

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA

Wells Fargo Insurance Services of West Virginia, Inc., a West Virginia Corporation, formerly Acordia of West Virginia, Inc., Plaintiff

vs. Civil Action No. 13-C-407 (Monongalia County)

MVB Insurance, Inc., dba MVB Insurance Company; Kenneth Juskowich; Ann M. Vozniak; Randall L. Cober; Leigh Ann Kersting; Denise A. Deem; Geoffrey M. Gage; and Charles E. Wiedebusch, all individuals, Defendants

The Honorable Susan B. Tucker, Judge of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit, has filed a motion with the Monongalia 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"). A response in support of the motion to refer was filed by Plaintiff Wells Fargo Insurance Services of West Virginia, Inc., by counsel, Gerard R. Stowers and the law firm of Bowles Rice LLP.

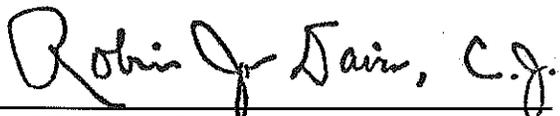
Upon careful review and consideration of the motion, the Chief Justice has determined that the principal claims in the action are between business entities as required by TCR 29.04(a)(1), that specialized treatment is likely to improve the expectation of a fair and reasonable resolution of the controversy 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 Monongalia 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 Susan B. Tucker; and to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Monongalia 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