IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

VAUGHN K. DOVE, No. 25, 2005 Respondent Below, Appellant, § Court Below—Family Court § of the State of Delaware, § in and for New Castle County v. File No. 04-05-04TN. ADOPTIONS FROM THE § § HEART. § Petitioner Below, Appellee.

ORDER

This 13th day of September, 2005, it appears to the Court that, on August 19, 2005, the Clerk issued a notice to show cause why this appeal should not be dismissed pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 29(b) for the appellant's failure to diligently prosecute his appeal by not filing his opening brief and appendix in this matter. The appellant has failed to respond to the notice to show cause within the required ten-day period; therefore, dismissal of this action is deemed to be unopposed.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, pursuant to Supreme Court Rules 3(b) and 29(b), that the within appeal is DISMISSED.

BY THE COURT:

/s/Henry duPont Ridgely
Justice