

Press Release: You Be the Judge

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The courts in Wyoming's Ninth Judicial District in Teton County, in conjunction with the Wyoming Supreme Court, are pleased to present *You Be the Judge* on Wednesday, November 2, 2016 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. This interactive community program will be held at the Clifford P. Hansen Federal Courthouse, 145 E. Simpson Ave., Jackson, WY. The event is free and open to the public.

You Be the Judge is designed to provide a behind-the-scenes glimpse into the difficult decisions faced by Wyoming judges. First, attendees will hear a brief presentation about how Wyoming judges are selected, the roles of the different courts in Wyoming, and view a short video about the rule of law. The highlight of the event is the presentation of legal arguments by local attorneys to the audience, after which the audience acts as the judge and determines the outcome of each case. The case scenarios will include a criminal sentencing and a child custody dispute. After hearing the legal arguments and rendering a decision, the audience and the judges and justices at the event will engage in a dialogue about the various factors that go into issuing a judicial decision.

Participants will hear from Chief Justice of the Wyoming Supreme Court E. James Burke, Wyoming Supreme Court Justice Kate Fox, District Court Judge Timothy C. Day, Circuit Court Judge James Radda, and Municipal Court Judge Melissa Owens.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please call Maryt Fredrickson or Rebecca Wright at 307.733.1461.

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