



PRESS RELEASE

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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 10, 2017: *Veteran's Day*
(Observed)

December 22, 2017: *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 23, 2017: *Thanksgiving Day*

December 25, 2017: Christmas Day

November 24, 2017: *Day After Thanksgiving*
Offices closed on both islands. Employees granted administrative leave.

December 26, 2017: *Boxing Day*

December 29, 2017: *Pre-New Year's Eve*
Offices will close at noon. Employees will be granted administrative leave on both islands from noon to 5:00 p.m.

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: Consistent with Judicial Branch In accordance with the Judicial Branch's Administrative Order No. 2017-002, the electronic filing requirements of Rule 40 of the Virgin Islands Rules of Appellate Procedure will remain suspended until further orders of the Court. All filings will be accepted at both locations on the following dates: Friday, November 24th; Friday, December 22nd; and Friday, December 29th; via a secured lockbox 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 24th; Friday, December 22nd; and Friday, December 29th. 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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