## ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

## SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA

RE: APPOINTMENT OF THE HONORABLE MICHAEL D. LORENSEN, JUDGE OF THE TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, TO CONTINUE AS CHAIR OF THE BUSINESS COURT DIVISION

WHEREAS, pursuant to Rule 29.02 of the West Virginia Trial Court Rules, "the Chief Justice [of the Supreme Court of Appeals] shall designate a judge of the [Business Court] Division to serve as its Chair to preside over the activities of the Division and to report to the Supreme Court of Appeals." *Id.*, in relevant part.

WHEREAS, the Honorable Michael D. Lorensen, Judge of the Twenty-Third Judicial Circuit, has served as Chair since February 1, 2019. His term as Chair is scheduled to expire on January 31, 2022.

WHEREAS, the Chief Justice has approved for Judge Lorensen to continue as Chair until December 31, 2024, and Judge Lorensen has agreed to serve.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED, that the Honorable Michael D. Lorensen, Judge of the Twenty-Third Judicial Circuit, is to continue serving as Chair of the Business Court Division until December 31, 2024.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the Clerk of the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals record this Order in the office of said Clerk.

ENTERED: JANUARY 5, 2022

JOHN A. HUTCHISON

Chief Justice