

Louisiana Center for Law and Civic Education (LCLCE) ENEWSLETTER

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President's Award for Outstanding Civics Teacher

Deadline for Applications is November 21, 2016



Pictured are 2016 President's Award recipient, Jennifer Mestayer-Kidd, center, with from left, Judge C. Wendell Manning and 2015-16 LSBA President Mark A. Cunningham.

This award is given to an outstanding elementary, middle or high school teacher who imparts knowledge and understanding of law and civic education and demonstrates the use of interactive learning techniques that make a difference in student learning.

- Award presentation before distinguished members of the Louisiana State Bar Association MidYear Meeting in Baton Rouge in January 2017.
- Published recognition in the Louisiana State Bar Association's *Bar Journal* and on LCLCE website
- \$250 stipend for the purchase of law-related educational materials for classroom

Application is short and simple. Teachers are encouraged to apply themselves, but anyone can make a nomination. See details at LCLCE website [here](#).

Deadline for submission is November 21, 2016.

Judge Randall L. Bethancourt Receives Judge Benjamin Jones Judges in the Classroom Award



Pictured from left, Lawrence J. Centola II, President of the LCLCE, Judge Bethancourt, and Judge Marilyn Castle.

Judge Randall L. Bethancourt, 32nd District JD, was presented with the 2016 Judge Benjamin Jones Judges in the Classroom Award by the president of the Louisiana District Judges Association, Marilyn Castle. Judge Bethancourt was honored with this award for having contributed greatly to the law-related education of Louisiana youth. The presentation was held at the 2016 Fall Judges Conference in New Orleans.

Judges and Volunteers Needed for We the People State Competition



Volunteers are needed for the *We the People* State Competition which will be held on Saturday, January 28, 2017 at Loyola University in New Orleans. Please volunteer and help keep excellence in civics education alive.

[*We the People: the Citizen and the Constitution*](#) is a nationally acclaimed civics curriculum designed to promote a deeper understanding of the Constitution and the Bill of Rights. The goal is to promote civic competence and responsibility among our youth. The curriculum, when taken to its highest level, culminates in simulated congressional hearings conducted by students. Volunteers are needed to serve as timers and judges of the competition.

If interested in volunteering, contact Peggy Cotogno at 504-566-1600, ext. 134 or email peggy.cotogno@lsba.org.

Thank You for Your Generous Contributions



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Attorney Job Positions



The **Louisiana State Bar Association** has a current listing of job opportunities in the legal field. To view these opportunities click [here](#).

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