ACBA’s 21st Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Prayer Breakfast set for Jan. 20 at Hill District Church
The Hon. Dwayne Woodruff, Joy Maxberry Woodruff to be Recognized

WHAT: Allegheny County Bar Association’s 21st Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Prayer Breakfast and Program

WHEN: Monday, Jan. 20. Buffet breakfast at 7:30 a.m.; program at 8:30 a.m.

WHERE: Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church, 2001 Wylie Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15219

WHY: One of the biggest Martin Luther King Jr. Day celebrations in the Pittsburgh area, the annual breakfast commemorates the life of Dr. King and his contributions that led to changes in the law and social justice. Numerous dignitaries from the Pittsburgh legal community and the community at large will be on hand to remember the noble work of Dr. King, celebrate advancements in civil rights and discuss the challenges that remain. Among the event’s highlights is the presentation of the Drum Major for Justice Award to an individual or individuals who advance Dr. King’s mission “to make justice, equality and opportunity a reality for all people.”

HONOREES: During the ceremony, the ACBA will present the 2020 Drum Major for Justice Award to The Hon. Dwayne Woodruff and his wife, Joy Maxberry Woodruff. Judge Woodruff has served as a judge on the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas since 2005 and is the supervising judge of the court’s Juvenile Division. Previously, he was a trial attorney and, prior to that, he had a 12-year career as a defensive back with the Pittsburgh Steelers. The Woodruffs have been heavily involved in efforts to promote justice, equality and opportunity within the region. They have served as co-chairs of the Pittsburgh “Do the Write Thing Challenge,” which is an initiative of the National Campaign to Stop Violence. Judge Woodruff served as Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Urban League of Greater Pittsburgh, has served on the Board of Directors of the United Way of Allegheny County and is a member of the NAACP.

Mrs. Woodruff has supported her husband’s efforts, in addition to devoting time to other organizations, such as African American Women for Political Change and North Hills Ebony Women. Additionally, the Woodruffs have hosted an annual mentor recruitment breakfast for the Urban Pathways Charter School.

ADDITIONAL INFO: For more information, visit www.ACBA.org.

MEDIA INFO: The event includes numerous photo and interview opportunities. Please make arrangements in advance by contacting Brian Knavish, ACBA Director of Marketing and Media Relations, at 412-901-5955 or bknavish@acba.org.

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Chartered in 1870 and headquartered in downtown Pittsburgh, the Allegheny County Bar Association is a professional organization with approximately 6,000 member attorneys, judges, district justices, legal administrators and paralegals.