

Blue-Ribbon Committee Studies Grievance Machinery

A blue-ribbon committee appointed by Presiding Justice A. Gail Prudenti of the Appellate Division Second Department will study the Department's grievance committee procedures, as well as "character and fitness issues and the handling of reinstatement requests." The Committee will be chaired by Associate Justice Gabriel M. Krausman. Three subcommittees will concentrate separately on Attorney Discipline; Reinstatement; and Admissions. Each subcommittee is headed jointly by an appellate division justice and a practitioner. The other members of the committee include judges, educators, practitioners and lay people.

The committee will submit its recommendations to Justice Prudenti. In announcing formation of the committee, Judge Prudenti said, "It is so important not only that these systems function fairly and expeditiously, but that they instill public trust and confidence in their procedures and results."