## NOTICE TO THE BAR

## REPORT OF THE SUPREME COURT INTERBRANCH ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON MENTAL HEALTH INITIATIVES – PUBLICATION FOR COMMENT

This publishes for comment the <u>Report of the Supreme Court Interbranch Advisory</u> Committee on Mental Health Initiatives. This report also will be available on the Judiciary's internet web site at <u>http://www.judiciary.state.nj.us/reports2013/index.htm</u>

The Advisory Committee, chaired by Hon. Wendel Daniels, P.J.Cr., was charged with developing advice on how to improve the Judiciary's response to individuals with mental health needs. The Advisory Committee reviewed existing services and programs and examined various issues surrounding the interaction of mentally ill individuals with the judicial system. Based on that review and examination, the Advisory Committee developed a series of recommendations designed to enable more effective responses to people with mental illness, including the expansion of existing programs and procedures and the establishment of new initiatives.

Please send any comments on the Committee's recommendations in writing by **Wednesday**, **May 8, 2013** to:

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Comments may also be submitted via e-mail to: Comments.Mailbox@judiciary.state.nj.us.

The Supreme Court will not consider comments submitted anonymously. Those submitting comments by mail should include their name and address. Those submitting comments by e-mail should include their name and e-mail address. Comments submitted in response to this notice may be subject to public disclosure after the Court has acted on the Advisory Committee's report.

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Dated: March 28, 2013