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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

### **BAR ASSOCIATIONS THROUGHOUT THE COMMONWEALTH OFFER PROGRAMMING IN HONOR OF LAW DAY 2007**

**WHAT:** The theme for Law Day 2007 is “Liberty Under Law: Empowering Youth, Assuring Democracy.” On Tuesday, May 1, 2007, the Massachusetts Bar Association, along with community bar associations and courts across the state, will offer programming to commemorate Law Day.

In an effort to raise awareness and coordination for Law Day 2007, the MBA's Law Related Education Working Group, formed in conjunction with the Massachusetts Judicial Branch, has compiled a list of events occurring throughout Massachusetts on May 1, 2007 at [www.massbar.org](http://www.massbar.org)

**WHO:** **Law Related Education Working Group**  
*a collaboration of the Massachusetts Bar Association and the Massachusetts Courts*  
As part of this working group's accomplishments, a Law Day event has been planned. On May 1, a group of students will visit Boston for the day for a first-hand look at the three branches of government. Highlights of their Law Day experience will include meeting with Boston Municipal Court Chief Justice Charles R. Johnson, observing a courtroom session and meeting with State Rep. Eugene L. O'Flaherty for a Q&A session on the legislative process.

#### **Massachusetts Bar Association**

- **MBA 2007 Elder Law Education Program:** Presented with the generous assistance of the Massachusetts Chapter of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys, the program will include a league of volunteer MBA members involved in more than 150 speaking engagements at various senior centers and councils on aging during the month of May. As part of this year's program, the MBA will provide a legal resources guide for seniors entitled, “Taking Control of Your Future: A Legal Checkup,” to all participating agencies.
- **Choose Law—A Profession for All:** The MBA will offer this educational program to Boys and Girls Clubs throughout Massachusetts. Created by the American Bar Association's Young Lawyers Division, the program is designed to educate high school

and junior high school students on the legal system and profession, while exposing youth to potential careers in the law.

Also, the following associations and courts will be conducting programs and events in honor of Law Day. For further information on each, visit [www.massbar.org](http://www.massbar.org) or contact the coordinators listed.

**Bar Association of Norfolk County:** Adrienne Clarke, (617) 472-9683

**Barnstable County Bar Association:** Adrienne Okon, Esq., [adrienne@okonlaw.com](mailto:adrienne@okonlaw.com), 508-428-2100

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**Gloucester Bar Association:** Thomas J. O'Shea, [tjbarrister@Yahoo.com](mailto:tjbarrister@Yahoo.com), (978) 281-8640

**Greater Lowell Bar Association:** Michael Talty, [Miketalty@aol.com](mailto:Miketalty@aol.com), (978) 970-0881

**Hampden County Bar Association** Noreen E. Nardi, [admin@hcbbar.org](mailto:admin@hcbbar.org), (413) 732-4648

**Middlesex County Juvenile Court, Lowell and the Greater Lowell Bar Association:**

Jean Ward, [jean.ward@jud.state.ma.us](mailto:jean.ward@jud.state.ma.us), (978) 441-3151, ext. 244

**Norfolk County Juvenile Court:** James Poirier, [james.poirier@jud.state.ma.us](mailto:james.poirier@jud.state.ma.us), (781) 329-1500

**Quincy District Court:** Robert Bloom, (617) 471-1650

**Worcester County Bar Association:** Sandra DiLuzio, [diluzio@worcestercountybar.org](mailto:diluzio@worcestercountybar.org), (508) 752-1311

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