

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

**IN RE: STANDARD FOR)
TIMELY DISPOSITION OF)
APPELLATE CASES)**

APPELLATE ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

This 21st day of March, 1995.

To promote the just, speedy, and efficient determination of appeals on the record in the Superior Court of the State of Delaware.

IT IS ORDERED:

1. Statement of Policy

To enable just and efficient resolution of appeals on the record, the Superior Court shall supervise and control the preparation and presentation of all appeals coming before it. All commissions, boards, hearing officers under the Personnel Rules for Non-Judicial Employees, or courts from which an appeal may at any time be heard on the record below, the parties, and counsel as officers of the Court have a responsibility to eliminate unnecessary delay in the preparation and presentation of an appeal.

2. Time Standards for Disposition of Appellate Cases

The time standards of the Superior Court of the State of Delaware relating to disposition of appeals on the record shall be that 75% of all appeals shall be resolved within 290 days from filing of the notice of appeal, 95% within one year of the filing of the notice of appeal, and the remaining 5% as expeditiously as possible, given the length of the record, the complexity of the issues, or other unusual circumstances.

3. Pending Appeals Inventory

The Prothonotary of each County shall prepare at the end of each month a Pending Appeals Inventory. The inventory shall include the case name, the nature of the appeal, the elapsed time from the date of filing of the notice of appeal, the date the citation for the record issued, the date of filing of the record, the date the last brief is to be filed, the names of counsel, and the name of the assigned Judge. The report shall highlight each case that has not been resolved within 290 days of filing. Copies of the inventory shall be available for inspection in the Prothonotary's Office and shall be provided to the President Judge, the Resident Judge of the County, and each Judge to whom an appeal is assigned.

4. Time of Filing

The extension of the time for filing of the record or of any brief ordered by the Court will not be authorized, whether or not consent of the parties is obtained, unless the Court enters an order upon a showing of good cause for such enlargement.

5. Effective Date

This Appellate Administrative Order shall be effective April 1, 1995.

6. Publication

(a) The Court Administrator shall provide a copy of this Order to the Delaware State Bar Association for publication.

(b) A copy of this Appellate Administrative Order shall be posted in the Office of the Prothonotary in each County and shall be provided by the Court Administrator to all commissions, boards, or courts from which an appeal on the record may be taken to the Superior Court.

President Judge

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