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## **Monmouth Superior Court Forms Advisory Committee on Minority Concerns**

As the nation celebrates Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, the Superior Court of New Jersey Monmouth Vicinage has taken a major step that is consonant with Dr. King's dream of equality. Monmouth Vicinage Assignment Judge Lawrence M. Lawson has appointed the Monmouth Vicinage Advisory Committee on Minority Concerns and named Superior Court Judge Honora O'Brien Kilgallen as the chairperson. Judge Lawson also has appointed 31 individuals from throughout Monmouth County to the Committee. These include community leaders, government and business leaders, members of the clergy and the Judiciary.

"I am very pleased that Judge Kilgallen and the members of the Committee have accepted my invitation to help the Monmouth Vicinage improve the quality of justice. They will work to institutionalize fairness for everyone coming before the courts, including racial and ethnic minorities and individuals with limited English proficiency," said Judge Lawson. "I look forward to receiving the Committee's recommendations on how we can best accomplish these goals."

The Minority Concerns Committee will make recommendations to the assignment judge regarding a number of important issues, such as ensuring equal access to court programs and services for minority groups, disabled court users and others; coordinating with local school districts on Law Day activities and other educational opportunities for students; working with local juvenile justice officials on programs and policies for youth offenders; promoting community awareness of court programs; expanding minority job recruitment efforts in the courts; and recommending training programs for judges and employees to enhance the court environment.

The Committee plans to continue collaborations established with such external groups as the Monmouth Bar Association, the Ocean Monmouth Legal Services, the Hispanic Affairs and Resources Center, the NAACP, *NOSOTROS* Spanish newspaper, 180 Turning Lives Around and the Monmouth County Human Relations Commission.

"I am extremely honored that Judge Lawson has selected me to serve as chairperson of this most important committee," Judge Kilgallen said. "I know that the Committee members share in my desire to pursue with enthusiasm the mandate of the Supreme Court that we advise Judge Lawson on how the Judiciary may best assure fairness, impartiality, equal access and full participation for all. I am equally honored to be working with such an extraordinary group of individuals who serve as members of the Committee."

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The members of the Vicinage Advisory Committee on Minority Concerns are noted below:

## **Superior Court Monmouth Vicinage Advisory Committee on Minority Concerns**

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