

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

AMERICAN BITUMINOUS
POWER PARTNERS, L.P.,
Plaintiff

vs.

Marion Civil Action No. 20-C-136
Supreme Court Docket No. 21-BCD-10

EMPLOYERS' INNOVATIVE
NETWORK, LLC, and
VENSURE HR, INC.,
Defendants

ORDER GRANTING REFERRAL

On March 31, 2021, the defendants, Employers' Innovative Network, LLC and Vensure HR, Inc., by counsel, Russell D. Jessee and James E. McDaniel, Steptoe & Johnson 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"). The plaintiff, American Bituminous Power Partners, L.P., by counsel, John F. McCuskey and Roberta F. Green, Shuman, McCuskey & Slicer, PLLC, filed a response to the motion on April 7, 2021.

Upon careful review and consideration of the motion and the response, the Chief Justice has determined that the principal claims in the action involve matters of significance to the transactions, operations, or governance between business entities as required by TCR 29.04(a)(1), and that specialized treatment is likely to improve the expectation of a fair and reasonable resolution of the controversy as required by TCR 29.04(a)(2).

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

The Clerk of Court shall provide a copy of this order to the Honorable Michael D. Lorensen, Chair of the Business Court Division, for assignment of a presiding judge and such other actions as are necessary to effectuate the provisions of TCR 29; to the Central Office of the Business Court Division, to the Honorable David R. Janes, Judge of the Circuit Court of Marion County, and to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Marion County.

ENTERED: MAY 25, 2021




EVAN H. JENKINS
Chief Justice