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JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT
LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Law Day 2025 Awards Ceremony “OUT OF MANY, ONE”



Friday, May 2nd, 2025

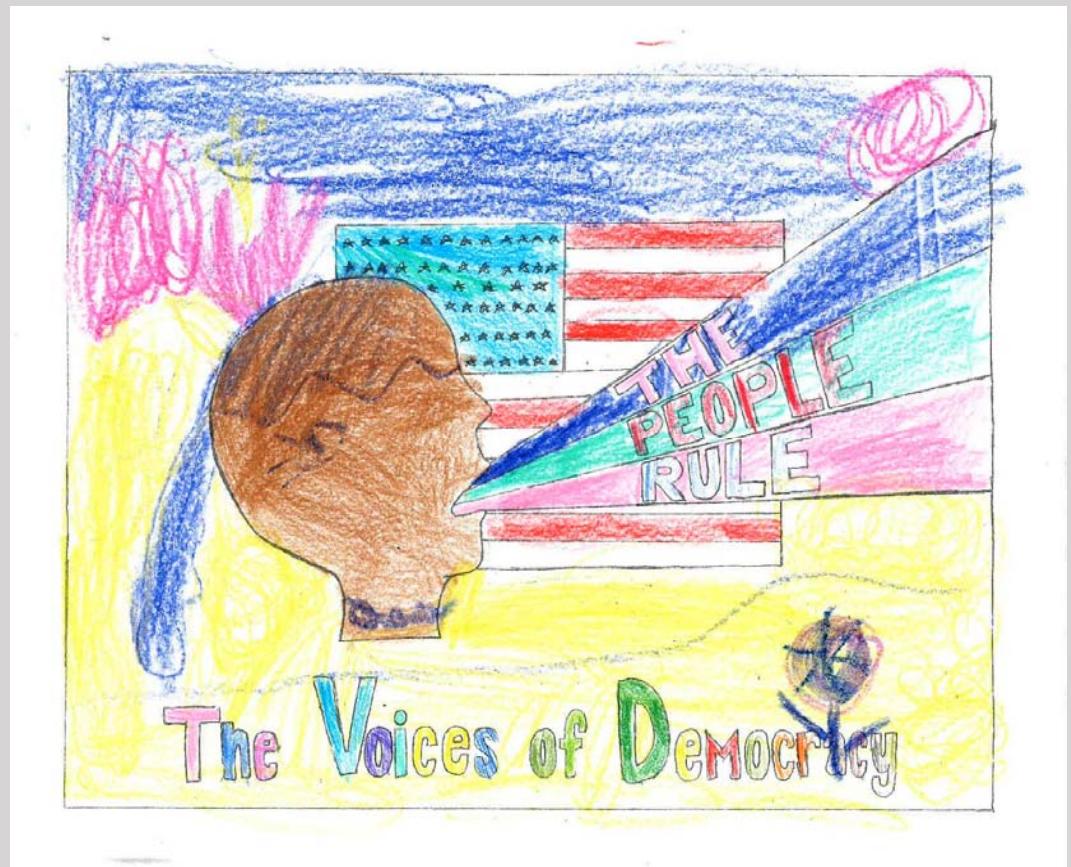


Kindergarten Coloring Contest
Selected by Associate Judge Rhonda K. Bruno
Presented by Associate Judge Patricia L. Cornell

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*1st Grade Coloring Contest
Selected and Presented by
Associate Judge Michael B. Betar*

