SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY PASSAIC VICINAGE

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Passaic Vicinage Commemorates the Civil Rights Movement

In celebration of Black History Month, the Passaic Vicinage will sponsor a public program to commemorate the Civil Rights Movement on Wednesday, Feb. 12 from 12:30 to 1:45 p.m. in the Freeholders Meeting Room on the second floor of the Passaic County Administration Building, 401 Grand St., Paterson.

Superior Court Judge Greta Gooden Brown, chair of the Passaic Vicinage Committee on Minority Concerns, will host the program.

The keynote speaker will be state Sen. Nia Gill, who represents the 34th district. Paterson historian Jimmy Richardson will set up a display on the Huntoon-Van Rensalier Underground Railroad Project. The Rosa Parks High School Choir will perform.

Winners from the countywide poetry contest for children in grades 6 through 12 will read their work and receive their awards. The theme of the contest was "Civil Rights Movement in America." Students were asked to submit original poetry about segregation and its impact on U.S. history or the contributions of a leader in the civil rights movement.

The event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

The program was developed by the Passaic Vicinage Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action Advisory Committee and the Passaic Vicinage Committee on Minority Concerns.

The EEO/AA Advisory Committee includes a cross section of vicinage employees who are appointed by Assignment Judge Donald J. Volkert Jr. to help build cultural awareness and understanding between the courts and the community.

The Minority Concerns Committee includes Superior Court employees and representatives from local businesses, schools, community groups and the public. The committee develops programs that enable the court to better serve the community.