This course will explore the dynamic relationship of law and the cinema, focusing on how movies — both classic and current — portray law, lawyers and legal proceedings. The class will watch diverse film excerpts, considering in detail how these popular culture portrayals reflect on the legal system, its participants, and particularly on the attorneys' professional role in society.

1 academic credit. 11.75 MN CLE credits will be applied for.

Instructed by the **The Honorable Louis Schiff ’80**, District Judge, Broward County, Florida

Judge Schiff was elected in 1996 and serves at the Broward County Courthouse in Deerfield Beach, where he handles both civil and criminal cases. He has received numerous awards, including Hamline University’s “Outstanding Alumnus for Ethics and Community Service” in 2000. Most recently, he received Florida’s highest county court judicial honor, the Harvey Ford Award, for demonstrating the highest level of profound service to the community, legal profession and to the Conference of County Court Judges of Florida.

### The Cinema and the Law: Are Lawyers Still Our Heroes?

**Saturday, July 12, 2008**  
8:30–11:45 a.m.  
**Sunday, July 13, 2008**  
12:30–3:45 p.m.

### The Art of Argumentation

The Art of Argumentation is an intensive exploration of the application of theatrical techniques and philosophies to interpersonal communication. The course is predominantly skills-based, with participants on their feet engaging in the physical exercises necessary to develop awareness — of your own abilities and others — as well as influence the development of your skills. This course is unique in many other ways, not limited to the practical usefulness of cultivating a sense of play both personally and professionally. Above all the approaches and techniques are practical, nonthreatening and fun.

1 academic credit. 11.75 MN CLE credits will be applied for.

Instructed by **Adjunct Professor Chris Carlson ’96**

Carlson is a professional actor by day, a practicing immigration attorney by night, and a founding force behind the Guthrie’s recent content partnership with Thomson’s WestLegalEdCenter. In addition to being offered to Hamline students for the past five years, this course also is one of the highest attended and rated courses through Minnesota CLE.

### The Art of Argumentation

**Saturday, July 19, 2008**  
8:30 a.m.–noon; 12:30–3:30 p.m.  
**Sunday, July 20, 2008**  
8:30 a.m.–noon; 12:30–4:30 p.m.