

**SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY**

It is ORDERED, pursuant to N.J. Const. (1947), Art. VI, sec. 2, par. 3, that the provisions of Rule 1:40-12 ("Mediators and Arbitrators in Court-Annexed Programs") of the Rules Governing the Courts of the State of New Jersey are relaxed so as to exempt retired New Jersey Superior Court judges applying for inclusion on the Civil mediation roster from the completed mediations prerequisite of paragraph (a)(3) and those applying for inclusion on the Civil or Family mediation rosters from the mentoring requirements of paragraph (b)(1); the provisions of this order are effective immediately and shall remain in effect pending adoption of conforming rule amendments.

For the Court,



Chief Justice

Dated: July 18, 2016