



complaint based on the doctrine of collateral estoppel. Trial in the case is scheduled to begin January 8, 2001.

(2) On December 20, 2000, the Superior Court refused to certify an interlocutory appeal to this Court.

(3) Applications for interlocutory review are addressed to the sound discretion of this Court and are granted only in extraordinary cases.

(4) In the exercise of its discretion, this Court has concluded that the application for interlocutory review does not meet the requirements of Supreme Court Rule 42(b) and should be refused.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the within interlocutory appeal is REFUSED.

BY THE COURT:

/s/ E. Norman Veasey  
Chief Justice