



National Pro Bono Celebration
October 22 - 28, 2017



<u>This image denotes a client service event</u>. To find out how to volunteer at these events, please see the contact information posted with the event details.



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Recurring Clinics | Additional October Service Events

RECCURING LEGAL CLINICS EVENTS:

Landlord Tenant

Tenant Volunteer Lawyer of the Day Program Clinic (8:30 AM – 1:00 PM) (Tuesday through Friday every month: October 3-6, 10-14, 17-20, 23-27)

Volunteer attorneys will counsel tenants summoned to court that day on topics including court procedures, available defenses, the eviction timeline, rent escrow, and rent abatement. After brief one-on-one consultations, volunteer attorneys will appear with tenants at their hearings.

Sponsored by: Pro Bono Resource Center of Maryland

Where: Baltimore City District Court, 501 East Fayette Street, Baltimore, MD 21202-4013

Register to Volunteer: Volunteers can email Dean Fleyzor at <u>dfleyzor@probonomd.org</u> if you are interested in helping to provide brief advice at a clinic.

Basic training available online at probonomd.org/training

Family

Pro Bono Family Mediation Clinic (9:00 AM - 4:00 PM) (Select Thursdays throughout August through April: October 5)

This is a regularly scheduled service event at which volunteer attorneys and mediators from the Pro Bono Family Mediation Project provide free mediation services for contested custody cases. Volunteer attorneys and mediators are needed!

Sponsored by: Pro Bono Resource Center of Maryland, University of Baltimore School of Law Mediation Clinic for Families, Circuit Court of Baltimore City

Where: Circuit Court for Baltimore City, 111 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, MD 21202

More Information: Contact Annie Speedie at aspeedie@probonomd.org or 443-703-3051.



Family Law Self-Help Center (12:30 PM – 4:00 PM)

(Every Tuesday of every month: October 3, 10, 17, 24)

Circuit Court of Allegany County hosts a free walk-in clinic that provides legal information and forms to assist persons not represented by an attorney in matters of divorce, custody/visitations/child support and name changes.

Sponsored by: Allegany Law Foundation, Inc.

Where: Circuit Court for Allegany County, Courthouse Annex, 59 Prospect Sq., Cumberland MD 21502

To Volunteer: Contact Kelsey Merkel at 301-722-3390 or email <u>info@alleganylaw.com</u>



Latino Community Family Law Clinic (9:00 AM – 2:00 PM)

(Every Monday, Wednesday, Friday of each month: October 4,6,9, 11, 13, 16, 18, 20, 23, 25, 27, 30)

Attorneys provide brief advice to persons not represented by a lawyer. Services are in Spanish/English. Eligible clients can be referred to a lawyer.

Sponsored by: Community Legal Services of Prince George's County

Where: Prince George's County Multi-Service Center 1401 University BLVD., E Langley Park, MD 20783

To Volunteer: Contact Karin Dalichow at dalichow@clspgc.org or 240-391-6370.

Consumer Protection

Consumer Protection Clinic in Baltimore City (9:00 AM – 11:30 AM)

(Tuesdays every month: October 3, 10, 17, 24)

Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service's Consumer Protection clinic is on Tuesdays at Baltimore City District Court. The attorney will provide brief advice to the client and may help negotiate settlements with plaintiffs' attorneys.

Sponsored by: Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service

Where: Baltimore City District Court, 501 East Fayette Street Baltimore, MD 21202-4013

To Volunteer: Contact Ellyn Riedl at eriedl@mvlslaw.org.

Consumer Protection Clinic in Baltimore City (9:00 AM – 11:30 AM)

(Wednesdays every month: October 4, 11, 18, 25)

Pro Bono Resource Center of Maryland's Consumer Protection clinic is on Wednesdays at Baltimore City District Court. The attorney will provide brief advice to the client and may help negotiate settlements with plaintiffs' attorneys.

Sponsored by: Pro Bono Resource Center of Maryland

Where: Baltimore City District Court, 501 East Fayette Street Baltimore, MD 21202-4013

Register to Volunteer: Contact Sydney Dunning at sdunning@probonomd.org.

