

STATE OF VERMONT
VERMONT SUPREME COURT
JUNE TERM, 2010

Order Promulgating Emergency Amendments to Administrative Order No. 12

1. Pursuant to the Vermont Constitution, Chapter II, Sections 30, 31, and 37, and the provisions of 4 V.S.A. § 30(b), Administrative Order No. 12 is amended to read as follows (deleted matter overstruck, new matter underlined).

RULE ESTABLISHING UNITS AND TERMS OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

§ 1. The unified superior court as constituted by 4 V.S.A. § 30(a) shall be divided into 14 geographical units which shall follow county lines, except that the environmental court shall be a court of statewide jurisdiction and shall not otherwise be divided into geographical units.

§ 4 2. The terms of the Superior Court shall begin on the first Monday in March and the first Tuesday after Labor Day in September in every county at the following locations:

(a) Addison County at Middlebury.

(b) Bennington County at ~~Bennington or Manchester, at the discretion of the presiding judge.~~

(c) Caledonia County at ~~St. Johnsbury.~~

(d) Chittenden County at Burlington.

(e) Essex County at ~~Guildhall.~~

(f) Franklin County at ~~St. Albans.~~

(g) Grand Isle County at ~~North Hero.~~

(h) Lamoille County at ~~Hyde Park.~~

(i) Orange County at Chelsea.

(j) Orleans County at ~~the City of Newport.~~

(k) Rutland County at ~~the City of Rutland.~~

(l) Washington County at ~~Montpelier~~.

(m) Windham County at ~~Newfane~~.

(n) Windsor County at ~~Woodstock~~.

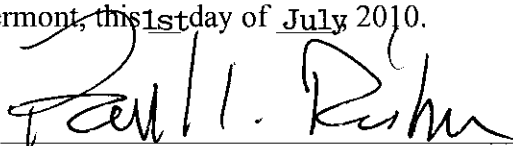
~~§ 2. The Administrative Judge for Trial Courts may assign additional judges to the several counties. Except for special assignments of judges to specific cases made by the Administrative Judge, the presiding judge of each court shall assign cases to be heard by the additional judges.~~

§ 3. No stated term shall be formally closed at any time, and each shall be considered to be open until the next regular stated term is convened in the county. The superior judge assigned as presiding judge of the stated term shall continue to serve in that capacity until the opening of the next stated term, unless other designation is made.

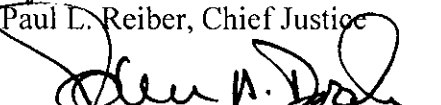
2. Pursuant to Administrative Order No. 11 § 9, the Court finds that these emergency amendments must be promulgated without resort to the notice and comment procedures set forth in Administrative Order No. 11, to implement in a timely manner the statutory amendments set forth in 4 V.S.A. § 30. The Chief Justice is authorized to report these amendments to the General Assembly in accordance with the provisions of 12 V.S.A. § 1, as amended.

3. These emergency amendments are to become effective on July 1, 2010.

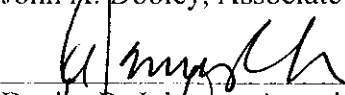
Dated in Chambers at Montpelier, Vermont, this 1st day of July 2010.



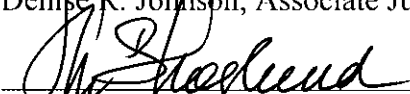
Paul L. Reiber, Chief Justice



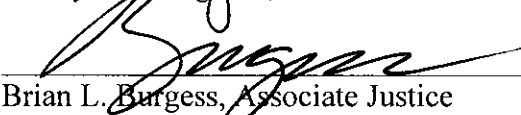
John A. Dooley, Associate Justice



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