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Houston Legal Charities Benefit from Show Success

Houston, Texas – January 8, 2015 – Legal charities across Houston benefited today from the hard work and talent of singing and dancing lawyers and judges. Night Court, the Houston lawyer theatrical troupe, awarded a total of \$75,000 to six area charities.

More than 30 Houston-area lawyers and judges wowed audiences in *Law and All that Jazz* this past October at the Hobby Center. The show marked the Night Court troupe's 25th anniversary. The group rehearsed more than 100 hours, choreographed multiple dances, learned a dozen songs, and built original sets to stage their annual musical that lampooned pop culture and the law profession.

The beneficiaries of all this hard work are non-profit organizations that provide important legal services to Houstonians in great need including:

- The **Houston Area Women's Center Children's Court Services Program** which assists child victims of crime and/or witnesses to crimes and their families as they participate in the criminal justice system;
- The **Aid to Victims of Domestic Violence** organization which provides legal services to women who have been domestically abused but have little access to information on legal rights or the services of an attorney;
- The **Tahirih Justice Project** that focuses on helping female immigrants and human trafficking victims seeking justice in the United States from gender-based violence;
- The **Family Intervention and Infant Toddler Court** which helps families experiencing substance abuse problems work through the legal system with a focus on reuniting families and maintaining the family unit;
- The **Cathedral Health and Outreach Ministries d/b/a BEACON LAW** that assists clients with housing problems focusing on helping people who are homeless; and
- **Lone Star Legal Aid's Houston-Area Military Veterans Unit** which assists active military, veterans, and their dependents with various civil legal issues.

The dedicated lawyers of Night Court have already begun next year's fundraising, writing and developing *Lawyermania*, a Beatles-themed musical comedy that hits the stage in 2015 at the Hobby Center. For more information, visit www.nightcourt.org.