

**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS
DIVISION OF ST. CROIX**

**IN RE: COMPLEX LITIGATION CASES PENDING) CASE NO. SX-19-MC-035
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE VIRGIN) COMPLEX LITIGATION DIVISION
ISLANDS.)
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STANDING ORDER NO. 8

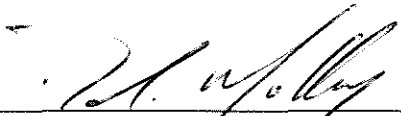
IN FURTHERANCE OF Virgin Islands Rule of Civil Procedure 11(b), and in order to increase candor and minimize contention, the Court hereby directs that for all papers filed in a complex litigation case, including papers filed in master cases, and not limited to motion papers, where the statements of an attorney made on the record during court are cited to or relied on in that paper, the party relying on the prior statements of counsel must cite to the official transcript of the court proceeding. *Accord People ex rel. M.R. & W.V.*, 64 V.I. 333, 346 (2016) (*per curiam*) (“[I]t is the transcript of a hearing prepared by the court reporter, and not the judge’s *post hoc* personal recollections of the hearing, that constitutes the record”); *see also United States v. Certain Lands in the City of Statesboro*, 341 F.2d 742, 744 (5th Cir. 1965) (finding clear error where “judge relied upon the lawyers’ versions . . . rather than the transcript . . .”). The parties shall bear the costs of all transcripts required by this order.

DONE AND SO ORDERED.

Date: October 28, 2019

ATTEST:
ESTRELLA H. GEORGE
Clerk of the Court

By: 
Court Clerk Supervisor
Dated: 10/28/2019


ROBERT A. MOLLOY
Judge of the Superior Court