

NOTICE TO THE BAR

2009 ANNUAL ASSESSMENT

The Supreme Court of New Jersey having ruled on the Disciplinary Oversight Committee ("DOC") and New Jersey Lawyers Assistance Program ("NJLAP") budgets for 2009, the New Jersey Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection ("Fund") is now in a position to conduct the assessment for the calendar year 2009. As always, the money collected through the assessment will support the Fund, the disciplinary process, and the NJLAP. The breakdown for 2009 is as follows:

<u>Calendar Year of Admission</u>	<u>DOC Portion</u>	<u>FUND Portion</u>	<u>NJLAP Portion</u>	<u>TOTAL Assessment</u>
2009	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	No Fee
2008	25.00	0.00	10.00	\$ 35.00
2006 - 2007	140.00	25.00	10.00	\$175.00
1961 - 2005	140.00	50.00	10.00	\$200.00
1960 & Prior	0.00	0.00	0.00	No Fee

Billing notices will be mailed in mid March. The deadline for response to the billing is April 30, 2009. Please telephone the Fund at (609)292-8079 if you have not received your billing form by April 8, 2009. Timely payment will avert the **\$40 late fee**. The Online Registration and Payment Center is now open for payment by the 2009 assessment to individual attorneys who have **previously** registered online. Attorneys who have yet to use the online site should wait for the paper bill.

Please be sure to return the **entire original form**. The form consists of three separate portions with three distinct purposes. For example, different addresses are sought on the various portions of the form. Questions regarding any portion of the form should be directed to the corresponding telephone number displayed on that portion.

Since the billing address is the one that shows through the window envelope, it is **crucial** (and required by *R. 1:28-2*) that an effective mailing address be kept current with the Fund. Address changes for the 2009 billing should be made in writing as soon as possible. Our fax number is (609) 394-3637; our mailing address is P.O. Box 961, Trenton, NJ 08625-0961. If the billing form is mailed to a previous address and forwarded to you or if you are in the process of moving, please indicate your new mailing address on the lines on the bottom portion of the form. Please note that the address you use as your official mailing address is **not confidential**.

Board of Trustees
New Jersey Lawyers' Fund
for Client Protection

Dated: January 2, 2009