Basic training available online at http://probonomd.org/training

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Consumer Protection Clinic in Prince George's County (8:00 AM – 11:00 AM)

(1st, 2nd, 3rd Fridays each month: October 6, 13, 20)

Pro Bono Resource Center of Maryland's Consumer Protection clinic is on Fridays at Prince George's County District Court. The attorney will provide brief advice to the client and may help negotiate settlements with plaintiffs' attorneys.

Sponsored by: Pro Bono Resource Center of Maryland

Where: Prince George's County District Court, 14735 Main St. Upper Marlboro MD

Registration: Contact Sydney Dunning at <u>sdunning@probonomd.org</u>. **Basic training available online at** http://probonomd.org/training

Veterans Assistance



Veteran's Walk-in Clinic (1:00 PM - 3:00 PM)

(1st and 3rd Wednesdays each month: October 4, 18)

Volunteer attorneys can help veterans at a walk-in legal clinic.

Sponsored by: Homeless Persons Representation Project

Where: VA Medical Center Annex, 209 W. Fayette St. 2nd Floor, Baltimore, MD 21201

Register to Volunteer: Contact Swapna Yeluri at hprpprobono@hprplaw.org to volunteer.

Basic training available online at <u>probonomd.org/training</u>



Veterans Legal Clinic (12:00 PM to 4:00 PM)

(2nd Thursdays each month: October 12)

Homeless Persons Representation Project presents a veterans legal clinic where volunteer attorneys help with legal issues.

Sponsored by: Homeless Persons Representation Project

Where: Perry Point VA Medical Center, Avenue D & 8th St, Perryville MD, 21902

Register to Volunteer: Contact Swapna Yeluri at hprpprobono@hprplaw.org

Clients call 410-685-6589 ext. 21

Basic training available online at probonomd.org/training



Veterans Legal Clinic (12:00 PM to 4:00 PM)

(4th Thursdays every month: October 26)

Homeless Persons Representation Project presents a veterans legal clinic where volunteer attorneys help with legal issues.

Sponsored by: Homeless Persons Representation Project

Where: Three Oaks Veterans Resource Center, 46905 Leis Dr., Lexington Park, MD 21201

Register to Volunteer: Contact Swapna Yeluri at hprpprobono@hprplaw.org; Clients call 410-685-

6589 ext. 21

Basic training available online at http://www.probonomd.org/training

General/Other Civil Legal Matters



Lawyer in the Lobby (12:00 PM - 1:00 PM)

(Tuesdays every month: October 3, 10, 17, 24)

Free legal advice at the Harford County Circuit Court.

Sponsored by: Harford County Bar Foundation

Where: Harford County Circuit Court, 20 W. Courtland St., Bel Air, MD 21014

Register to Volunteer: Contact HCBF at 410-836-0123.

Ask a Lawyer in the Library (12:00 PM - 1:00 PM)

(Wednesdays every month: October 4, 11, 18, 25)

Volunteer lawyers can talk to a client for up to 20 minutes about civil, non-family legal problem for free! No appointment is necessary for clients. (Clients sign up at 10:45 a.m. for lottery to determine time slots)

Sponsored by: Anne Arundel Bar Association and the Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service

Where: Anne Arundel County Public Law Library, Anne Arundel County Circuit Court, Suite 303, 8 Church Circle, Annapolis, MD 21401

Register to Volunteer: Contact Joan Bellistri at joan.bellistri@aacounty.org 410-222-1387.



Lawyer in the Library (11:00 AM - 12:00 PM)

(Once a Month: October 13)

A free legal advice clinic at the Abingdon Public Library.

Sponsored by: Harford County Bar Foundation

Where: Abingdon Public Library, 2510 Tollgate Rd., Abingdon, MD 21009

Register to Volunteer: Please contact HCBF at 410-836-0123.

Ask a Lawyer Clinic (1:00 PM - 3:00 PM)

(Fridays every month: October 6, 13, 20, 27)

Volunteer attorneys can help provide eligible Maryland residents with brief one-on-one advice on a wide variety of civil legal issues. No appointment necessary. In order to quality, low-income screen required.

Sponsored by: Allegany Law Foundation, Inc.

Where: Allegany County Department of Social Services, 1 Frederick St., Cumberland, MD 21502

Register to Volunteer: Contact Kelsey Merkel at 301-722-3390 or info@alleganylaw.com.

