

## NOTICE TO THE BAR

### **MULTICOUNTY LITIGATION – CONCLUSION OF RISPERDAL, SEROQUEL, ZYPREXA LITIGATION CENTRALIZED MANAGEMENT AND HANDLING AS MCL**

In accordance with the provisions of Court Rule 4:38A and Directive #02-19, "Multicounty Litigation Guidelines and Criteria for Designation (Revised)," a previous Notice to the Bar sought comments on the recommendation of Superior Court Judge Bruce Kaplan for conclusion of the multicounty litigation designation of Risperdal, Seroquel, Zyprexa state-court litigation. This Notice is to advise that the Supreme Court, after considering the recommendation and having received no comments objecting to the proposal, has concluded the MCL designation and centralized management of all pending and future state-court litigation involving use of the drugs Risperdal, Seroquel, and Zyprexa.

Published with this Notice is the Court's October 20, 2021 Order. Both also are posted on the Judiciary's Internet Website at ([www.njcourts.gov](http://www.njcourts.gov)) in the Multicounty Litigation Information Center <http://www.njcourts.gov/attorneys/mcl/index.html>.

Questions concerning the Court's conclusion of the MCL designation of the Risperdal, Seroquel, Zyprexa Litigation may be directed to Melissa A. Czartoryski, Esq., Chief, Civil Court Programs, Civil Practice Division, Administrative Office of the Courts, Hughes Justice Complex, P.O. Box 981, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0981; telephone (609) 815-2900 ext. 54900; email address: [Melissa.Czartoryski@njcourts.gov](mailto:Melissa.Czartoryski@njcourts.gov)

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

Dated: November 1, 2021

## SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY

It is ORDERED that the Supreme Court's designation of all New Jersey state court Risperdal, Seroquel, and Zyprexa litigation as a mass tort (now multicounty litigation) by order dated September 11, 2006 and assigning that litigation for centralized management to Middlesex County, which order has been amended as to the assigned judge by several orders, including most recently by order dated January 25, 2021, is hereby concluded.

For the Court,

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

Chief Justice

Dated: October 20, 2021