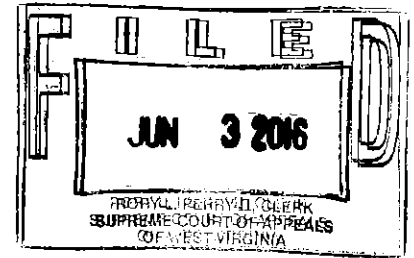


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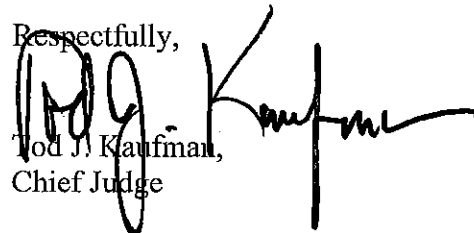
Re: J.F. Allen Corporation v. the Sanitary Board of The City of  
Charleston, et. al  
Civil Action No: 14-C-1182  
*In the Circuit Court of Kanawha County, West Virginia*

Dear Chief Justice Ketchum:

A copy of *The Motion to Refer to Business Court Division* in the above-captioned cause has been sent to me and I have reviewed same. The Motion to Refer was filed with the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals on May 26, 2016, and has been docketed pursuant to Trial Court Rule 29.06 (a)(1) (revised effective July 1, 2014). Pursuant to Trial Court Rule 29.06(a)(4), "any party or affected judge" may file a reply memorandum. Any party may file a reply memorandum by June 15, 2016.

I support the Motion to Refer to Business Court Division.

Respectfully,

  
Tod J. Kaufman,  
Chief Judge

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