NOTICE TO THE BENCH AND BAR

SUPREME COURT COMMITTEES -- REQUEST FOR INDICATION OF INTEREST IN POSSIBLE APPOINTMENT

The Supreme Court requests attorneys, judges and law professors interested in being considered for possible committee appointment to advise the Court of such interest. This is part of the Court's continuing effort to foster participation of the bench and bar in the various committees, as well as to increase diversity in those committees. The Court's intent in making these regular periodic requests is to create, on an ongoing basis, a pool of attorneys and judges interested in committee service from which to draw appointees.

The various Supreme Court committees are appointed at different times and for varying length terms. Rules, program and jury charge committees are appointed and report on staggered two-year cycles (approximately half in odd-numbered years and half in even-numbered years). The Court in the near future will be considering appointees for the **2018-2020** term (September 1, 2018 through August 31, 2020) for the following committees:

- 1. Arbitration Advisory Committee
- 2. Civil Practice Committee
- 3. Committee on Jury Selection in Civil and Criminal Trials
- 4. Committee on Model Civil Jury Charges
- 5. Special Civil Part Practice Committee
- 6. Committee on the Tax Court
- 7. Committee on Women in the Courts

Any attorney, judge or law professor interested in being considered by the Court for appointment, either to any of these specific committees, to any other committees, or just generally, should so indicate by submitting an application at the following website:

http://www.judiciary.state.nj.us/sccms/onlinemembership/

An expression of interest in rules, program and jury charge committees other than those listed above will be kept on file until the next appointment cycle for those committees.

The Court also at times has vacant positions on various regulatory and advisory committees. Those committees are included in the selection menu contained in the online application. Attorneys interested in those positions should so indicate in their application.

Please include the following in your application: your full name, address, e-mail address, telephone number(s), your attorney ID (if applicable), the county or counties in which you practice (for attorneys), and selecting from the menu the name(s) of the committee(s) in which you are interested. Attorneys and law professors should include a resumé with their application.

Supreme Court committees all are limited in size. Because of the need for some continuity, the Court frequently reappoints committee members, subject to applicable term-limit provisions. Thus, attorneys, judges and law professors who express interest in possible

appointment either generally or to a specific committee should be aware that an expression of interest does not guarantee appointment.

The Chief Justice, the Supreme Court, and I would encourage judges, members of the bar and law school faculty to express your interest in committee service. The Court relies on committees to provide advice and recommendations in their respective areas of focus and expertise. Effective committees require diverse expert representation from a broad spectrum of the bench and bar. The creation of this pool of potential committee appointees will assist the Court in providing that representation, experience, and expertise.

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