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Per Chief Justice Robinson's directive on April 9, 2020, the preargument settlement conference program was suspended until May 1, 2020. The Chief Justice further directed that on May 1, 2020, any appeals that were eligible for a preargument conference, but were not scheduled for a conference, would not be so assigned. The May 1, 2020 directive also provided that, if all parties appearing and participating in the appeal agreed that a settlement conference conducted by teleconference would be reasonably likely to result in a settlement and withdrawal of the appeal, counsel of record could file a joint request for such a conference. On January 29, 2021, the Chief Justice expanded the scope of the joint preargument conference request option in the May 1, 2020 directive by providing that if the principal parties to an appeal agreed that a settlement conference could be useful in resolving or narrowing some or all of the issues on appeal, a joint request for a preargument conference could be filed.

Please be advised that the suspension of the preargument settlement conference program will end on Monday, July 19, 2021, and that the program will be reinstated to fully operational status on that date in accordance with past pre-suspension practice and Practice Book § 63-10. As of that date, all pending eligible civil appeals in which the appellant's brief and appendix have not yet been filed will participate in the program. All pending civil appeals in which an appellant's brief and appendix have been filed as of that date will remain exempt, subject to the filing of a joint request for a preargument conference pursuant to § 63-10 that will be reviewed and decided at the discretion of the chief justice or the chief judge or a designee.