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Statement From Governor Chris Christie On Passing Of Justice Marie L. Garibaldi

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Trenton, NJ - Today, Governor Chris Christie issued the following statement after learning of the passing of Justice Marie L. Garibaldi:

"Justice Garibaldi's passing is a true loss to our state. Like so many others who knew, admired and respected her, I was incredibly saddened to learn of her passing this morning. Justice Garibaldi will always be remembered for maintaining the highest degree of insight and thoughtfulness during the nearly 18 years she dedicated herself to service on the state Supreme Court. She had a unique, almost legendary talent for getting beyond the legalese and drilling down to the most salient issues in every case that landed before her - and pressing those arguing before her to do just that as well. Justice Garibaldi also will be remembered for her own singular achievements of being the first woman to lead the New Jersey State Bar Association as president and becoming the first woman appointed to New Jersey's highest court in 1982. Mary Pat and I want to express our deepest condolences to her family and all of her loved ones."

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