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Re: Gary Anderson as Clarence Darrow

To Whom It May Concern:

I am very pleased to recommend *Clarence Darrow: A Judicial Perspective* for inclusion in a judicial conference program or event. In September, 2007 I had the privilege of seeing Mr. Anderson's performance as Clarence Darrow before a Michigan State Bar Judicial Conference committee. I was at once enthralled, provoked and nearly moved to tears. And I was not alone.

As the incoming President of the Michigan Judges Association, I asked Mr. Anderson to consider presenting his program at our annual conference on Mackinac Island in August, 2008. He agreed. His presentation was even better and more effective than the year before. He chronicled four of Darrow's most famous and important cases, including Leopold and Loeb and the Scopes "Monkey Trial". The program was not simply entertaining, filled with drama and passion. *Darrow* caused all of us to reflect on how we as judges think and feel as we go about the art and business of "judging".

He helped remind judges of the extraordinary impact we, as decision-makers, have on attorneys, litigants and the greater community outside the courtroom.

The format, which included four of our judges reading the roles of the *Darrow* judges, truly brought history to life. The program was an exceptional and educational experience: it compelled us to really think and discuss what "lawyering" and "judging" is all about.

As the critics say, it's "thumbs up" for *Clarence Darrow: A Judicial Perspective*. It's a must see that should not be missed.

Sincerely yours,



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