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**Appellate Division , Second Judicial Department,
Makes Report on Attorney Admission and Discipline
Available to Public**

BROOKLYN HEIGHTS, N.Y. - Presiding Justice A. Gail Prudenti of the Supreme Court, Appellate Division, Second Judicial Department, is pleased to announce that the Report and Recommendations of the Committee to Review the Procedures of the Committees on Character and Fitness and the Grievance Committees of the Appellate Division, Second Judicial Department, chaired by the Honorable Gabriel M. Krausman, is now available to the public on the court's website: www.nycourts.gov/courts/ad2/. For members of the public without internet access, copies of the report may be obtained by writing to the Clerk of the Court, James Edward Pelzer, at 45 Monroe Place, Brooklyn, New York 11201.

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The public may submit comments on the Report and Recommendations for the court's consideration during the 30-day period ending on November 4, 2004.

According to Justice Prudenti, "The areas of attorney admissions to the bar and attorney grievance procedures are of the utmost importance not only to members of the bar and applicants for admission to practice, but to the public as well. We must always keep in mind that it is never enough to do the right thing; we must also be sure that the public perceives that the right thing is being done. Whether it is the manner in which we screen applicants or the procedures we use to discipline admitted attorneys who violate the rules of professional conduct, we must act in ways that foster the public's trust and confidence in the legal system while remaining sensitive to the rights of those who are being judged.

"The court has provided for a 30-day comment period so that members of the public will have the opportunity to express their views regarding the recommendations of the Krausman Committee concerning these important issues."

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