NOTICE TO THE BAR

GUARDIANSHIP OF INCAPACITATED PERSONS – TEMPORARY RELAXATION OF SURROGATES' NOTICING REQUIREMENTS OF AMENDED RULE 4:86-6(f)(5)

As part of its August 1, 2016 omnibus rule amendment order, the Supreme Court adopted a number of amendments to Rule 4:86 ("Action for Guardianship of an Incapacitated Adult or for the Appointment of a Conservator") to be effective September 1, 2016, including adoption of a new paragraph setting out noticing requirements for the Surrogates (Rule 4:86-6(f)(5)). This Notice is to advise that the Court has extended the effective date of that specific paragraph – Rule 4:86-6(f)(5) ("Hearing; Judgment -- Duties of Surrogate") – to March 1, 2017. The reason for that extension is to allow for the completion of the systems reprogramming necessary to that noticing. Attached is the Court's August 25, 2016 rule relaxation order extending that effective date. Note that all of the remaining August 1, 2016 amendments to Rule 4:86 will retain the September 1, 2016 effective date.

Questions regarding this notice may be directed to Kristi Jasberg Robinson, Chief, Civil Practice Liaison, Administrative Office of the Courts, by telephone at (609) 292-8470 or by e-mail at <u>kristi.robinson@njcourts.gov</u>.

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Dated: August 25, 2016

SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY

It is ORDERED, pursuant to N.J. Const. Art. VI, sec. 2 par. 3, that the provisions of Rule 4:86-6(f)(5) ("Hearing; Judgment -- Duties of Surrogate") of the Rules Governing the Courts of the State of New Jersey, which paragraph was adopted by order dated August 1, 2016 to be effective September 1, 2016, are relaxed and supplemented so as to delay the effective date of that paragraph until March 1, 2017.

For the Court,

Chief Justice

Dated: August 25, 2016