SUPREME COURT OF NEW JERSEY

It is ORDERED that the attached amendments to Rule 1:15-1 ("Limitation on Practice of Attorneys Serving as Judges and Surrogates" of the Rules Governing the Courts of the State of New Jersey are adopted to be effective August 1, 2023.

For the Court,

Chief Justice

Dated: July 24, 2023

1:15-1. Limitation on Practice of Attorneys Serving as Judges and Surrogates

(a) Full Time Judges. ... no change.

(b) Judges of Municipal Courts. An attorney who is a judge or acting judge of a municipal court shall not practice in any criminal, quasi-criminal or penal matter, whether judicial or administrative in nature, except to perform the official duties of a municipal attorney of another municipality. Nor shall a municipal court judge act as attorney for the municipality or any of the municipalities served by that court or as attorney for any agency or officer thereof; nor practice before the governing body or any agency or officer thereof; nor be associated in the practice of law, either as "of counsel" to or as partner, employer, employee or agent of, or office associate, with an attorney who is a member of such governing body.

An attorney who is a judge of a municipal court shall be subject to the terms of that section of the New Jersey Conflicts of Interest Law which restricts involvement with specific casino <u>and cannabis</u> industry activities (N.J.S.A. 52:13D-17.2).

(c) Surrogates. ... no change.

Note: Source-R.R. 1:26-1(a)(b)(c)(d)(e)(f), 8:13-7(b). Paragraph (d) amended November 22, 1978 to be effective December 7, 1978; paragraph (c) amended July 16, 1981 to be effective September 14, 1981, except that, as to part-time municipal court judges outside of Atlantic City, the last sentence shall be effective December 26, 1981; paragraph (d) amended February 17, 1983 to be effective immediately; former paragraph (b) deleted and former paragraphs (c) and (d) redesignated to paragraphs (b) and (c) July 26, 1984 to be effective September 10, 1984; paragraphs (a) and (b) amended July 13, 1994 to be effective September 1, 1994; paragraph (c) amended July 12, 2002 to be effective September 3, 2002; paragraph (c) amended July 9, 2008 to be effective September 1, 2008; paragraph (b) amended July 24, 2023 to be effective August 1, 2023.