

## Essex Bar Back in Newark

— The Essex County Bar Association, the judiciary and county officials have reached agreement on a plan to move the association's office to the restored Historic Courthouse in Newark.



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The judges and the Bar were gung-ho for such a move, from an office building in Livingston, and they obtained agreement from the administration of County Executive Joseph DiVincenzo Jr., which controls court facilities. Details were to be announced today.

"Having a presence in the Essex County Hall of Records Complex will improve public access to the programs and services offered by the Bar Association," according to a statement by the county.

Before giving the go-ahead, the administration made sure that part of the public lounge in the basement that will become the Bar headquarters will remain accessible to the public.

Assignment Judge Patricia Costello and Bar President Marc Gross of Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis in Roseland championed the move as a way to bring the Bar's services to the county's legal center. And the price is right: The county is providing the space free of charge.