NOTICE TO THE BAR

AMENDED RULE OF EVIDENCE 1001 (DEFINITIONS) -- IN EFFECT AS OF JULY 1, 2018

In a September 15, 2017 Notice to the Bar, the Supreme Court announced that, pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 2A:84A-35, it had amended <u>New Jersey Rule of Evidence</u> 1001 (Definitions). The amendments were to clarify that the "original" of an electronic document is a printout or other output readable by sight. Subsection (c) as amended broadens the definition of the term "original" to include a printout or "other output readable by sight" of electronically created documents. Subsection (d) as amended clarifies that a "duplicate" is a counterpart other than an "original." Thus, a single document could not constitute both an original and a duplicate. There having been no legislative action with regard to these amendments to the Rules of Evidence as provided for by <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 2A:84-36, amended <u>New Jersey Rule of Evidence</u> 1001 became effective on July 1, 2018.

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