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**Mayor Ed Gainey to Receive ‘Drum Major for Justice Award’ at
ACBA’s 23rd Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Prayer Breakfast**

Live Streaming Event to be held Monday, Jan. 17 at 9 a.m.

WHAT: Allegheny County Bar Association’s 23rd Annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Prayer Breakfast and Program

WHEN: Monday, Jan. 17 at 9 a.m.

WHERE: Live Streaming on Zoom and Facebook

WHY: One of the biggest Martin Luther King Jr. Day celebrations in the Pittsburgh area, the annual event commemorates the life of Dr. King and his contributions that led to changes in the law and social justice. Among the annual highlights of the event 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.”

HONOREE: During the ceremony, the ACBA will present the 2022 Drum Major for Justice Award to new Pittsburgh Mayor Edward C. Gainey, the city’s first Black Mayor.

Gainey grew up in Pittsburgh’s East Liberty neighborhood and saw firsthand the economic hardships many families in our city face. Raised by a single mother, he counted on the support of his extended family and community to build a pathway to high school and college. Inspired to do the same for others, Gainey discovered in college that an effective government can be a powerful tool to fight injustice and uplift communities.

He has worked on the staffs of two mayors as a community development specialist. He also previously worked with the Pittsburgh Police Department on their hiring practices, and in 2012 he was elected to the Pennsylvania House of Representatives. In Harrisburg, he has been on the front line fighting for working families. As mayor of Pittsburgh, he’s pledged to work every day to make Pittsburgh a city where all can belong and contribute. He and his wife Michelle have three children and live in the Lincoln-Lemington-Belmar neighborhood of Pittsburgh.

WATCH: Stream live beginning at 9 a.m. at www.ACBA.org/MLK2022

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

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About the ACBA

Chartered in 1870 and headquartered in downtown Pittsburgh, the Allegheny County Bar Association is a professional organization with more than 5,500 member attorneys, judges, district justices, legal administrators and paralegals.