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Learn your legal rights April 2 at the ‘People’s Law School’ hosted by the University of Houston Law Center

Volunteer lawyers, judges, and professors teach basic legal rights in free public program

March 22, 2015 — The “People’s Law School” will reconvene Saturday, April 2, at the University of Houston Law Center, offering free classes to the public on basic legal rights.

The “school” which is hosted by the Center for Consumer Law at UH Law Center and sponsored by the Houston Bar Association is the oldest and most successful law program for the layperson in the country, and was designed to give people useful information about their legal rights.

The program is from 9 a.m. to noon in Krost Hall and will include more than 30 volunteer lawyers, judges, and law professors who will teach courses in 13 different areas of law.

There will be classes in business law, health insurance, consumer law, credit and debt collection, wills and estates, family law, landlord-tenant law, small claims court, tax law, social security, and how to deal with an attorney. There will even be a class on how you can find the law on the Internet. Each person may choose three classes to attend. Every class will be taught by a different instructor and is a little different, so attendees may take a class more than once if they are interested in the subject matter.

Dozens of volunteer law students and UHLC staff will be available to help with everything from free coffee and donuts to the final evaluation form. Everyone who attends also will receive comprehensive written materials to supplement classes.

“The People’s Law School won’t make you an attorney, but it will help you settle disputes and avoid problems,” said Richard M. Alderman, UHLC professor emeritus, who has hosted the event for years and continues as director of the Center for Consumer Law. “Whether you are buying a car, preparing a will, dealing with a debt collector or in a dispute with your neighbor, knowing your legal rights can make a difference.”

Although there is no charge for the People's Law School, registration is required and is limited to the first 1,000 people. For further information, contact Alderman at alderman@central.uh.edu or call 713-825-6068. To register go to, www.peopleslawyer.net

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