

EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT

STATUS HEARING

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TERRITORY OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS

Wednesday 8th October 2025

Case Name:

Global Ocean Transport Inc.

v

**Dwight Flax for Ebony and Ivory
Construction**

[BVIHCVAP2017/0006]

(Territory of the Virgin Islands)

Date:

Wednesday, 8th October 2025

Coram:

Mrs. Michelle John-Theobalds, Chief Registrar

Appearances:

Appellant:

Mr. Ricardo Leonard representative for the appellant

Respondent:

No appearance

Issues:

Status of the Matter

Type of Order

Adjournment

Result/Order:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The matter is adjourned to the next status hearing of the Court of Appeal for the Territory of the Virgin Islands scheduled for 16th February 2026, to allow the appellant to regularize his legal representation.

2. The Registrar of the High Court shall serve a copy of this order on the parties and shall provide proof of service thereafter.

Reasons:

The representative for the appellant indicated that the appellant has secured counsel in the matter. Counsel however directed him to request an adjournment to facilitate a review of the file.

Case Name:

Claude Skelton-Cline

v

The Attorney General

[BVIHCVAP2025/0013]

[Formerly BVIHCVAP2019/0003]

(Territory of the Virgin Islands)

Date:

Wednesday, 8th October 2025

Coram:

Mrs. Michelle John-Theobalds, Chief Registrar

Appearances:

Appellant:

In person

Respondent:

Ms. Maya M. Barry

Issues:

Status of the Matter

Type of Order

Adjournment

Result / Order:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The parties shall take the necessary steps to comply with the order to migrate the matter to the E-Litigation Portal by no later than 1st December 2025.

2. The matter is adjourned to the next status hearing of the Court of Appeal for the Territory of the Virgin Islands scheduled for 16th February 2026, to allow the appellant to regularize his legal representation.
3. The Registrar of the High Court shall serve a copy of this order on the appellant and shall provide proof of service thereafter.

Reason:

The appellant represented that he is in the process of securing legal representation in the matter and requested an adjournment to have this regularized. There was no objection to the granting of an adjournment by counsel for the respondent however counsel reminded the Court of the matter's vintage. The Court urged the appellant to take the necessary steps to secure counsel in the matter.

Case Name:

**Forbes Hare
v
Abdel-Taher Karim Itum**

**[BVIHCVAP2020/0013]
(Territory of the Virgin Islands)**

Date:

Wednesday, 8th October 2025

Coram:

Mrs. Michelle John-Theobalds, The Chief Registrar

Appearances:

Appellant:

Mr. Robert Nader

Respondent:

Mr. Christian Roberts

Issues:

Status of the Matter

Type of Order

Adjournment

Result / Order:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The Registrar of the High Court shall continue efforts to cause the transcript of the proceedings to be prepared as a matter of priority and served on the parties by no later than 21st November 2025.
2. The matter is adjourned to the next status hearing of the Court of Appeal for the Territory of the Virgin Islands scheduled for 16th February 2026.

Reason:

The court office indicated that the transcript is still outstanding. Counsel for the respondent lamented the length of time it has taken to complete this transcript. The Court therefore imposed a timeline for the provision of the same.

Case Name:

Jessroy McKelly

v

The King

[BVIHCRA2024/0002]

[Formerly BVIHCRA2014/0002]

(Territory of the Virgin Islands)

Date:

Wednesday, 8th October 2025

Coram:

Mrs. Michelle John-Theobalds, The Chief Registrar

Appearances:

Appellant:

Mr. Michael Maduro

Respondent:

Ms. Tiffany Scatliffe, Director of Public Prosecutions

Issues:

Status of the Matter

Type of Order	N/A
Result / Order:	IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT: Upon noting the application filed by the appellant on 7th October 2025 that the matter be dismissed for want of prosecution, the matter is removed from the status hearing list pending the determination of the application.
Reason:	The Court noted that the Crown has filed an application to dismiss the appeal for want of prosecution as the matter has not been progressed in 11 years.
Case Name:	Devon Bedford v The Commissioner of Police [BVIMCRAP2023/0001] (Territory of the Virgin Islands)
Date:	Wednesday, 8th October 2025
Coram:	Mrs. Michelle John-Theobalds, Chief Registrar
Appearances:	Appellant: Mr. Stephen Daniels Respondents: Ms. Tiffany Scatliffe, Director of Public Prosecutions holding papers for Ms. Tracey Vidale
Issues:	Status of the Matter
Type of Order	Directions
Result / Order:	IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The appellant shall file and serve written submissions with authorities on or before 10th November 2025.
2. The respondent shall file and serve written submissions with authorities on or before 10th December 2025.
3. The appellant is at liberty to file and serve written submissions with authorities in reply, if necessary, on or before 8th January 2026.
4. This appeal will be listed for hearing at a Court of Appeal sitting for the Territory of the Virgin Islands, on a date to be fixed by the Chief Registrar on the matter being ready for hearing.

Reason:

The Court noted that the record of appeal was filed on 30th September 2025. Both counsel indicated that the record appeared to be complete.

Case Name:

**Monroe Penn
v
Elaine Richards**

**[BVIMCVAP2022/0002]
(Territory of the Virgin Islands)**

Date:

Wednesday, 8th October 2025

Coram:

Mrs. Michelle John-Theobalds, Chief Registrar

Appearances:

Appellant:	In person
Respondent:	In person

Issues:

Status of the Matter

Type of Order

Adjournment

Result / Order:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The matter is adjourned to the next status hearing of the Court of Appeal for the Territory of the Virgin Islands scheduled for 16th February 2026, to allow the appellant to regularize his legal representation.
2. This is the final adjournment for this purpose.
3. The Registrar of the High Court shall serve a copy of this order on the parties and shall provide proof of service thereafter.

Reason:

The Court was in agreement with the respondent that the appellant needs to do more to seek the services of a lawyer.