**Students Can Explore Careers in Law at Wilkes University**

**Law Day on April 16**

Exploring a career as a lawyer will be the focus when Wilkes University hosts Law Day on Monday, April 16. The keynote address will be delivered by Joseph Cosgrove, Esq. Cosgrove maintains a law practice in Luzerne County that includes criminal defense practice in federal and state courts. He is the immediate past president of the Wilkes-Barre Law & Library Association. He is a graduate of the University of Notre Dame and the Notre Dame Law School.

Current Wilkes students and high school students considering attending Wilkes are invited to attend the free event, which will be held in the Henry Student Center Ballroom on the Wilkes campus from from 9– 11:30 a.m. Although the program is free, advance registration is required and available at wilkes.edu/lawday. Kyle Kreider, pre-law advisor and political science professor at Wilkes University, will be present to meet prospective students.

The event also features a panel discussion with Eric Kniskern, director of recruitment and diversity enrollment at Widener University Delaware School of Law, a student representative from Penn State Law and 2017 Wilkes graduate Christie O’Brien, now at Drexel School of Law, discussing “How to be a Successful Pre-Law/Law Student”.

A second panel, “I Want to be a Lawyer: What to Expect,” will focus on what being a lawyer is like. Popular culture has shaped perspectives on what being a lawyer entails and this panel will allow students to talk to Wilkes graduates who have gone on to become lawyers. The panelists will discuss what it really means to practice law. The four panelists are 2012 graduate Dan Hunter, 2012 graduate Sarah Seman, Nate Bohlander and 2012 graduate Molly McDonough.

A complimentary lunch will be provided.

**About Wilkes University**:

Wilkes University is an independent institution of higher education dedicated to academic and intellectual excellence through mentoring in the liberal arts, sciences and professional programs. Founded in 1933, the university is on a mission to create one of the great small universities, offering all of the programs, activities and opportunities of a large, research university in the intimate, caring and mentoring environment of a small, liberal arts college, at a cost that is increasingly competitive with public universities. The Economist named Wilkes 25th in the nation for the value of its education for graduates. In addition to 43 bachelor’s degree programs, Wilkes offers 25 master’s degree programs and five doctoral/terminal degree programs, including the doctor of philosophy in nursing, doctor of nursing practice, doctor of education, doctor of pharmacy, and master of fine arts in creative writing. Learn more at www.wilkes.edu.

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