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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF MISSISSIPPI

No. 89-R-99025-SCT

***RE: UNIFORM RULES OF CIRCUIT
AND COUNTY COURTS***

ORDER

This matter has come before the Court en banc on its own motion for consideration of adoption of a new Comment to Rule 1.04 of the Uniform Rules of Circuit and County Court Practice, and the Court having considered the matter finds that the Comment to Rule 1.04 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 a Comment to Rule 1.04 of the Uniform Rules of Circuit and County Court Practice is 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 11th 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

UNIFORM RULES OF CIRCUIT AND COUNTY COURT PRACTICE

RULE 1.04 CAMERAS

There shall be no broadcasting, televising, recording, or taking photographs in the courtroom and areas immediately adjacent thereto during sessions of court or recesses between sessions, except that the court may authorize the same in accordance with the Code of Judicial Conduct.

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 as to proceedings conducted from and after July 1, 2003.]