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MEMORANDUM

TO: Lycoming Law Association

FROM: Jonathan E. Butterfield, Chairperson of
Lycoming Law Association Law Day
Committee for the year 2006

DATE: January 3, 2007

Serving on the Law Day Committee in 2006 were The Honorable Dudley N. Anderson, Attorneys Robin Read, Benjamin Landon, Joy Reynolds McCoy, and Patricia Shipman, and paralegals Kelly Crist, Kenneth Try, Janice Koziol, and Alice Forse.

As in previous years, the Law Day Committee conducted an essay and art contest for Lycoming County elementary and secondary school students. The essay topic for grades 1-6 was: "*Should teachers or principals be permitted to spank unruly or disobedient students with their parents' permission?*" The essay topic for grades 7-12 was: "*In the interest of combating terrorism, should the President be permitted to order the wire tap/interception of telephone and e-mails messages from American citizens, without first obtaining a search warrant from a judge?*" The art contest required students to "create a piece of visual art depicting the values of our nation." Winners of the essay and art contests presented their winning entries at a court session on May 2, 2006.

Present at the Law Day ceremony were Superior Court Judges Richard B. Kline, Mary Jane Bowes, and Seamus P. McCaffery, who conducted sessions of the Superior Court in our courthouse in Williamsport on May 2 and May 3. On the evening of May 2, the Lycoming Law Association hosted a banquet in honor of the Superior Court Judges. Also present at the banquet and addressing the attendees was our own William Carlucci, Esquire, then serving as President of the Pennsylvania Bar Association. On May 3, 2006, the Young Lawyers Division of the Lycoming Law Association hosted a breakfast for the Superior Court Judges. A video tape of the Law Day ceremony was later televised on cable television.

We also received excellent coverage on the various Law Day events from the Williamsport Sun-Gazette. Finally, Attorneys Patricia Shipman, Jen Ayres, and Ben Landon discussed issues relating to the Protection from Abuse Act and eminent domain on Ken Sawyer's radio program.

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