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1st GRADE

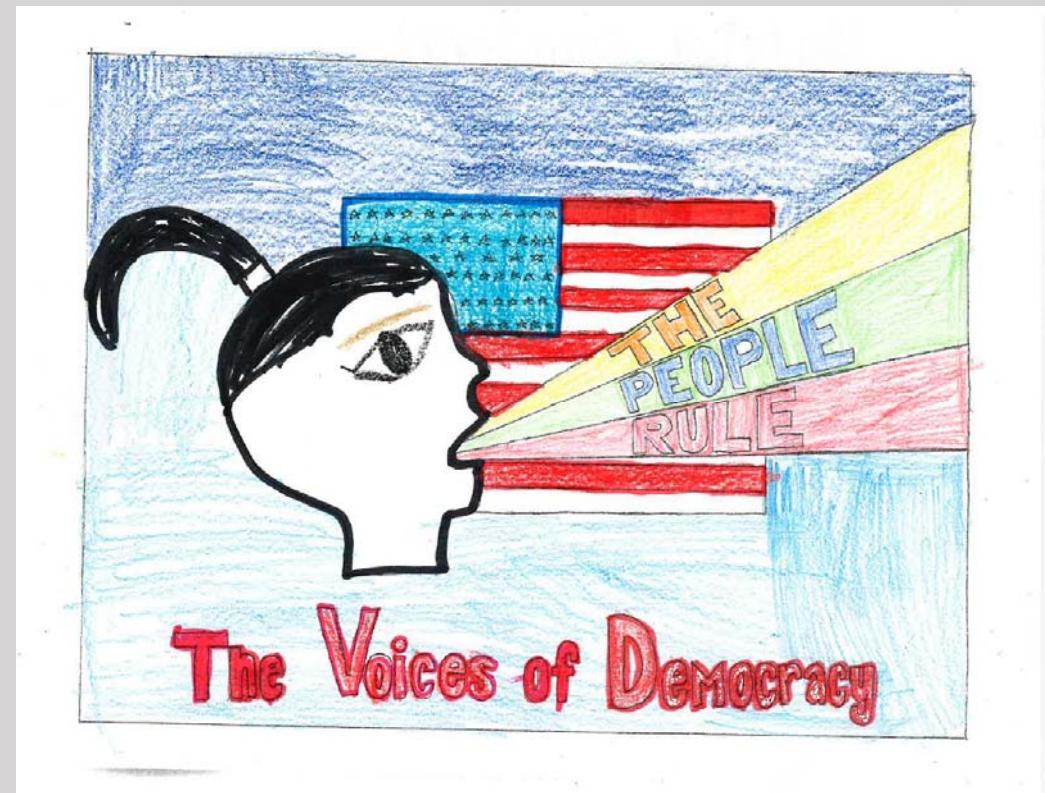
Coloring Contest



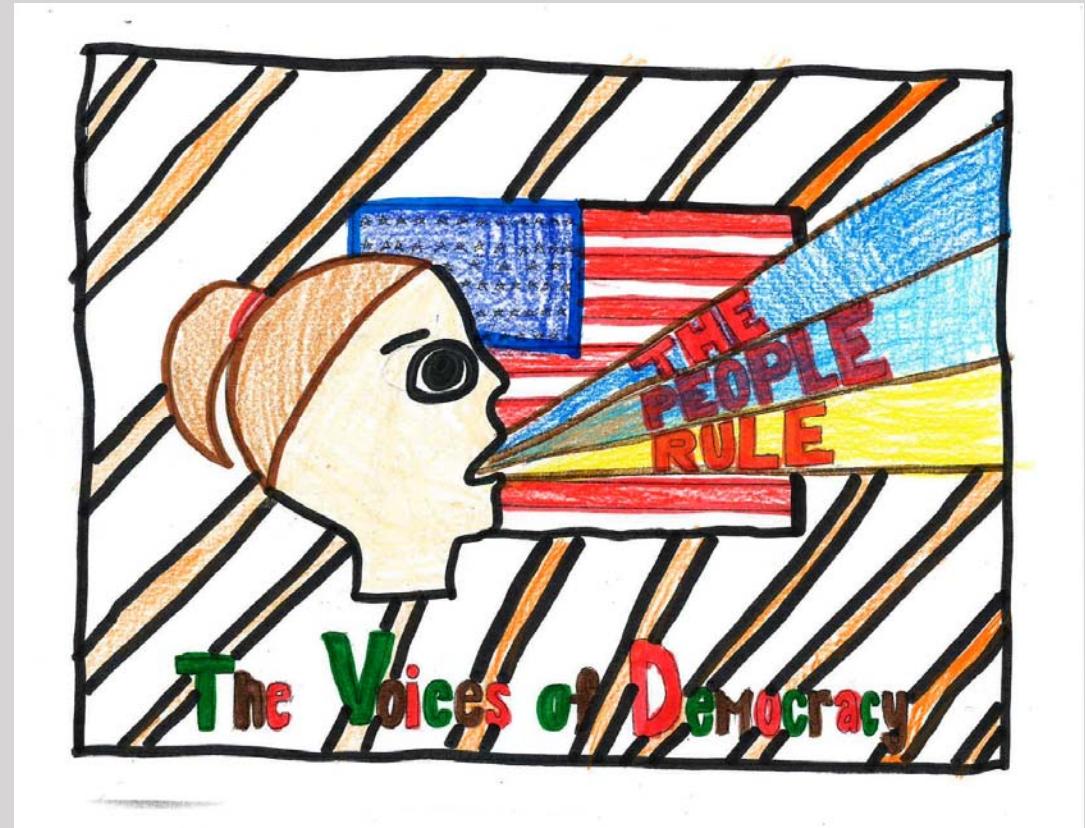
Katelyn Sandoval

Woodland Elementary

Mrs. Wilinski



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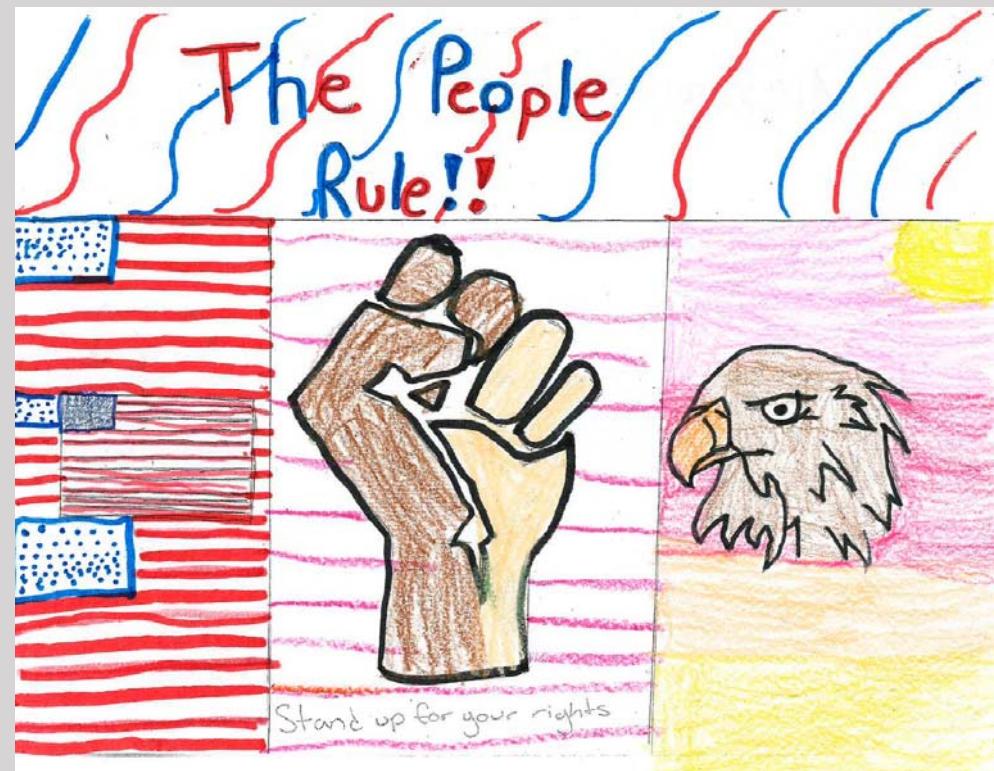


