ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA

THE GORMAN COMPANY, LLC, Plaintiff

vs.

Mingo Civil Action No. 21-C-11 Supreme Court Docket No. 21-BCD-11

OK GENTRY, LLC, and COAL-MAC, LLC, Defendants

ORDER GRANTING REFERRAL

On May 17, 2021, the plaintiff, The Gorman Company, LLC, by counsel, J. Mark Adkins and Zachary J. Rosencrance, Bowles Rice, LLP; and the defendants, OK Gentry, LLC, and Coal-Mac, LLC, by counsel, Marc R. Weintraub, Bailey & Glasser LLP, filed a joint motion to refer this case to the Business Court Division in accordance with Rule 29 of the West Virginia Trial Court Rules ("TCR").

Upon careful review and consideration of the motion, 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 Miki J. Thompson, Judge of the Circuit Court of Mingo County, and to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Mingo County.

ENTERED: JUNE 10, 2021

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EVAN H. JENKINS

Chief Justice