

NOTICE TO THE BAR

TRAINING/RESOURCE MATERIALS TO ASSIST ATTORNEYS ASSIGNED TO REPRESENT DEFENDANTS IN PAROLE REVOCATION HEARINGS

Chief Justice Stuart Rabner last year formed a working group to develop training and resource materials for attorneys assigned pursuant to Madden v. Delran (126 N.J. 591 (1992)) to provide pro bono representation to defendants in parole revocation hearings. The Working Group was chaired by Assignment Judge Georgia Curio (Vicinage 15) and included among its members court staff with experience in the area of parole revocation hearings as well as representatives of the State Parole Board's Parole Revocation Unit. The training materials are intended to assist attorneys assigned these mandatory pro bono cases in providing effective representation to their assigned clients.

The material developed by the Working Group, entitled "Parole Revocation Hearing – A Primer for Assigned Counsel," is posted on the Judiciary's website (NJCourts.com) under "Attorney Pro Bono Information and Materials" at <http://www.judiciary.state.nj.us/probono/index.htm>. Although the training material was developed to assist assigned counsel who may not be fully familiar with this particular case type, others involved in parole revocation hearings may also find the manual helpful.

This is the second such pro bono attorney training manual to be posted on the Judiciary's website. The first training manual provides guidance to attorneys assigned to represent defendants in domestic violence contempt matters. A third manual – relating to representation of defendants in municipal court appeals – is in process and will be completed and posted soon.

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