NOTICE TO THE BAR

ATTORNEYS REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN A CURRENT EMAIL ADDRESS WITH THE COURTS FOR BILLING AND REGISTRATION PURPOSES – RELAXATION OF COURT RULES 1:20 AND 1:21

New Jersey attorneys are required to register and pay their annual attorney assessments electronically each year. Attorneys may complete their registration and payment or update their contact information by using the Judiciary's Attorney Online Registration and Payment Center located at <u>www.njcourts.gov/attyreg/index.html</u>. The Center also can be readily accessed from the home page of the Judiciary website – njcourts.gov – by clicking on "Attorney Registration and Contact Information" towards the top of the right hand side of the page.

Pursuant to Supreme Court order dated January 3, 2017 and published with this notice, Rules 1:20 and 1:21 are supplemented and relaxed so as to require licensed New Jersey attorneys (a) to provide the courts with a valid email address as part of the annual electronic registration process, and (b) to maintain a valid email address at all times, informing the courts of any changes to that email address throughout the course of the year. Attorney email addresses will be used by the Judiciary solely for purposes related to court business, such as annual registration and billing.

The provisions of the Supreme Court's order shall remain in effect pending adoption of conforming rule amendments.

Questions regarding this notice may be directed to Michelle M. Smith, Clerk of the Superior Court, by email at <u>michelle.smith@njcourts.gov</u> or by telephone at 609-421-6100.

Hon. Glenn A. Grant, J.A.D. Acting Administrative Director of the Courts

Dated: March 28, 2017

SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY

It is ORDERED that, pursuant to N.J. Const. Art. VI, sec. 2 par. 3, effective immediately and until further order, the Rules Governing the Courts of the State of New Jersey, and in particular Rules 1:20 and 1:21, are supplemented and relaxed so as to require licensed New Jersey attorneys (a) to provide the Court as part of the annual electronic registration process with a valid email address, (b) to maintain a valid email address at all times, informing the Court of any changes to that email address throughout the course of the year using a form or process determined by the Administrative Director of the Courts, with those attorney email addresses to be used by the Court for the limited purpose of court business, such as annual registration and billing. Conforming rule amendments are to be developed and published for comment.

For the Court,

Chief Justice

Dated: January 3, 2017