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Union Vicinage Celebrates Law Day

Union Vicinage will celebrate Law Day on Friday, May 13 with an awards ceremony for students who participated in a series of contests commemorating the 50th anniversary of the landmark U.S. Supreme Court decision in *Miranda v. Arizona*.

The event, hosted in collaboration with the New Jersey State Bar Association, will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Union County Courthouse, 2 Broad St., Elizabeth.

Students from Union County schools participated in poster, essay and spoken word contests based on the Miranda theme. Union County Bar Association President Jon-Henry Barr will present awards to three winners from each category. The contest winners this year are from Florence M. Gaudineer School, Burnet Middle School, Joseph Battin School, Elmora School, Madison Monroe School, John Marshall School, Nicholas Murray Butler School, and the Duarte-Marti School.

U.S. District Court Judge Michael A. Shipp will discuss the impact of the Miranda decision, which required law enforcement to advise criminal suspects of their rights before beginning an interrogation. His remarks also will touch on the procedural protections afforded by the U.S. Constitution and how those protections are safeguarded by the courts.

Mock Trial Coordinator Jared Weiss will present an award to the winners of this year's Union County mock trial contest, Oratory Preparatory School of Summit.

Law Day is a national event established by President Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1958 as "a day of national dedication to the principles of government under law."

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