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Sent at the request of Judge Susie Morgan:

On June 5, 2014, beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the Federal Courthouse, the Federal Bar Association, New Orleans Chapter, will host its Celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the Civil Rights Act and the Criminal Justice Act.

In 1964, Congress passed several landmark laws that changed America forever. The Civil Rights Act and Criminal Justice Act have been termed by some as two of the most important laws of the century. Fifty years later, these laws are still relevant and having an impact on individuals and our country. The New Orleans Chapter of the FBA will present a panel discussion reviewing the historic context of the law, where we are today, and the future of the Civil Rights Act and Criminal Justice Act.

The panel will include the following speakers:

Dr. Raphael Cassimere, Jr., Civil Rights Leader and Professor Emeritus of History, University of New Orleans, whose advocacy for voting rights led to the landmark 1991 Supreme Court decision, *Chisom v. Roemer*, which extended voting rights to judicial elections.

Prof. Paul Finkelman, Professor of Law, Albany Law School and author of the soon to be published law review article entitled "The Long Road to Dignity: The Wrong of Segregation and What the Civil Rights Act of 1964 Had to Change."

Hon. Gustavo Gelpi, U.S. District Judge for the District of Puerto Rico and President of the Federal Bar Association.

Mary Howell, a renowned plaintiffs' civil rights attorney in New Orleans who has represented many victims of civil rights violations and hate crimes. Ms. Howell has received awards and recognitions from a number of civil rights organizations.

Robert Mann, Professor of Journalism, Manship Chair, Manship School of Mass Communication and Author of "The Walls of Jericho: Lyndon Johnson, Hubert Humphrey, Richard Russell and the Struggle for Civil Rights," among other historical books.

Registration fees for 3 hours of CLE credit start at \$10. Click here [for more information](#) or [to register on-line](#).