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Cumberland, Gloucester, Salem Probation Staff Honored

Nine probation division staff members from the Cumberland/Gloucester/Salem Vicinage are scheduled to receive awards from the Chief Probation Officers of New Jersey (CPONJ) on July 22 at a statewide recognition ceremony at the Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex, 25 Market St., Trenton.

Michael Markert is the recipient of a meritorious service award. A probation officer in Cumberland County, Markert is being recognized for being a strong role model and a team player who is respectful to coworkers, outside agencies and clients.

Administrative Specialist Marie Rafter also is being recognized with a meritorious service award. Rafter is a valuable team member of the Gloucester County CSAC unit who coordinates the CEP program for juvenile clients, assists with Adult CEP hearings and adult community service. Rafter is a gracious and friendly coworker with whom it is a pleasure to work.

Another meritorious service award will go to Senior Probation Officer Amanda Wright for her outstanding commitment and professionalism in her duties. She is willing to assist with special projects and demonstrates outstanding customer service. Wright is well respected and an asset to the Salem Probation Division.

Kimberly Clark also will be recognized for meritorious service. A judicial clerk assigned to the child support division in Salem County, Clark always displays professionalism when dealing with customers, going to great lengths to ensure customer's needs are met. Clark has an outstanding work ethic and her commitment to her work is commendable and appreciated.

An outstanding achievement award will be presented to Auria Cortes, a senior probation officer in Cumberland County Child Support Unit. Cortes has taken the lead to train new staff on the processing of new cases. Her willingness to take time with new staff while maintaining a high collection rate has been a tremendous asset.

Mary Anne Hoban, a senior probation officer for more than 30 years, also will receive an outstanding achievement award. She is assigned to the mental health caseload in Gloucester County, where she has made a positive impact on many clients' lives. Hoban is an extremely hard-working, dedicated employee who is always willing to go beyond what is required.

Senior Probation Officer Cathleen Jimenez will receive a career achievement award. A Judiciary employee for more than 20 years, she has worked in many counties in many different roles. Jimenez's years of knowledge and experience is an invaluable asset to the Cumberland County Child Support Unit.

A career achievement award also will be presented to Sylvia Sampson. Sampson recently retired as a senior probation officer in Gloucester County after a 30-year career in the judiciary. She has displayed a strong work ethic, continuously works toward providing good customer service to her probationers, service providers and partners.

Judicial Clerk Peggy Reed of the Salem County Probation Unit also will receive a career achievement award. Reed is a valuable team player who is willing to assist when and where she is needed. She is always willing to accept new challenges and provide support and guidance. Reed's commitment to her profession had earned her the respect of her peers.

Trial Court Administrator Jason Corter said, "Vicinage XV is proud of all of the probation professionals who serve our vicinage. The demanding work that they perform helps improve the lives of countless individuals and families and has a significant impact on our entire community. Assignment Judge Georgia M. Curio and I are pleased to congratulate those being recognized as award recipients this year."

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