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Judiciary Surveys Municipal Court Users on Access and Fairness

Municipal courts around the state are surveying litigants, lawyers, and other court visitors this month to gain insight into the public's perception of the access and fairness of their local courts, Judge Glenn A. Grant, acting administrative director of the courts, announced today.

The Municipal Court Survey will be conducted in five municipal courts within each of the 15 court vicinages during regular court hours throughout the month of September. The survey will be available in English, Spanish, Haitian Creole, Korean, Polish, and Portuguese. A complete list of participating courts is attached.

"The New Jersey Judiciary continues to be a leader in ensuring that all court visitors are treated fairly, regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, physical condition, ability to speak English or level of education. The feedback we receive from our municipal court users will help us gauge how we are doing and give us ideas on where we might best focus our efforts," said Judge Grant.

The Municipal Court survey project was developed by the Supreme Court Advisory Committee on Access and Fairness, which was established in 2011. This is the second survey implemented by the Advisory Committee; the first was conducted in the superior courts in October 2013. The results of the 2013 survey have been used to enhance services to the public and improve court processes. The full report of that survey is available on the court's website at njcourts.gov.

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A&F MUNICIPAL SURVEY LIST OF COURTS

<u>Vicinage</u>	<u>Municipal Court</u>
Atlantic /Cape May	N. Wildwood W. Cape May Galloway Upper Twp. Atlantic City
Bergen	Central Little Ferry Lodi Mahwah E. Rutherford
Burlington	Willingboro Burlington C/T Westampton/Hainesport/E. Hampton Tabernacle N. Hanover/Chesterfield
Camden	Cherry Hill Gloucester Twp. Haddon/Audubon Joint Mount Ephraim/Oaklyn Woodlynne
Essex	Orange Maplewood Roseland Livingston E. Orange
Hudson	Union City Bayonne Secaucus East Newark Jersey City
Mercer	Trenton Ewing Lawrence Hopewell Twp. Hamilton
Middlesex	Old Bridge

	New Brunswick North Brunswick Plainsboro/Cranbury Edison
Monmouth	Asbury Park Neptune Twp. Shrewsbury Borough Hazlet/Matawan Tinton Falls
Morris/ Sussex	Morristown Parsippany Roxbury Sparta Andover
Passaic	Clifton Wayne Pompton Lakes Woodland Park Paterson
Union	Elizabeth Union Berkeley Heights/New Providence Linden Springfield
Somerset/Hunterdon/Warren	Lopatcong Hillsborough/Montgomery/Manville Allamuchy Readington Bridgewater
Ocean	Toms River Beachwood Manchester Lakewood South Toms River
Cumberland/Gloucester/Salem	Vineland CS Regional Deptford Salem Pillsgrove Joint