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## BURLINGTON VICINAGE

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## **Burlington Vicinage Minority Concerns Committee to Conduct Criminal Record Expungement Seminar**

**MOUNT HOLLY** – The Burlington Vicinage Superior Court Advisory Committee on Minority Concerns will host an expungement seminar on Thursday, April 15. The seminar will be held from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Burlington County Human Services, 795 Woodlane Rd., Westampton, Lecture Room A.

Among the topics that will be discussed are who is eligible for expungement, which type of conviction can and cannot be expunged; how an expungement is filed; how soon after a conviction an expungement can be granted, and what happens at the expungement hearing. Forms and detailed instructions will be provided.

Frequently, an old conviction can interfere with the ability to maintain a job, obtain a security clearance or obtain financial aid when pursuing an education. The purpose of New Jersey's expungement law is to allow a person with minor criminal convictions to make a "fresh start."

The Vicinage Advisory Committee on Minority Concerns, comprising members of the Burlington County community, advises the assignment judge on ways to improve the administration of justice for all court users. This seminar is one example of the programs and initiatives the committee has offered in its effort to increase public understanding of the judicial system.

The seminar is free and open to the public. Pre-registration is not required.

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