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## **Essex Vicinage to Hold Law Day Program**

The Essex Vicinage, in partnership with the Essex County Bar Association, the New Jersey State Bar Foundation, and the Essex County Sheriff's Office, will hold its annual Law Day celebration on Friday, May 3 in recognition of this year's theme, "Free Speech, Free Press, Free Society."

At 2:30 p.m., an awards ceremony honoring the winners of the Law Day art, essay and poetry contests will take place in courtroom 200 of the Essex County Historic Courthouse, 470 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Newark. Assignment Judge Sallyanne Floria and Trial Court Administrator Amy K. DePaul will present awards to the winning students. Dan Bowens, three-time Emmy Award winning reporter for Fox5 New York, will give the keynote address. Essex County Bar Association President Matthew S. Shultz also will speak.

Participants will receive a publication containing students' outstanding contest submissions and historical information and photographs of the Essex County Court Complex related to the Law Day theme.

The celebration will continue Friday, May 31 with countywide mock trial events. Essex County Superior and municipal court judges will visit schools to lead the students through a fictional court case and discuss the Law Day theme. Attorneys and sheriff's officers will accompany the judges. This year's Essex Vicinage Law Day program will reach students at 37 local schools.