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PRESS ADVISORY

COURT TO HOLD TOWN HALL MEETING IN NORTHEAST

Judges host dialogue with community about
public safety issues and the criminal justice system

WHAT: Town Hall meeting

WHERE: Kelly Miller Middle School
301 49th Street NE

WHEN: **Saturday, March 10, 2007**
10:00 am to 12:00 noon

WHO: **Superior Court Chief Judge Rufus G. King III**
East of the River Community Court Presiding **Judge Ann Keary**
DC/Traffic Community Court Presiding **Judge Michael McCarthy**
Deputy Presiding Judge of Family Court **Judge William Jackson,**
Community Court Coordinator Michael Francis
...along with representatives from US Attorneys Office, DC Office of the
Attorney General, Metropolitan Police Department, Court Services
and Offender Supervision Agency, Pretrial Services Agency, the
Superior Court Trial Lawyers Association and the Criminal Justice
Coordinating Council.

At the meeting residents can learn about the Superior Court's two Community Courts and discuss how the Community Courts and the community - working together - can make positive changes in D.C. neighborhoods. The East of the River Community Court and the DC Misdemeanor and Traffic Community Court use a problem solving approach to sanction the criminal behavior of defendants and address defendants' underlying social services needs. The forum will also provide people an opportunity to express to judges and other government officials comments, concerns, and questions that they may have about the criminal justice system, the Community Courts, public safety, crime and quality of life issues.

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D. C. SUPERIOR COURT

and the

6D CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL

are sponsoring a

COMMUNITY COURTS FORUM

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Come and learn about the Community Courts. Discussion will focus on how the courts and the community, working together, can make positive changes in our neighborhoods.

The judges and other government officials would like to hear your comments, concerns and questions about the District's criminal justice system, crime and quality of life issues.