ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIR

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E.L. ROBINSON ENGINEERING CO., Plaintiff

v.) No. 25-360 (Kanawha County No. CC-20-2025-C-456)

CTL ENGINEERING, INC, JOE WARINO, P.E., PAUL MATTOX, P.E., and DEAN HATFIELD, P.E., Defendants

ORDER DENYING REFERRAL

On May 29, 2025, the defendants CTL Engineering, Inc., Joseph Warino, P.E., and Paul Mattox, P.E., by counsel J. Mark Adkins and Unaiza R. Tyree, Bowles Rice LLP; and the defendant Dean Hatfield, P.E., by counsel Stephen E. Hastings and Jessica B. Brisendine, Hendrickson & Long, 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 E.L. Robinson Engineering Co., by counsel Norman T. Daniels, Jr., Thomas E. G. Spears, Wesley V. Queen, and Robert P. Lorea, Daniels Law Firm, PLLC, filed a response opposing the renewed motion to refer on June 4, 2025.

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 Richard Lindsay, Judge of the Circuit Court of Kanawha County, and to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Kanawha County.

ENTERED: JUNE 18, 2025

WILLIAM R. WOOTON

Chief Justice