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## Monmouth Vicinage Celebrates Law Day 2017

The Monmouth Vicinage and the Monmouth Bar Association will hold its annual Law Day program Monday, May 1 at 9:45 a.m. in Courtroom 307 in the west wing of the Monmouth County Courthouse, 71 Monument Park, Freehold.

This year's Law Day theme is "The 14<sup>th</sup> Amendment: Transforming American Democracy."

Local high school students will participate in a roundtable discussion about the significance of the 14<sup>th</sup> Amendment in today's society. Assignment Judge Lisa P. Thornton will moderate the discussion, which will include retired Assignment Judge Lawrence M. Lawson, Tax Court Presiding Judge Patrick DeAlmeida and attorney Lawrence S. Lustburg of Gibbons, P.C.

A Law Day awards ceremony will be held at 4 p.m. in the General Equity Courtroom of the Hall of Records, Main and Court streets, Freehold Borough. Members of the mock trial team from Colts Neck High School will receive the Daniel J. O'Hern Mock Trial Award for winning this year's competition. The Monmouth Bar Association Abraham J. Zager Professionalism Award will be presented to attorney Stephen C. Carton.

Judge Thornton will present plaques to the winners of the Law Day Essay and Art contests. The elementary school art contest winners, both from Freehold, are Noemy Moctezuma of the Freehold Learning Center and Martin Salazar of Park Avenue Elementary School. The winners of the essay contest are Alexia Rodrigues from Howell Middle School South in Howell and Maria Monzon from Long Branch High School in Long Branch.

Law Day was 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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