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Mercer Vicinage to Celebrate National Adoption Day

The Mercer Vicinage, in conjunction with the New Jersey Division of Child Protection and Permanency (DCP&P) and the Court Appointed Special Advocates of Mercer County, will host its 14th annual adoption day program on Friday, Nov. 19.

Family Presiding Judge Rodney Thompson and Superior Court Judge Thomas J. Walls Jr. will conduct five adoptions virtually.

National Adoption Day is an annual event in which courts and communities in all 50 states come together to finalize thousands of adoptions. The event seeks to raise awareness of the importance of adoption and to recognize caregivers who have chosen to open their homes to children in need. Last year, 196 adoptions were finalized statewide on National Adoption Day through the collective efforts of judges, court staff, county surrogates, and DCP&P staff.

Although adoption proceedings are closed to the public, arrangements can be made for reporters to interview willing families. Contact Brian Giustozzi at 609-571-4200, ext. 74380 for more information.