

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN RE: MOTION TO REFER MARCELLUS SHALE CASES TO THE MASS LITIGATION PANEL

Pursuant to Rule 26.06 of the West Virginia Trial Court Rules, the Chief Justice has received copies of motions filed in the Circuit Court of Harrison County to refer to the Mass Litigation Panel proceedings styled Robert Andrews, et al. vs. Antero Resources Corporation, et al., Case No. 13-C-434-3, and David W. Stutler and Blanche K. Stutler vs. Antero Resources Corporation, et al., Case No. 14-C-242-3, and a copy of a motion filed in the Circuit Court of Ritchie County to refer to the Mass Litigation Panel the proceeding styled James C. Shreves and Eva L. Shreves vs. Antero Resources Corporation, et al., Case No. 14-C-20. "Plaintiffs' Supplemental Brief in Support of Plaintiffs' Expedited Motion to Refer Cases to Mass Litigation Panel" filed in Shreves, identifies additional Marcellus Shale cases pending in Doddridge and Harrison Counties. (See Exhibit A attached hereto.)

The motions appear to be in substantial compliance with Rule 26.06 of the West Virginia Trial Court Rules. The time for litigants, attorneys and affected judges to respond has expired, and the Chief Justice has reviewed the motions and responses thereto.

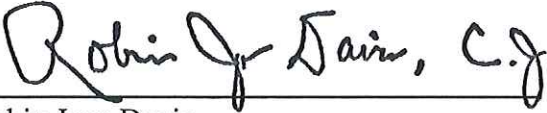
The Chief Justice has determined that such motions require a hearing to receive evidence and to entertain arguments relative to the issue of whether these cases should be referred to the Mass Litigation Panel.


IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED, that the Mass Litigation Panel or a designated member thereof conduct a hearing to receive evidence and entertain arguments by the parties or any judge relative to the issue of whether these cases should be referred to the Mass Litigation Panel, and to submit findings of fact and a recommendation to the Chief Justice, including a specific list of the cases affected by the recommendation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that a copy of this Order be transmitted to the Honorable Alan D. Moats, Chair of the Mass Litigation Panel; the Honorable James A. Matish, Judge of the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit; the Honorable Timothy L. Sweeney, Judge of the Third Judicial Circuit; the Honorable Thomas A. Bedell, Judge of the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit; the Mass Litigation Manager; and the Circuit Clerks of Doddridge, Harrison, and Ritchie Counties.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the Circuit Clerks of Doddridge, Harrison, and Ritchie Counties record this Order—together with the attached Exhibit A—in each of the cases identified in Exhibit A that are pending in their county and provide copies of the same to all parties of record or their counsel.

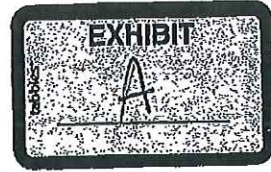
ENTERED THIS 30th DAY OF JULY, 2014


Robin Jean Davis
Chief Justice

Attest: 
Rory L. Perry II, Clerk
Supreme Court of Appeals

MARCELLUS SHALE CASES

*C.A.	*County	*Judge	*Plaintiff	*Defendant1	*Defendant2	*Defendant3	*Filed
13-C-434-3	Harrison	Matish	Andrews, Deborah	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	10/9/2013
13-C-434-3	Harrison	Matish	Andrews, Robert	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	10/9/2013
13-C-434-3	Harrison	Matish	Ashcraft, Katherine	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	10/9/2013
13-C-434-3	Harrison	Matish	Ashcraft, Rodney	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	10/9/2013
13-C-434-3	Harrison	Matish	Feathers, Lindsey	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	10/9/2013
13-C-434-3	Harrison	Matish	Golden, April	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	10/9/2013
13-C-434-3	Harrison	Matish	Golden, Robert	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	10/9/2013
13-C-434-3	Harrison	Matish	Kinney, Daniel	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	10/9/2013
13-C-434-3	Harrison	Matish	Kinney, Sharon	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	10/9/2013
13-C-434-3	Harrison	Matish	Lowther, Kayla	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	10/9/2013
13-C-434-3	Harrison	Matish	M.G., a minor, by and through his father Robert Golden	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	10/9/2013
13-C-434-3	Harrison	Matish	Mazer, Catherine	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	10/9/2013
13-C-434-3	Harrison	Matish	Mazer, Charles A.	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	10/9/2013
13-C-434-3	Harrison	Matish	Mazer, Charles T.	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	10/9/2013
13-C-434-3	Harrison	Matish	Mazer, Douglas	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	10/9/2013
13-C-434-3	Harrison	Matish	Mazer, Shawn	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	10/9/2013
13-C-434-3	Harrison	Matish	Mazer, Susan	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	10/9/2013
13-C-434-3	Harrison	Matish	McWilliams, Gregg	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	10/9/2013
13-C-434-3	Harrison	Matish	Mikowski, Mary	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	10/9/2013
13-C-434-3	Harrison	Matish	Nicholas, Eric	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	10/9/2013
13-C-434-3	Harrison	Matish	Nutt, David Scott, Jr.	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	10/9/2013
13-C-434-3	Harrison	Matish	Siders, Betty	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	10/9/2013
13-C-434-3	Harrison	Matish	Siders, Robert	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	10/9/2013
14-C-20	Ritchie	Sweeney	Shreves, Eva L.	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	5/19/2014
14-C-20	Ritchie	Sweeney	Shreves, James C.	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	5/19/2014
14-C-23	Doddridge	Sweeney	Watson, R.				6/12/2014
14-C-242-3	Harrison	Matish	Stutler, Blanche K.	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	5/14/2014
14-C-242-3	Harrison	Matish	Stutler, David W.	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	5/14/2014
14-C-27	Doddridge	Sweeney	Trent				6/12/2014
14-C-279-2 (L)	Harrison	Bedell	Bowen, Robert N.	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	6/13/2014



MARCELLUS SHALE CASES

*CA.	*County	*Judge	*Plaintiff	*Defendant1	*Defendant2	*Defendant3	*Filed
14-C-279-2 (L)	Harrison	Bedell	Bowen, Shirley M.	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	6/13/2014
14-C-279-2 (L)	Harrison	Bedell	Strother, Adam P., age 14, a minor by Loren B. Strother, Guardian and Natural Father	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	6/11/2014
14-C-279-2 (L)	Harrison	Bedell	Strother, Lauren A., age 16, a minor by Loren B. Strother	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	6/11/2014
14-C-279-2 (L)	Harrison	Bedell	Strother, Loren B.	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	6/11/2014
14-C-279-2 (L)	Harrison	Bedell	Strother, Trisha N., age 14, a minor by Loren B. Strother, Guardian and Natural Father	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	6/11/2014
14-C-279-2 (L)	Harrison	Bedell	Zwiebel, Roberta G.	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	6/11/2014
14-C-279-2 (L)	Harrison	Bedell	Zwiebel, Tesla M.	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	6/11/2014
14-C-279-2 (L)	Harrison	Bedell	Zwiebel, Zachary	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	6/11/2014
14-C-29	Doddridge	Sweeney	Mohr, J.	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	6/23/2014
14-C-30	Doddridge	Sweeney	Butler, S aka Cockey, S.	Antero Resources Corp.	Antero Resources Bluestone, LLC	Hall Drilling LLC	6/23/2014

*West Virginia Secretary of State website discloses five additional cases filed against Antero; however, it is unknown if the cases are related.
The case numbers are 14-C-281-1, 13-C-528, 14-C-145, 14-C-78-1 and 13-C-371.