2008 BUSINESS REFORM COMMITTEES
MEETING OF THE BUSINESS COURT COMMITTEE

MAY 20, 2008
11:30 A.M.

Secretary of State’s Office
700 North Street
Jackson, Mississippi

AGENDA

1. Welcome – Cheryn Baker
2. Overview of Mission of Committee and Recognition of Legislators
   and Supreme Court Justices – C. Delbert Hosemann, Jr., Secretary of State
3. Introduction of Vice Chairs – Honorable Ed Pittman
4. Introduction of Secretary of State Staff – Cheryn Baker
5. Introduction of Panel Moderator 11:45 A.M. – Cheryn Baker
6. Program on Establishing a Business Court and Introduction of Panelists
   a. Overview and Current Status of Business Courts Around the US
   b. Resources Needed to Establish a Business Court
   c. Benefits of Business Courts and Reasons They are Successful
   d. Impact on Rest of Court System
   e. Reaction of Business Community and Existing Judiciary
   f. Common Objections and Responses
   g. Jurisdiction of Business Courts
      i. Mandatory or Optional
      ii. Types of Cases Common to Business Courts
   h. Judicial Selection and Qualifications
   i. Use of Technology and Written Opinions
7. Presentation by Chief Justice Smith 12:30 P.M.
8. Program on Establishing a Business Court (Continued) 12:40 P.M.
9. Question and Answer Session
10. Committee Assignments and Upcoming Dates – Honorable Ed Pittman
11. Adjourn 1:00 P.M.