

ALL PRINCIPALS: Social Sciences: ABOTA Teachers' Law School Institute
Category: For Your Information

Audience: All Principals/APs

Due Date: n/a

Meeting Date: n/a

The ABOTA (American Board of Trial Advocates) and M-DCPS' Department of Social Sciences will host a Teacher's Law School Teaching Institute for social studies teachers on November 8, 2013.

- This professional development workshop will provide K-12 social studies teachers with a unique opportunity to increase their social studies content knowledge regarding the importance of appellate courts, the independence of the judiciary, civics, and the court system in U.S. History.
- Teachers will participate in the following:
 - Active discussions;
 - Classroom lessons; and
 - Engaging activities designed to enhance the social studies classroom.
- Guest facilitators and speakers will include:
 - **Judge Beatrice Butchko**, Circuit Court Judge at Eleventh Judicial Circuit Court.
 - **Attorney Charles Baumberge**: Mr. Baumberger is an ABOTA (American Board of Trial Advocates) attorney, who was inducted as a Fellow in the International Academy of Trial Lawyers, a society limited to 500 plaintiff, defense and appellate trial lawyers. Recognized for his career of excellence through demonstrated skill and ability in jury trials, trials before the court and appellate practice
 - **Attorney Charles Handel**: Mr. Watkins is an experienced litigator and has taken to jury more than sixty cases. Mr. Watkins often conducts seminars on legal topics including comparative negligence in tort law, bad faith, interesting changes in UM/UIM law, updates on punitive damage law and the art of negotiation. As one of the national chairs of the Diversity Committee of the Claims & Litigation Management Alliance, Mr. Watkins helped host two national annual Diversity forums in New York City. He and other attorneys serve annually as mentors for law students and aspiring lawyers.
- **Time:** 8:30 am to 2:00 p.m.
- **Location:** Miami-Dade College, North Campus, Science Complex, Building, A104.
- A continental breakfast and a light lunch will be provided.
- Teachers will receive 6 MPP points for successful completion of all workshop requirements. Please note: November 8, 2013 is a District-wide professional development day. No substitute coverage is necessary.
- To register to participate, click on the link below:
- <http://calendar.dadeschools.net/cal/calendar.nsf/vactivity/6CFA8BD0086FB1F885257BF70056840A?opendocument&login>
- If you need additional information or assistance, please contact Dr. Sherrilyn Scott, Supervisor, Department of Social Sciences, sherrilynsconfig@daedchools.net, or see the contact number below.

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