# IDAHO TEACHERS' INSTITUTE ON THE RULE OF LAW AND THE ROLE OF AN INDEPENDENT, IMPARTIAL JUDICIARY

June 4-5, 2015, Clearwater Room, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, United States Courthouse, Boise, Idaho Program Schedule, Time Allocations, and Instructor Assignments (Document Dated 2 June May 2015)

#### Day One (June 4, 2015)

#### 8:00 a.m. Registration sign-in and administration

#### 8:30 a.m. Opening Session

- Welcoming remarks:
  - On behalf of Idaho's federal judiciary:
     Hon. B. Lynn Winmill, Chief Judge, U.S. District Court/Idaho
  - On behalf of Idaho's state judiciary:
     Hon. Linda Trout, past Justice and Chief Justice, Idaho Supreme Court
  - On behalf of the practicing bar and lawyer representatives of the U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit: J. Walter Sinclair (Holland & Hart, Attorneys at Law)
  - On behalf of the College of Law, with overview of the Institute's curriculum design, professional development/continuing education credit, etc.:
     Don Burnett, Professor of Law, University of Idaho
- Overview of the Institute's workshop pedagogy and objectives, with introduction of the facilitators and master teachers:
  - o Russ Heller, past supervisor, Boise Independent School District programs in history and social studies
- Brief self-introductions of the participating teachers

## 9:00 a.m. Topic 1: The "rule of law" and the genius of the American Constitution

- e. Workshop discussions:
  - 1) What does the "rule of law" mean to you? (Can you envision law without justice, or justice without law? How can, and should, they reinforce each other?)
  - 2) What do the "independence" and "impartiality" of the judiciary mean to you? (Can you envision one without the other? How can, and should, they reinforce each other?)
- f. Workshop exercise core questions for every workshop exercise during this

- 5) <u>Workshop discussion</u>: What constitutional standard(s) would you apply in the following case? What result(s)?
- c. <u>Workshop exercise:</u> In light of the foregoing two workshop discussions, see the core questions posed at item (f) under Topic 1.

Principal instructors for this topic: Hon. B. Lynn Winmill, Chief Judge, U.S.

District Court, District of Idaho Hon. Daniel Eismann, Justice and Past Chief Justice, Idaho Supreme Court

Facilitators and master teachers for all topics: See listing under Topic 1.

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Evening of Day One Banquet at Cottonwood Grille Restaurant 913 West River Street, Boise Social at 6:30 p.m., Dinner at 7:00 p.m.

Keynote Speaker: Marc Johnson

Journalist ("The Johnson Post: Many Things Considered")

Judicial Independence Past and Present:

Lessons from the New Deal "Court-Packing" Controversy

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### Day Two (June 5, 2015)

#### 8:00 a.m. Topic 4: Appellate justice

- a) Appeals of right and standards of appellate review
- b) Discretionary review and certiorari
- c) The function and discipline of a written opinion
- d) <u>Workshop discussion</u>: Can you summarize the legal rule(s) discussed and applied in the following excerpts from an appellate opinion?
- e) Workshop exercise: See the core questions posed at item (f) under Topic 1.

Principal instructor for this topic: Hon. Karen L Td( (c)]102r)-1TJ-0.0 (e)8quer thi0 Tdd( )TjET

d) Workshop discussion: As a news reporter