

NOTICE TO THE BAR

CIVIL – RESCINDED DIRECTIVES

In our efforts to maintain current and relevant policies and procedures, all of the Administrative Directives affecting the Civil Division have been reviewed. As a result of that review, the Civil-related Directives have been categorized as follows: (a) Directives Requiring No Revision and remaining in effect as issued; (b) Rescinded Directives; (c) Directives with Technical Revisions; (d) Directives Containing Substantive Changes proposed by the Conferences of Civil Presiding Judges and Civil Division Managers; and (e) Directives Pending Revisions (these directives will require further updates, to be issued at a later time).

This Notice lists the directives in the second category referenced above, that is, those Civil-related Directives that have been rescinded. Going forward, the text of these rescinded Directives will be removed from the compilation of directives, retaining only the number, date, and subject for historical reference purposes. The Directives that are rescinded by this Notice are as follows (including the basis for rescission):

General/Miscellaneous - Civil

#10-91 - Civil Case Information Statement

The information contained in this Directive has been supplanted by the Rules of Court and, therefore, this Directive is unnecessary.

#04-92 - Appointment of Pre-Trial Judges

This Directive is no longer accurate, as it has been superseded by the Rules of Court.

Complementary Dispute Resolution ("CDR")

#03-84 - Case Categories Exempt from CDR

The majority of this Directive is outdated and unnecessary. Insofar as it dictates that Mount Laurel cases are exempt from Complementary Dispute Resolution, language to this effect will be added at the end of Directive #05-90, which is still current and deals specifically with Mount Laurel matters.

#10-89 - Arbitration Hearings – Adjournments

This Directive is inaccurate and was superseded by Directive #06-04.

Special Civil Part

#7A-70 - Wage Executions – Objections

This Directive deals with wage executions and makes reference to the "county clerk" accepting objections to wage executions and contacting the court to schedule a hearing. The County Clerk no longer handles court filings. As such, this Directive is obsolete.

#12-80 - Evictions – Additional Fees

This Directive is obsolete, as Directive #01-15 governs "Fee for Additional Services" and sets forth specific guidelines regarding evictions.

#06-95 - Mandatory Arbitrator Educational Programs
This Directive was superseded by R.1:40-12.

#04-01 - Management Practices of Administering Timely and Effective Service of Process in the Special Civil Part
This Directive was superseded by Directives #02-07, #07-13, and subsequently Directive #01-15.

#05-01 - Service of Initial Process – Special Civil Part
This Directive was superseded by Directive #07-13, and subsequently Directive #01-15.

#06-01 - Service of Post Judgment Process – Special Civil Part
This Directive was superseded by Directive #01-15.

#07-01 - Auditing and Record Keeping Procedures for Special Civil Part Officers
This Directive was superseded by Directive #01-15.

#03-03 - Service of Post Judgment Process – Special Civil Part
This Directive was superseded by Directive #07-13, and subsequently Directive #01-15.

#04-03 - Financial Examination and Record Keeping Procedures for Special Civil Part Officers
This Directive was superseded by Directive #07-13, and subsequently Directive #01-15.

#02-05 - Fee Increase – Service by Mail in the Special Civil Part
This Directive was superseded by Notices to the Bar dated January 7, 2009, February 9, 2009 and subsequently March 23, 2009. Subsequent to the issuance of this Directive, Notices to the Bar have been regularly used to advise of changes to Special Civil Part mail service fees.

#10-05 - Special Civil Part Officers – Limited Liability Companies and Corporation
This Directive was superseded by Directive #07-13, and subsequently Directive #01-15.

#13-06 - Special Civil Part Officers – Fees for Evictions
This Directive was superseded by Directive #07-13, and subsequently Directive #01-15.

#02-07 - Special Civil Part - Management Practices for Administering Timely Effective Service of Process; Supplement Special Civil Part Post-Judgment Collection Workshop
This Directive and its supplement were superseded by Directive #07-13, and subsequently Directive #01-15.

#07-13 - Special Civil Part Officers – Revised Policies; Supplement Special Civil Part Officers – Annual Financial Examination Standardized Format; Minimum Content Requirement; Supplement Special Civil Part Officers – Bond and Insurance Coverage

This Directive and its supplements were superseded by Directive #01-15.

Multicounty Litigation (formerly “Mass Tort”)

#04-86 - Asbestos Litigation

This Directive incorrectly states that Asbestos litigation is not centrally managed. It has been superseded by Supreme Court Orders dated 2008, 2012 and 2014 assigning all asbestos litigation for centralized management in the Middlesex Vicinage.

#11-03 - Mass Torts – Guidelines and Criteria for Designation

This Directive was superseded by Directive #10-07, and subsequently Directive #08-12.

#10-07 - Mass Torts – Revised Guidelines and Criteria for Designation

This Directive was superseded by Directive #07-09, and subsequently Directive #08-12.

#07-09 - Revised Mass Tort Guidelines

This Directive was superseded by Directive #08-12.

General Equity

#11-63 - Appointments of Guardian Ad Litem

The provisions of R. 4:26-2 are more specific with regarding to the appointments of Guardians Ad Litem and render this Directive unnecessary.

To obtain copies of any Rescinded Directives or if there are questions regarding these Directives, contact the Civil Practice Division of the Administrative Office of the Courts at 609-815-2900, ext. 54900, or by fax: 609-815-2938, or by mail: AOC, Civil Practice Division, Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex, 6th Floor North, PO Box 981, Trenton, NJ 08625- 0981.



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