

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA

RE: FLOOD DAMAGE LITIGATION REFERRED TO THE MASS LITIGATION PANEL AND PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO THE CIRCUIT COURT OF RALEIGH COUNTY, THE CASES ARE HEREBY REASSIGNED TO THE CURRENT MEMBERS OF THE MASS LITIGATION PANEL, THE HONORABLE ALAN D. MOATS, CHAIR, THE HONORABLE JOHN A. HUTCHISON, THE HONORABLE BOOKER T. STEPHENS, THE HONORABLE JAY M. HOKE, THE HONORABLE DEREK C. SWOPE, AND THE HONORABLE JAMES P. MAZZONE, TO PRESIDE OVER THESE CASES

WHEREAS, By Administrative Order entered May 16, 2002, the Chief Justice ordered that the Flood Damage cases listed and identified therein be referred to the Mass Litigation Panel.

WHEREAS, By Administrative Order entered June 13, 2002, the Chief Justice ordered that said Flood Damage cases be transferred to the Circuit Court of Raleigh County, that the Honorable Gary L. Johnson, Judge of the Twenty-Eighth Judicial Circuit and then a member of the Mass Litigation Panel, the Honorable John A. Hutchison, Judge of the Tenth Judicial Circuit and a member of the Mass Litigation Panel, AND the Honorable Arthur M. Recht, Judge of the First Judicial Circuit and then a member of the Mass Litigation Panel be assigned to preside over these cases.

WHEREAS, By Administrative Orders entered July 10, 2007 and June 25, 2008, The Honorable Alan D. Moats, Chair, The Honorable John A. Hutchison, The Honorable Booker T. Stephens, The Honorable Jay M. Hoke, The Honorable Derek C. Swope, and The Honorable James P. Mazzone, were appointed as the members of the Mass Litigation Panel.

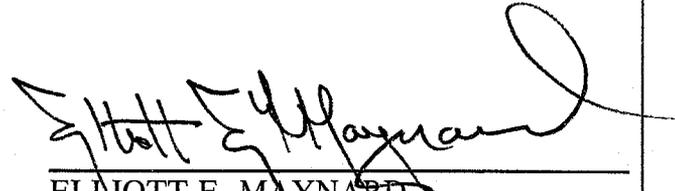
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, That said Flood Damage cases previously transferred to the Circuit Court of Raleigh County, be reassigned to the current members of the Mass Litigation Panel, The Honorable Alan D. Moats, Chair, The Honorable John A. Hutchison, The Honorable Booker T. Stephens, The Honorable Jay M. Hoke, The Honorable Derek C. Swope, and The Honorable James P. Mazzone, to preside over said Flood Damage cases.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That the Honorable Alan D. Moats, Chair of the Mass Litigation Panel, shall promptly schedule a status conference hearing to develop a case management plan for the disposition of said Flood Damage cases.

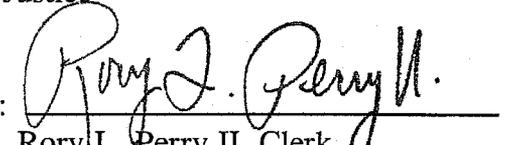
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That the members of the Mass Litigation Panel are directed to be sensitive to the concerns of all litigants with respect to the cost of time and money associated with this litigation; and

IT IS FINALLY ORDERED, That a copy of this ORDER be transmitted to lead counsel for the parties, the Honorable Gary L. Johnson, the Honorable Arthur M. Recht, the members of the Mass Litigation Panel, the Administrative Director of the Courts, and to the Clerk of the Circuit Court Raleigh County (to provide copies of same to counsel of record).

ENTER: SEPTEMBER 17, 2008



ELLIOTT E. MAYNARD
Chief Justice

Attest: 

Rory L. Perry II, Clerk
Supreme Court of Appeals