

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA**

PANTHER DRILLING SYSTEMS, LLC,
Petitioner

SCA EFiled: Jan 03 2023
11:19AM EST
Transaction ID 68779418

vs.

Tyler County Circuit Court No. 15-P-9
Supreme Court Docket No. 22-849

JAY-BEE OIL & GAS, INC.,
JAY-BEE PRODUCTION CO.,
JB EXPLORATION I, LLC, and
PROTOTYPE WELL PLANNING, LLC,
Respondents

ORDER DENYING REFERRAL

On November 17, 2022, the petitioner, Panther Drilling Systems, LLC, by counsel Christopher A. Brumley, Michael A. Secret, and Evan S. Aldridge, Flaherty Sensabaugh & Bonasso PLLC, filed a motion to refer this case to the Business Court Division in accordance with Rule 29 of the West Virginia Trial Court Rules ("TCR"). On December 6, 2022, the respondents, Jay-Bee Oil & Gas, Inc., et al., by counsel Charles R. Bailey and Jason S. Hammond, Bailey & Wyant, PLLC, filed a response to the motion.

Upon careful review and consideration of the motion and the response, the Chief Justice has determined that this dispute does not require specialized treatment to improve the expectation of a fair and reasonable resolution, and this case does not meet the criteria for referral under T.C.R. 29.04(a)(2).

It is ORDERED that the motion to refer this action to the Business Court Division is DENIED.

The Clerk of Court shall provide a copy of this order to the Honorable Michael D. Lorensen, Chair of the Business Court Division, the Central Office of the Business Court Division, the Honorable Jeffrey Cramer, Judge of the Tyler County Circuit Court, and to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Tyler County.

ENTERED: DECEMBER 30, 2022





JOHN A. HUTCHISON
Chief Justice