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RE: 2024-2025 Inn Membership

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Please accept this invitation to join or renew your membership in the Crossroads-American Inn of Court. We are very excited about the upcoming 2024-2025 year and have planned a robust calendar of opportunities for Continuing Legal Education (CLE), networking and mentorship. We hope that you will join our mission to inspire the legal community to achieve the highest level of professionalism.

Generally, the meetings will be held on the third Thursday of each month at 11:30 a.m. at the Alexandria Federal Courthouse, with lunch and a program qualified for CLE credit. This year will include CLE programs on the local federal court rules, ethics, professionalism, family law, bankruptcy, and other topics. Inn members will be invited to collaborate in the presentation of these topics, which is a great opportunity to develop professional and personal relationships.

We will also have a series of "Chambers lunches," hosted by the judge members of the Inn, and some evening meetings, where dinner is provided. These events provide informal settings for networking and mentorship.

Enclosed is the 2024-2025 Application for Inn of Court Membership. Please complete the form in full, regardless of whether you are new to the Inn of Court or renewing your membership. The completed application should be emailed by September 6, 2024 to Jennifer_Bruce@lawb.uscourts.gov.

We will kick off this year with a reception on Tuesday, September 10th at 5:30 p.m. at Gold Weems Bruser Sues & Rundell, 2001 MacArthur Drive. Please rsvp to <u>Jennifer_Bruce@lawb.uscourts.gov</u> by September 6, 2024. We hope that you will join us.

Sincerely,

Hon. Jerry Edwards, Jr. U.S. District Judge Western District of Louisiana Hon. Stephen D. Wheelis U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Western District of Louisiana