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Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Foundation Hosts 9th Annual Halloween Run for Justice over Halloween Weekend

CLEVELAND – October 19, 2010 – The Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Foundation (CMBF) will host its 9th Annual Halloween Run for Justice Event on Saturday, October 30 at 9 a.m. Planned in partnership with Hermes Sports & Events Cleveland, the event will take place at the Galleria at Erieview. Participants may choose between 5-mile, 5K and 1-mile distances, with other family-friendly activities happening throughout the morning.

Proceeds from all event registrations and sponsorships will benefit the CMBF, which funds the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association's (CMBA) pro bono and public service programs, including the 3Rs program. The 3Rs – Rights • Responsibilities • Realities – is an unprecedented, award-winning program that puts nearly 500 volunteers from the Cleveland legal community into 10th grade social studies classes in the Cleveland Metropolitan School District and East Cleveland City Schools to personally connect with the students, educate them about the U.S. Constitution and provide practical career counseling.

“This is one of our largest fundraisers and a great way for anyone in the community to enjoy a fun-filled morning while also helping to raise much needed funds for many pro bono and community outreach programs,” said Frank DeSantis, president of the Foundation. “We look forward to the costumes, competition and candy that make up this monster event and the resulting funds that allow us to continue our programs throughout the year.”

Both runners and walkers are welcome to participate in this event. Following the race, awards will be presented to the top male and female runners, top runners among various age groups, fastest judge, fastest lawyer and team contest winners. All attendees are encouraged to wear costumes and the best child and adult costumes will be selected. Other activities to participate in will include pumpkin decorating, a DJ, face painting, a bouncy house and the balloon creations of Flower Clown.

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*Sponsor list is subject to change. Please contact Rita Klein at 216-696-3525 to confirm the list.

For more information regarding the event, registration or sponsorship, visit www.clemetrobar.org.

About the CMBF

The Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Foundation is the charitable arm and partner of the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association. It raises funds to support the important public outreach activities of the Association, which are organized primarily under the Justice For All umbrella. These activities include a variety of pro bono legal service, law-related education, tutoring and mentoring programs. Additionally, the CMBF assists the Association's diversity initiatives aimed at improving the pipeline of minority students entering the legal profession. www.clemetrobar.org/Bar_Foundation/CMBF.

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