

**HIDALGO COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION, HIDALGO COUNTY BAR FOUNDATION,
And STATE BAR OF TEXAS 2009 LAW DAY AWARDS**

COMPETITION ENTRY & RELEASE FORM

NAME: _____

SOCIAL SECURITY NO.: _____

GRADE: _____ DATE OF BIRTH: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE: _____

HOME PHONE NO: _____ ALT. HOME PHONE NO. _____

FAX NO.: _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

NAME OF SCHOOL: _____

CHECK ALL APPROPRIATE CONTESTS BELOW THAT YOU ARE ENTERING:

_____ ***EDITORIAL*** _____ ***POSTER*** _____ ***PHOTO***

TITLE OF EDITORIAL ENTRY: _____

TITLE OF POSTER ENTRY: _____

POSTER SUMMARY (describe what the poster depicts, its meaning, actions and if any characters/persons are included) _____

TITLE OF PHOTO ENTRY: _____

PHOTO SUMMARY (describe what the photo depicts, when it was taken, where and why)

DATE

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

SIGNATURE OF SCHOOL PRINCIPAL OR
GUIDANCE COUNSELOR

PLEASE REVIEW RULES & GUIDELINES ON THE REVERSE SIDE

2009 LAW DAY CELEBRATION RULES & GUIDELINES

THEME: “*A Legacy of Liberty – Celebrating Lincoln’s Birthday*”

EDITORIAL CONTEST: (limited to high school students, grades 9-12)

1. The editorial must be written in response to the Law Day theme. The editorial question is:
“What is the Role of Law in Fulfilling the Promises of the Declaration of Independence?”
2. All expenses involved in preparing and submitting an entry are the entrant’s responsibility. Entrants must agree to allow the State Bar of Texas to reproduce entries in any medium without restriction.
3. The editorial must accompany the entry form.
4. the editorial must be no longer than 500 words.
5. the editorial must be typewritten, double-spaced.
6. The submitted work must be the student’s own, original work.
7. the editorial must show critical analysis and historical evidence.
8. Please provide an electronic version of the entry.
9. Only one student participant per entry.

POSTER CONTEST: (limited to elementary 3rd through 5th grade students)

1. Must be created by Hidalgo County elementary students in the 3rd, 4th and 5th grades.
2. One entry per student will be accepted.
3. Must be the student’s interpretation of the Law Day theme.
4. Must be the student’s original work.
5. Poster must accompany the entry form.
6. The poster must be a two dimensional drawing, painting or collage – not computer generated.
7. Posters larger than 25 x 32 inches are not eligible.

PHOTO CONTEST: (limited to middle school and high school students)

1. Photo contest will be for Hidalgo County junior high & high school students between the ages of 12-18.
2. All expenses involved in preparing and submitting an entry are the entrant’s responsibility. Entrants must own all rights to reproduce entries in any medium without restriction.
3. Photographs must be created by the entrant, never have been published in any other medium, and must have been taken after June 1, 2008.
4. Only one entry is allowed per entrant.
5. By entering, the entrant gives the Hidalgo County Bar Association, Hidalgo County Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas, Hidalgo County Young Lawyer’s Association and the Texas Young Lawyer’s Association the right to reproduce any photograph(s) submitted in any medium without time, use, or territorial limitation, as long as such is for non-commercial purposes.
6. The State Bar of Texas, Texas Young Lawyers Association, Hidalgo County Bar Association and Hidalgo County Bar Foundation bear no responsibility for lost or damaged entries.
7. Entries will not be returned.
8. Mutilated photographs will not be considered.
9. All submitted local bar entries will become the property of the SBOT.
10. On the back of the photo submitted, a typewritten label must appear with the: name of the local bar (Hidalgo County Bar Association), the entrant’s signature, the entrant’s parent/guardian’s signature, and the title of the photo.
11. Black and white or color photos must be no larger than 8 ½” by 11”.

ENTRY DEADLINE: FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 2009

Mail Entries to:

**HIDALGO COUNTY BAR FOUNDATION * 2009 LAW DAY SCHOLARSHIP
COMMITTEE * 314 S. CLOSER * EDINBURG, TEXAS 78539**