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DEADLINE FOR OUTSTANDING CIVICS TEACHER AWARD IS DECEMBER 15, 2008!

Do you know of an outstanding teacher who has inspired his students to become better citizens through civics education? If yes, encourage him or her to apply for this prestigious award so that they might receive the recognition they deserve.

Recipients will be recognized at a reception on January 16th during the Louisiana State Bar Association's annual Midyear Meeting and will receive funds to be used for the purchase of law related educational materials for the classroom.

The application deadline is December 15, 2008. Click [here](#) for more information.

"WE THE PEOPLE: THE CITIZEN AND THE CONSTITUTION"

Students are preparing to compete in the *We the People* congressional district competitions. This is a simulated congressional hearing in which students "testify" before a panel of judges. The winning teams will compete for the state championship to be held in early February, 2009. The winners of the state competition will go on to compete in Washington DC at the national level.

If you would like to volunteer one morning of your time to judge a competition at the district or state level, contact Peggy.Cotogno@lsba.org. Judges, attorneys and educators are needed.

STATE HIGH SCHOOL MOCK TRIAL COMPETITION AND ESSAY CONTEST

The Young Lawyers Section of the Louisiana State Bar Association will sponsor the Richard N. Ware, IV State High School Mock Trial Competition and the High School Essay & YouTube Contest this year. The problem for the mock trial is posted to the LSBA website. The competition will be held on March 21, 2009.

For more information go to: www.lsba.org/yls.

ABA RAYMOND PACE AND SADIE TANNER MOSSELL ALEXANDER AWARD

Nominations are now open. This award recognizes exemplary leadership in an educational pipeline diversity program by an individual or an organization.

The 1st Annual Alexander Award will be presented at the 2009 ABA Midyear Meeting on Friday, February 13, 2009. For more details regarding this, go to the [ABA website](#).

CELEBRATE BILL OF RIGHTS DAY DECEMBER 15TH

The Bill of Rights Institute has free resources to offer you to help engage your students with the values and ideas of the Bill of Rights. Visit this [website](#) to discover all the resources available.