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Simpson Thacher Hosts Legal Outreach/PACT Students

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On July 16, 2010, Simpson Thacher hosted twenty-eight eighth-grade students from Legal Outreach's Pathways to Achievement and Community Transformation (PACT) Summer Law Institute. PACT is a new program which is aimed at increasing the number of young Black men in college bound programs, and ultimately in the legal profession. Legal Outreach is a non-profit organization that prepares urban youth from underserved communities to compete at high levels by using intensive legal and educational programs. The day's program included lunch with Simpson attorneys, debate exercises, and tours of the firm. Twenty-six attorneys and staff members participated in the visit, which was organized by Litigation associates Michera Brooks and Omari Mason, Diversity Coordinator Elise de la Selle, and Pro Bono/Diversity Coordinator Oscar Orellana. Litigation partner Bill Russell, who serves on Legal Outreach's Advisory Board, gave welcome remarks to the students.

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