ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA

RE: APPOINTMENT OF THE HONORABLE JOSEPH K. REEDER, JUDGE OF THE TWENTY-NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, TO THE BUSINESS COURT DIVISION

WHEREAS, pursuant to Rule 29.02 of the West Virginia Trial Court Rules, the Business Court Division may consist "of up to seven (7) active or senior status circuit court judges who shall be appointed by the Chief Justice, with the approval of the Supreme Court of Appeals. Each appointment is for a term of seven (7) years."

WHEREAS, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Appeals has been advised that the Honorable Jennifer P. Dent, Judge of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, whose term on the Business Court Division will expire on December 31, 2025, has submitted her resignation from the Business Court. The Court has accepted Judge Dent's resignation and has approved the appointment of the Honorable Joseph K. Reeder, Judge of the Twenty-Ninth Judicial Circuit, to the Business Court Division.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED, that the Honorable Joseph K. Reeder, Judge of the Twenty-Ninth Judicial Circuit, be, and he hereby is, appointed to serve under the provisions of Rule 29 of the West Virginia Trial Court Rules from October 4, 2022, through December 31, 2025.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the Honorable Michael D. Lorensen, Chair of the Business Court Division, shall prepare an order transferring Judge Dent's cases as he deems appropriate.

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: OCTOBER 4, 2022

JOHN A HUTCHISON

Chief Justice