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Camden Vicinage Celebrates Professionalism Day with Panel on Legal Ethics in the Cinema

The Camden Vicinage will celebrate professionalism day on Thursday, Oct. 20, with a panel that examines the portrayal of attorneys in movies and the differences between the public perception of the legal profession and the reality of navigating the ethical limits of legal advocacy.

The event, “Lights! Camera! Action! Legal Ethics & Professionalism in the Movies.” will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. in Courtroom 63 of the Hall of Justice, 101 S. 5th St., Camden. Supreme Court Justices Faustino J. Fernandez-Vina and Lee A. Solomon and attorneys Craig D. Becker, Dawnn E. Briddell, and Jeffrey D. Ullman will participate in the panel. The discussion will include various clips from movies that deal with legal ethics.

Criminal Division Presiding Judge Edward J. McBride Jr. will moderate the event along with Judge Michele Fox and attorney Larry Pelletier, executive director of the Camden County Bar Association. Assignment Judge Deborah Silverman Katz will welcome the participants.

“Promoting professionalism is important for all of us who are engaged in the legal profession. This year, Professionalism Day will examine fictional representations of our profession to foster a conversation about the contrast between the movie industry’s portrayal of attorneys and the reality we live every day. We look forward to exploring this issue in such a novel way,” said Silverman Katz.

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