

## **9. Order Converting the Status of NGRI Committee to the Status of Civil Committee**

This order is to be used when a NGRI committee has reached their maximum term of commitment under N.J.S.A. 2C:4-8 but remains a danger to themselves, others, or property. Prior to the end of the maximum term of commitment allowable under N.J.S.A. 2C:4-8(b)(3), the court shall schedule a hearing for the NGRI committee. Upon the presentation of medical testimony at the hearing by the treating psychiatrist of the NGRI committee, if based upon the recommendation of the medical expert, the court finds the committee remains dangerous to self, others or property as a result of mental illness at the expiration of the maximum term of confinement, the criminal court shall convert the NGRI committee under N.J.S.A. 2C:4-8(b)(3) to a civil committee under N.J.S.A. 30:4-27.15. See State v. Krol, 68 N.J. 236, 264 (1975).