WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2020

ORDER

In light of the ongoing public health concerns relating to COVID-19:

IT IS ORDERED that with respect to every document filed in a case prior to a ruling on a petition for a writ of certiorari or petition for an extraordinary writ, or a decision to set an appeal for argument, a single paper copy of the document, formatted on $8\frac{1}{2} \times 11$ inch paper, may be filed. The document may be formatted under the standards set forth in Rule 33.2, or under the standards set forth in Rule 33.1 but printed on $8\frac{1}{2} \times 11$ inch paper. The Court may later request that a document initially submitted on $8\frac{1}{2} \times 11$ inch paper be submitted in booklet format.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the following types of documents should not be filed in paper form if they are submitted through the Court's electronic filing system: (1) motions for an extension of time under Rule 30.4; (2) waivers of the right to respond to a petition under Rule 15.5; (3) blanket consents to the filing of amicus briefs under Rules 37.2(a) and 37.3(a); and (4) motions to delay distribution of a cert petition under the Court's Order of March 19, 2020. Notwithstanding Rule 34.6 and paragraph 9 of the Guidelines for the Submission of Documents to the Supreme Court's Electronic Filing System, these enumerated filings should be filed electronically in cases governed by Rule 34.6, although other types of documents in those cases should still be filed in paper form only.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, notwithstanding Rule 29.3, parties may be relieved of the obligation to effect service of paper versions of filings upon other parties if they agree to electronic service; parties are strongly encouraged to use electronic service if feasible.

These modifications will remain in effect until further order of the Court.