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TEXAS SUPREME COURT JUSTICE DON WILLETT TO INTERVIEW DAVID LAT

Houston Urban Debate League (HUDL) today announced that Texas Supreme Court Justice Don Willett will facilitate an interview and audience Q&A session with renowned legal blogger David Lat on Monday, September 15 from 7:00pm-8:30pm. The interview and Q&A will take place at The Houston Club, 910 Louisiana Street, and is open to the public. Tickets are in limited availability and cost \$15 for students, nonprofits and government, \$25 for general admission, and \$35 at the door. They can be purchased at houstonurbandebateleague.org.

David Lat is a Harvard University and Yale Law School graduate and former federal prosecutor. He is currently the founder and managing editor of *Above the Law*. A seasoned journalist, his writing has been featured in the *New York Times*, the *Wall Street Journal*, and the *Washington Post*. His biggest, and most controversial, claim to fame came from the legal gossip blog *Underneath Their Robes* where Lat anonymously posted under the pseudonym “Article 3 Groupie” and regularly criticized state and federal judges.

Justice Don Willett was appointed to the Supreme Court of Texas in August 2005 and elected to a full term in November 2006, which ends December 31, 2016. A native Texan, Willett is a Baylor University and Duke University Law School graduate. Upon graduating, he served as a law clerk to Judge Jerre S. Williams of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. From 1993 to 1996, he practiced employment/labor law in the Austin office of Haynes and Boone, L.L.P. He is the self-proclaimed ‘most active Supreme Court Justice on Twitter’ with more than 7,400 followers and 12,000 tweets.

The Houston Urban Debate League is a non-profit 501(C)(3) dedicated to re-introducing academic debate to under-served and at-risk students in Houston area high schools. HUDL serves more than 1070 students in 30 HISD high schools and 12 middle schools. HUDL has enjoyed increasing competitive success in local, state and even national tournaments with teams placed among the top in the nation. Through the generosity of its supporters, HUDL is able to offer students the life-changing benefits of debate.

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