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### Essex Vicinage Celebrates Law Day

The Superior Court in Essex County, in partnership with the Essex County Bar Association, the New Jersey State Bar Foundation and the Essex County Sheriff's Office, will hold its annual Law Day program on Thursday, April 28 in celebration of this year's theme, "The Legacy of John Adams: From Boston to Guantanamo."

The program will begin with countywide mock trial events. A total of 33 Essex County judges from both the Superior Court and municipal courts will visit schools to lead the students through a fictional court case and to discuss this year's theme. Two attorneys and a sheriff's officer will accompany each judge.

At 12:30 p.m., an awards ceremony honoring the winners of the Law Day art and writing contests will take place on the second floor of the Essex County Historic Courthouse, 470 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. in Newark. Assignment Judge Patricia K. Costello will present the awards to the winning students. Essex County Bar Association President Jane S. Kelsey and bar members Stacie L. Powers and Mark Moon, who recruited the attorneys for the mock trial program, will join her.

The Essex County Law Day program consistently demonstrates the vicinage's commitment to public education. Students from more than 50 schools will participate in the Law Day program this year. In 2006, the Essex County Law Day program was awarded the Outstanding Law Day Activity Award by the American Bar Association.

For additional information about the participating schools and the mock trial program, contact Assistant Trial Court Administrator Sigfredo Carrion at 973-693-5707 or Ombudsman Kimberly Cicala at 973-693-5728.

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