NOTICE TO THE BAR

Vicinage 13: Somerset, Hunterdon & Warren – Mandatory eCourts and Non-Acceptance of Paper Filings – eCourts Civil Part, Special Civil Part (DC) and Foreclosure

Pursuant to the New Jersey Supreme Court's orders dated May 30, 2017, July 5, 2017 and July 6, 2017, and the Notice to the Bar dated June 6, 2017, the mandatory electronic filing date for eCourts Civil and non-acceptance of paper filing by attorneys in Vicinage 13 (Somerset, Hunterdon and Warren Counties) is Monday, **January 15, 2018.** Exceptions to this mandatory electronic filing requirement are confidential documents, documents excluded from public access, documents to be filed under seal and enforcement motions filed in the Vicinage under a docketed judgment lien ("J" docket), all of which must continue to be filed in paper form. Additionally, as of the January 15, 2018 mandatory electronic filing date, in accordance with the Supreme Court's order dated July 5, 2017, the direct filing of matters with a judge or with chambers staff by an attorney will no longer be permitted in Vicinage 13.

Accordingly, pursuant to the New Jersey Supreme Court Order dated July 5, 2017, as of January 15, 2018, any document submitted in paper form by an attorney for filing in a Law Division Civil matter (the L docket) in Vicinage 13 shall be rejected for filing, with the direction to the attorney to file the matter electronically. In such instances, the filed date will be the date the document is received electronically through eCourts.

Additionally, pursuant to the Notices to the Bar dated June 28, 2017 and December 6, 2017, a paper courtesy copy of all motion-related papers should be provided directly to the Civil judge assigned to handle the motion. Motion-related papers include, but are not limited to, notices of motion, briefs in support of or in opposition to the motion, certifications, exhibits, proposed orders and cross motions. This includes Orders to Show Cause applications and requests to withdraw or reschedule motions. Attorneys must clearly indicate "COURTESY COPY" on the first page of each motion-related paper provided to the assigned judge.

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