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**Justice Anne M. Patterson to Administer Oath of Citizenship at
Passaic Vicinage Law Day Celebration**

New Jersey Supreme Court Associate Justice Anne M. Patterson will administer the Oath of Citizenship to 28 new citizens as part of the Passaic Vicinage Law Day celebration on Friday, May 6.

The event will be held from 10 to 11 a.m. on the steps of the Historic Courthouse, 71 Hamilton St., Paterson. This is the first time the naturalization ceremony will take place in the courthouse's new outdoor plaza area.

Other speakers for the ceremony include Assignment Judge Ernest M. Caposela, U.S. Rep. William J. Pascrell Jr., Passaic County Freeholder Director Theodore O. Best, Passaic County Prosecutor Camelia Valdes and Passaic County Bar Association President Jeffrey J. Trapanese.

The 2016 Law Day theme, "Miranda: More than Words," highlights the 50th anniversary of the landmark U.S. Supreme Court decision in *Miranda v. Arizona*, which requires law enforcement to advise criminal suspects of their rights before beginning an interrogation.

Vicinage Law Day activities began in January with a poem, poster and video contest for middle and high school students. Students who submitted winning entries are invited back to the Law Day celebration.

The day's events also will include a competition between the two mock trial finalists, Passaic Valley High School in Little Falls and Clifton High School in Clifton. The winner will be announced and given the Amos C. Saunders Trophy during a pizza luncheon, when all students will be recognized for their contributions to this year's program.

The Law Day program is sponsored by the Passaic Vicinage Law Day Committee, which includes members from the Passaic Vicinage, the Passaic County Bar Association, the Passaic Advisory Committee on Minority Concerns and the Passaic County Prosecutor's Office.

Law Day is a national event established by President Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1958 as "a day of national dedication to the principles of government under law."

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