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Justice Faustino Fernandez-Vina to Preside over Burlington Vicinage Naturalization Ceremony

Supreme Court Associate Justice Faustino Fernandez-Vina, and Family Presiding Judge John L. Call Jr., will preside over a naturalization ceremony and administer the Oath of Citizenship to 25 foreign-born residents of Burlington County as part of the Burlington Vicinage's Constitution Week celebration, announced Burlington County Assignment Judge Ronald E. Bookbinder.

The naturalization ceremony will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 17 at 10 a.m. in the historic Olde Courthouse, 120 High St., Mount Holly. The applicants for citizenship come from 19 countries.

"We are honored to have Justice Fernandez-Vina join us to celebrate this important event," said Bookbinder.

This year marks the 227th anniversary of the signing of the U.S. Constitution in 1787. In conjunction with Constitution Day, the Court is celebrating Juror Appreciation Week. Judge Bookbinder will launch the week's activities by signing a proclamation designating Constitution and Citizenship Day and Constitution and Juror Appreciation Week 2014.

The Pemberton Township High School JROTC will open the ceremony by presenting the colors, a Rancocas Valley High School student will sing the national anthem, and the Law Day art contest winners from Southampton School No. 2 and Moorestown Upper Elementary School will lead the Pledge of Allegiance and recite the Preamble to the Constitution. Remarks will be delivered by Justice Fernandez-Vina, Naia Moore, a member of the Willingboro-Burlington chapter of the New Jersey Orators, and Burlington County Bar Association president Roger Lai.

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