



**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF OHIO COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA**

**IN RE: MARCELLUS SHALE LITIGATION**

**CIVIL ACTION NO. 14-C-3000**

**THIS DOCUMENT APPLIES TO:**

**Slathial A. Simmons v.  
Antero Resources Corporation, et al.**

**Civil Action No. 15-C-1993 KAN**

**Kenna Sue Adams v.  
Antero Resources Corporation, et al.**

**Civil Action No. 15-C-1994 KAN**

**ORDER GRANTING MOTIONS TO JOIN IN EXISTING MASS LITIGATION**

The Court has reviewed Plaintiffs' motions to join the above-captioned civil actions to the Marcellus Shale Litigation, Defendant Antero Resources Corporation's responses in opposition to the motions, and the November 12, 2014 *Administrative Order* of the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia. Having considered the issues presented in the Marcellus Shale Litigation and the issues presented in the above-captioned civil actions, with the advice and consent of the Panel, the Court **GRANTS** the motions and **ORDERS** the above-captioned civil actions joined with *In re: Marcellus Shale Litigation*, Civil Action No. 14-C-3000, pending in the Circuit Court of Ohio County, West Virginia. The Panel notes and preserves the objections of any party aggrieved by this Order.

The paper court files for the above-captioned civil actions shall remain in the circuit court where the civil actions originated until further order of the Panel.

The above-captioned civil actions are designated for electronic filing and service, effective, **January 8, 2016**, as provided in West Virginia Trial Court Rule 15.01, *et seq.* To facilitate electronic filing and service each civil action number will include the three-letter county identifier of the county where the civil action originated. For example, the civil action number of *Kenna Sue Adams v. Antero Resources Corporation, et al.* will now read Civil Action No. 15-C-1994 KAN.

The Clerk of the Ohio County Circuit Court is **ORDERED** to send a certified copy of this Order to the Clerk of the Kanawha County Circuit Court for service on all affected judges and all parties in the above-referenced civil actions. The Chair of the Mass Litigation Panel and all parties to *In re: Marcellus Shale Litigation*, Civil Action No. 14-C-3000, shall be served with this Order electronically.

It is so **ORDERED**.

**ENTER:** January 4, 2016.

/s/ Alan D. Moats  
Lead Presiding Judge  
Marcellus Shale Litigation