



SECOND CIRCUIT

Eastern District of New York

A Day in Federal Court

The Eastern District of New York Chapter (EDNY) hosted, on Tuesday, June 24, what it hopes to be its first annual “A Day in Federal Court.” The program was designed to expose summer interns working at local firms to the federal court system and the Federal Bar Association. The full-day program began with a light breakfast and welcome remarks from Ernest T. Bartol, vice president for the Second Circuit. The students were then provided with a history and a tour of the Central Islip Courthouse, which was designed by Richard Meier and rich in architectural significance. After the tour, the students had the opportunity to meet with Hon. A. Kathleen Tomlinson, U.S. magistrate judge, and to observe a criminal proceeding

before the Hon. Joanna Seybert, U.S. district judge. After enjoying a lunch with members of the Court—including Judges Wexler, Lindsay and Wall, Career Law Clerks Peter Ausili and Linda Johnson, Magistrate Clerical Rob Imrie, *Pro Se* Clerks and members of the EDNY Chapter’s Board of Directors—the students enjoyed a presentation on the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines given by Magistrate Judge Gary Brown. Charles Dunne, U.S. marshal for the district, then met with the students to provide them with a history of the Marshal Service and the role of the marshals in today’s federal court. At the conclusion of the day, the students had an opportunity to observe a jury selection for a civil trial scheduled to commence before Hon. Leonard D. Wexler. In all, the 48 summer interns had a wonderful and educational day in court!

FIFTH CIRCUIT

Mississippi Chapter

May Chapter Meeting

The Mississippi Chapter’s May meeting featured Delta State University President Bill LaForge as the speaker. While LaForge is well known in Mississippi for his educational leadership, many in the Federal Bar Association will know him as a past national president of the Federal Bar Association. LaForge is a veteran of the Washington political scene having served as the chief of staff for a U.S. Senator, a practitioner in a D.C. law firm, the head of his governmental relations firm, and the author of the definitive work *Testifying Before Congress*. LaForge was able to offer Mississippi Chapter membership insights into the work of the Federal Bar Association and tips for how to make the chapter stronger. ☉



Eastern District of New York Chapter: At the June event—Ernest T. Bartol, vice president for the Second Circuit, providing opening remarks.



Mississippi Chapter: At the May meeting—(l to r) Mississippi Chapter President Kate Margolis, Delta State President Bill LaForge, Chapter Treasurer Mike Hurst, and Dean Jim Rosenblatt, chapter executive director.



Eastern District of New York Chapter: Summer interns enjoying the event.

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