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SWIFT CURRIE PARTICIPATES IN 2009 HIGH SCHOOL PIPELINE PROJECT

ATLANTA (July 1, 2009) – Recent reports have confirmed that the number of African-Americans and Hispanics applying to our nation's law schools has declined significantly over the last decade. Swift, Currie, McGhee & Hiers, LLP, realizes unless we do something to help reverse this trend, the legal profession will continue to lack diversity and will suffer as a



result. As part of its commitment to diversity, Swift, Currie, McGhee & Hiers, LLP, partnered with the State Bar of Georgia Diversity Program on June 4, 2009, and participated in its High School



Pipeline Project. The Pipeline Project was a two-week program for 15 high school students from across the metropolitan Atlanta area which included speech classes, mentoring luncheons with attorneys of color and an oral advocacy competition. The goal of the program was to expose low income and/or students of color to the legal profession and provide a source of mentoring to encourage more diverse students to attend law school and enter our profession.



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