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Overview

Hon. Peter F. Bariso, Jr., A.J.S.C. (Ret.) draws on 16 years of judicial experience as a New Jersey Superior Court Judge and more than two decades as an attorney in consulting on complex litigation matters affecting both private and public sector clients. Appointed to the bench in 2005 by Governor Richard J. Codey, Judge Bariso served as the Presiding Judge of the Civil Division from 2006 to 2012. He became Assignment Judge of the Hudson Vicinage in 2012, giving him judicial responsibility for all trial courts in the county, including the Superior Court and all municipal courts. Judge Bariso was a member of the Conference of Assignment Judges as well as the Judicial Council. He was also a member of the Advisory Committee on Expedited Civil Actions where he served as the Pre-Trial Subcommittee Chair. Judge Bariso is a former member of the Supreme Court Special Committee on Peremptory Challenges and Jury Voir Dire where he served as Chair of the Civil Subcommittee. He is also a former member of the Supreme Court Civil Practice Committee. Judge Bariso served as the Chair of the Conference of Civil Presiding Judges. He previously chaired both the Supreme Court Arbitration Advisory Committee and the Hudson County Advisory Committee on Minority Concerns. Judge Bariso is a member of the New Jersey State Bar Association, the Hudson County Bar Association and the Essex County Bar Association. Judge Bariso frequently lectures on civil litigation issues for the Judiciary, the New Jersey State Bar Association, the Hudson County Bar Association and the New Jersey Institute for Continuing Legal Education, among other organizations. He has been an instructor for ICLE's Civil Law segment of the Skills and Methods course for newly admitted attorneys. In 2015, Judge Bariso was the recipient of the NJICLE Alfred C. Clapp Award for Excellence in Continuing Legal Education. In 2024, the New Jersey Bar Foundation awarded the Medal of Honor, its most prestigious award to Judge Bariso. Since 2000, the Medal of Honor award has been given annually to lawyers, law-related professionals, and lay people who have made significant contributions to the advancement or improvement of the justice system or the betterment of the legal profession in New Jersey. The award also recognizes professional excellence as demonstrated by an individual's accomplishments in the law or through service to the profession and the community during their careers. Judge Bariso graduated from Rutgers University in 1976, where he received a bachelor's degree magna cum laude and was elected to the Phi Beta Kappa honor society. He received his juris doctor degree from the Rutgers University School of Law in 1979. After law school, he clerked for Superior Court Judge J. Emmet Cassidy before entering private practice, specializing in civil defense litigation for corporate, insurance, and individual clients. In 1988, he established a successful defense firm, Peter F. Bariso, Jr., Esq. PC., concentrating in civil litigation and worker's compensation, which merged with the Firm in 1995. Judge Bariso led Chasan Lamparello Mallon & Cappuzzo, PC Litigation Department for ten years, focusing his practice on insurance defense litigation issues related to automobile, aviation, commercial, premises, products liability, and worker's compensation. He was frequently appointed as an arbitrator by the Superior Court of New Jersey and worked as a court-approved mediator in complex and substantial civil matters. He was certified by the Supreme Court as a Civil Trial Attorney. Judge Bariso has had six trial court opinions approved for publication: Jersey City Redevelopment Agency v. RJ Woodward, LLC, 462 N.J. Super. 27 (Law Div. 2020) Ferguson v. JONAH, 445 N.J. Super. 129 (Law Div.

2014) Dobco v. Brockwell & Carrington, 441 N.J. Super. 148 (Law Div. 2015) Town of Harrison Bd. v. Netchert, 439 N.J. Super. 164 (Law Div. 2015) Camacho v. Camacho, 381 N.J. Super. 395 (Law Div. 2005) Smith v. Moustiatse, 388 N.J. Super. 273 (Law Div. 2005) Judge Bariso has also contributed to numerous publications used as seminar material for The New Jersey Institute for Continuing Legal Education over the past 20 years. Some of the more recent publications were seminar material for Labor and Employment Law Forum (2017); Hot Topics for Civil Litigators (2014); Effectively Using Objections at Depositions and Trial: A Crash Course from Some of the State's Top Judges and Attorneys (2011); 2011 Civil Trial Practice: The Judicial Perspective (2011); 2010 Automobile Insurance Update: Keys for Handling the Automobile Accident Case; Keys to Jury Selection in a Civil Case (2010); Effectively Using Objections at Deposition and Trial: A Crash Course from some of the State's top Judges and Attorneys (2008); Beyond the Court Rules: What the Presiding Judges Really Think (2008); Medicine for Lawyers: Winning Neck & Back Injury Cases (2008); 2007 Tort Law Conference (2007). He is also a contributing author on Education Law for Encyclopedia of New Jersey (2004).

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Practice Areas

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Education

Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, 1976 BA
magna cum laude
Rutgers Law School, 1979 JD

Bar Admissions

New Jersey

Insights & News

Hon. Peter F. Bariso, Jr., A.J.S.C. (Ret.) to Moderate NJICLE Program on Closing Arguments
Peter F. Bariso, Longtime Judge and Prolific CLE Speaker, to Receive NJSBF 2024 Medal of Honor
Judge Bariso Holds Mock Trial for Bring Your Children to Work Day
CLM&C Attorneys to Speak at the 2023 New Jersey State Bar Association Mid-Year Meeting in Paris
CLM&C Attorneys to Receive Honors and Speak at the 2023 New Jersey State Bar Association Meeting and Convention
CLM&C Attorneys Honored at the 2021 New Jersey State Bar Association Meeting and Convention
The Honorable Peter F. Bariso, Jr. Returns to the Firm