## **Bar Association of D.C. to Participate in the 2021 Melvin R. Wright Youth Law Fair**

Theme: "The Politics of Food: Scarcity as an Issue of Justice" BADC's Rawle Andrews Jr. to serve as a Featured Panelist of 22nd Annual Youth Law Fair



**District of Columbia, Washington, D.C, Mar 15, 2021 (**<u>Issuewire.com</u>**)** - On March 20, 2021, the Bar Association of the District of Columbia (BADC) will join District-area students, elected and appointed officials, bench and bar leaders, legal practitioners, educators, and family caregivers for the <u>D.C. Bar's 22nd Annual Hon. Melvin R. Wright Youth Law Fair.</u> This year's virtual program will offer a free, half-day educational experience that tackles food scarcity and social justice through the lens of an "Ask A Lawyer" panel, interactive breakout sessions, and a mock trial. Past conference topics have included social media use, bullying, and racial profiling.

"Despite the many lasting, adverse impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, this ordeal has shed new light on what it means to live a purposeful life, the immeasurable value of a civics education, and why we must protect the rule of law," said Rawle Andrews Jr., Esq., BADC treasurer and a past D.C. Bar Pro Bono Lawyer of the Year. "The program's focus on ending hunger, achieving food security, and promoting nutrition also is timely." **The USDA estimates that over 35 million Americans live in food-insecure households, including nearly 13 million children and more than 5.3 million older adults (including 1 in 7 District households).** 

"We cannot get to zero hunger until we face this crisis head-on and work together to challenge the status quo. It is a privilege to be able to contribute to the ongoing success of this laudable program," Andrews added.

## About the Bar Association of the District of Columbia

Founded on May 23, 1871, The Bar Association of the District of Columbia (@badc1871) is the 1st bar association in the District and the 3rd oldest bar association in the United States. The BADC is a voluntary bar association. Its members participate in various volunteer committees and sections including the Young Lawyers Section (YLS), the Intellectual Property (IP) Section, the Bankruptcy & Restructuring Section, and over 20 practice area committees. Join us at <a href="https://www.badc.org">www.badc.org</a>.



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