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PRESS ADVISORY

DC SUPERIOR COURT, DC BAR TO CO-HOST YOUTH LAW FAIR FOR AREA TEENS

Theme: *BULLY PROOF!*

From classroom confrontations to cyber stalking, youth bullying is a serious concern for students and parents in DC and across the country. This year's Youth Law Fair – the 14th such fair – will allow students to consider the legal ramifications of bullying, through speak-out sessions and mock trials centered on the District's Youth Bullying Prevention Act.

According to the District of Columbia's Office of Human Rights, nearly 32 percent of American youth are bullied and over 20 percent of children ages 10-18 are victims of cyber bullying (2012).

As a joint effort of the DC Superior Court and DC Bar, the Youth Law Fair gives teens positive, "hands on" experiences with various aspects of the law and a better appreciation of the judicial system. This free, full-day educational event brings high school students, lawyers, judges, and educators together to explore issues facing students in the DC area. The event includes exhibits from local and national organizations; tours of the courtrooms and holding cells; speak-out sessions; law-related career information; mock trials; lunch; and door prizes.

**WHO: Chief Judge Lee Satterfield, DC Superior Court
Judge Melvin Wright, DC Superior Court
DC Bar President Thomas J. Williamson, Jr.**
Over 250 area students and members of the community

WHAT: 14th Annual Youth Law Fair

WHERE: Moultrie Courthouse, 500 Indiana Ave, NW

WHEN: Saturday, March 9, 2013 10:00am – 2:30pm

For more information, visit the DC Bar website www.dcb.org/youthlawfair.

NOTE: CAMERAS AND AUDIO RECORDERS MAY BE BROUGHT INTO THE COURTHOUSE TO RECORD THIS EVENT.

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