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Keith Chval to Judge 2nd Annual UCLA Cyber Crimes Moot Court Competition

Chval invited by UCLA School of Law Moot Court Honors Board

(CHICAGO, IL) February 22, 2013 - Keith G. Chval, co-owner of Protek International, Inc. and former Chief of the Illinois Attorney General's High Tech Crimes Bureau, was invited by the UCLA School of Law Moot Court Honors Board to participate as a judge in the UCLA Cyber Crimes Moot Court Competition.

The competition is scheduled for March 15-16, 2013 at the UCLA School of Law. The competition prepares law students to prosecute cyber crimes and includes law school teams from across the United States. Teams compete by arguing a cyber crime case before mock Judges.

As a judge, Chval will be responsible for scoring legal briefs, posing questions to the advocates at oral argument, and scoring oral performances.

"I am honored to take part in the UCLA Cyber Crimes Moot Court Competition," said Chval. "UCLA Law's Moot Court Honor Program is recognized as one of the finest in the country. Preparing the next generation of cyber crime prosecutors with real world scenarios is critical in equipping our nation to fight in this new frontier in crime and warfare. "

"As a pioneer of digital law, Keith Chval was an ideal candidate to be recommended as a Judge for this competition," said Professor Patrick Corbett of Thomas M. Cooley Law School who first came to know Chval when the two were prosecuting cyber crimes at their respective attorney general's offices. "He was the first-ever Chief of the High Tech Crimes Bureau in the Illinois Attorney General's Office, designing and implementing one of the very first units of its kind in the country."

The event is sponsored by the Norton Cybersecurity Institute -- a global initiative to support the fight against cyber crime.

UCLA Law's Moot Court Honor Program has been recognized as one of the finest in the country. Approximately 200 second-year law students annually participate in the program, briefing and arguing cases before panels of judges and practitioners. Third-year members are responsible for administering the program and are selected to compete on UCLA Law's state and national teams.

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About Protek International, Inc.

Protek International, Inc., is full-service and licensed investigative, computer forensic and electronic discovery firm, located in Clarendon Hills, IL.

About Keith Chval

As the first-ever Chief of the High Tech and Computer Crime Unit in the Illinois Attorney General's Office, Chval designed and implemented one of the very first units of its kind in the country. Under Keith's seven years as Chief, the Unit boasted a 100 percent conviction rate. Keith is co-founder of Protek International, Inc. (www.protekintl.com), a rapidly growing firm offering world-class electronic data discovery, computer forensic, investigative and consulting services. A past president of the Midwest Chapter of the High Technology Crime Investigation Association, Keith is an adjunct professor of law at The John Marshall Law School, where he has taught a number of courses, including "eDiscovery, Digital Evidence and Computer Forensics." Keith has been asked to share his expertise in collaborative efforts with associations at the forefront of digital evidence and law including the Secret Service's Electronic Crimes Task Force, the International Association of Computer Investigative Specialists, and working groups under the auspices of the National Institute of Justice, the National White Collar Crimes Institute, and the American Prosecutors Research Institute charged with developing and promoting standards for the examination and courtroom presentation of digital evidence. He has written and presented dozens of times on subjects ranging from authenticating on-line communications to protecting businesses from computer crime to "the CSI effect" on computer forensics and computer investigations.

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