To: Senate Committee on Institutions From: Teri Corsones, VBA Executive Director

Re: Reopening of Judicial Branch – Supplement to 1-6-22 Memo

Date: January 7, 2022

Regarding the discussion of jury trials in the Civil Division, I neglected to make mention of a <a href="Pilot Project for Remote Civil Jury Trials">Pilot Project for Remote Civil Jury Trials</a> that the Vermont Supreme Court authorized in August 2021, to allow remote civil jury trials under certain circumstances. The <a href="Protocols for Remote Civil Jury Trials">Protocols for Remote Civil Jury Trials</a> include detailed instructions for how remote civil jury trials may be handled in the civil docket during the one-year trial project period. Here's a <a href="LINK">LINK</a> to the announcement of the option, with more background details. Please consider this a supplement to the Memo that was submitted in conjunction with my testimony yesterday.