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Camden Vicinage Drug Court to Celebrate Graduation

Assignment Judge Deborah Silverman Katz announced today that the Camden Vicinage will celebrate an anticipated 34 graduates from its drug court program on Tuesday, Feb. 25 at 1:30 p.m. in courtroom 63 at the Camden County Hall of Justice, 101 S. 5th St., Camden. The ceremony will formally acknowledge the candidates' completion of the program's requirements for graduation.

Superior Court Judge Kathleen M. Delaney will preside over the ceremony. The graduation speakers will include New Jersey Assistant Deputy Public Defender Katina Chase and Camden County Assistant Prosecutor Greg Audino. The keynote speakers will be drug court graduates Melanie M. and Brian E.

The Judiciary's drug court program operates within the Superior Court to address nonviolent drug addicted offenders. The program requires completion of four phases of intensive drug and alcohol treatment and recovery. This level of supervision permits the program to support the recovery process but also allows the team to react swiftly to impose appropriate therapeutic interventions or to reinstate criminal proceedings when participants do not comply with the program.

The drug court program in Camden County, which began in 1996, has 700 participants and 703 graduates.

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