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iCivics and Law Day 2013

The Women and the Law Section of the Delaware State Bar Association in conjunction with the Supreme Court of Delaware will present iCivics in public junior and middle schools throughout the state of Delaware during the month of May. This effort, spearheaded by Justice of the Peace Magistrate James Horn and Women and the Law Section chair, Laina M. Herbert, Esquire of Prickett, Jones, & Elliott, P.A., and assisted by Franny Haney of the Administrative Office of the Courts, has attracted numerous members from the Delaware Judiciary and the Delaware State Bar Association to make the presentations. Justice Randy J. Holland of the Delaware Supreme Court serves as the Delaware Chair for iCivics.

iCivics was developed by retired U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O’Connor and a team of educational experts to promote civic education in schools. The creation of iCivics in 2010 was motivated by Americans’ declining civic knowledge and participation. According to the most recent Civics report card from the National Assessment of Education Progress, only 22% of eighth graders were proficient in civics.

iCivics consists of video computer games that teach students about the Constitution and the Bill of Rights and was designed for middle school students. At this time, iCivics has produced 16 educational video games and more than 70 lesson plans which meet the Common Core Standards. During the 2011-2012 school year, there were over 1.6 million visitors to iCivics in all fifty states, and 17,000 teachers from every state have registered accounts on iCivics.

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