

# Genesee County Bar Association and Genesee County Bar Foundation

Present:

In 1958, President Dwight D. Eisenhower established Law Day as a counter to the May Day observances in the Soviet Union and its satellites. Law Day provides an opportunity for educating students and citizens of this country about the Constitution and the Law, and the responsibilities of Citizenship.

The Mock Trial is a simulation of a civil or criminal case where high school students participate as attorneys, witnesses, or jurors. The case is tried in a court room, before a Genesee County Circuit Court Judge. This is an experience that cannot be replicated in a classroom. The Mock Trial gives students a first hand exposure to the courts and legal system.

Students learn to:

- Act out of respect for the rule of law and hold others accountable to the same standards.
- Use close and critical strategies to read and analyze complex texts, make connections prior to knowledge, draw inferences and determine main idea and supporting details.
- Present a coherent thesis when making an argument, support with evidence, articulate and answer possible objections and present a concise, clear closing.
- Critically examine evidence, thoughtfully consider conflicting claims, and carefully weigh facts and hypotheses.
- Find and organize information, analyze, interpret support interpretations with evidence, critically evaluate, and present information orally and in writing.
- Use deductive and inductive problem-solving skills as appropriate to the problem.
- Examine policy issues in group discussion and debates (clarify issues, consider opposing views, apply democratic values or constitutional principles, anticipate consequences) to make reasoned and informed decisions.
- Analyze events and circumstances from the vantage point of others.

“Our constitutional democracy requires active citizens. Responsible citizenship requires students to participate actively while learning in the classroom. Instruction should provide activities that engage students so that they simultaneously learn about civic participation while involved in the civic life of their communities, our state, and our nation. The social



## PEOPLE v QUINN CAMERON

On June 24, 2019, four victims were found shot to death in Family Furniture and the safe containing a coin collection, the previous night's deposits, and cash was open and empty. Bloody footprints were discovered walking away from the safe.

Quinn Cameron is charged with the quadruple homicide and is facing life in prison without the possibility of parole. Quinn, a recently fired employee of Family Furniture, was previously convicted of drug crimes, carrying a concealed weapon, and strong armed robbery. Despite the previous conviction, Quinn changed his/her life around by attending college and church. Quinn claims he/she did not murder the owners and employees of Family Furniture.

It will be up to a jury to decide whether Quinn is

**Friday, April 24, 2020**

Masonic Temple and

Genesee County Circuit Court

\*\*\*\*\*

**Mock Trial:** (Grades 9 –12)

**Deadline to Enter:**

Friday, February 21, 2020

## LAW DAY 2020

### PEOPLE v QUINN CAMERON

☐ We would like to participate in Law Day 2020

School Name \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Name—Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Best Time of Day to be contacted \_\_\_\_\_

#### Please check all that apply:

#Attending \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Law Day Lunch, \_\_\_\_\_  
Masonic Temple, 11:15 a.m..  
(all participants welcome)

☐ Mock Trial, \_\_\_\_\_  
Genesee County Circuit Court, 1:00 p.m.

#### Participating Students, Including Alternates, Jurors

The following number of participants are suggested (not including alternates): two (2) attorneys, three (3) witnesses (defense if assigned defense, and prosecution if assigned prosecution), and at a MINIMUM four (4) jurors. Please remember to email the names of the student participants by April 6, 2020 to [emh@gcbalaw.org](mailto:emh@gcbalaw.org).

#### Attorney Sponsor

Some schools choose their own attorney. Please indicate your preference:

- ☐ Provide our team with an attorney-sponsor.
- ☐ Provide our team with an attorney-sponsor from last year (if available).
- ☐ I have confirmed \_\_\_\_\_ as our attorney sponsor. (If you have not personally confirmed with the attorney, do not complete this portion.)



## PICTURES

The Genesee County Bar Association would like to take pictures of the events throughout the day and use the pictures in a power point presentation during next year's Law Day luncheon and in its publication.

In order to take the pictures of the students and use the pictures in the power point presentation and in Genesee County Bar Association publications, the Genesee County Bar Association requires permission from the parents and teachers of the participating students.

If permission is provided by the parents and teachers, then the Genesee County Bar Association will provide copies of all pictures taken during Law Day 2020 to the schools.

\*\*\*\*\*

By signing this section, you represent that you have received permission from the parents of the participating Law Day students for the Genesee County Bar Association to take pictures of the participating students and use the pictures in next year's Law Day PowerPoint presentation and in Genesee County Bar Association publications.

School Name \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Name—Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Signature \_\_\_\_\_



315 E. COURT STREET, FLINT, MI 48502  
PHONE (810) 232-6000  
FAX (810) 232-8310  
[WWW.GCBALAW.ORG](http://WWW.GCBALAW.ORG)