*2nd Grade Coloring Contest
Selected by Associate Judge Veronica M. O'Malley
Presented by Associate Judge Ruth H. Lofthouse*

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*3rd Grade Coloring Contest
Selected by Associate Judge Rhonda K. Bruno
Presented by Associate Judge Patricia L. Cornell*

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3rd GRADE
Coloring Contest



George Eliason
Woodland Elementary
Mrs. Wilinski



2025 LAW DAY WINNERS



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3rd GRADE

Coloring Contest

1st
Place

Finley Herrmann

Woodland Elementary

Mrs. Wilinski





*4th Grade Poster Contest
Selected by Associate Judge Veronica M. O'Malley
Presented by Associate Judge Luis A. Berrones*

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4th GRADE
Poster Contest

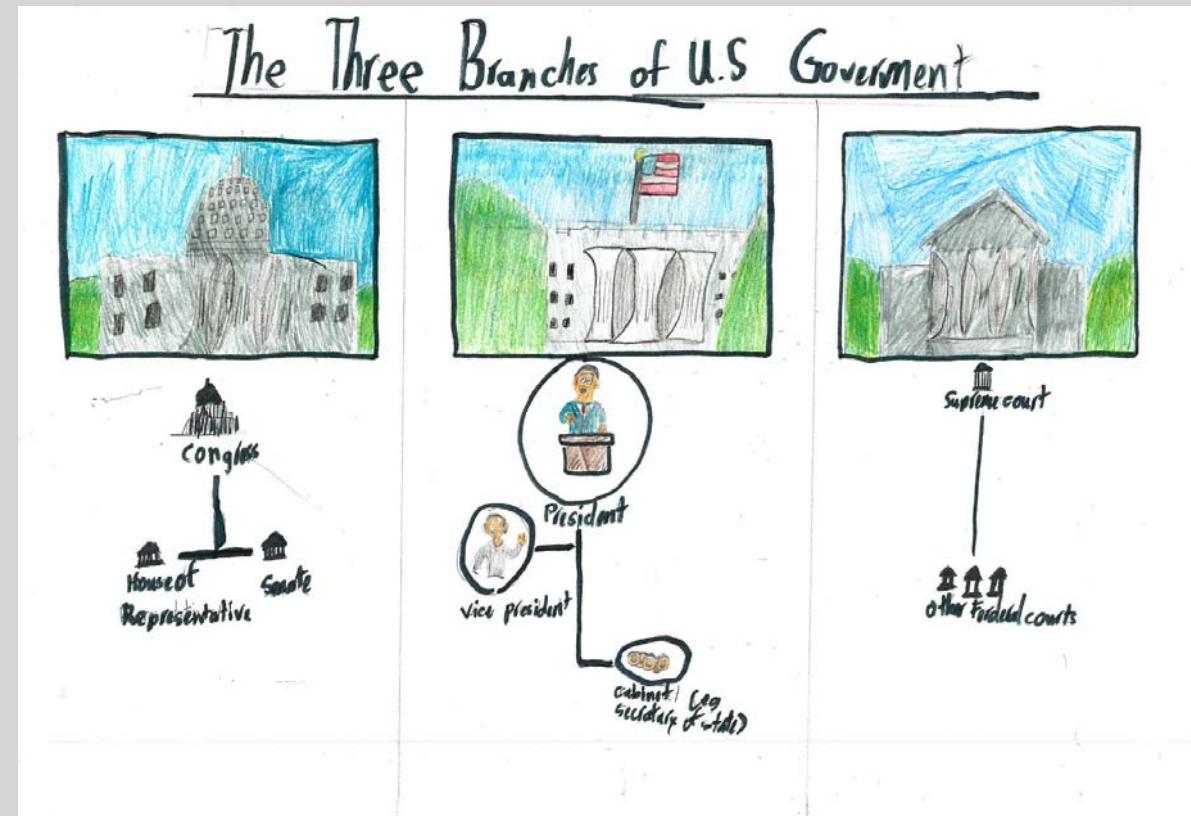


Royce Harris

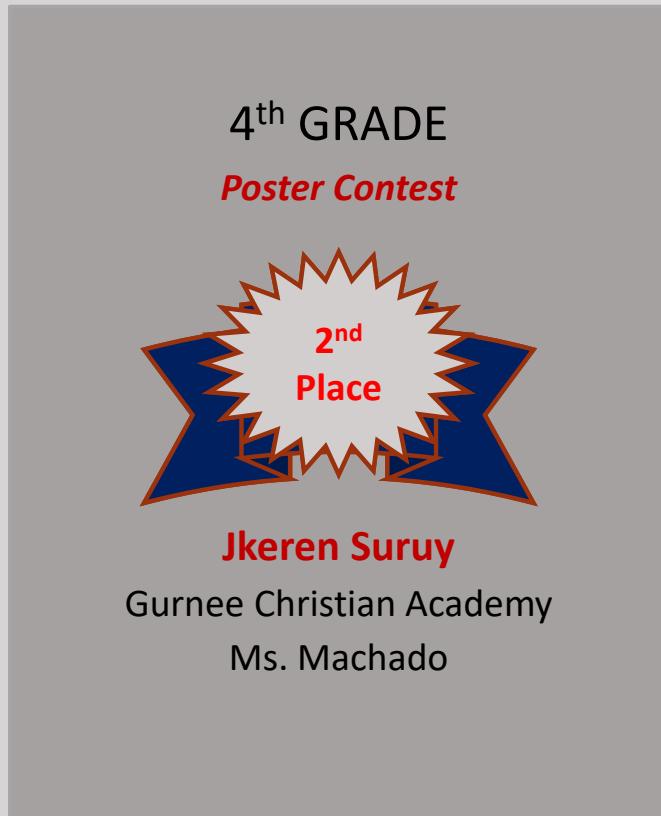
Gurnee Christian Academy
Ms. Machado



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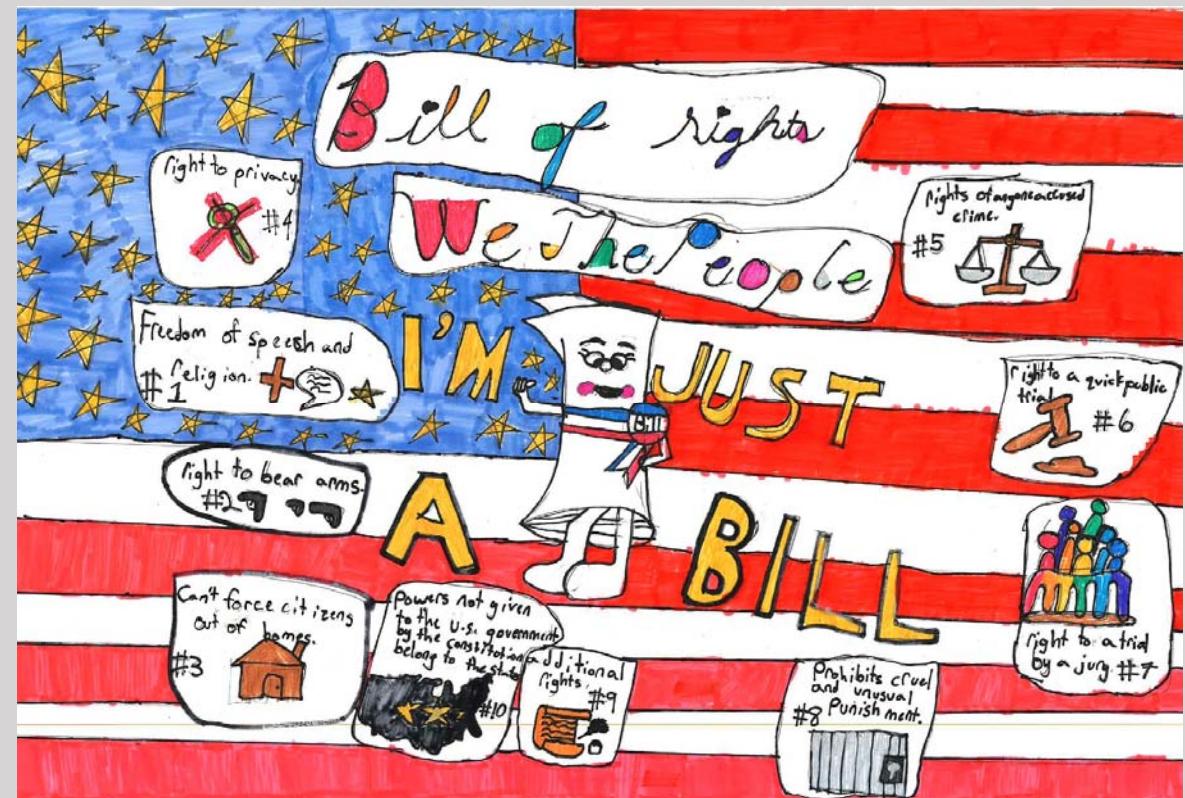


2025 LAW DAY WINNERS

4th GRADE
Poster Contest



Daniella di Caro
Gurnee Christian Academy
Ms. Machado





*5th Grade Poster Contest
Selected and Presented by
Associate Judge Ruth H. Lofthouse*

