

Reporting Requirements C Involvement in Litigation

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This memo confirms and clarifies previously established policy concerning notification of judge involvement in litigation.

Personal involvement by any judge in any type of litigation should be the subject of an official report. This requirement includes but is not limited to litigation arising out of official judicial duties. A report should be filed not only in matters where the judge is personally named but also in those in which the judge is a party in interest.

The report should be brief, and include a summary of the matter, the nature of the involvement and the docket number and venue of the action. The report should be forwarded to me immediately upon knowledge of the involvement. A copy should be sent to the Chief Justice. This reporting requirement covers any and all federal, state, administrative agency, municipal board or agency or municipal court matter (unless disposed of through a municipal court violations bureau).

EDITOR-S NOTE

No change has been made to the text. The reporting form is available on the Infonet.
The court in *State v. Grimes*, 235 N.J. Super. 75 (App. Div. 1989), *certif. denied*, 118 N.J. 222 (1989), disapproved of judicial involvement in litigation by agreeing to be called as an expert or opinion witness.