SUPREME COURT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS



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Chief Justice Rhys S. Hodge wishes to advise the general public and members of the Virgin Islands Bar that the Judicial Branch of the Virgin Islands will recognize the following holiday schedule for the remainder of the 2016 calendar year and the upcoming holiday season.

November 8, 2016: Election Day

December 23, 2016: Pre-Christmas Eve. Offices will close at noon. Employees will be granted administrative leave on both islands from noon to 5:00 p.m.

November 11, 2016: Veteran's Day

December 26, 2016: Christmas and Boxing Day

November 24, 2016: Thanksgiving Day

December 30, 2016: New Year's Eve. Employees will be granted administrative leave on both islands

November 25, 2016 (Day After Thanksgiving): Offices closed on

both islands. Employees granted administrative leave.

January 2, 2017: New Year's Day

January 4, 2017 (Carnival J'Ouvert, Festival Food, Arts and Crafts Fair):

St. Croix employees granted administrative leave to attend.

January 6, 2017: Closed in observance of Three King's Day

All previously calendared matters and Advice of Rights hearings will be heard as scheduled. On the designated dates and times that the employees of the judiciary have been granted administrative leave, all filings will continuously be accepted through the previously approved methods:

Supreme Court: All filings will continuously be accepted electronically via the Court's electronic filing system ("VISCEFS") and will also be accepted via a secured lockbox for non-electronic filers at the entrance of the Supreme Court's premises at No. 161B Crown Bay, on St. Thomas and No. 18 Strand Street, Frederiksted, St. Croix.

Superior Court: All filings will be accepted in both districts on the following dates: Friday, November 25th; Friday, December 23rd; and Friday, December 30th. In the St. Thomas-St. John District, filings (including those for the Magistrate Division) will be accepted via a secured lock box on the First Floor, East Wing entrance of the Court's premises at the Alexander A. Farrelly Justice Center. In the District of St. Croix, filings will be accepted via a secured lock box located at the entrance on the First Floor of the R.H. Amphlett Leader Justice Complex.

The Virgin Islands Judiciary wishes a happy holiday season to all!

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