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New York Courts to Commemorate 9/11

WHAT: The New York State Unified Court System will commemorate the 22-year anniversary of the tragic events of September 11, 2001. The ceremony will pay tribute to the victims of the tragedy, including the three heroic New York State Court Officers who perished in the 9/11 World Trade Center rescue efforts: Captain William Harry Thompson and Sergeants Thomas Jurgens and Mitchel Wallace. The event will feature the national anthem (to be sung by Court Officer Jalessa Copeland) and a musical salute from the New York State Courts Pipes and Drums, to be followed by remarks from Chief Judge Rowan D. Wilson and other court officials, then a viewing of the Emmy-nominated video, *9/11 Reflections*. The video, which is dedicated to the memory of these three officers, captures the events of that fateful day through the eyes of other New York State Court Officers who took part in the World Trade Center rescue efforts.

WHEN: **Monday, September 11, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.**

WHERE: New York County Supreme Courthouse-Criminal Term
111 Centre St. (SW Corner, Centre & White Streets), Lower Manhattan

WHO: Hon. Rowan D. Wilson, Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals and the State of New York
Hon. Norman St. George, First Deputy Chief Administrative Judge, New York State Courts
Hon. Edwina G. Mendelson, Deputy Chief Administrative Judge for Justice Initiatives, New York State Courts
Hon. Ellen Biben, Administrative Judge, New York County (Manhattan) Supreme Court-Criminal Term

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