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5th GRADE
Poster Contest



Fernando Lara
Gurnee Christian Academy
Ms. Machado



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5th GRADE

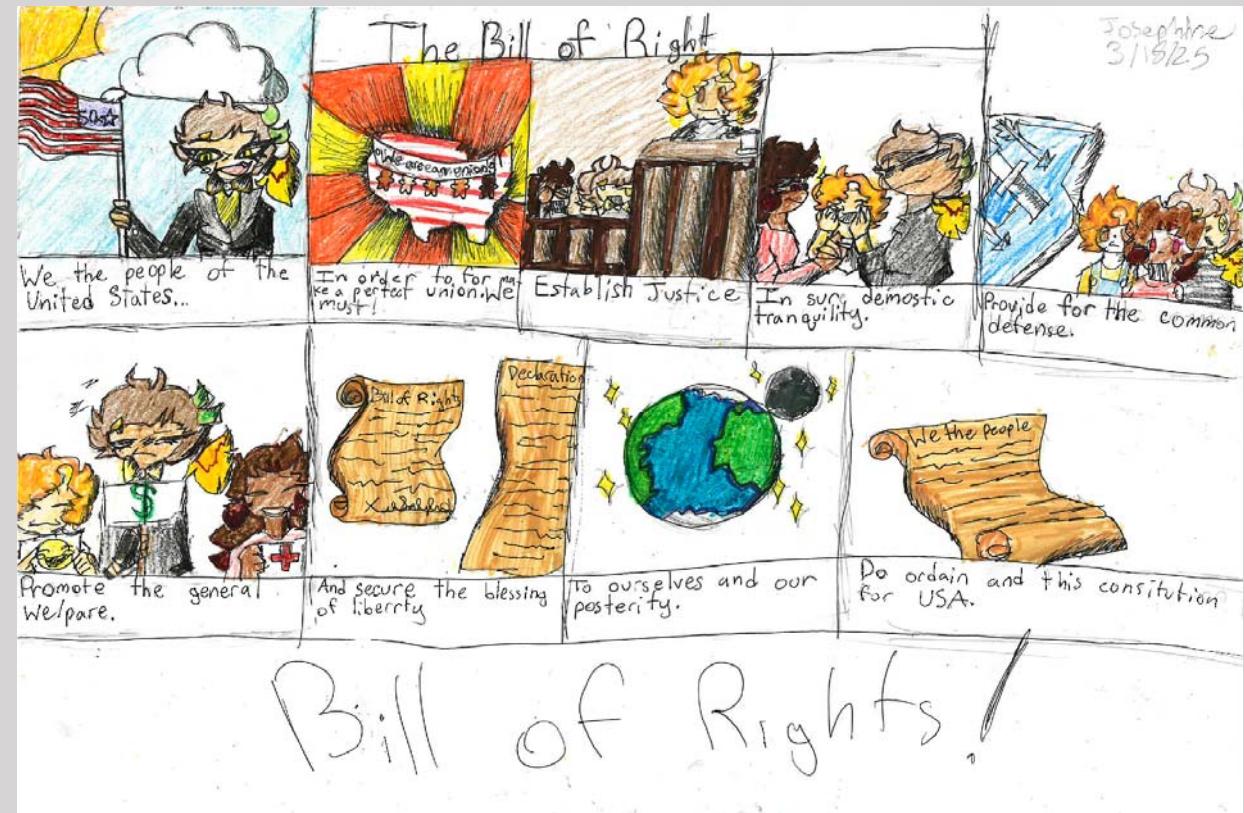
Poster Contest



Josephine Barajas

Gurnee Christian Academy

Ms. Machado



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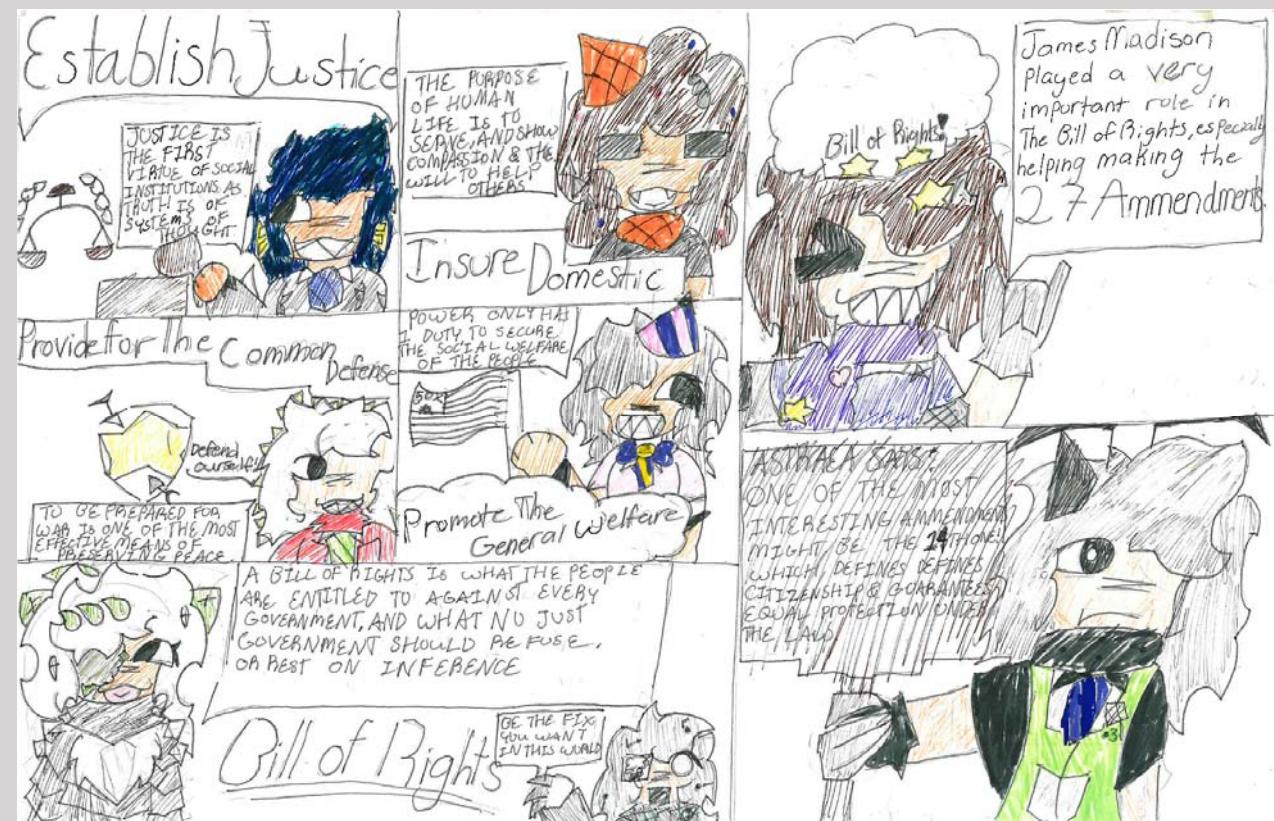
5th GRADE Poster Contest



