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CONNECTICUT SUPREME COURT TO CELEBRATE LAW DAY 2011

The Connecticut Supreme Court will celebrate Law Day 2011 on Monday, May 2, with remarks from Attorney Elizabeth P. Gilson, who worked to free two brothers who were detained at Guantánamo Bay for eight years. For her efforts, Attorney Gilson last year won the Connecticut Law Tribune's *Pro Bono Award*.

The theme of this year's Law Day is "The Legacy of John Adams: From Boston to Guantánamo." As such, the ceremony will highlight the role of Connecticut lawyers in defending the rights of the accused.

"Beth Gilson is the perfect choice to speak, and I'm certain her comments will be both provocative and timely," Chief Justice Chase T. Rogers said.

In addition, the Supreme Court will present its 2011 Law Day Award to Attorney Emanuel Margolis of Stamford. "Attorney Margolis is a remarkable advocate who has represented his clients over the years with zeal, dignity and civility," Chief Justice Rogers said. "We are proud to have the opportunity to present him with this award."

The ceremony will begin at 10 a.m. in the Supreme Court courtroom, located at 231 Capitol Ave. Cameras are permitted. For further information, contact the External Affairs Division at 860-757-2270.

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