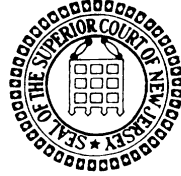


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Monmouth Vicinage to Host Hispanic/Latino Heritage Panel Discussion

The Monmouth Vicinage will host a panel discussion titled, "Hispanic/Latino Heritage: Leaders from the Bench and Bar" on Tues. Nov. 1 from noon to 1:30 p.m. in Room 307 West of the Monmouth County Courthouse, 71 Monument Park, Freehold. The program is sponsored by the Monmouth Vicinage EEO/AA Advisory Committee and Advisory Committee on Minority Concerns.

The panel will include Judge Pedro Jimenez, Jr., Middlesex Vicinage Criminal Division, Carlos M. Bollar, Esq., president of the Hispanic Bar Association of New Jersey, Stephanie Brown, Esq., assistant corporation counsel, Jersey City Law Department and Alissa Goetz, assistant prosecutor, Monmouth County Prosecutor's Office. Panelists will discuss their careers, highlighting their accomplishments and the challenges faced by Hispanic/Latino individuals in the legal field.

Assignment Judge Lisa P. Thornton will moderate the program. Judge Thornton said, "The Monmouth Vicinage honors the significant contributions of Hispanic/Latino individuals both in our community and in the legal field. Our program panelists will inspire us with their stories of success and how they overcame obstacles to become leaders in the legal field."

Light refreshments will be served at noon. The panel discussion will begin at 12:30 p.m.

The program is free and open to the public. Media representatives wishing to cover the program should contact Janet Slocum at (732) 677-4208.

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