



Attorney Benjamin J. Bleich and teachers Susan Prado and Teresa Davis innovatively created an interactive “Day in Court” for the Law Day presentation at Ringgold Elementary School.

## Law Day Celebrated in Louisiana Schools

The Louisiana Center for Law and Civic Education (LCLCE) each year partners with the Louisiana District Judges Association and the Louisiana State Bar Association to present Law Day activities to schools across the state. This year, 56 Law Day presentations were organized, reaching more than 2,600 students. Thanks to dedicated teachers, attorneys and judges, these programs covered all six Louisiana congressional districts and all grade levels.

Several judges participated in the programs, including Judge Randall L. Bethancourt, Judge Vincent J. Borne, Judge June Berry Darensburg, Judge W. Ross Foote, Judge Andrea P. Janzen, Judge Patricia E. Koch, Judge Lawrence L. Lagarde, Judge C. Wendell Manning, Judge Michele R. Morel, Judge Richard

J. Putnam III, Judge J. Wilson Rambo, Judge Cameron B. Simmons, Judge Parris A. Taylor, Judge M’elise Trahan, Judge Zorraine M. Waguespack, Judge Trudy M. White and Judge H. Stephens Winters.

Participating attorneys were E. Adrian Adams, Denise A. Allemand, Claire E. Bergeron, Benjamin J. Bleich, Danielle N. Brown, Michael J. Busada, Thomas R. Caruso, Mekisha S. Creal, Trina T. Chu, Albert D. Clary, John F. Dillon, J. Keith Gates, Gerald J. Hampton, Jr., Fred D. Jones, Joseph P. Landreneau, J. Clay LeJeune, Gernine M. Mailhes, Sarah S.J. Midboe, Paula E. Miles, Joseph H.L. Perez-Montes, Mark A. Myers, Monique F. Rauls, Erica J. Rose, Thomas B. Thompson, Angel G. Varnado, Jason M. Verdigets, Amanda L. Westergard and Christie C. Wood.

## Cyberbullying Mock Trial Presented at Summer Institute

Louisiana elementary, middle and high school teachers from six Louisiana congressional districts met in New Orleans for the 2014 Justice Catherine D. Kimball Summer Institute to learn about Sandra Day O’Connor’s iCivics Program and the nationally acclaimed “We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution” civics curriculum. Led by Northside High Academy for Legal Studies’ Liz Tullier, the participants also conducted a mock trial on *Billings v. Pearson*, dealing with cyberbullying among high school students.

Coordinated by the Louisiana Center for Law and Civic Education, the Summer Institute was made available to Louisiana educators at no cost, with lodging, meals and educational materials provided.

Participants were welcomed by Judge Raymond S. Childress, president of the Louisiana District Judges Association.

Among the teachers attending were Dwayne Alexander, Jeanerette High School; Katie Bateman, Woodlawn Middle School; Robert Chauvin, Academy of Our Lady High School; Sonia Clements, Morgan City High School; Valerie Courville, L.J. Alleman Middle School; Lauren Edelen, Ascension Catholic High School; Cynthia Edmonston, LSU Laboratory School; Matthew Edwards, Glenbrook School; Christy Flynn, South Grant Elementary School; Camile Gautreaux, St. Jude the Apostle School;

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Louisiana Supreme Court Associate Justice Greg G. Guidry, left, addressed Summer Institute attendees prior to the commencement of the *Billings v. Pearson* mock trial on cyberbullying. Photo courtesy of the Louisiana Supreme Court.



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Vickie Hebert, Early College Academy; Leisa Hurst, Summerfield Elementary Base School; Charlene Johnson, Bolton High School; Randy Kinsey, EBR Readiness Superintendent’s Academy; Nancy Monroe, Bolton High School;

Lacie Oliver, Terrebonne High School; Charles Rivet, St. Martin’s Episcopal School; Rebekah Romero, Northside High School; Alisa Ross-White, Park Forest Middle School; Patsy Scates, LSU Laboratory School; Janice Schaff, Lutheran High School; Walee Shakur,

Bastrop High School; Denise Thomas, Woodlawn Middle School; Missy Varnado, Franklinton High School; Tyquenica Vessel, Buchanan Elementary School; and Christina Wilbert, Central High School.

# Anger Receives President’s Award for Outstanding Civics Teacher

**T**im Anger, a social studies teacher at Archbishop Hannan High School in Covington, is the recipient of the 2014 President’s Award for Outstanding Civics Teacher. The annual award, presented jointly by the Louisiana Center for Law and Civic Education and the Louisiana State Bar Association, recognizes an outstanding Louisiana elementary, middle or high school teacher who imparts knowledge and understanding of law and civic education and demonstrates the use of interactive learning techniques.

Louisiana Supreme Court Associate Justice Greg G. Guidry presented the award at the 2014 Justice Catherine D. Kimball Summer Institute.

Anger, a teacher for 17 years, was recommended by Charles J. Baird, chair of the school’s Social Studies Department. “On a daily basis, he shares his love of law and civics with our students through his enthusiasm and his high-spirited classroom lessons. His passion is truly passed on to the students as several students each year realize they would



Tim Anger, right, a social studies teacher at Archbishop Hannan High School in Covington, is the recipient of the 2014 President’s Award for Outstanding Civics Teacher. Louisiana Supreme Court Justice Greg G. Guidry, left, presented the award at the 2014 Justice Catherine D. Kimball Summer Institute. Photo courtesy of the Louisiana Supreme Court.

like to pursue law, politics or become a social studies teacher. Never have I met a teacher who gives 150 percent one hundred percent of the time,” Baird said.

Anger considers one of the most important aspects of teaching to be the promotion of active civic participation among his students using a variety

of teaching strategies and activities. “Through the promotion of active civic engagement in my classes and the law-related content that I teach, I hope to instill in my students the abilities to not only follow the law, but to have the knowledge and desire to effectively shape it as well,” Anger said.