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## Practice Alert From The Supreme Court Committee

To All Members of the QCBA:

As many of you know by now the Centralized Motion Part (CMP) is closing on Friday, April 20, 2018. Starting on April 23, 2018, all motions will be heard in each judge's part in their respective buildings. There are certain things that you need to be aware of.

1. Through April 20, 2018 all motions will continue to be heard in CMP. Any motions currently pending that are adjourned to after April 20, 2018, will be referred to the individual IAS judge on their new date and motion time that you will see in the accompanying document. Current briefing schedules will be adhered to until CMP ends. After April 20th, the individual IAS judge will control all applications for adjournment during their calendar call.
2. There will be no more afternoon motions.
3. Motions will be heard in Jamaica from Monday through Wednesday. All judges in Long Island City will have their motion calendars on Thursday.
4. The IAS parts will have staggered calendar calls with some starting at 9:30 AM, some at 10:00 AM and some at 10:30 AM. **Please keep in mind that after April 20, 2018, all motions must be noticed for the correct day and time for that particular IAS Part. Otherwise they may not be calendared, or they will be marked off the motion calendar as being jurisdictionally defective and improperly noticed. The accompanying schedule has the dates and times.**
5. While not yet complete, each IAS is to issue their own motion part rules. You will have to review these rules to see whether each particular judge holds oral argument, requires personal appearances for all motions, or just for discovery motions, and whether they require working copies of e-filed motions.

Members of the Supreme Court committee did meet with Justice Weinstein, the Administrative Judge of Queens County, and his staff about the implementation of the changes after the announcement was made. Some of our ideas to ease the transition back to individual calendar calls were accepted while some were not. We do appreciate having had the opportunity to give some input. We wish you good luck in adapting to the changes. Please examine the following links as well.

[http://nycourts.gov/courts/11jd/supreme/civilterm/CH-FORMS/cmp\\_march\\_closure.pdf](http://nycourts.gov/courts/11jd/supreme/civilterm/CH-FORMS/cmp_march_closure.pdf);

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