Lexie Macasarte

Gurnee Christian Academy

Ms. Machado





*6th Grade Poster Contest
Selected and Presented by
Associate Judge Jacquelyn D. Melius*

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6th GRADE

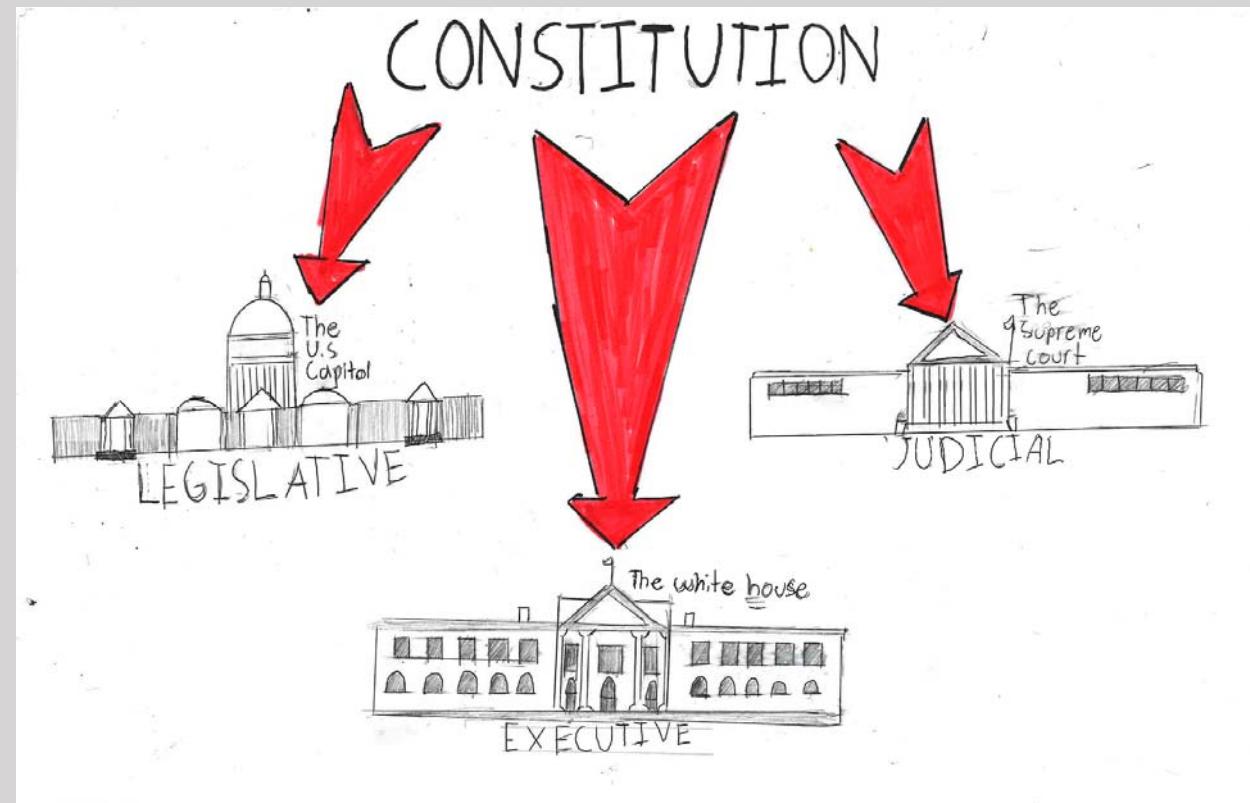
Poster Contest



Andrea Mata

Gurnee Christian Academy

Ms. Di Caro



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6th GRADE

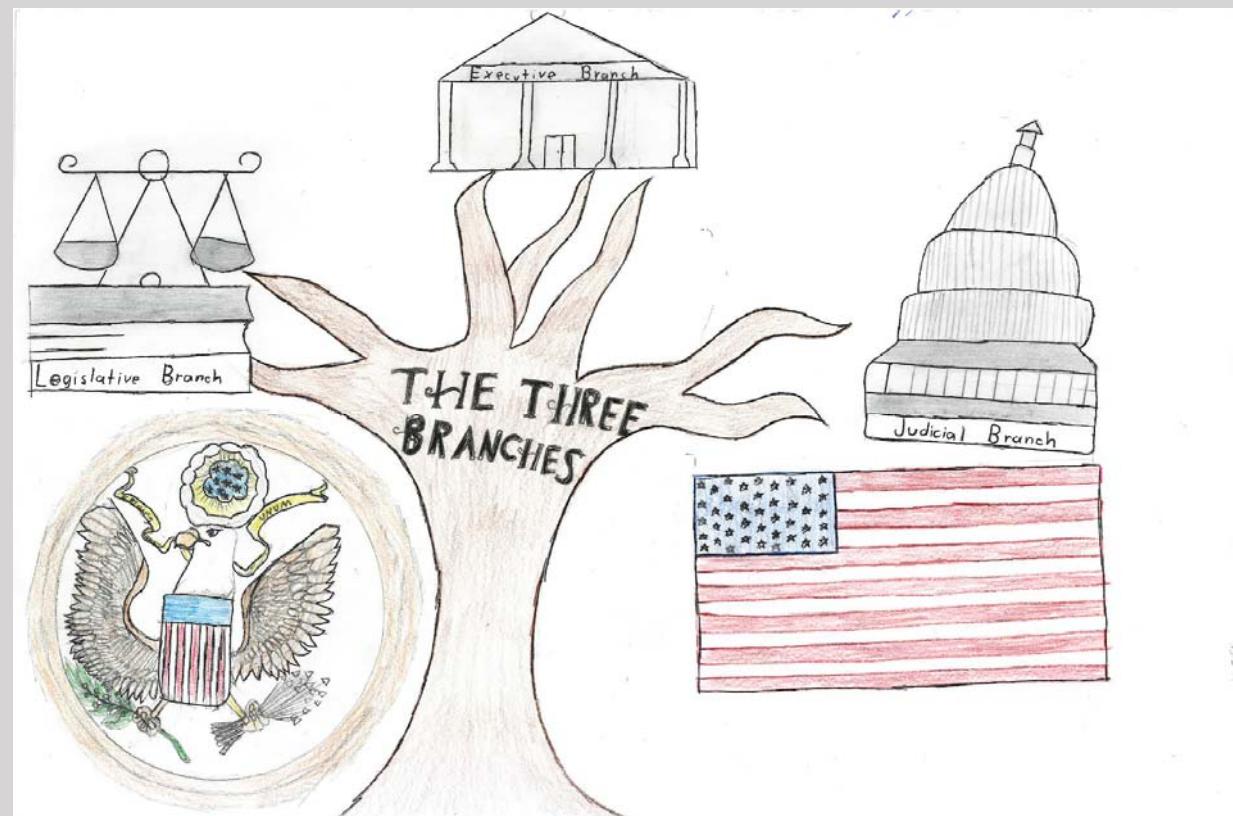
Poster Contest



Deborah Vidal-Mata

Gurnee Christian Academy

Ms. Di Caro



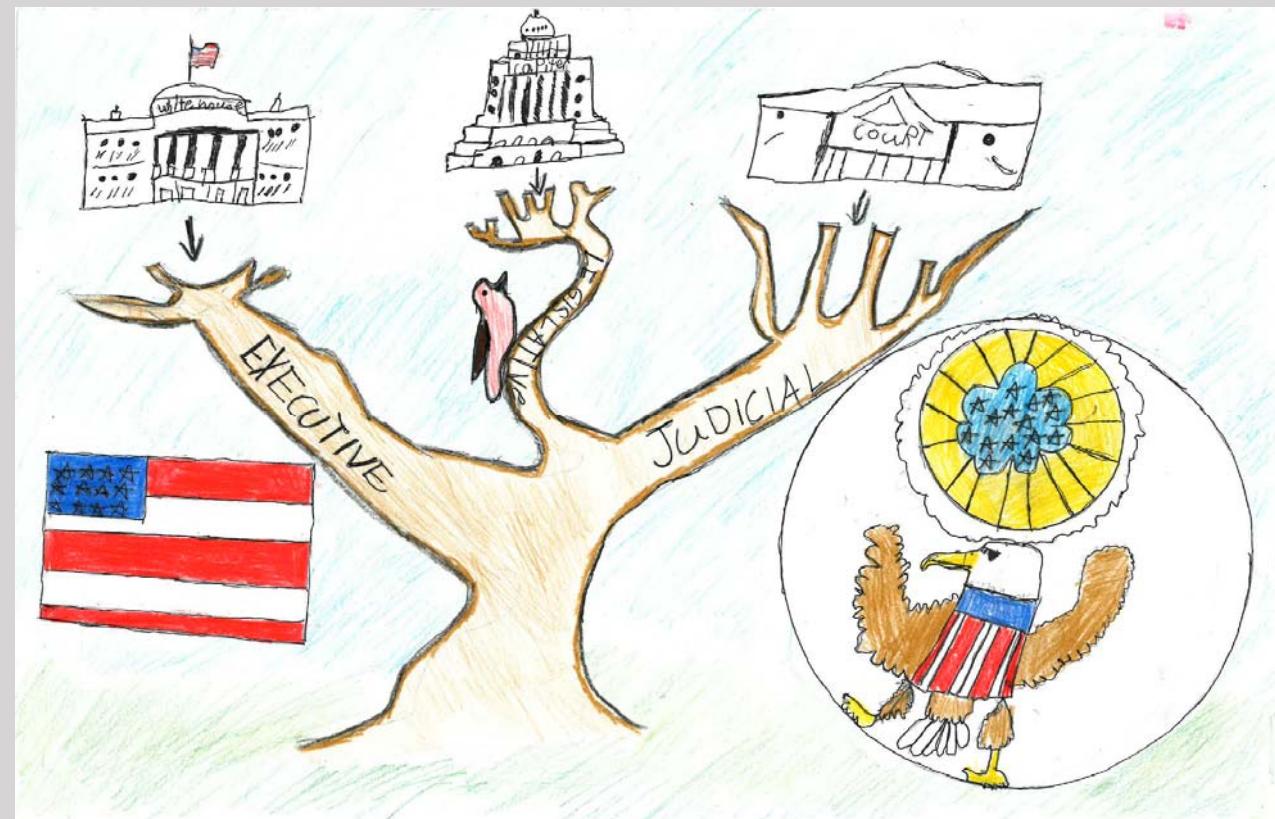
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6th GRADE
Poster Contest



Israel Salgado

Gurnee Christian Academy
Ms. Di Caro





*7th & 8th Grade Essay Contests
Selected and Presented by
Circuit Judge Michael G. Nerheim*

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7th GRADE ***Essay Contest***



Charles Jones

Gurnee Christian Academy
Ms. Di Caro

**1st
Place**

"Creating America's Constitution and Rights"

A long time ago, people from different states met to fix problems and make new rules for the country. This became known as the U.S. Constitution. James Madison made a plan that big and small states would both have fair say. Some people worried that the new rules did not protect people enough, so they added the Bill of Rights to make freedom for everybody. For example free speech, right to privacy and also freedom of religion

Freedom of speech means you can say what you think and share your ideas without getting into trouble. Even though everyone might have different opinions, we all have the right to speak up. For example, if you don't like a rule at school, you can talk to the teacher or share your thoughts with your friends. When we all have the chance to share what we believe, it helps us learn from each other and understand one another better. Out of many different voices, we come together to make a community where everyone can speak freely and respectfully.

