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## MEMORANDUM

January 5, 2009

To: All Judges and Attorneys

From: Peter J. Calderone, Director and Chief Judge 

Subject: Second Injury Fund Lists

As you are aware Deputy Attorney General Dolores McNamee has been recommended for confirmation as a Workers' Compensation Judge by the Senate Judiciary Committee on nomination by Governor Corzine. We expect the full Senate to act on the nomination shortly. I am advised that due to the Committee recommendation, DAG McNamee will no longer represent the Second Injury Fund (SIF) in workers' compensation court proceedings. At this time no replacement has been designated by the Attorney General's office to assume DAG McNamee's SIF assignment.

In consultation with SIF Administrator Larry Crider and Senior SIF Counsel Linda Schober, I am advised by Administrative Supervisory Judge Virginia Dietrich who is responsible for SIF judicial functions that the following SIF lists are being cancelled:

Elizabeth	1-2 day with Judge Womack
Freehold	2-4 day with Judge Shteir
Hackensack	3-3 day with Judge Fader
Jersey City	2-4 day with Judge Kovalcik
Mt. Arlington	3-2 day with Judge Ingraffia
Mt. Holly	2-1 day with Judge Friedman
Paterson	3-2 day with Judge Bogle
Toms River	2-1 day with Judge Smith

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In addition, two Newark lists will continue without a DAG in attendance for initial conferences. Cases that require SIF involvement will be transferred to a regular Newark SIF list.

We regret the inconvenience and problems the list cancellations will have for all parties. As I indicated at the Bench-Bar Conference, the majority of SIF petitions do not result in SIF participation. In some vicinages the rate is 70-80% non-participation at the time of case closure. It is in the best interest of all parties and the court calendar that SIF petitions be filed only where justified and that the SIF be dismissed as early in the proceedings as possible when it appears that the SIF will not participate in the award.

c: Administrator Larry Crider  
Administrator Christopher Leavey