

NOTICE TO THE BENCH AND BAR

SUPREME COURT COMMITTEES -- REQUEST FOR INDICATION OF INTEREST IN POSSIBLE APPOINTMENT

The Supreme Court, as part of its continuing effort to foster participation by the bench and bar in its various committees as well as to increase the diversity in those committees, requests attorneys, judges and law professors interested in being considered for possible committee appointment advise the Court of such interest. The Court's intent is to create, on an ongoing basis, a pool of attorneys and a pool of judges interested in committee service from which to draw appointees.

The various Supreme Court committees are appointed at different times and for varying length terms. Rules and Program/Jury Charge Committees are appointed and report on staggered two-year cycles (approximately half in odd-numbered years and half in even-numbered years). The Court is presently considering appointees for the **2017-2019** term (September 1, 2017 through August 31, 2019) for the following Rules and Program/Jury Charge Committees:

1. Committee on Complementary Dispute Resolution
2. Criminal Practice Committee
3. Committee on the Rules of Evidence
4. Family Practice Committee
5. Municipal Court Practice Committee
6. Committee on Minority Concerns
7. Committee on Model Criminal Jury Charges
8. State Domestic Violence Working Group

Any attorney, judge or law professor interested in being considered by the Court for appointment, either to any of these specific committees or generally, should so indicate by submitting an application at the following website:
<http://www.judiciary.state.nj.us/scms/onlinemembership/>

An expression of interest in other Rules or Program/Jury Charge committees will be kept on file until next year when those committees on even-numbered two-year cycles are reconstituted.

The Court also at times has vacant positions on various regulatory and advisory committees. Those committees are included in the selection menu contained in the online application. Attorneys interested in those positions should so indicate in their application.

Please include the following in your application: your full name, address, e-mail address, telephone number(s), your attorney ID (if applicable), the county or counties in which you practice (for attorneys), and selecting from the menu the name(s) of the committee(s) in which you are interested. Attorneys and law professors should include a resumé with their application.

Supreme Court committees all are limited in size. Because of the need for some continuity, the Court frequently reappoints committee members, subject to applicable term-limit provisions. Thus, attorneys, judges and law professors who express interest in possible

appointment either generally or to a specific committee should be aware that an expression of interest does not guarantee appointment.

The Chief Justice, the Supreme Court, and I would encourage judges, members of the bar and law school faculty to apply to express your interest in committee service. The Court relies on committees to provide advice and recommendations in their respective areas of focus and expertise. Effective committees require diverse expert representation from a broad spectrum of the bench and bar. The creation of this pool of potential committee appointees will assist the Court in providing that representation, experience, and expertise.



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