NOTICE TO THE BAR

RE: Decentralization of Latex Litigation

Please note that by Order dated April 28, 2003, the Supreme Court terminated its previous Order of March 16, 1998 which transferred all latex litigation to the Middlesex Vicinage for centralized management by Judge Marina Corodemus.

Any new latex cases should be filed in the appropriate county for venue.

All questions relating to this matter should be directed to the following:

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ORDER

Re: Mass Torts - - Decentralization of Latex Litigation

It is ORDERED that effective immediately the Court's Order of March 16, 1998 transferring all pending and future latex litigation to Middlesex County (Vicinage No. 8) for centralized case management and discovery purposes, assigning all such matters to Superior Court Judge Marina Corodemus for those purposes, and relaxing Rule 4:3-2 regarding venue is hereby terminated; any future latex cases thus should be filed in the county of venue.

For the Court Deborah T. Poritz Chief Justice Dated: April 28, 2003