

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

At a Regular Term of the Supreme Court of Appeals continued and held at Charleston, Kanawha County, on the 20th day of April, 2010, the following order was made and entered:

RE: APPROVAL OF RULES OF JUVENILE PROCEDURE

On a former day, to-wit, May 1, 2009, came the Youth Services Committee of the Court Improvement Program, chaired by Jane Moran, and presented to the Court proposed procedural rules for juvenile status and delinquency cases arising under Chapter 49, Article 5 of the West Virginia Code, such rules having been approved by the Court Improvement Program Oversight Board.

Thereafter, on June 4, 2009, the Court requested public comment on the proposed rules, and by subsequent order extended the deadline for public comments to conclude on November 9, 2009.

Thereafter, on January 22, 2010, the Court Improvement Program Oversight Board unanimously approved certain revisions to the rules in light of the public comments received.

On this day came the Court and proceeded to consider the proposed rules as presented. Upon consideration whereof, the Court is of the opinion to and does hereby **approve and adopt for use** the Rules of Juvenile Procedure, **effective July 1, 2010**. The Rules of Juvenile Procedure are attached in their entirety to this order.

The Court expresses its appreciation to the Court Improvement Program Youth Services Committee for its diligent and thorough work in drafting and revising the rules.

The Rules of Juvenile Procedure are available on the Supreme Court Web site at: <http://www.state.wv.us/wvsca/Rules/Juvenile_Procedure_Rules.pdf>.

The Clerk of the Court is directed to provide copies of the rules to all circuit judges and all probation officers.

A True Copy

Attest: /s/ Rory L. Perry II, Clerk of Court