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Students to Celebrate Law Day in Anne Arundel County Schools

ANNAPOLIS, MD. (May 1, 2014) — On Friday, May 2, students at 20 Anne Arundel County public schools will take part in activities to observe Law Day, a nationwide event to commemorate the rule of law, the judiciary and its place in American society. The Anne Arundel Bar Association (AABA) has arranged for local attorneys and judges to deliver Law Day presentations to students in the county's elementary, middle and high schools. Law Day programs are designed to help students understand how law keeps us free and how our legal system strives to achieve justice.

In 1961, the U.S. Congress issued a joint resolution making May 1 the official Law Day. After discussing school schedules with Anne Arundel County Public Schools (AACPS) staff, the AABA planned activities for May 2 in schools in the Annapolis and North County feeder systems. The AABA rotates its Law Day activities to different AACPS clusters each year.

Each year, Law Day activities are based on the theme determined by the American Bar Association. This year, the theme will be "American Democracy and the Rule of Law: Why Every Vote Matters." The presenting attorneys and judges will encourage students to reflect on the importance of a citizen's right to vote and the challenges we still face in ensuring that all Americans have the opportunity to participate in our democracy. For more details on the Law Day theme, visit www.americanbar.org/groups/public_education/initiatives_awards/law_day_2014.html

Twenty schools are participating, including:

Annapolis Middle School

Speaker: Jennifer Alexander, Esq. (sessions at 8:52 a.m. and 9:48 a.m.)

Bates Middle School

Speakers: Kemp Hammond, Esq. (session at 8:15 a.m.)
Stacy McCormack, Esq. (session at 10:50 a.m.)

Hillsmere Elementary School

Speakers: Stacie Wollman, Esq. (session at 2:00 p.m.)

Brooklyn Park Elementary

Speaker: Hon. Clayton Greene, Court of Appeals of Maryland (session at 1:00 p.m.)

If you would like details on additional schools, speakers and presentation times, please contact Cara McCandless, AABA Director of Communications, at (410) 280-6950.

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