

# **EVENING EVENT TO PROMOT ACCESS TO JUSTICE - Features Vice Chief Justice Berch and authors Clive & Dirk Cussler**

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**PHOENIX, ARIZ.** - The Arizona Foundation for Legal Services & Education announces the 4th annual **“Night for Justice”** on Thursday, October 26th, from 5:30- 8:00 p.m. The event will be held at the Bentley Projects, a venue accommodating our growing attendance of over 300 attorneys, judges, and Foundation supporters.

Along with our honored guest Vice Chief Justice Rebecca White Berch, our **“Night for Justice”** will also feature authors Clive Cussler, Dirk Cussler, Peter Baird, Gary Stuart, Jon Talton, and Betty Webb sponsored by the Poison Pen.

Funds raised from the Night for Justice evening go towards providing legal aid and for law related education programs in our schools.

In Arizona, the poverty rate is higher than the national average. One in seven Arizonans and nearly one in five children live in poverty. For these families, little is left over for emergencies after paying for basics like food, shelter, and clothing. When a pressing legal issue presents itself, hiring a private attorney is an unaffordable luxury and families are left with nowhere to turn. Whether facing eviction, emergency medical situations, or domestic violence, legal assistance from well-trained professionals may be the only hope for some Arizonans to be able to break out of the injustice which is burying them.

With this wonderful venue, distinguished guests, and the tradition of wine tasting stations and hors d’oeuvres provided by the finest local caterers and restaurants, **“Night for Justice”** promises to be an evening to remember.

## **About the Arizona Foundation for Legal Services & Education**

The Foundation is a 501(c) 3 organization striving to fulfill its mission of promoting access to justice for all Arizonans by preparing Arizona youth for civic responsibility and supporting legal service programs who aid Arizonans most in need. Through the provision of technical and financial assistance to probation, resource officers, teachers, administrators, private attorneys, judges, and legal service attorneys & advocates, the Foundation works to level the playing field, so that all in Arizona have knowledge and access to the justice systems. In 2005, the Foundation, through the work of its grantees, assisted 18,000 families receive free legal assistance, 800 schools to teach law related education, and 300,000 Arizona kids to learn about the justice system and civic duties.

### **Helpful Websites:**

Arizona Foundation for Legal Services & Education: <http://www.azflse.org>

Arizona Law Help: <http://www.AzLawHelp.org>

Law for Kids: <http://www.lawforkids.org>

