

## **Conflicting Trial Engagements**

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The Assignment Judges of Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Middlesex, Monmouth, Passaic and Union counties, on December 11, 1963, agreed on the following general policies:

- a) Where an attorney has conflicting trial engagements in two counties, it is suggested that the Assignment Judges of the counties involved confer by telephone, but that absent other controlling factors the conflict will be determined by which case is oldest.
- b) Where an attorney has conflicting trial engagements in two counties and he or she practices primarily in one and only occasionally has a case in the other county, the county with the occasional case will have preference.
- c) Consent orders will not be accepted on consolidations, severances, etc.

### **EDITOR-S NOTE**

All references to specific attorneys or law firms who have contributed to calendar problems have been deleted. The program for dealing with these attorneys has also been deleted.

But the general policies governing attorney conflict have been retained because these policies set in 1963 have been followed since. The only editorial change has been the insertion of "or she" in b) to make the directive gender neutral.