

**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA**

At a Regular Term of the Supreme Court of Appeals, continued and held at Charleston, Kanawha County, on June 6, 2012, the following order was made and entered:

**RE: REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO RULE 9 OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE RULES FOR MAGISTRATE COURTS IN WEST VIRGINIA**

On this day the Court considered a proposed amendment to Rule 9 of the Administrative Rules for Magistrate Court in West Virginia that was proposed by the Honorable Louis H. Bloom, Chief Judge of the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit.

Upon consideration, the Court is of the opinion that the proposed amendment should be placed for a public comment period of sixty days. Accordingly it is hereby ordered that the proposed amendment be subject to a period of public comment to conclude on Monday, August 6, 2012, with comments to be filed in writing with the Clerk of this Court. Additions are indicated by underlining, deletions are indicated by strikethrough, to read as follows:

**RULE 9. CAMERAS IN COURTROOMS**

~~Upon request and with the concurrence of the supervising circuit judge, the magistrate may permit the quiet and unobtrusive use of a camera in the courtroom in accordance with the Rules Governing Camera Coverage of Courtroom Proceedings. The supervising circuit judge may waive the advance permission requirement, as set forth in Rules 8.01 and 8.02 of the West Virginia Trial Court Rules, and require the magistrates to allow the media in the courtrooms without receiving advance permission, in accordance with the guidelines for media coverage in courtrooms set forth in Rule 8 of the Trial Court Rules.~~

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Attest: //s// Rory L. Perry II  
Clerk of Court

