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## **Essex Vicinage to Hold Voter Education Program**

## American Democracy and the Rule of Law: Why Every Vote Matters The Legal Implications of Your Right to Vote

The Essex Vicinage, in partnership with the Essex County Bar Association, the New Jersey State Bar Foundation, and the Essex County Clerk's Office, will hold a voter education program on Thursday, March 27 in the jury management area, Room 150, of the Veterans Courthouse, 50 West Market St., Newark. The program will take place from 6 to 8 p.m., with sign-in beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Against the backdrop of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversaries of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Voting Rights Act of 1965, this program will explore the history and evolution of voting rights, current limits on the right to vote, exercising and safeguarding that right, and the process for election challenges.

Panelists for this event will include Essex County Clerk Christopher Durkin; attorney Rajiv D. Parikh; Essex Vicinage Civil Division Manager Debra Dadic; master poll worker Michelle Bobrow; and Thomas Puryear, president of the NAACP Oranges & Maplewood. Essex Vicinage landlord/tenant hearing officer Bruce Humphreys will moderate.

This program is open to attorneys, members of the public, Judiciary staff, and university and law students. The fee for attorney attendees, who will receive CLE credit through the Essex County Bar Association, is \$15. The program is free for non-attorney attendees.

Registration for this program is required. Visit www.essexbar.com to register.

This program is one in a series of events planned for the Essex Vicinage celebration of Law Day 2014.

A statewide calendar of public education programs can be found at njcourts.com. Click on the Self Help Center tab and look for the "Court Seminars and Public Events" link.