

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS

IN RE:)

ORDER AMENDING THE RULES OF THE)
MAGISTRATE DIVISION OF THE SUPERIOR)
COURT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS)

Miscellaneous No. 13-2008

ORDER

The Legislature of the Virgin Islands having amended the statutory requirements for the Magistrate Selection panel of the Superior Court, and consistent with Section 2 of Act No. 7009 prescribing the composition of that panel, it is hereby

ORDERED that Superior Court Rule 311.1 (a) is amended as follows:

Super. Ct. R. 311.1(a) is amended to change the requisite number of panel members from five (5) to **eleven (11)** and to change the number of members required to constitute a quorum from three to **seven (7)**.

It is further

ORDERED that the language of Superior Court Rule 311.1 (c) is

removed and substituted with the following language:

(c) Of its 11 members, the Selection Panel must include: an assistant attorney general, a territorial public defender, two active members of the Virgin Islands Bar in private practice, a representative of Legal Services and four non-lawyers. Each member of the panel shall be a resident of the division within which the appointment is to be made. No judicial officer, including senior or retired judges or justices, or other Supreme Court or Superior Court officer or employee shall be appointed as a member of the panel.

SO ORDERED this 8th day of September, 2008.



DARRYL DEAN DONOHUE, SR.
PRESIDING JUDGE

ATTEST:

 9/9/08
VENETIA H. VELAZQUEZ, ESQ.
CLERK OF THE COURT