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Statewide Opioid Trial to Begin at Touro Law School in Suffolk County on June 22

WHAT: State Supreme Court Judge Jerry Garguilo will preside over the statewide opioid class action lawsuit *In Re Opioid Litigation, Consolidated Index Number 400000/2017*, comprising 70 individual cases filed by government entities between 2017 and 2021 against opioid manufacturers, distributors, pharmacies and other sellers. There are two additional matters seeking to be coordinated into the consolidated litigation.

Litigants in attendance will include three plaintiffs (Nassau County, Suffolk County and New York State) and 12 primary defendants, with multiple attorneys representing each party. There will be a jury of six, along with six alternate jurors.

- WHERE: To accommodate the large number of participants and allow for social distancing and enforcement of other safety and security measures, the trial will be held at the Touro College Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center auditorium, 225 Eastview Drive, Central Islip, Long Island. The auditorium has additional balcony seating on the second level, which will be set aside for members of the media and public. The trial will also be livestreamed.
- WHEN: The trial is scheduled to begin on **Tuesday**, **June 22**, **2021** and expected to last a minimum of six to eight weeks.

Additional details will be provided as the trial date approaches.