

SUPREME COURT

No. 2001-6

EXECUTIVE ORDER

At my request, the Alternate Dispute Resolution Committee of the Rhode Island Bar Association, along with the Association's Executive Committee and House of Delegates endorsed the creation of an Alternate Dispute Resolution Task Force ("ADR Task Force") to examine the present status of alternate dispute resolution within Rhode Island, including its effectiveness, and to make recommendations regarding the use of all alternate dispute resolution protocols.

The creation of such a committee has also been recommended by the Future of the Courts Committee.

As a result, it is hereby ordered that an ADR Task Force is hereby created consisting of the following membership:

The Honorable John P. Bourcier, Co-chair  
Christine W. Ariel, Esquire, Co-chair  
Presiding Justice of the Rhode Island Superior Court or his designee  
Chief Judge of the Rhode Island District Court or his designee  
Chief Judge of the Rhode Island Family Court or his designee  
Chief Judge of the Rhode Island Workers' Compensation Court or his designee  
Representative from the Traffic Tribunal as designated by the Chief Judge of the District Court  
The Honorable Sheldon Whitehouse, Attorney General or his designee  
John Hardiman, Public Defender or his designee  
Gail M. Valuk, Esquire, Deputy State Court Administrator  
Dean Harvey Rishikoff, Roger Williams University School of Law or his designee  
Bruce Cogan, Esquire, Roger Williams University School of Law  
Professor Craig Overton, University of Rhode Island  
Robert Barge, Esquire, Rhode Island Legal Services or his designee  
Ms. Joan Gelch, Providence Community Mediation Center  
Carol King, Esquire, Southeastern Mass. Legal Assistance Corp.  
Kenneth Ford, Providence Washington Insurance Company

Ronald Gerwatowski, Narragansett Electric Company  
Zenon Lankowsky, CVS  
John E. McCann, Esquire  
Karen L. Davidson, Esquire  
Martin K. Donovan, Esquire  
Arnold W. Montaquila, Esquire  
Clair T. Jabour, Esquire  
Renee G. Vogel, MD, JD  
J. Renn Olenn, Esquire  
Cary J. Coen, Esquire  
William E. Smith, Esquire  
Sheila T. Swan, Esquire  
Amedeo C. Merolla, Esquire  
Steven J. Hirsch, Esquire  
Holly Hitchcock  
J. Michael Keating, Esquire  
Phillip M. Weinstein, Esquire  
William M. Dolan, Esquire  
William Delaney, Esquire  
John Martinelli, Esquire  
Kent Williver, Esquire  
Amy Beretta, Esquire  
Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Rhode Island (ex-officio)  
Robert Oster, President of the Rhode Island Bar Association (ex-officio)  
Kathleen Maher McKendall, Administrator, Arbitration

Other members may be appointed by further order of the Chief Justice.

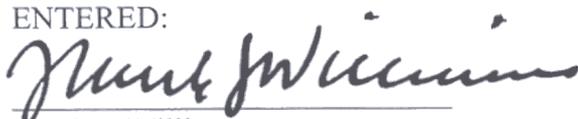
The first meeting of the plenary session of the ADR Task Force is scheduled for June 25, 2001 at 12:30 p.m. in the Supreme Court of Rhode Island,

The Task Force shall present its interim report to the Chief Justice on or before December 31, 2001.

The Supreme Court appreciates the interest of all who are willing to serve on this Task Force.

Entered as an Order of this Court on this 24rd day of May, 2001.

ENTERED:



Frank J. Williams  
Chief Justice

BY ORDER.



Clerk