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To Whom It May Concern:

Mr. Anderson's **Clarence Darrow's Judicial Perspective** presentation on Mackinac Island this year was informative, inspirational, and entertaining. Everyone I have spoken with that attended had similar accolades. It involved minimal preparation and was extremely beneficial to the reader and the audience's experience as to the ethics and professionalism of the judges analyzed in this historical program.

The presentation on Mackinac was additionally effective because of the interaction of four participating judges. We each read the parts of the judges in four of the more famous Darrow cases. The judges who participated and read from our own ranks made the presentation even more meaningful and valuable.

For example, I read the part of Judge Frank Murphy in the Sweet murder trials. His stand against prejudice in his courtroom reminded us why we became lawyers and judges.

In preparation, before the day of the program, we merely read the assigned lines with Mr. Anderson a few times. That and the guidance we received from Mr. Anderson, such as *reading pace* and *hesitation points*, made the process seem effortless.

I would highly recommend this program to anyone who has the opportunity to bring it to their conferences.

Sincerely,

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Circuit Court Judge

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