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TEENS AT YOUTH LAW FAIR TO DISCUSS TEXTING, EMAILS, IMs, AND SOCIAL NETWORKING SITES

Theme: OMG!! CAN U SAY THAT??? IDK...

The 10th Annual Youth Law Fair will focus on how communication through music, internet use, and text messaging presents challenges such as spreading rumors and gossip, inciting violent acts, and soliciting gang affiliation. The Youth Law Fair is a joint effort of the D.C. Superior Court and the D.C. Bar and engages teens in mock trials and 'speak-out session' discussions of legal issues relevant to their lives. This event was established to give youth in the District of Columbia a positive, "hands on" experience with various aspects of the law and a better appreciation of the judicial system.

This free, full-day educational event at the Moultrie Courthouse brings high school students, lawyers, judges, and educators together to explore issues facing students in the D.C. area. The event includes exhibits; tours of the courthouses, judges' chambers and holding cells, led by Superior Court judges; speak-out sessions, mock trials; lunch; and door prizes.

WHO: Chief Judge Lee F. Satterfield

DC Bar President Robert J. Spagnoletti

Over 200 area high schoolers

WHAT: 10th Annual Youth Law Fair

WHERE: Moultrie Courthouse, 500 Indiana Avenue, NW

WHEN: Saturday, March 7, 2009 -- 9am to 4:15pm

For more information, visit the DC Bar website at www.dcbar.org/youthlawfair or contact the Bar's Sections' Office at youthlawfair@dcbar.org or 202-626-3463

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