

# SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY

SOMERSET, HUNTERDON & WARREN COUNTIES

VICINAGE 13

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## **Seminar on Bullying Offered at Somerset Courthouse**

The Advisory Committee on Minority Concerns for Somerset, Hunterdon, and Warren counties, Vicinage 13 of the New Jersey Superior Court, will present a free seminar on anti-bullying awareness to be held on Thursday, April 28, from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Somerset County Courthouse, 20 N. Bridge St., Somerville.

Bullying prevention has become a greater challenge than ever. Bullying typically used to occur at school or in social settings. Now, with technology increasing at a rapid rate, bullies can use cell phones, video game systems, and computers to harass their victims. This issue is of growing concern for the public and for children, parents, and school personnel.

Vicinage 13 will host a discussion about the bullying dilemma. The seminar will provide an overview of bullying, the psychological aspect of bullying, school-based prevention methods, and the impact that bullying has on students, parents, teachers, and the community. The program will be presented by experts in psychology, law and law enforcement.

The guest speakers will include Professors Nadia S. Ansary of Rider University and Paul Boxer of Rutgers University; Stuart Green of the New Jersey Coalition for Bullying Awareness and Prevention; J. Frank Vespa-Papaleo, former director of the New Jersey Division on Civil Rights; Hunterdon County Prosecutor Anthony J. Kearns, Somerset County Assistant Prosecutor Brian Stack, and Ahmed Mackey, a school resource officer from the Somerset County Sheriff's Office.

The seminar will be followed by a question-and-answer session.

Seating for this seminar is limited and participants are asked to contact Linnette Higley at 908-203-6131 or [SOMOmbudsman@judiciary.state.nj.us](mailto:SOMOmbudsman@judiciary.state.nj.us) for more information.

The event qualifies interested participants for continuing legal education (CLE) credits for attorneys or three hours of professional development for educators. For information on CLE credits, contact Ann Winder at 908-685-2323 or [cawinder@somersetbar.com](mailto:cawinder@somersetbar.com). For more information on professional development credits, contact Ms. Higley.

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