## SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY D-100 September Term 2018 082636

IN THE MATTER OF : JOHN F. RUSSO, JR., : A JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT : OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY :

## PANEL ASSIGNMENT ORDER

The Court, on July 17, 2019, having instituted formal removal proceedings against Superior Court Judge John F. Russo, Jr., as provided for by N.J.S.A. 2B:2A-1 to -11 and Rule 2:14, through the filing of a Complaint for Removal from judicial office and an Order to Show Cause why he should not be removed from office, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 2B:2A-3 and Court Rule 2:14;

It is ORDERED that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 2B:2A-7, the following named judges, Carmen Messano, P.J.A.D., Presiding, Julio L. Mendez, A.J.S.C., and Bonnie J. Mizdol, A.J.S.C., are hereby designated to conduct a hearing, take evidence, and report their findings to the Court, and the report as well as the transcript of the testimony taken, along with the original of any exhibits, shall be filed with the Clerk of the Court as soon after the conclusion of the hearing as conveniently possible; and it is further

ORDERED that the Presiding Judge designated above shall schedule the hearing as soon as possible, giving the prosecuting attorney and the respondent a reasonable time within which to prepare.

Chief Justice Stuart Rabner

July 24, 2019