Mr. Ben Ewald has been selected The Teacher of the Year by The Texas Lawyers Auxiliary. The announcement was made this week by Martha Ann Franco, chairman of the Awards Committee after the judges' panel selected Mr. Ewald in an overwhelming decision.

Mr. Wes Cunningham, Ed. D., Principal/CTE Director, stated about Mr. Ewald's performance as a teacher that: "The fact that the legal studies academy is in a different curricular area than he has taught before did not deter him for a moment – he kept his focus where it has always been – on the education of students.....he is a true professional in the academic arena.....I am in a position to give him a good reference, and I do so without question or deliberation."

Mr. Josh Blackman, President, The Harlan Institute, said about Mr. Ewald: "Ben has been one of the leading teachers implementing FantasySCOTUS in the classroom. Classrooms that play FantasySCOTUS make predictions about pending Supreme Court cases, and write analytical blog posts about the cases. His students are among the most active throughout the FantasySCOTUS network. They have made more predictions and written more quality blog posts than any other class in the country."

The Texas Lawyers Auxiliary is proud to present the 2012 Teacher of the Year to Mr. Ben Ewald. The award carries a \$1,000 check as well as a certificate which will be presented at the TLA's Awards Dinner on September 30th, in Austin.

Congratulations to Mr. Ben Ewald.