NOTICE TO THE BAR

COVID-19 -- DISCRETION FOR ALL GRAND JURIES TO MEET VIRTUALLY

In light of current and projected COVID-19 trends, the Supreme Court has authorized all grand juries to meet virtually through January 17, 2022. Counties will exercise discretion as to the format for county grand jury panels, and the Attorney General will determine how State Grand Jury panels will convene. The Court's December 30, 2021 Order is attached.

Questions should be directed to the Office of the Administrative Director of the Courts at (609) 376-3000.

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Administrative Director of the Courts

Dated: December 30, 2021

SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY

The Supreme Court in a series of Orders has authorized virtual grand juries

on a temporary basis during the COVID-19 pandemic. Additionally, the Court in

its May 11, 2021 Order required that as of August 1, 2021, all counties were to

have at least one in-person grand jury panel, in addition to any optional virtual

grand jury panels. In light of current COVID-19 surge and projections, the Court

is temporarily suspending that requirement.

Accordingly, it is ORDERED that the following provisions are effective

immediately through January 17, 2022:

1. Counties shall have discretion for all grand juries to meet virtually.

2. State Grand Jury may convene in person or virtually.

3. All other provisions of the Court's May 11, 2021 Order regarding grand

juries remain in effect.

For the Court,

Chief Justice

Dated: December 30, 2021