

MARK SANTANA LAW-RELATED EDUCATION AWARD PRESENTED Chief Justice Rebecca White Berch

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MARK SANTANA LAW-RELATED EDUCATION AWARD PRESENTED Outstanding Tucson judge and attorney to be recognized

[Phoenix, AZ] –Arizona Supreme Court Chief Justice Berch has been named the 2013 Mark Santana Law-Related Education Award Recipient. The Chief Justice will be recognized for her years of tireless service to civic education in Arizona. The Mark Santana Law-Related Education Award recognizes exceptional contributions of Arizona attorneys or law firms in furthering education and understanding of the role of the law in our democratic society. This award focuses on public awareness on the contributions that attorneys provide to the community. Given annually, the award will be presented at the 2013 Arizona Foundation for Legal Services & Education Awards luncheon on June 20th, 2013 at the Arizona Biltmore.

About Chief Justice Rebecca White Berch: Chief Justice Berch has a record spanning a decade of "promoting, inspiring, improving and leading innovations in the field of civic education relating to the justice system". In addition to her broad support for civic education efforts, her leadership has included involvement in several specific civic education programs including Mock Trial, We the People and most recently successfully promoting icivic.org. Her support has been far-reaching and diverse from on the front lines with teaching icivics.org in a junior high classroom to arranging high-level meetings with legislators and the Arizona Superintendent to garner support for increased civic education in the school.

Chief Justice Berch's direct involvement and strong support of civic education makes her more than worthy of recognition. Her continued leadership with the Arizona I-Civic-It program to engage students in civic education serves as an inspiration and model for others across the nation.

About the Arizona Foundation for Legal Services & Education The Arizona Foundation for Legal Services & Education provides technical and financial assistance to legal aid organizations, schools and community groups. The Arizona Foundation for Legal Services & Education promotes "Access to Justice for All Arizonans" by supporting law-related education and free legal services and by promoting statewide collaborative efforts.

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