and will be read by the Auctioneer at the time of sale. Additional terms may be announced on the day of sale or may be posted at the sale site. The auctioneer will make important announcements regarding the property and your obligations as a purchaser. Please feel free to ask any questions regarding these terms. Failure to comply with any of the terms of sale may cause you to forfeit your deposit and be responsible for the expenses to resell the property, as well as any deficiency incurred.

CONDITION OF PROPERTY: The property will be sold "AS IS." Unless otherwise announced, the sellers make no representations or warranties about the condition of the property. The sellers will not make any repairs.

DEPOSIT: Your deposit will be credited toward the purchase price. If you do not comply with the "TERMS OF SALE," either published or within the contract of sale, you might lose all or part of your deposit. In addition, if you fail to settle for the property you might be obligated to pay the expenses to resell the property, including any deficiency resulting therefrom. If the "TERMS OF SALE" require you to increase your deposit above the amount specified, the Auctioneer will likely accept your personal or business check for the difference on the day of sale. Otherwise, you can bring, wire or messenger certified funds for the increased deposit within the time stated.

EXPENSES: You may be responsible for the expenses of owning the property as of the date of sale or as of the date of settlement, including taxes, utility costs and insurance. You may be required to pay interest on the amount of the purchase price, less the amount of your deposit, from the date of the sale to the date you settle for the property. We recommend that you obtain a fire insurance binder on the property immediately as of the date of sale. The purchaser will pay all of the settlement expenses, including title fees and recording costs.

SETTLEMENT: The settlement or closing period is specified within the terms of sale. If settlement is based on ratification by a Court, the ratification period is typically forty-five to sixty days, but might take longer. You will be expected to settle for the property within the specified time.

FINANCING: It is the purchaser's responsibility to obtain financing. If you plan to use a mortgage to purchase the property, we recommend that you apply for the loan immediately. If the bank must take longer than the specified time to complete the loan, the sellers may extend settlement for a short period if you can provide proof of a loan commitment. If you do not obtain the financing within the specified time for settlement, you will be in default of your contract of sale.

BIDDING PROCEDURE: At the conclusion of the announcement and question period, the auctioneer will solicit bids for the property. Bids are generally made either orally or by raising a hand. Bidding increments are made in amounts acceptable to the auctioneer, who may set a minimum bidding increment as the sale progresses. Any bid that is merely a nominal or fractional advance may be rejected by the auctioneer if in his judgement it may affect the sale injuriously. If a dispute arises between two or more bidders, the auctioneer shall decide in favor of one of the bidders, or immediately re-offer the property.

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