Privacy is when you have things that are just for you, and no one else can see or know about them. Think that you have a secret diary that you don't want anyone to read. You keep it in a safe place, like a drawer, so it stays private. Even though everyone is different, we all deserve privacy. Just like how we all have our own special things, privacy helps keep us safe and gives us control over our thoughts. When we all respect each other's privacy, we create a place where everyone feels safe and cared for, even though we are many different in our own ways.

Freedom of religion means that everyone can believe in different things, and that's okay. Even though people might pray, go to church or follow different religions, we all live together in peace. It's like how a big group of people can come together and still be themselves out of many

different beliefs, we make one happy, respectful community. We can all share our ideas and still treat each other kindly.

A long time ago, people made rules for our country called the Constitution. James Madison helped make sure big and small states both had a say. Some people worried the rules, so they added the Bill of Rights to make sure everyone was free. Right to say what we think, keep secrets to believe in whatever we want a consequence. Even though we are all different, these rights bring a happy country where everyone is safe, free, and respected. Out make one strong community.



*9th & 10th Grade Essay Contests
Selected and Presented by
Associate Judge Luis A. Berrones*

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9th GRADE

Essay Contest



Cameron Jones

Gurnee Christian Academy

Ms. Di Caro

"The Land of Dreams: America's Enduring Spirit of Freedom and Opportunity"

"Out of many one" represents symbols of how different people work together to form one united group or country. This phrase, *E pluribus unum* is on the Great Seal of the United States. The Constitution promises show how the different states and people all worked together, even though we are all different. We are all united by our country and its values.

The motto *E pluribus unum* means "Out of many, one," was first used on the Great Seal of the United States in 1782. Back then, the thirteen colonies were quite different from each other, but they peacefully came together to form one country. The people who started the country believed that even though they had many differences, they could work together and be strong as one united nation. Today, *E pluribus unum* still shows that people from all over the world can live together peacefully in the United States. People from all over the world come to live, bringing their own unique backgrounds and traditions. The country celebrates this diversity but also works to keep everyone united under one government and one flag. Unity is important.

The idea of "Out of Many, one" teaches us that even though people may come from diverse backgrounds, we can still work together and support each other. The United States is made up of many states, and each state has its own ways of doing things. But by working together through the government, everyone can have a say, and the country can be strong.

This idea can also be used in other countries around the world. When people from diverse cultures, races, and beliefs come together, they can create a better world. It teaches us that our differences make us unique, but we can still come together to work for the common good.



*11th & 12th Grade Essay Contests
Selected and Presented by
Associate Judge Christopher B. Morozin*

“OUT OF MANY, ONE”



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11th GRADE ***Essay Contest***



Alexandrea Perry

Gurnee Christian Academy
Ms. Di Caro

2025 LAW DAY WINNERS

11th GRADE ***Essay Contest***



Alexandrea Perry

Gurnee Christian Academy
Ms. Di Caro

people and to be passed down to future generations. Individual freedoms bring differing opinions and ideas to form one. It is this nation's identity: Many different ethnic groups forming one nation. After all, this country was founded by immigrants.

is to what we should expect from our nation. We should 1 to form that more perfect union. It is important that we colonies that came to form one through the Preamble and

The Constitution's Promise: Out of Many One

This nation was founded when 13 colonies came together as one to form the United States of America. Our Founding Fathers wrote the Constitution to bring us closer than ever before. By writing this document, they showed us how we should become one nation. This document starts with what's called the Preamble. The Preamble serves as the introduction of the Constitution. It starts how we the people form a more perfect union through 4 objectives. These 4 objectives are establishing justice, ensuring domestic tranquility, providing for the common defense, and securing the blessings of liberty to us and our posterity.

One desire of our Founding Fathers was to create a fair legal system. When they wrote "establishing justice" in the Preamble, they wanted transparency and impartiality in the laws that were created. It didn't matter how much power you had; you were also subjected to the law. This was so everyone in this nation could be brought together and treated fairly, no matter what your status or background was.

This nation was formed in a rebellion, so it makes sense why our Founding Fathers wanted domestic tranquility. They wanted the states and people to be cordial towards each other. They didn't want the states to be warring against each other like they were under the Articles of Confederation. Domestic tranquility is essential for a functioning nation, which is why it was written.

When this nation was formed, they agreed to provide for the common defense, that the 13 colonies would come together to defend each other. As this nation continued to grow, the need to defend each other greatly increased. As a nation, it's our duty to protect one another, together.

Our Founding Father wanted to emphasize the importance of preserving individual freedoms, hence "secure the blessings of liberty..." This was written to promote the liberty of the



*6th–12th Grade Illustration Contest
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6th – 12th GRADE

Illustration Contest



Abhinav Mandal

Oak Grove School





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