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**In Re: ALLEGATIONS OF SEXUAL
ABUSE IN JUVENILE DETENTION
FACILITIES OPERATED BY THE
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

MULTICOUNTY LITIGATION,

Plaintiff,

-vs-

STATE OF NEW JERSEY,

Defendant.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY,

Third Party Plaintiff,

-vs-

JOHN DOES 1-100 and ABC
CORPORATIONS 1-100 (being
fictitious persons insufficiently
identified in the master long form
complaint who committed, knew of,
failed to report or otherwise acted
improperly in connection with the
abuse alleged),

Defendants.

**SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION: MIDDLESEX COUNTY**

MASTER DOCKET NO. MID-L-3913-25

CASE TYPE: MCL NO. 641

CIVIL ACTION

**ORDER PRESERVING THE ORIGINAL
DATE OF FILING FOR THE
COMPLAINT**

THIS MATTER having been opened to the Court by Jamie L. Hutchinson, Esq.,
attorney for Plaintiffs and the Court having considered the moving papers, and for good cause
having been shown,

IT IS on this 7th day of November, 2025,

ORDERED as follows:

1. That Plaintiffs' cases, as listed in Exhibit "D", shall be deemed to relate back for all purposes, including any statute of limitations or repose defenses, to the original multi-plaintiff complaint filed on January 23, 2025, in D.M.P. et. al. v. State of New Jersey, Docket No. MID-L-438-2.
2. This ruling is made in light of the Supreme Court's Order of May 28, 2025; designating this a multicounty litigation for centralized management purposes; and the Court's July 3, 2025 Order, ordering "If a Complaint has been filed with multiple unrelated plaintiffs, new individual Complaints must be filed within thirty (30) days, and upon request the court will sign an order preserving the original date of filing."
3. This ruling is also pursuant to R. 4:9-3 and in light of the equitable considerations relevant to claims arising under the Child Sexual Abuse Act (N.J.S.A. 2A:61B-1 et seq.) and L.2019, c.120, which expanded the statute of limitations for such claims.
4. A copy of this Order shall be served on all parties within five (5) days.

UNOPPOSED

/s/ Bruce J. Kaplan

Honorable Bruce J. Kaplan P.J.Cv.

Having reviewed the within motion, this Court finds it to be meritorious on its face and is unopposed. Pursuant to R. 1:6-2, it therefore will be granted essentially for the reasons set forth in the moving papers.