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Hudson Vicinage to Hold Law Day Ceremony

Hudson Vicinage, in partnership with the New Jersey State Bar Association and Foundation and the Hudson County Bar Association and Foundation, will hold its annual Law Day ceremony on Friday, May 1 at noon in the rotunda of the Justice William J. Brennan Jr. Courthouse, 583 Newark Ave., Jersey City. Appellate Division Presiding Judge Carmen Messano will give the keynote address on this year's Law Day theme, "Magna Carta: Symbol of Freedom Under Law."

As part of the celebration, Hudson County students in grades 6 to 12 competed in art, photography, essay, poetry, and rap contests related to the Law Day theme. The winners of these contests, along with the winners of the Hudson County High School Mock Trial competition and the Mini Mock Trial fourth grade participants, are invited to attend the ceremony. Awards will be presented for each category.

"The Law Day Ceremony in Hudson Vicinage takes on a special mystique in the historic Brennan Courthouse rotunda. The increase in student participation throughout Hudson County is not only encouraging but quite remarkable," said Assignment Judge Peter F. Bariso Jr.

The ceremony will also feature the presentation of the Liberty Bell Award to attorney Leonard Meyerson. The Liberty Bell Award honors an individual or organization whose service has promoted a better understanding of the rule of law, strengthened the American system of justice, or stimulated a sense of civic responsibility within members of the community.

This programming is part of Hudson Vicinage's ongoing community outreach efforts and its commitment to Law Day, which President Dwight D. Eisenhower established in 1958 to celebrate our nation's great heritage of liberty, justice, and equality under law.