NOTICE TO THE BAR

2014-2016 SUPREME COURT RULES COMMITTEE REPORTS – PUBLICATION FOR COMMENT

The Supreme Court invites written comments on the 2014-2016 reports of the Supreme Court rules 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 noted previously, the Court has staggered the reporting cycles of its rules committees, such that approximately half submit their respective reports each year.

The committees whose 2014-2016 reports are here published for comment are as follows: (1) the Civil Practice Committee, and (2) the Special Civil Part Practice Committee. The report of (3) the Committee on the Tax Court will be separately published at a later date.

Some of the appendices referenced in the reports may not be included in this publication; copies of any omitted appendices are available on request. The reports are also available on the Judiciary's Internet web site at http://www.judiciary.state.nj.us/reports2016/index.htm.

Please send any comments on the Committees' proposed rule amendments or other recommendations in writing by **Friday, April 1, 2016** to:

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Comments on the Committee reports and recommendations may also be submitted via Internet e-mail to the following address: <u>Comments.Mailbox@judiciary.state.nj.us</u>.

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). Comments are subject to public disclosure upon receipt.

The Supreme Court will conduct a public hearing on these reports in May and will be acting on the reports and recommendations in June-July, with any rule amendments to become effective September 1, 2016.

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