SCLARLJ 5.
PRESIDING JUDGE

(a) Appointment. The Court shall be managed by the Presiding Judge, who shall be elected by a majority of the judges prior to December 1st in the year immediately occurring before the term of office. An Assistant Presiding Judge shall be elected in the same manner.

(b) Appeals.

(1) A decision of the Presiding Judge may be appealed to the judges by any judge.

(2) An affirmative majority vote of those judges voting is required to reverse a decision of the Presiding Judge.

(c) Meetings.

(1) Regular Meetings. Regular meetings of the judges shall be held not less than every quarter. These meetings shall be on such a day as may be designated by the Presiding Judge.

(2) Special Meetings. Special meetings of the judges may be called at any time by the Presiding Judge or by any four judges acting jointly. Notice of any such meeting shall be provided each judge at least 48 hours in advance by personal contact or in writing left at the judge's assigned division.

(3) Meeting Agendas. The Presiding Judge shall prepare the agenda for judges' meetings. Any judge may place any item of business on the agenda.

(4) Voting. At a judge's meeting, each judge shall have the right to cast one vote on any issue before the judges.

(5) Quorum. A quorum for the conduct of business by the judges shall be five judges.

(d) General Responsibilities. In addition to GR 29 responsibilities, and in order to assure the expeditious and efficient handling of all cases and an equitable distribution of workload among the several divisions, the Presiding Judge may by written order, direct that certain types of cases be filed in different division(s) than

otherwise provided in these rules for a designated period of time, or until further ordered. It is recommended, but not required, that the Presiding Judge consult with the affected division judges, affected law enforcement agencies, and other affected parties prior to making such decisions.

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