ADDITIONAL OCTOBER SERVICE EVENTS:



Lawyer in the Library Penn North

Tuesday, October 3, 2017

1:30 PM -3:00 PM

Lawyer in the Library is a partnership between Maryland Legal Aid staff attorneys, law student volunteers, and pro bono attorneys. The team visits local libraries and provides brief civil legal advice. Additionally, full representation is provided in record expungement cases that can lead directly to increased access to employment and housing.

Sponsored by: Maryland Legal Aid, Enoch Pratt Free Library

Where: Enoch Pratt Free Library, 1531 W. North Ave, Baltimore, MD

Register to Volunteer: Contact Amy Petkovsek at <u>apetkovsek@mdlab.org</u> or 410-951-7813 or visit http://www.mdlab.org.



Charles County Foreclosure WEB Clinic

Wednesday, October 4, 2017

10:00 AM -3:00 PM

Attorneys will assist at clinics where homeowners will be able to walk in and get brief advice about their foreclosure issues.

Sponsored by: Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service,

Where: ONLINE – use email below to get more information.

Registration: Email Amy Hennen at ahennen@mvlslaw.orgto learn more and sign up.



Estate Planning Clinic

Friday, October 6, 2017

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Pro Bono Resource Center of Maryland presents an Estate Planning Clinic for seniors. Pro bono attorneys provide free wills, advance medical directives and powers of attorneys to Baltimore City seniors.

Sponsored by: Pro Bono Resource Center of Maryland, and Senior Legal Services

Where: Waxter Senior Center, 1000 Cathedral Street, Baltimore, MD 21201

Register to Volunteer: Volunteers contact Kiki Rist at krist@probonomd.org or call 443-703-3050. Estate planning training is available in advance if needed.



Foreclosure Solutions Workshop

Saturday, October 7, 2017

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Pro bono attorneys provide brief advice to distressed homeowners at risk of foreclosure.

Sponsored by: Pro Bono Resource Center of Maryland and Council Member Obie Patterson, District 8 of Prince George's county.

Where: Oxon Hill Branch Library, 6200 Oxon Hill Rd. Oxon Hill, MD, 20745

Register to Volunteer: Contact Sydney Dunning at sdunning@probonomd.org.



Expungement Clinic

Tuesday, October 10, 2017

3:00 PM (Walk-in Clients only)

Homeless Persons Representation Project presents an expungement clinic for walk-in clients. The first 15 people to sign-in are guaranteed intake. Intake begins at 4 PM.

Sponsored by: Homeless Persons Representation Project

Where: Our Daily Bread, 725 Fallsway, Baltimore, MD 21202

Register to Volunteer: Contact Swapna Yeluri at hprpprobono@hprplaw.org.



Expungement Clinic at Project Homeless Connect

Thursday, October 12, 2017

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Homeless Persons Representation Project presents an expungement clinic during the annual United Way "Project Homeless Connect" event.

Sponsored by: Homeless Persons Representation Project

Where: Baltimore Convention Center, Inner Harbor One, West Pratt Street, Baltimore, MD 21201

Registration: Volunteers contact Swapna Yeluri at hprpprobono@hprplaw.org.



BNI Presentation for Tenant/Landlord Rights

Friday, October 13, 2017

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

FREE presentation on tenant and landlord rights and responsibilities in the State of Maryland. Hosted by Carroll County Citizens Services.

Sponsored by: Baltimore Neighborhoods, Inc.

Where: Carroll County Commissioners Office, 225 N. Center St, Rm 003, Westminster, MD 21157

Registration: Attorneys register by contacting <u>ljackson@bni-maryland.org</u>.

Clients register - https://tenantlandlord-carrollcounty.eventbrite.com.



Screening Clinics with Catholic Charities of Baltimore

Saturday, October 14th, 2017

8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

Learn how to help immigrants with legal consultations.

Sponsored by: Catholic Charities of Baltimore, Gallagher, Evelius, & Jones LLP

Where: At Esperanza Center in Fell's Point, 430 S Broadway, Baltimore, MD 21231

Registration: Interested volunteers, email oabbas@cc-md.org.



DMV Immigration Alliance Consultation Clinics

Saturday, October 14th, 2017

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Learn how to help immigrants with legal consultations.

