

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA

**Mangus Coal Company, Inc., a West Virginia Corporation, Jesse A. Jennings, Individually, and as a minority shareholder of Mangus Coal Company, Inc., Franklin M. Jennings, Individually, and as a minority shareholder of Mangus Coal Company, Inc., Plaintiffs**

vs. **Civil Action No. 12-C-63 (Preston County)**

**Christopher Jennings, Individually, and as an officer, director, and majority shareholder of Mangus Coal Company, Inc., Doris Jennings, Individually, and as an officer, director, and shareholder of Mangus Coal Company, Inc., Darlene Murray, Individually, and as an officer, director, and agent of Mangus Coal Company, Inc., Defendants**

The Honorable Lawrance S. Miller Jr., Judge of the Eighteenth Judicial Circuit, has filed a motion with the Preston County Circuit Court requesting that this case be transferred 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, the Chief Justice has determined that the principal claims in the action are between business entities as required by TCR 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 TCR 29.04(a)(2), and the motion to refer should therefore be granted.

It is hereby ORDERED that the motion to refer this case 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 this matter 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 case in Preston 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 Lawrance S. Miller Jr.; and to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Preston County, who is to provide copies of the same to all parties of record or their counsel.

ENTERED: JULY 23, 2014

  
ROBIN JEAN DAVIS  
Chief Justice