

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA

**Victoria Keller and Tonya Wable,
Plaintiffs**

v. **No. 14-C-71 (Tyler County)**

**Bald Eagle Oil & Gas, Inc. and
Antero Resources Appalachia Corp.,
Defendants**

The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Appeals has been advised that Defendants Bald Eagle Oil & Gas, Inc. and Antero Resources Corporation¹, by counsel, Charles B. Dollison, Stuart A. McMillan, Corey L. Palumbo, and the law firm of Bowles Rice LLP, filed a motion to refer the above-styled case to the Business Court Division pursuant to Rule 29 of the West Virginia Trial Court Rules. Plaintiffs Victoria Keller and Tonya Wable, by counsel, James G. Bordas Jr., Jeremy M. McGraw, and the law firm of Bordas & Bordas, PLLC, filed a response in opposition to the motion to refer.

Upon careful review and consideration of the motion and the reply memorandum, the Chief Justice has determined that this litigation does not meet the definition of business litigation as set forth in Trial Court Rule 29.04(a)(1) and (a)(2), and the motion to refer should, therefore, be denied.

It is hereby ORDERED that the motion to refer this case to the Business Court Division is DENIED and that a copy of this order be transmitted to the Honorable Christopher C. Wilkes, Chair of the Business Court Division; to the Central Office of the Business Court Division; to the Honorable Mark A. Karl, Judge of the Second Judicial Circuit; and to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Tyler County, who is to provide copies of the same to all parties of record or their counsel.

ENTERED: JANUARY 12, 2015



MARGARET L. WORKMAN
Chief Justice

¹ As stated in the motion to refer, "Antero Resources Corporation has never been known as Antero Resources Appalachia Corporation. Antero Resources Appalachian Corporation changed its name to Antero Resources Corporation on June 10, 2013."