NOTICE TO THE BAR SUPREME COURT RULES COMMITTEE REPORTS- PUBLICATION FOR COMMENT

The Supreme Court invites written comments on the 2007-09 reports of the Supreme Court rules and program committees published with this notice. In those reports, the committees (as listed below) make numerous recommendations to the Supreme Court for rule amendments and other non-rule administrative actions. As set forth in an earlier notice, the Court has staggered the reporting cycles of its rules committees, such that approximately half submit their respective reports each year.

The committees whose 2007-09 reports are here published for comment are as follows: (1) Committee on Complementary Dispute Resolution (CDR), (2) Criminal Practice Committee, (3) Committee on the Rules of Evidence, (4) Family Practice Committee, (5) Committee on Minority Concerns, and (6) Municipal Court Practice Committee.

Not all of the appendices referenced in the reports have been included in this publication; copies of omitted appendices are available on request. The reports are also available for downloading on the Judiciary's Internet web site at http://www.judiciary.state.nj.us/reports2009/index.htm.

Please send any comments on the Committees' proposed rule amendments or other recommendations in writing by Monday, April 6, 2009 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 will not consider 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 and e-mail 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 reports and supplemental reports.

The Supreme Court will be acting on these reports and recommendations in June 2009, with any rule amendments likely to become effective September 1, 2009.

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