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### **Burlington Vicinage 2013 Law Day Celebration**

The Burlington Vicinage and the Burlington County Bar Association will celebrate Law Day on Wednesday, May 1.

The program will kick off at 9 a.m. in the Olde Historic Courthouse, 120 High St., Mount Holly, with Assignment Judge Ronald E. Bookbinder reading a proclamation to designate May 1 as Law Day.

Students from the Rancocas Valley Regional High School will sing, and the JROTC units from Lenape Regional and Pemberton Township high schools will present the colors.

Following the proclamation, the Burlington County Bar Association will conduct a presentation highlighting Burlington County's connection to the civil and human rights movement. The fugitive slave trials held at the Olde Courthouse in the 1800s and the Battle of Pine Swamp, which is in Burlington County, will be detailed.

Abraham Lincoln, portrayed by Bob Gleason of the American Historical Theatre, will recite excerpts from Lincoln's Inaugural Addresses, the Emancipation Proclamation and the Gettysburg Address.

The event is free and open to the public. No reservations are required. Refreshments will be served.

Law Day is a day dedicated to promote public understanding of the rule of law, due process and the important role the court has in ensuring access to justice. Law Day was established in 1958 by President Dwight D. Eisenhower as an opportunity to celebrate our nation's great heritage of liberty, justice, and equality under law.

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