



**JUAN RODRIGUEZ CABRILLO HIGH SCHOOL**  
A NATIONAL AVID DEMONSTRATION SCHOOL

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Dear Marlow P. Gory,

I am the administrator of the Cabrillo Academy of Law and Justice (CAL-J). I am writing you to ask for a donation from the Los Angeles County Superior Court. We understand that the brand new Los Angeles County, Governor George Deukmejian Courthouse, in Long Beach means that the current courthouse will close. CAL-J is asking for materials to be donated to our Cabrillo Courtroom from the courtrooms of the closing Long Beach Superior Courthouse.

CAL-J believes it will make great use of these materials. We recently received a California Partnership Academy grant from the California Department of Education. With this grant we began a specialized legal program that offers rigorous curriculum, mock trials, legal analysis and work based learning. Through the support of the Honorable Judge David Wesley we started a Teen Court program. We also plan on having a competing Los Angeles County Mock Trial team in the near future. Our community leaders support CAL-J with the backing of our 7<sup>th</sup> District City Councilmember James Johnson, City Prosecutor Doug Haubert, and the Long Beach Bar Association.

We know that it is a great experience going to visit a courthouse, but bringing the courtroom to the school will enhance student learning and the experience in the judicial process daily. Right now we have a large room that we use for our legal activities but we do not have the furniture and paneling that makes the classroom a courtroom. Our initial analysis of building a courtroom estimated a cost of \$250,000 mostly in furniture, paneling and fixtures. We therefore humbly ask for the following items to greatly reduce the cost to our students and school:

1. Jury Box & chairs
2. Judges Bench and chair
3. Witness stand and chair
4. Prosecution table and chairs
5. Defense table and chairs
7. Audience seats (benches or seats)
8. Seal of California
9. US Flag
10. California Flag
11. 2 flag stands
12. Wood paneling for walls

On behalf of our students and community we thank you in advance for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Matthew D. Brown'.

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