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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF MISSISSIPPI

No. 89-R-99006-SCT

RE: UNIFORM CHANCERY COURT RULES

ORDER

This matter has come before the Court en banc on its own motion for consideration of adoption of a new Rule 1.12 of the Mississippi Uniform Chancery Court Rules and a Comment thereto, and the Court having considered the matter finds that the adoption of Rule 1.12 and its Comment as set forth in Exhibit "A" hereto will promote the fair and effective administration of justice and that the amendment should be adopted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Rule 1.12 of the Mississippi Uniform Chancery Court Rules and the Comment thereto are adopted to read as set forth in Exhibit "A" hereto.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of this Court shall spread this order upon the minutes of the Court and shall forthwith forward a true certified copy hereof to West Publishing Company for publication as soon as practical in the advance sheets of *Southern* Reporter, Second Series (Mississippi Edition) and in the next edition of Mississippi Rules of Court.

SO ORDERED, this the <u>11th</u> day of April, 2003.

/s/ William L. Waller, Jr. WILLIAM L. WALLER, JR., JUSTICE, FOR THE COURT

DIAZ, J., NOT PARTICIPATING

EXHIBIT "A" TO ORDER

MISSISSIPPI CHANCERY COURT RULES

RULE 1.12. Electronic media coverage of judicial proceedings by means of cameras, television and other electronic devises is governed by the Rules for Electronic and Photographic Coverage of Judicial Proceedings.

[Adopted effective April 17, 2003 for proceedings conducted from and after July 1, 2003.]

Comment

Section 3B(12) of the Code of Judicial Conduct prohibits broadcasting, televising, recording, or taking photographs in the courtroom and areas immediately adjacent thereto except as authorized by rule or order of the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court has now adopted the Rules for Electronic and Photographic Coverage of Judicial Proceedings which provides detailed guidance for such coverage.

[Adopted effective April 17, 2003.]