

DISTRICT COURT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS
DIVISION OF ST. THOMAS AND ST. JOHN

HONORABLE MICHAEL C. DUNSTON, in)
his official capacity as)
Presiding Judge of the Superior)
Court of the Virgin Islands,)
) Civil No. 2016-38
Plaintiff,)
)
v.)
)
HONORABLE KENNETH MAPP, in his)
official capacity as Governor of)
the Virgin Islands; and the)
HONORABLE HAROLD W.L. WILLOCKS,)
strictly as an interested party,)
)
Defendants.)
)

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*For the Honorable Kenneth Mapp, in his official capacity as
Governor of the Virgin Islands*

JUDGMENT

GÓMEZ, J.

This matter is before the Court for a decision following a
consolidated hearing on the plaintiff's motion for injunctive

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relief and a bench trial on the merits, which was presented on a stipulated record.

For the reasons articulated in the Memorandum Opinion of even date, it is hereby

ORDERED and **DECLARED** that Governor Kenneth Mapp's removal of Judge Michael Dunston from the position of Presiding Judge of the Superior Court of the Virgin Islands violates the Revised Organic Act; and it is further

ORDERED that Governor Kenneth Mapp is permanently **ENJOINED** from removing Judge Michael Dunston from the position of Presiding Judge of the Superior Court of the Virgin Islands during Judge Dunston's current term as a judge of the Superior Court.

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CURTIS V. GÓMEZ
District Judge