SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK - NEW YORK COUNTY

PRESENT: Peter H. Moulton
Administrative Order

SOUTHERN WINE & SPIRITS OF NEW YORK, INC. and SOUTHERN WINE & SPIRITS OF ILLINOIS, INC.,

Plaintiffs,

- v -

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RUSSIAN STANDARD VODKA USA, INC.,

Defendant.

Administrative Order:

By letter dated June 17, 2015, plaintiffs' counsel timely applies for a transfer of this action to the Commercial Division pursuant to Uniform Rule 202.70. No opposition to the request has been received.

Uniform Rule 202.70 (a) and (b) (1) provides that actions, in which the principal claims involve or consist of breach of contract where the breach or violation is alleged to arise out of business dealings, will be heard in the Commercial Division provided the $500,000 monetary threshold for New York County is met or equitable or declaratory relief is sought.

This action meets the standards for assignment to the Commercial Division. The complaint alleges that defendant breached exclusive distribution agreements for the sale of Russian vodka in New York, Delaware, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Kentucky, New Hampshire, Maine and Vermont, and the complaint seeks damages in the amount of $1,241,525.

Accordingly, the General Clerk's Office is directed to reassign this from I.A.S. Part 15 (Rakower, J.) to a Justice of the Commercial Division. (A motion to dismiss the complaint is currently returnable on July 10, 2015 in the E-Filed Submissions Part.)

Dated: June 22, 2015 ENTER: _____, A.J.

Check one: ❑ FINAL DISPOSITION ❑ NON-FINAL DISPOSITION