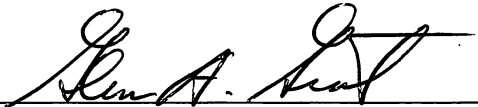


**NOTICE TO THE BAR**

**AMENDMENT TO RULE 7:10-2(g) – PETITION FOR RELIEF FROM ENHANCED  
CUSTODIAL TERM – TIME FOR FILING – PURSUANT TO THE SUPREME COURT’S  
DECISION IN *STATE v. CHARUDUTT J. PATEL***

The Supreme Court in its August 7, 2019 decision in State v. Charudutt J. Patel (A-13-18) advised that it was amending Rule 7:10-2(g) so as to remove the time limitations on filing petitions to obtain relief from an enhanced custodial term based on a prior conviction. Slip opinion at 29-30. Published with this notice are the Court’s August 7, 2019 order and the amendments to the rule. The amended rule is effective immediately.

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

Dated: August 7, 2019

**SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY**

It is ORDERED that the attached amendments to Rule 7:10-2(g) of the Rules Governing the Courts of the State of New Jersey are adopted to be effective immediately.

For the Court,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "S. R. Williams", is written over the printed name of the Chief Justice.

Chief Justice

Dated: August 7, 2019

## 7:10-2. Post-Conviction Relief

(a) Petition for Relief. ... no change

(b) Limitations and Exclusiveness. ... no change

(c) Grounds. ... no change

(d) Bar of Grounds Not Raised in Prior Proceedings; Exceptions. ... no change

(e) Assignment of Counsel. ... no change

(f) Procedure. ... no change

(g) Petition to Obtain Relief from an Enhanced Custodial Term Based on a Prior Conviction

(1) Venue. ... no change

(2) Time [Limitations] for Filing. [The time limitations for filing petitions for post-conviction relief under this section shall be the same as those set forth in R. 7:10-2(b)(2).] A petition seeking relief under this paragraph may be filed at any time.

(3) Procedure. ... no change

(4) Appeal. ... no change

Note: Source - Paragraph (a): R. (1969) 3:22-1; paragraph (b)(1),(2): R. (1969) 3:22-12; paragraph (b)(3): R. (1969) 3:22-3; paragraph (c): R. (1969) 7:8-1, 3:22-2; paragraph (d)(1): R. (1969) 3:22-4; paragraph (d)(2): R. (1969) 3:22-5; paragraph (e): R. (1969) 3:22-6(a),(c),(d); paragraph (f)(1): R. (1969) 3:22-7; paragraph (f)(2): R. (1969) 3:22-8; paragraph (f)(3): R. (1969) 3:22-9; paragraph (f)(4): R. (1969) 3:22-10; paragraph (f)(5): R. (1969) 3:22-11. Adopted October 6, 1997 to be effective February 1, 1998; new subparagraph (f)(2)(G) and new paragraph (g) adopted June 15, 2007 to be effective September 1, 2007; paragraph (g)(2) amended July 16, 2009 to be effective September 1, 2009; paragraph (g)(2) caption and text amended August 7, 2019 to be effective immediately.