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### **Somerset/Hunterdon/Warren Vicinage to Sponsor Talk on LGBT Youth**

The Somerset/Hunterdon/Warren Vicinage will sponsor a free seminar, “Tools and Resources for Ensuring Access to Justice and Equity in Services for LGBT Youth,” on Thursday, April 28 from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Somerset County Courthouse, 20 N. Bridge St., Somerville.

The seminar, organized by the Advisory Committee on Minority Concerns for Somerset, Hunterdon and Warren counties, will offer information regarding sexual orientation and gender identity experiences among lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender youth through the sharing of personal narratives. The seminar also will examine the needs of LGBT youth and youth of color on topics such as education, law, health, and homelessness. Speakers will present tools and strategies to help LGBT youth to navigate the legal system.

Speakers will include Lisa R. Burke, minority concerns program coordinator of the Minority Concerns Unit at the Administrative Office of the Courts; Robyn B. Gigl, a partner at the law firm of Gluck Walrath LLP and a member of the Supreme Court Committee on Minority Concerns; Danielle King, president, Lambda Law Alliance and member, Diversity Council, Seton Hall University School of Law and Gary Paul Wright, founder and executive director, African American Office of Gay Concerns, member, Essex County LGBTQ Advisory Board.

Seating for this seminar is limited. Participants should contact Denise Paternoster to register in advance at 908-231-7624 or SomHunWrnhelp.mailbox@njcourts.gov. Light refreshments will be served.

For attorneys, pending approval by the New Jersey Supreme Court Board of Continuing Legal Education, this course will offer 3.0 CLE credits (general/ethics) through the Judiciary’s Minority Concerns Program, Provider #1720. CLE credits are based on the total instruction time of the program and are an estimate. For information on CLE credits, contact Lisa Burke at 609-292-8967.

Educators who attend will receive a certificate indicating that they have earned three hours of professional development credits. Contact Denise Paternoster for more information regarding credits for educators.

The Minority Concerns Committee includes Superior Court employees and community representatives. The committee develops programs that enable the court to better serve the community.

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