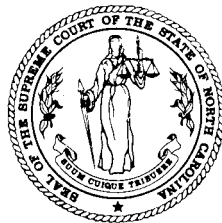


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ADDITION TO THE RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE

There shall be added to Rule 30 of the Rules of Appellate Procedure subparagraph “(f),” which shall read as follows:

- (f) *Pre-argument review; decision of appeal without oral argument.*
- (1) The Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals may from time to time designate a panel to review any pending case, after all briefs are filed but before argument, for decision under this rule.
 - (2) If all of the judges of the panel to which a pending appeal has been referred conclude that oral argument will not be of assistance to the Court, the case may be disposed of on record and briefs. Counsel will be notified not to appear for oral argument.

This addition to Rule 30 was adopted by the Supreme Court in conference on May 3, 1976, to become effective immediately upon its adoption. It shall be promulgated by publication in the next succeeding Advance Sheets of both the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals.

Exum, J.
For the Court