

NOTICE TO THE BAR

MASS TORTS – TERMINATION OF CENTRALIZED MANAGEMENT OF LITIGATION INVOLVING THE DRUG ZELNORM

In accordance with Court Rule 4:38A and the Revised Mass Tort Guidelines as promulgated by Directive #7-09, a previous Notice to the Bar sought comments on the recommendation of Superior Court Judge Brian R. Martinotti for termination of the centralized management of the New Jersey state court litigation involving the drug Zelnorm. This Notice is to advise that the Supreme Court, having received no comments, has terminated the centralized management of all pending and future New Jersey state-court litigation involving the drug Zelnorm.

The Supreme Court's November 9, 2011 Order is published with this Notice. The Order also is posted on the Judiciary's Internet website (www.njcourts.com) in the Mass Tort Information Center (www.judiciary.state.nj.us/mass-tort/index.htm).

Questions concerning the Court's termination of the centralized management of the In Re: Zelnorm Litigation may be directed to Leslie A. Santora, 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) 292-8471; email address: leslie.santora@judiciary.state.nj.us.

/s/ Glenn A. Grant

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

Dated: November 15, 2011

SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY

It is ORDERED that the Court's Order of September 11, 2008 that all pending and future New Jersey state court actions seeking damages or other relief arising out of the use of the drug Zelnorm, though not designated as a mass tort, be assigned for centralized case management purposes to the Superior Court, Law Division, Bergen County, as well as the Court's amendatory Order of July 14, 2009, are hereby terminated.

For the Court,

/s/ Stuart Rabner

Chief Justice

Dated: November 9, 2011