



ACS Announces Winners of Constitutional Video Contest

Videos to Be Recognized at 2010 National Convention

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Washington, D.C. – A college student and a longtime ACS member are the winners of the American Constitution Society for Law and Policy’s (ACS) video contest about the Constitution. ACS selected first and second-place winners from a number of diverse entries. The winners will be recognized during the 2010 ACS National Convention, which starts today.

The first-place winner is Stephen Boyd of Muncie, Ind. Boyd, 23, a junior at Ball State University, wins \$1,500 and free registration to the ACS National Convention. Boyd’s video is a catchy rap about the importance of the Constitution and an independent judiciary. The video can be [viewed here](#).

The second-place winner is Timothy Cone of Washington, D.C., who wins \$250 for his entry. Cone, 53, an assistant federal public defender has worked in the New York State Attorney General’s office and in law firms in New York City and Miami, and has been an ACS member since the organization’s founding in 2001. He is a graduate of Haverford College and Yale Law School. His video presents a stirring discussion of the relevance of the message of the Gettysburg address to the important role played by the nation’s judges. Cone’s video is [available here](#).

The ACS Constitutional Video Contest was intended to encourage original short videos highlighting the critical roles of judges and courts in shaping America’s laws. Contestants were also directed to rely on the [ACS mission statement](#) and the themes of *[Keeping Faith with the Constitution](#)*, a book published last year by ACS, and available for download here.

The ACS 2010 National Convention kicks off today with the final round of the ACS Constance Baker Motley National Moot Court Competition in Constitutional Law at 4 p.m. at the Renaissance Mayflower Hotel in Washington, D.C. Senator Al Franken will be the featured speaker at this evening’s Gala Dinner, which starts at 7 p.m. Franken will offer a “real-world perspective on what we lose when we let conservatives control our constitutional discourse.” For full Convention details see this [media advisory](#) (pdf).

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