

**IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF MARYLAND**

**NINTH ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER**

**ON REMOTE ORAL ARGUMENTS**

**WHEREAS**, Article IV, Section 14 of the Maryland Constitution provides that judges of the Court of Appeals may temporarily transfer their sittings elsewhere upon sufficient cause; and sufficient cause having been found to exist due to the COVID-19 emergency, and

**WHEREAS**, the August 6, 2021 *Third Amended Administrative Order Expanding Statewide Judiciary Operations in Light of the COVID-19 Emergency* and the January 14, 2022 *Extension of Interim Administrative Order of December 27, 2021 Restricting Statewide Judiciary Operations in Light of the Omicron Variant of the COVID-19 Emergency* provide that, pending further order of the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals, the courts are authorized and shall conduct remote proceedings to the greatest extent possible during the health emergency, using communication platforms consistent with the *Administrative Order on the Implementation of Remote Electronic Participation in Judicial Proceedings*, filed June 18, 2018, and the *Amended Administrative Order on Remote Proceedings Held During the COVID-19 Emergency*, filed May 1, 2020, and

**WHEREAS**, the Court of Appeals has previously held remote oral arguments for cases designated to be heard in the June Session of the 2019 Term and the September and October Sessions of the 2020 Term, pursuant to the May 18, 2020 *Administrative Order Rescheduling May Oral Arguments and Postponing Other Oral Arguments*, and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the October 26, 2020 *Administrative Order on Remote Oral Arguments*, the Court of Appeals has previously held remote oral arguments for cases

designated to be heard in the November, December, and January Sessions of the 2020 Term, and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the December 16, 2020 *Second Administrative Order on Remote Oral Arguments* and the March 1, 2021 *Third Administrative Order on Remote Oral Arguments*, the Court has previously held remote oral arguments for cases designated to be heard in the February, March, and April Sessions of the 2020 Term, and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the March 25, 2021 *Fourth Administrative Order on Remote Oral Arguments*, the Court has previously held remote oral arguments for cases designated to be heard in the May and June Sessions of the 2020 Term, and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the August 18, 2021 *Fifth Administrative Order on Remote Oral Arguments*, the Court has previously held remote oral arguments for cases designated to be heard in the September Session of the 2021 Term, and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the September 15, 2021 *Sixth Administrative Order on Remote Oral Arguments*, the Court has previously held remote oral arguments for cases designated to be heard in the October Session of the 2021 Term, and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the October 22, 2021 *Seventh Administrative Order on Remote Oral Arguments*, the Court has previously held remote oral arguments for cases designated to be heard in the November Session of the 2021 Term, and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the December 28, 2021 *Eighth Administrative Order on Remote Oral Arguments*, the Court has previously held remote oral arguments for cases designated to be heard in the January Session of the 2021 Term, and

**WHEREAS**, it continues to be necessary to hold oral arguments by videoconferencing, it is this 14<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2022

**ORDERED**, by the Court of Appeals of Maryland, that all cases scheduled for oral argument during the February Session of the 2021 Term be, and hereby are, designated to be heard by videoconferencing, the Court and its Clerk having advised, or will advise, the parties concerning the format and designated participation procedures.

/s/ Joseph M. Getty  
Joseph M. Getty  
Chief Judge  
Court of Appeals of Maryland

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/s/ Suzanne C. Johnson  
Suzanne C. Johnson  
Clerk  
Court of Appeals of Maryland

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Suzanne C. Johnson, Clerk