Vito Gagliardi Responds to Appellate Decision in Cory Booker et al. vs. Ronald C. Rice et al.

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Vito A. Gagliardi, Jr., a principal at Porzio, Bromberg & Newman, P.C., was quoted in a July 7, 2013 Associated Press article featured in the Philadelphia Inquirer and in various newspapers throughout New Jersey. On July 5, 2013, an appellate court invalidated a council vote where the Mayor of Newark, Cory Booker, cast a vote to break a deadlocked council in effort to fill a vacant seat. The court ruled that council was not "tied" as a matter of law because two members purposely abstained rather than vote against the proposed candidate. Vito responded to the decision, "Having deadlocked municipal councils where the mayor can't break ties is not good government for New Jersey."

Vito acted as outside counsel for Mayor Booker in Cory Booker et al. vs. Ronald C. Rice et al., a published appellate case with state-wide implications. The case clarified the legal implications of abstentions in triggering mayoral authority in certain circumstances.

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