

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA

**Lee Trace LLC,
Petitioner**

vs. Civil Action Nos. 11-AA-2, 12-AA-4, 13-AA-4, 14-AA-1, and 14-AA-2 (Berkeley County)

**Berkeley County Council as Board of Review
and Equalization, et al.,
Respondents**

The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Appeals has been advised that Petitioner Lee Trace LLC, by counsel, Thomas Moore Lawson and the law firm of Lawson and Silek, P.L.C., has filed a motion to refer the above-referenced cases to the Business Court Division pursuant to Rule 29 of the West Virginia Trial Court Rules ("TCR").

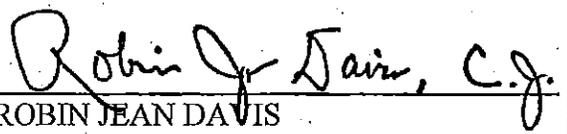
Upon careful review and consideration of the motion and the concurrence in the request for referral by the trial courts, the Chief Justice has determined that the principal claims in the actions are between business entities as required by Trial Court Rule 29.04(a)(1), that specialized treatment is likely to improve the expectation of a fair and reasonable resolution of the controversy as required by Trial Court Rule 29.04(a)(2), and the motion to refer should therefore be granted.

It is hereby ORDERED that the motion to refer these cases to the Business Court Division is granted, and this Order shall be transmitted to the Honorable Christopher C. Wilkes, Chair of the Business Court Division, for assignment of a presiding judge and such other actions as are necessary to effectuate the provisions of TCR 29.

It is further ORDERED that any members of the Business Court Division assigned to these matters by Judge Wilkes are authorized pursuant to Article VIII § 3 of the West Virginia Constitution and TCR 29.07(b) to preside over the above-styled cases in Berkeley County.

It is further ORDERED that a copy of this ORDER be transmitted to the Central Office of the Business Court Division; to the Honorable Gray Silver III and the Honorable John C. Yoder, Judges of the Twenty-Third Judicial Circuit; and to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Berkeley County, who is to file a copy of this Order in each of the above-referenced cases and to provide copies of the same to all parties of record or their counsel.

ENTERED: MAY 29, 2014


ROBIN JEAN DAVIS
Chief Justice