

SUPREME COURT OF LOUISIANA

ORDER

Acting in accordance with Article V, Sections 1 and 5 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, and the inherent power of this Court, and considering the need to amend Part G, Section 2, General Administrative Rules,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED THAT:

1. The title of Section 2 is hereby amended to read:

Section 2. Cases Under Advisement; Reports from Circuit Courts of Appeal.

2. A new paragraph (c) be and is hereby added to Part G, Section 2, General Administrative Rules, to read as follows:

(c) Reports from Circuit Courts of Appeal.

Each writing judge of a circuit court of appeal shall report to this Court, through the Office of the Judicial Administrator, on or before the tenth day of each month, all appeals in which ninety (90) days have elapsed since oral argument or submission to a panel, together with an explanation of the reasons for the delay and an expected date of decision. For purposes of this rule, if a pending matter is re-submitted to a panel with additional judges or a replacement judge, the date clock is reset to the new submission/argument date. Reports submitted pursuant to this Section 2(c) shall be confidential in light of the requirements of Canon 3A(6) of the Code of Judicial Conduct.

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This rule change shall become effective upon signing and shall remain in full force and effect thereafter until amended through future orders of the Court.

New Orleans, Louisiana, this _____ day of June, 2009.

FOR THE COURT:

Catherine D. Kimball, Chief Justice