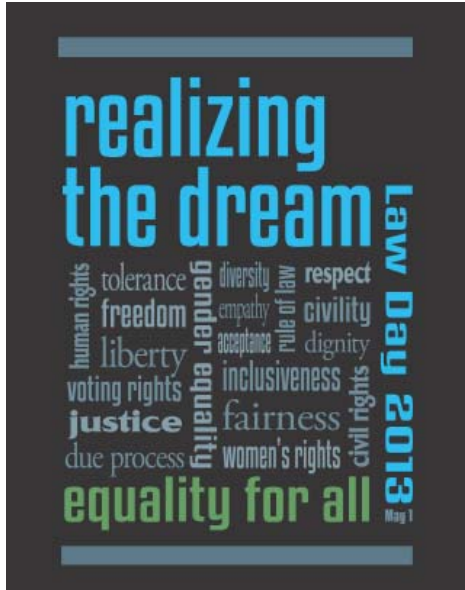


**Law Day - May 1, 2013**  
**“Realizing the Dream:  
Equality for All”**



The promise of equality under the law is what has made America a beacon to other nations. It is a pledge clearly set forth in the Declaration of Independence and in the opening words of the Preamble of the Constitution, “We the People.” It is in the words of Abraham Lincoln’s Emancipation Proclamation. And it was restated 150 years later in the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King’s “I Have a Dream” speech which challenged us to live up to our national ideal of equality under the law.

There have been times throughout New York State’s history, when our struggles for equality lead those of the nation.

This educational series was created to give students and readers an opportunity to explore the movement for civil and human rights in America and to promote discussion of the continued fight against injustice and discrimination. The series features include the following topics:

**Religious Freedom**  
**Women’s Suffrage**  
**Equal Opportunity**  
**Dignity For All Students**  
**Future Equality**

