

## NOTICE TO THE BAR

### **MASS TORTS – PROPOSED TERMINATION OF MASS TORT DESIGNATION AND CENTRALIZED MANAGEMENT OF THE DIGITEK LITIGATION**

By Order of January 5, 2009, the Supreme Court designated all New Jersey state-court litigation involving the heart drug Digitek as a mass tort and assigned it to Bergen County for centralized management by Superior Court Judge Jonathan N. Harris. On July 14, 2009, the Supreme Court reassigned all such matters to Superior Court Judge Brian R. Martinotti. In accordance with the provisions of the “Revised Mass Tort Guidelines” (Directive #7-09) and *Rule* 4:38A, Judge Martinotti has reported to the Administrative Director of the Courts that all active litigation has been concluded. On this basis, Judge Martinotti recommends that the mass tort designation and centralized management of the Digitek Litigation be terminated.

This Notice is to advise of the proposed termination of the mass tort designation and centralized management of the New Jersey state-court Digitek Litigation. Any comments on or objections to these proposed actions must be submitted in writing, with relevant supporting documentation, to the Administrative Director of the Courts, P. O. Box 037, Trenton, NJ 08625-0037, **by April 29, 2011**. Comments or objections also may be submitted by e-mail to the following address: [Comments.Mailbox@judiciary.state.nj.us](mailto:Comments.Mailbox@judiciary.state.nj.us)

Once this comment period has closed, the proposed termination of the mass tort designation will be submitted to the Supreme Court for its consideration and action.

/s/ Glenn A. Grant

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Acting Administrative Director of the Courts

Dated: March 28, 2011