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Judges Bring Constitution to Life for Students across County

*Santa Clara County Superior Court judges celebrate national Constitution Day
with more than 1,300 5th grade students.*

SAN JOSE, Calif. (September 17, 2013): in celebration of the 226th anniversary of the Constitution, judges from the Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara (Court) are visiting more than 1,300 students from across the county.

“Civics education is a core value of our Court, and we are very proud to be doing our part in ensuring that the next generation of citizens is aware of our laws and has a fundamental understanding of our system of government,” said Judge Julia Alloggiamento, Chair of the Court’s Community Outreach and Planning Committee.

Federal law mandates that all publicly funded educational institutions provide educational programming on September 17th about the history of the American Constitution. Locally, judges will be meeting with more than 1,300 5th grade students at schools throughout the county. The judges will be presenting a grade-level appropriate presentation on the Constitution and then moderating a quiz game with prizes for the students.

“Constitution Day is an excellent opportunity to educate our students, who are our future citizens, lawyers and jurors, on the values and principals of this most important document,” said the Hon. Julia Alloggiamento. “Judges, who rely upon the Constitution every day in their profession, recognize the importance of ensuring that our youth understand both the how and why our government operates as it does.”

The Court thanks the Santa Clara County Bar Association and Rep. Zoe Lofgren and Rep. Mike Honda for supplying pocket Constitutions for many of the participating students.

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