

## **NOTICE TO THE BAR**

### **MASS TORTS – APPLICATION FOR CENTRALIZED MANAGEMENT OF NEW JERSEY STATE-COURT LITIGATION INVOLVING CERTAIN NEXGEN® FLEX ORTHOPEDIC KNEE PRODUCTS**

Pursuant to Directive #7-09, “Revised Mass Tort Guidelines,” an application has been made to the Supreme Court, through the Acting Administrative Director of the Courts, that all New Jersey state-court litigation involving certain NexGen® Flex orthopedic knee products be assigned to one county for centralized management. The application was submitted by counsel for defendants in a number of product liability cases involving NexGen® products. Counsel further requested that the centralized litigation be assigned to Middlesex County. The request was not for designation of this litigation as a mass tort.

Anyone wishing to comment on or object to this application should provide such comments or objections, with relevant supporting documentation, to the Acting Administrative Director of the Courts, P.O. Box 037, Trenton, NJ 08625-0037, by January 31, 2012.

In addition to this notice, a copy of the application is posted on the Judiciary’s Internet Website at ([www.njcourts.com](http://www.njcourts.com).) in the Mass Tort Information Center (<http://www.judiciary.state.nj.us/mass-tort/index.htm>).

/s/ Glenn A. Grant

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Acting Administrative Director of the Courts

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