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Camden Vicinage Celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month

The Camden Vicinage will celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month on Friday, Oct. 6 with a panel discussion honoring Hispanic members of New Jersey's legal community, announced Assignment Judge Deborah Silverman Katz.

The event will begin at 11 a.m. in Courtroom 63 at the Hall of Justice, 101 S. 5th St., Camden. Judge Silverman Katz will give the opening remarks. Judge Francisco Dominguez will moderate the discussion. Panelists will include Superior Court Judge Yolanda C. Rodriguez and attorneys Carlos M. Bollar, Hector Daniel Ruiz, and Albertina Webb.

"It is extremely important – and in keeping with our mission statement – that we continue to cultivate and celebrate diversity in the courts. The panelists are evidence of the hard work that the members of the Bar and bench here have accomplished. They demonstrate the highest standards of integrity, honor, and professionalism," Judge Silverman Katz said.

Judge Rodriguez sits in the family division in the Camden Vicinage. A graduate of the University of Pennsylvania Law School, she was an assistant section chief and deputy attorney general in the Employment Litigation and Counseling section in the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety. She also served as senior appointments counsel in the governor's office and worked in private practice. She is a member of the New Jersey Hispanic Bar Association, the New Jersey Bar Association and the New Jersey Women Lawyers Association.

Bollar, a partner with Archer PC, has practiced environmental law for more than 20 years. Bollar is the incoming regional president for Region III of the Hispanic National Bar Association and has served as past president of the Hispanic Bar Association of New Jersey.

Ruiz, a partner with Walsh, Pizzi, O'Reilly, Falanga LLP, is the incoming president of the Hispanic Bar Association of New Jersey. Ruiz is a leading member of the Federal Bar Association and has substantial experience in all aspects of commercial litigation.

Webb, a partner with LaRocca, Hornik, Rosen, Greenberg & Patti LLC, specializes in family and matrimonial law. Webb serves as vice president for the Southern Region of the Hispanic Bar Association of New Jersey and has led the HBA-NJ mentorship program for many years.

The program is free and open to the public.

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