

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NORTH CAROLINA

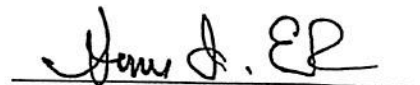
ORDER ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO THE RULES OF
THE NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESS COURT

The Rules of the North Carolina Business Court are hereby amended to read as printed on the following pages.

These rules shall be effective on the 1st day of January, 2017, and shall apply to all actions designated to the Business Court before or after that date.

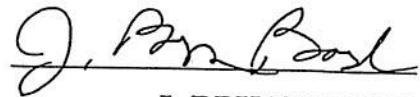
These amendments shall be promulgated by publication in the North Carolina Reports and posted on the Business Court's web site.

Ordered by the Court in Conference, this the 20th day of December, 2016.



For the Court

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Supreme Court of North Carolina, this the 20th day of December, 2016.



J. BRYAN BOYD
Clerk of the Supreme Court