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Office for Justice Initiatives' 2024 Law Day Report Now Available

NEW YORK—Law Day, celebrated annually in the month of May, offers us the opportunity to reflect on and discuss the rule of law and its role in our society. Each year, Law Day is centered around a different theme to help guide these discussions. In recognition of this important tradition, the court system’s Office for Justice Initiatives (OJI), led by Deputy Chief Administrative Judge Edwina G. Richardson, issues a report focusing on the current year’s Law Day theme.

As we close out our Law Day 2024 celebrations, Judge Richardson is pleased today to announce the release of OJI’s 2024 Law Day Report, www.nycourts.gov/LegacyPDFS/publications/pdfs/24-OJI-Law-Day-Report.pdf, centered around this year’s theme, “Voices of Democracy,” which encourages civic participation in ensuring that our government remains responsive to the wishes of the people.

The Office for Justice Initiatives is made up of seven divisions: Access to Justice; Equal Justice; Youth and Emerging Adult Justice; Policy & Planning; Judiciary Civil Legal Services, Diversity & Inclusion; and Child Welfare and Family Justice. The report highlights the important work of each division within the context of the “Voices of Democracy” theme.

“In keeping with this year’s Law Day theme, the May 2024 Law Day Report showcases the efforts of the Office for Justice Initiatives over the past year through the voices of those who work in our courts, those who work with our courts, and those who are served by our courts,” said Deputy Chief Administrative Judge Richardson, announcing the report’s release. “And for those who access the report digitally, not only will you be able to read their words but also hear their actual voices.”

Judge Richardson and the Office for Justice Initiatives invite you to review this report and share any questions or feedback with the Office at dcaj-oji@nycourts.gov.

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