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## MEMORANDUM #04-71

**TO:** Exceptional Student Education Directors  
District Parent Liaisons  
Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System Managers  
Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System Parent Services Contacts

**FROM:** Bambi J. Lockman

**SUBJECT:** *New Publication - Legal Guide For New Adults*

We are pleased to inform you of the availability of a publication titled *The Legal Guide For New Adults* from The Florida Bar Information and Bar Services.

*The Legal Guide For New Adults* will help students who reach the age of 18 to understand their rights and responsibilities. This pamphlet is designed to make new adults aware of laws that can help to avoid problems in daily life. This publication may be ordered at no cost through The Florida Bar Information and Bar Services at 1-800-342-8011. In addition, the pamphlet is available on The Florida Bar's internet website at [www.FLABAR.org](http://www.FLABAR.org).

Throughout the 2004-2005 school term, volunteer attorneys of The Florida Bar Speakers Bureau are available to share their education and experience with Florida students to help them better understand topics ranging from personal rights, to the separation of powers, to the role lawyers play in our society. During the school year there are opportunities such as Law Day, Career Day, and The Great American Teach-In in which attorneys offer to volunteer their time to speak with students. However, there does not need to be a special occasion for attorneys to come to your classroom. More than 1500 attorney volunteers have expressed their willingness to attend classrooms to discuss topics such as: the Constitution, the Role of Lawyers

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in America, Juvenile and Criminal Courts, Dispute Resolution, the Bill of Rights, Challenges to the Judiciary, The Juvenile Justice System, the Legal Rights and Responsibilities of New Adults, and other legal topics. Attorneys are available to assist with extra-curricular activities in the schools by judging mock trial competitions, coordinating teen courts, and educating students about their legal rights and responsibilities as new adults. There is no fee for this service. To have an attorney speak with your class, please contact Gail Grimes, The Florida Bar Speakers Bureau, 651 East Jefferson Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2300, or by telephone at 850-561-5767 or electronic mail at [ggrimes@flabar.org](mailto:ggrimes@flabar.org).

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