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HUDSON VICINAGE

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Hudson Vicinage Participates in 2014 Vincent J. Apruzzese High School Mock Trial Program

Hudson Vicinage will be hosting its annual high school mock trial competition beginning on Monday, Jan. 27 at 4:30 p.m. and concluding on Thursday, Jan. 30 at the William J. Brennan Jr. Courthouse, 583 Newark Ave., Jersey City.

Judges from the Superior Court and municipal courts and members of the Hudson County Bar Association, court staff members, and teachers will serve as judges, coaches, and time keepers during the competition.

Eight local schools will compete, with students assuming roles such as prosecutors, defendants, attorneys, witnesses and jurors in a fictional court case designed by the New Jersey State Bar Foundation. The winners of the county competition will be announced at the Law Day ceremony on May 1 at the Brennan Courthouse.

Stephen J. McCurrie, Esq., President of the Hudson County Bar Association, is coordinating this year's program. He is assisted by members of the Hudson Vicinage Law Day Planning Committee, which is chaired by Superior Court Judge Martha T. Royster.

The Vincent J. Apruzzese High School Mock Trial Program helps the students learn more about the law, court procedures, and the legal system and how it relates to the foundation of democracy. It provides students with an opportunity to sharpen their analytical, listening, and speaking skills, and builds their confidence.

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