



SUPREME COURT OF GEORGIA

Atlanta May 7, 2015

The Honorable Supreme Court met pursuant to adjournment.

The following order was passed:

It is ordered that Section 3 (a) of the Atlanta Judicial Circuit Rule 1004 governing the Fulton County Superior Court Business Case Division be revised to add subsection (viii) to allow cases subject to the Georgia International Commercial Arbitration Code to be assigned to the Business Case Division, and that Section 12 (relating to the use of alternative means of dispute resolution) be revised to refer to nonbinding mediation and arbitration, effective May 7, 2015, as follows:

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(a) The Division may accept for assignment Business Cases, which include actions brought pursuant or subject to the following:

- (i) Georgia Securities Act of 1973, as amended, OCGA § 10-5-1 et seq.;
- (ii) Uniform Commercial Code, OCGA § 11-1-101 et seq.;
- (iii) Georgia Business Corporation Code, OCGA § 14-2-101 et seq.;
- (iv) Uniform Partnership Act, OCGA § 14-8-1 et seq.;
- (v) Uniform Limited Partnership Act, OCGA § 14-9A-1 et seq.;
- (vi) Georgia Revised Uniform Limited Partnership Act, OCGA § 14-9-100 et seq.;
- (vii) Georgia Limited Liability Company Act, OCGA § 14-11-100 et seq.; and
- (viii) Georgia International Commercial Arbitration Code, OCGA § 9-9-20 et seq.

In addition, Business Cases may include any action in which the amount in controversy (or, in a case of injunction relief the value of the relief sought or the cost of not getting the relief) exceeds \$1,000,000 and where one or more parties to the action or the Court believes warrants the attention of the Division, including, but not limited to, large contractual and business tort cases as well as other complex commercial litigation involving a material issue related to the law governing corporations, partnerships, limited partnerships, limited liability partnerships, and limited liability companies, including issues concerning governance, involuntary dissolution of a corporation, mergers and acquisitions, breach of duty of directors, election or removal of directors, enforcement or interpretation of shareholder agreements, derivative actions and/or arbitration.

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The Division Judges, in consultation with all parties, shall have the ability to order nonbinding mediation, nonbinding arbitration, or other means of alternative dispute resolution as dictated by the needs of a particular Business Case. The Division Judges themselves, with the consent of all parties, may conduct such nonbinding mediation, nonbinding arbitration, or other means of alternative dispute resolution.

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA
Clerk's Office, Atlanta

I hereby certify that the above is a true extract from
the minutes of the Supreme Court of Georgia
witness my signature and the seal of said court hereto
affixed the day and year last above written.

Theresa A. Barnes Clerk