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## Free legal assistance offered as part of Law Day celebration at Wright County Government Center on May 11

**For immediate release**

**BUFFALO, Minn. (March X, 2018)** – On Friday, May 11, the Wright County Government Center in Buffalo will open its doors to the public as part of a Law Day celebration aimed at educating citizens about the justice system, and helping residents address their legal issues and questions. The event will give attendees the opportunity to take part in free legal advice clinics; attend presentations on emerging criminal justice issues; and learn how to reinstate their driver's license, resolve an outstanding warrant, or expunge a criminal record. The event will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The Law Day event will feature several legal service clinics, at which members of the public can:

- Receive free legal advice on family law, probate, and civil matters\*;
- Resolve outstanding warrants for criminal misdemeanors\*;
- Receive help reinstating their Minnesota driver's license\*;
- Receive free legal advice regarding criminal expungements\*; and
- Receive assistance with completing a health care directive.

\*Appointments can be made in advance by calling (763) 682-7549. Walk-ins also welcome.

In addition, visitors will have the opportunity to:

- Attend presentations on the Wright County Adult Treatment Court; Wills, Trusts, and Estates; Texting and Driving; and other important justice system topics (see [www.mncourts.gov/WrightCountyLawDay2018](http://www.mncourts.gov/WrightCountyLawDay2018) for more presentation options and times); and
- View demonstrations of the Wright County Sheriff's Office K-9 unit.

The Wright County event is scheduled to mark Law Day, a national day set aside to celebrate the rule of law. Law Day underscores how law and the legal process have contributed to the freedoms that all Americans share. Law Day was first established in 1958 through a proclamation by President Dwight D. Eisenhower. Congress passed a joint resolution designating May 1 as Law Day, U.S.A in 1961.

“As our nation and community commemorate Law Day, we are excited to welcome the community into their local courthouse and to offer an array of services that will provide meaningful help to those with legal issues,” said Tenth Judicial District Judge Michele Davis, who is chambered in the Wright County Government Center. “There is no better way to celebrate our justice system than by expanding access to our courts.”

The Law Day Open Courthouse event is being hosted by Minnesota's Tenth Judicial District in partnership with the Wright County Sheriff's Department, Wright County Attorney's Office, Wright County Court Services, Central Minnesota Legal Services, Wright County Public Defender's Office, Wright County Law Library, and Wright County Health and Human Services.

The Wright County Government Center is located at 10 2nd Street N.W. in Buffalo.

Complimentary rides to the event are available through Trailblazer Transit by calling 1-888-743-3828 up to one week in advance to schedule a ride.

More information about the event is available at [www.mncourts.gov/WrightCountyLawDay2018](http://www.mncourts.gov/WrightCountyLawDay2018).

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