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NEWS RELEASE

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Federal Court to Welcome Students for Annual Court Works Program

PHOENIX – Federal judges and court staff are preparing to host the 14th Annual Court Works program, scheduled for Friday, November 9, 2018, from 8:30 a.m. to about noon, at the Sandra Day O'Connor United States Courthouse in Phoenix.

More than 200 eighth-graders from Phoenix area schools are expected to participate in the program, which introduces youngsters to constitutional principles and the judicial system and encourages them to think about careers in the legal field. Students re-enact an actual court case in mock trials, assuming the roles of judges, jurors, prosecutors, defense attorneys, defendants, and witnesses. They later meet with representatives of the U.S. Marshals Service and the court's Probation and Pretrial Services offices.

Participating are students from Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic School, Glenview Adventist Academy, Maricopa Village Christian School, St. Vincent De Paul Catholic School, Glenn L. Downs Elementary School, Desert Sand Middle School, and Kings Ridge Preparatory Academy.

Court Works is a partnership of the U.S. District Court for the District of Arizona and the Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law at Arizona State University. The Honorable Mary H. Murguia, formerly a federal trial judge in Arizona who now sits on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, helped found the program and will be addressing the students during the event.

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