

# SUPREME COURT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS



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**PRESS RELEASE**  
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The Supreme Court of the Virgin Islands wishes to announce that it will convene its Fifth Bar Admissions Ceremony and its Tenth Session of its 2011 Term on Wednesday, November 2, 2011, at the Court's facilities at No. 161B Crown Bay, St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands. The Bar Admission Ceremonies will commence at 9:30 a.m., where the following fifteen (15) individuals will be admitted to the Virgin Islands Bar:

Mary Carolyn Barnes	Eric Andrew Hiller	Cynthia Bonithia Moore
Shari Natalya D'andrade	James Michael Jordan	Melissa Pauline Ortiz
Shelby Ann King Gaddy	Bobbie Lee King, Jr.	Vanessa-Nola Pratt
Sanjeeb Haque	Sherri Nadalia Lewis	Tonya Cherise Saafir
Catherine Ann Hendry	John J. Merchant	Pamela R. Tepper

Thereafter, oral arguments will commence promptly at 10:00 a.m. in the following matters:

1. *Mitchell Nicholas v. People of the Virgin Islands*, (S. Ct. Crim. No. 2009-0022)
2. *Thomas Wayne Hightree v. People of the Virgin Islands*, (S. Ct. Crim. No. 2010-0063)
3. *Ottley Smith v. People of the Virgin Islands*, (S. Ct. Crim. No. 2010-0064)
4. *In the Matter of the Estate of: Earl L. Small, Jr., Deceased.*, (S. Ct. Civ. No. 2010-0096)
5. *Public Employees Relation Board, Government of the Virgin Islands, Virgin Islands Waste Management Authority v. United Industrial Workers-Seafarers International Union*, (S. Ct. Civ. No. 2010-0099, S. Ct. Civ. No. 2011-0001)

The following cases will be considered without oral argument:

1. *People of the Virgin Islands In the Interest of J.S.I., A Minor*, (S. Ct. Crim. No. 2011-0049)
2. *Eliston F. George v. Julius Wilson, Director*, (S. Ct. Civ. No. 2011-0026)
3. *John M. Burd v. Antilles Yachting Services, Inc, d/b/a Islands Marine Outfitters*, (S. Ct. Civ. No. 2010-0102)
4. *Allenton Browne v. Laura L.Y. Gore*, (S. Ct. Civ. No. 2011-0012)

The general public and members of the Virgin Islands Bar can view the live coverage of the oral arguments via the Court's website located at [www.visupremecourt.org](http://www.visupremecourt.org), under the Media Services link. To receive notice of upcoming calendars of cases to be heard by the Supreme Court of the Virgin Islands and other court announcements, the public may sign up online at the Court's website on the link that says, "SignMeUp."

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