ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER OF THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE OF THE COURTS

Pursuant to the authority vested in me, and with the advice and consent of the Administrative Board of the Courts, I hereby amend Rule 29 of section 202.70(g) of the Uniform Rules for the Supreme and County Courts (Rules of Practice for the Commercial Division), effective August 31, 2023, to read as follows (additions underlined, deletions in strikethrough).

Rule 29. Identification of Deposition Testimony. Counsel for the parties shall consult prior to trial and shall in good faith attempt to agree upon the portions of deposition testimony to be offered into evidence without objection, and to resolve any objections regarding the use of any corresponding video recording of such deposition testimony. The parties shall, delete from the testimony to be read questions and answers that are irrelevant to the point for which the deposition testimony is offered. Each party shall prepare a list of deposition testimony to be offered by it as to which objection has not been made and, identified separately, a list of deposition testimony as to which objection has been made to the introduction of the testimony or corresponding video recording of the deposition testimony. At least ten days prior to trial, or such other time as the court may set, each party shall submit its list to the court and other counsel, together with a copy of the portions of the deposition testimony as to which no objection has been made and, if applicable, the corresponding video recording of the portions of deposition testimony as to which no objection has been made. The court will rule upon the objections at the earliest possible time after consultation with counsel. This Rule does not apply to portions of deposition testimony and corresponding video recording to be used solely for impeachment or credibility purposes.

Chief Administrative Judge of the Courts

Date: August 2, 2023

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