NOTICE TO THE BAR

MUNICIPAL COURTS – PROCESSING FEES FOR CREDIT CARD TRANSACTIONS

As of June 26, 2019, the processing fee assessed in conjunction with credit card payments to the Municipal Courts will be calculated based on a percentage of the transaction amount. This percentage-based approach, established by the Supreme Court, replaces the existing convenience fee model. Credit card payments will continue to be accepted using VISA, MasterCard, Discover, or any card that contains the VISA, MasterCard, or Discover logo.

In-person payments may still be made in the Municipal Courts by cash, check, or money order without the additional fee.

The shift to a percentage-based processing fee is part of the Judiciary's implementation of the State contract for credit card processing services. The online customer payment pages for credit card transactions also have been modified as part of the rollout of the new system. The customer payment page for NJMC Direct (NJMCdirect.com) will have a different appearance as of June 26, 2019.

Questions regarding credit card processing fees assessed in conjunction with Municipal Court fees may be directed to Steven A. Somogyi, Assistant Director for Municipal Court Services, at <u>Steven.Somogyi@njcourts.gov</u> or at 609-815-2900 ext. 54850.

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