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PENN STATE CONFERENCE FEATURES EXPERTS ON SCHOOL LAW

February 8, 2013

Penn State is hosting the Pennsylvania School Study Council's (PSSC) School Law Day, a school law conference featuring experts from both the public and private sector. The conference will be held on March 14, 2013, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at The Dickinson Schools of Law of the Pennsylvania State University Lewis Katz Building in University Park. The conference will be simulcast to the Law School's Carlisle, Pennsylvania, campus.

School Law Day, which is a collaborative venture among the Pennsylvania School Study Council, Penn State College of Education, and The Dickinson Schools of Law of the Pennsylvania State University, will feature discussions on key legal topics with experts including The Hon. Cheryl Lynn Allen of the Pennsylvania Superior Court; Professor Lucy Johnson-Walsh, Director of Penn State's Dickinson Law Children's Advocacy Clinic; Stacy Parks-Miller, Centre County District Attorney, and partners of Andrews & Beard Law Firm from Altoona, Pennsylvania. A question-and-answer period will conclude the conference along with a career discussion with panel members for law students.

"The Dickinson Schools of Law of the Pennsylvania State University and the Penn State College of Education merged their two powerful academic efforts, and the opportunity for legal progress expanded dramatically," said Dr. Lawrence Wess, Executive Director of PSSC. "Consider the complexity of how 500 different school districts implement state statutes, Pennsylvania School Code and local policy into dynamic, ever-changing school systems. This huge complexity is a continuous effort to understand educational law and the need for multiple minds to work together."

Founded in 1947, PSSC is a partnership between Penn State University and member school districts, intermediate units, and area vocational-technical schools. PSSC is dedicated to improving public education in Pennsylvania by providing up-to-date research information, professional development activities, and technical assistance that will enable its members to provide top quality educational services to students.

Registration for the conference is due by March 1, 2013. Act 48 and CLE hours are available to participants. For more information, contact Dr. Lawrence Wess at 814-865-2239 or via email to ljw11@psu.edu.

A full agenda is available online. Law and Education Alliance at Penn State (LEAP) is an event sponsor. Register by Friday, March 1.

The Pennsylvania Continuing Legal Education Board has approved this program for 3.5 hours of substantive law, practice, and procedure credit and 1.0 hours of ethics, substance abuse, and professionalism credit.