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District III Annual Report
Honorable Avis Bishop-Thompson and Sandra Robinson

Delaware, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and U. S. Virgin Islands

State Chairs:

Delaware Chair: Judge Vivian L. Medinilla

New Jersey Co-chairs: Judges Siobhan Teare and Lourdes Santiago

Pennsylvania Chair: Judge Barbara McDermott

Virgin Islands:

Member Recruitment:

State Chairs are planning recruitment efforts to support District High Five Challenge initiative. Future meetings will focus on increasing membership and planning an assignment judge's reception. District III goals are to **Reconnect**, **Reenergize**, and **Reclaim** members as well as identify additional goals to sustain membership.

Programs:

New Jersey Color of Justice: Between January and April 2021, members were planning the virtual program which was presented on April 17, 2021. The annual program was presented on April 17, 2021. The program was well attended by high school, postsecondary and law students despite the virtual leaning environment. Gifts and educational materials were distributed to the attendees through May 2021.

The Jamaican Civic & Cultural Association of Rockland, Inc. (JAMCCAR): In May 2021, District III Co-Director Robinson NAWJ/NJ Chapter District III, was a speaker at the virtual program for JAMCCAR, a non-profit organization that offers a myriad of educational, cultural and social programs for individuals and families. The program honored five attorneys in diverse areas of the law:

- Mary Lynn Nicolas-Brewster, Esq. current Executive Director of the Franklin H. Williams Judicial Commission, a state-wide commission which seeks to educate and advise decision makers in the New York Court System on issues affecting both employees and litigants of color and to implement recommendations developed to address said issues. Mrs. Nicolas-Brewster's membership in NAWJ is pending
- Dian Kerr McCullough, Esq., Assistant Attorney General of the State of New York. Currently, she serves under the Attorney General, Letitia James, the first African-American and woman elected as Attorney General in the State of New York. She has worked for

the New York State Attorney General's office for over thirty years under eight different Attorneys General.

- Nicole Matthews, Esq., a member and current Vice-President of the Board of Directors for Head Start of Rockland and as a Member at Large on the Executive Board of the Spring Valley NAACP, where she serves as a member of multiple committees, including as Chair of the Legal Redress Committee.
- Karen N. Wilson-Robinson, Esq., a new member of NAWJ, Wilson & Brown, PLLC and practices in the areas of Patents, Trademarks, Copyrights, and Residential Real Estate founder of Karen She earned a Juris Doctor from Penn State University, Dickinson School of Law and admitted to the New York Bar in 2010. She is the Vice Chairman and Legal Counsel for Braata Productions in New York, and the Dominic Alessandro James Foundation.
- Dawn Patricia Warren, Esq. a graduate of St. John's University School of Law. She is admitted to the New York State Bar, the Bars of the Commonwealth Caribbean Countries, and Jamaica.