

# NOTICE TO THE BAR

## MASS TORTS – TERMINATION OF MASS TORT DESIGNATIONS OF PPA LITIGATION AND LEAD-BASED PAINT LITIGATION

The Supreme Court has terminated the mass tort designations of (1) the PPA Litigation and (2) the Lead-Based Paint Litigation. The Court took that action in response to reports from Judge Bryan D. Garruto, to whom those two mass torts were assigned for case management purposes, that all of the matters have been concluded. Accompanying this Notice are the following:

- September 24, 2007 Supreme Court Order terminating the Court's September 17, 2001 and October 1, 2004 Orders that designated all PPA litigation as a mass tort and transferred it to Middlesex County for centralized management.
- September 24, 2007 Supreme Court Order terminating the Court's February 11, 2002 and September 26, 2005 Orders that designated all Lead-Based Paint litigation as a mass tort and transferred it to Middlesex County for centralized management.

Please note that any PPA or Lead-Based Paint cases that may arise in the future should be filed in the appropriate county of venue.

Any questions concerning the Court's termination of the mass tort designations of the PPA Litigation and the Lead-Based Paint Litigation may be directed to:

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Dated: October 9, 2007

## **SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY**

It is ORDERED that, effective immediately, the provisions of the Court's September 17, 2001 order and October 1, 2004 amendatory order regarding the mass tort designation of all New Jersey state court litigation involving PPA (Phenylprepanolamine) and the centralized case management of that litigation are terminated.

For the Court,

/s/ Stuart Rabner

Chief Justice

Dated: September 24, 2007

## **SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY**

It is ORDERED that, effective immediately, the provisions of the Court's February 11, 2002 order and March 18, 2002 and September 26, 2005 amendatory order regarding the mass tort designation of all New Jersey state court litigation brought by public entities involving lead-based paint and the centralized case management of that litigation are terminated.

For the Court,

/s/ Stuart Rabner

Chief Justice

Dated: September 24, 2007