

ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTIVE NO. 100

This 10th day of January 1995,

IT APPEARS THAT:

- (1) It is desirable for the judges of the Superior Court to rotate among the three counties.
- (2) Rotation is desirable in order that: (a) members of the bar in each of the three counties have the opportunity to appear not only before judges of the Superior Court who are residents in the county of the practicing lawyer, but also those who are not residents in that county; and (b) the judges of the Superior Court obtain a fresh perspective from time to time by sitting in different counties.
- (3) Rotation should be on an "as needed" basis depending upon workload, scheduling, need for fresh perspective, and other like considerations.
- (4) Rotation assignments of Superior Court judges should be in the discretion of the President Judge in order to carry out the policies of this directive, and such assignments should not be pursuant to a rigid schedule mandatorily imposed by the Supreme Court, unless otherwise ordered in the future.
- (5) The Chief Justice should receive reports from the President Judge no less frequently than semi-annually showing, by named judge, the occasions when that judge has sat in a county other than the county of his or her residence.
- (6) On June 1, 1983, Chief Justice Herrmann issued Administrative Directive No. 53 setting forth a rotation directive and schedule.
- (7) Since the issuance of Administrative Directive No. 53, the Superior Court has adopted and implemented various rotation plans.
- (8) In light of events occurring since June 1, 1983, and the policies set forth herein, Administrative Directive No. 53 should be rescinded and superseded.
- (9) The President Judge of the Superior Court may wish to consider revising the plans currently in effect following the issuance of this Administrative Directive.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS DIRECTED, with the unanimous approval of the Justices of the Supreme Court (Del. Const. art. IV, § 13), that, effective January 1, 1995:

A. In order to carry out the policies recited in this directive, rotation of Superior Court judges shall be on an "as needed" basis in the discretion of the President Judge of the Superior Court unless otherwise ordered in the future.

B. The President Judge shall report to the Chief Justice as indicated in paragraph (5)

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above.

C. Administrative Directive No. 53, dated June 1, 1983, is hereby rescinded and superseded.

E. Norman Veasey
CHIEF JUSTICE

cc: The Honorable Joseph T. Walsh
The Honorable Randy J. Holland
The Honorable Maurice A. Hartnett, III
The Honorable Carolyn Berger
Members of the Judicial Conference
Mr. Lowell L. Groundland
Court Administrators
Clerk of the Supreme Court