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### **EVENTS FOR CHILDREN, THE PUBLIC, AND THE LEGAL COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHT ANNUAL "LAW WEEK" CELEBRATION APRIL 29 – MAY 3**

CHICAGO, ILL. (April 25, 2013) –Events for the public as well as members of the legal profession highlight The Chicago Bar Association's (CBA) annual "Law Week" celebration from April 29 – May 3, 2013. Every year, the CBA's Young Lawyers Section (YLS) plans the events in conjunction with the American Bar Association's celebration of national Law Day.

"Law Day was created in the 1950s by President Dwight Eisenhower so Americans could celebrate our system of justice and the Constitution," said CBA President Aurora Abella-Austriaco. "This year's theme, *Realizing the Dream: Equality for All*, asks us to remember that the legal system is meant for everyone, regardless of wealth or poverty, status, profession or anything else that divides us."

"Thanks to the YLS, we have a whole array of events scheduled for lawyers and the public, including school children. We hope everyone finds something of interest in these programs," she said.

#### **2013 Law Week Programs**

**Judge's Reception** - April 30, 4:30 p.m.

YLS will host its annual "Meet the Judges Reception" at the CBA, 321 S. Plymouth Court, Chicago, Ill. Judges from the Circuit Court of Cook County, Appellate Court, and Federal Court will be guests. The reception includes cocktails and appetizers. To RSVP for the complimentary

event, call 312-554-2032 or email the YLS. Space is limited. Generously sponsored by LexisNexis.

**Liberty Bell Award** - April 30, 4:30 p.m.

As per tradition, The Liberty Bell Award will be presented at this reception to a non-lawyer whose exemplary community service has advanced the ideals of law and justice. This year's honoree is Sherrin Fitzer, the Women and Family Services Administrator for the Logan Correctional Center in Lincoln, Ill.

This year's award will be presented by the Honorable Sharon Johnson Coleman, U.S. District Court Northern District of Illinois.

**Lawyers in the Classroom** - May 1

Lawyers from the YLS will visit 5th and 6th grade classes at Decatur Elementary, 7030 N Sacramento, to participate in "Lawyers in the Classroom" on the morning/early afternoon of May 1. The project aims to help local elementary students understand the U.S. Constitution and our legal System.

**Law Day Celebration** - May 2, 12 – 1:30 p.m.

Celebrate our legal system with a free concert at the Richard J. Daley Center by the Chicago Bar Association Symphony, composed of judges, lawyers, and law students. We will also hear from several bar association members and a keynote speaker on the Law Week theme "Realizing the Dream: Equality for All."

**Law Day Live** - May 2, 5:30 – 8 p.m.

The CBA Television Committee will present "Law Day Live" on Ustream from 5:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. During five 25-minute segments, each focused on a particular area of the law, viewers are encouraged to e-mail questions to the attorneys. Submit your questions to attorneys (in advance or during the broadcast). Schedule and topics are.

5:30 p.m. DIVORCE

6:00 p.m. SMALL BUSINESS MISTAKES

6:30 p.m. TENANT'S RIGHTS

7:00 p.m. LAW FOR PET OWNERS

7:30 p.m. CRIMINAL LAW

Watch Law Day Live online at <http://www.ustream.tv/channel/law-day-live>

E-mail questions during the webcast or in advance to [ChicagoBar.TV@gmail.com](mailto:ChicagoBar.TV@gmail.com)

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