

NOTICE TO THE BAR

Publication of Evidence Rules Committee Report on Prior False Accusation Evidence

The Supreme Court invites written comments on the Report on Prior False Accusation Evidence submitted by the Supreme Court Committee on the Rules of Evidence and published with this notice. The Evidence Rules Committee prepared and submitted this report in response to the Supreme Court's referral of the "prior false accusation" issue to the Committee in *State v. Guenther*, 181 N.J. 129 (2004). The report is also available for downloading on the Judiciary's Internet web site at <http://www.judiciary.state.nj.us/reports2006/index.htm>.

Please send any written comments on the Committee's report or proposed rule amendments by Monday, May 22, 2006 to:

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Comments on the Committee reports and recommendations may also be submitted via Internet e-mail to the following address: Comments.Mailbox@njcourts.gov. The Supreme Court likely will be acting on this report in June 2006.

The Supreme Court will not consider written comments submitted anonymously. Thus, those submitting comments by mail should include their name and address (and those submitting comments by e-mail should include their name, e-mail address, and address). However, comments submitted in response to this notice will be maintained in confidence if the author specifically requests confidentiality. In the absence of such a request, the author's identity and his or her comments may be subject to public disclosure after the Court has acted on the Committee's report.

Please also note that the previously announced May 23, 2006 rules hearing will be the forum for any oral comments on the Evidence Rules Committee's report as well. See Supreme Court Clerk Stephen Townsend's April 5, 2006 Notice to the Bar advising of the scheduling of that hearing and setting out the logistics and advance registration requirements.

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