## Notice to the Bar

## MUNICIPAL COURTS -- EXPANSION AND UPDATE OF STATEWIDE VIOLATIONS BUREAU SCHEDULE

The Judiciary has expanded and updated the Statewide Violations Bureau Schedule (SVBS). The SVBS is the list of New Jersey statutes and regulations within the jurisdiction of the Municipal Court to which a defendant may plead guilty, waive trial, and pay a set amount of money without needing to come into court. The revised SVBS was approved by the Administrative Director, pursuant to Rule 7:12-4, and promulgated via Administrative Directive #15-20 (attached). This revision, which became effective April 27, 2020, incorporates the addition of several hundred new offenses, for a total of over 1,400. It furthers the Judiciary's ongoing efforts to make the handling of Municipal Court matters more convenient for members of the public.

The SVBS is available on the Judiciary's internet page at <a href="https://www.njcourts.gov">https://www.njcourts.gov</a> under "Courts" and then "Municipal Courts." Offenses on the SVBS may be paid online with a credit card via NJMCdirect.com, through the mail, or by presenting payment at the local Municipal Court at the court's violations bureau window (with the caveat that presently not all violations bureau windows are open because of the COVID-19 courthouse closures).

Questions about this notice may be directed to the Municipal Court Services Division at 609-815-2900 ext. 54850.

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