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Please take notice that on February 16, 2024, an **ORDER SETTING CALENDAR OF CASES FOR ORAL ARGUMENT AND CONSIDERATION** dated February 16, 2024 was entered by the Clerk in the above-entitled matter.

Dated: February 16, 2024

VERONICA J. HANDY, ESQ.
Clerk of the Court

By: /s/ Jahkyda Coakley
Jahkyda Coakley
Deputy Clerk II

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS

**ORDER SETTING CALENDAR OF CASES FOR ORAL ARGUMENT AND
CONSIDERATION**

The Supreme Court will convene in its Seventh Session of its 2024 Term on **Tuesday, March 12, 2024**, in the Supreme Court of the Virgin Islands - St. Thomas, 161B Crown Bay¹ (**In- Person**).

Unless otherwise noted, the Honorable **RHYS S. HODGE**, Chief Justice, the Honorable **MARIA M. CABRET**, Associate Justice, and the Honorable **IVE ARLINGTON SWAN**, Associate Justice, will comprise the panel scheduled for March 12, 2024.

AND NOW, this 16th day of February 2024, it is hereby,

ORDERED, that the following cases are scheduled for consideration before the Supreme Court of the Virgin Islands in its Second Session, 2024 Term:

SCT-CIV-2023-0126

ST-2022-CV-00247

Steven D. Payne, Sr. and Noellise Powell
Appellants/Plaintiffs,

v.

35th Legislature of the Virgin Islands and Senator Novelle E. Francis, Jr.
Appellee/Defendants.

Counsel for Appellant(s)
Treston E. Moore, Esq.

Counsel for Appellee(s)
Joseph B.W Arellano, Esq.

¹ Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 27(b), unless otherwise noted, each side is allotted fifteen (15) minutes to present arguments. All cases that are submitted on the record may be considered at any time or date.

SCT-CIV-2023-0014
ST-2021-CV-00361

**Albert Bryan Jr., in his official capacity, and Government of the Virgin Islands
Appellants/Plaintiffs,**

v.

**Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority (WAPA)
Appellee/Defendant.**

Counsel for Appellant(s)
Michael Robert Francisco, Esq.
Ian S.A. Clement, Esq.

Counsel for Appellee(s)
Yohana Manning, Esq.

SCT-CIV-2023-0039
ST-2014-CS-00021

**Tarah S. Malek²
Appellant/Defendant**

v.

**Anthony W. Romano
Appellee/Plaintiff**

Counsel for Appellant(s)
Tarah S. Malek, Pro Se

Counsel for Appellee(s)
Anthony W. Romano, Pro Se

² Chief Justice Rhys S. Hodge having been recused, the panel convened to consider this matter is comprised of the Honorable Maria M. Cabret, Associate Justice, the Honorable Ive A. Swan, Associate Justice, and the Honorable Jessica Gallivan, Designated Justice.

It is further,

ORDERED that the Court will hear **ARGUMENTS** in the above-noted cases on March 12, 2024:

Oral Arguments will commence at **10:00 AM**, in the following cases:

1. **Steven D. Payne, Sr. and Noellise Powell v. 35th Legislature of the Virgin Islands and Senator Novelle E. Francis, Jr.**
SCT-CIV-2023-0126
2. **Bryan Jr. et al v. Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority (WAPA)**
SCT-CIV-2023-0014

It is further,

ORDERED that the following case will be considered without Oral Arguments;

3. **Tarah S. Malek v. Anthony W. Romano**
SCT-CIV-2023-0039

SO ORDERED this 16th day of February 2024.

FOR THE COURT:

/s/ Rhys S. Hodge

RHYS S. HODGE

Chief Justice

ATTEST:

VERONICA J. HANDY, ESQ.
Clerk of the Court

By: /s/ Jahkyda Coakley
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Dated: February 16, 2024

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