Sponsored by: Ayuda

Where: McCarrick Center, 12247 Georgia Ave, Silver Spring, MD 20902

Registration: Attorneys, use this link: https://goo.gl/forms/Y3FxMQJXeFmcgmLw2.



FREE Expungement and Legal Clinic Fair

Saturday, October 14th, 2017

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Legal Practitioners will be able to attend the Legal Fair to provide legal advice in different areas of the law. Legal Practitioners will also assist attendees with expunging their records.

Sponsored by: Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., Anne Arundel Local Pro Bono Committee, and Anne Arundel NAACP

Where: Freetown Boys and Girls Club, 7820 Darrell Henry, Pasadena, Maryland 21122

Registration: Attorneys, Ginina A. Jackson-Stevenson, Esq., 410-315-8051



Estate Planning Clinic

Wednesday, October 18, 2017

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Volunteer attorneys prepare wills, advance medical directives, and powers of attorney.

Sponsored by: Pro Bono Resource Center of Maryland, Senior Legal Services, and Civic Works

Where: Civic Works Clifton Mansion, 2701 St. Lo Dr., Baltimore, MD 21213

Register to Volunteer: Contact Kiki Rist at <u>krist@probonomd.org</u> or call 443-703-3050. Estate planning training is available in advance, if needed.



Ask a Lawyer in the Library

Wednesday, October 18, 2017

4:30 PM - 6:30 PM

Volunteer attorneys can talk to clients for up to 20 minutes about civil legal problems for free! (Client Sign-up at 4:15 p.m. for lottery to determine time slots.)

Sponsored by: Anne Arundel County Local Pro Bono Committee, and the Anne Arundel County Public Law Library, Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service

Where: Anne Arundel County Public Library, Glen Burnie Regional Library, 1010 Eastway, Glen Burnie, MD 21060

Registration: Attorneys register by using this link:

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/409084AA9A92FABFB6-homeless, OR contact Joan Bellistri, joan.bellistri@aacounty.org, 410-222-1387.



Anne Arundel Foreclosure Brief Advice Clinic

Wednesday, October 18, 2017

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

MVLS is seeking one to two volunteer attorneys on the third Wednesday of every month to provide brief legal advice to people seeking assistance with foreclosure. Consultations generally last for half an hour. Space for consultations is provided in the Law Library of the Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County. Administrative support for volunteers is provided by the Law Librarians, and MVLS remotely.

Sponsored by: Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service, and the Anne Arundel County Public Law Library

Where: Circuit Court Law Library, 8 Church Circle, Annapolis, MD 21401

Registration: Sign up online and email eried@mvlslaw.org with any questions



BNI Presentation for Tenant/Landlord Rights

Tuesday, October 24, 2017

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

FREE presentation on tenant and landlord rights and responsibilities in MD

Sponsored by: Baltimore Neighborhoods, Inc.

Where: C. Burr Artz Public Library Community Room, 110 E Patrick St, Frederick, MD 21701

Registration: Clients Register - https://fredericktl.eventbrite.com. Attorneys register by contacting

<u>ljackson@bni-maryland.org</u>



Baltimore City Foreclosure Brief Advice Clinic

Wednesday, October 25, 2017

3:00 PM - 6:00 PM

MVLS is seeking one to two volunteer attorneys on the third Wednesday of every month to provide brief legal advice to people seeking assistance with foreclosure. Consultations generally last for half an hour. Space for consultations is provided in the Law Library of the Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County. Administrative support for volunteers is provided by the Law Librarians, and MVLS remotely.

Sponsored by: Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service

Where: MVLS offices, 201 N. Charles St., Suite 1400, Baltimore, MD 21201

Registration: Sign up <u>online</u> and email <u>eriedl@mvlslaw.org</u> with any questions.



FREE Elder Law Seminar

Wednesday, October 25, 2017

11:00 AM- 12:00 PM

Attorneys will provide information and advice to seniors on wills, estates, and trusts, emphasizing the power of attorney and advance directives.

Sponsored by: Allegany Law Foundation

Where: Georges Creek Senior Center, 7 Hanekamp St., Lonaconing, MD 21539

Register to Volunteer: Contact Kelsey Merkel at info@alleganylaw.com or call 301-722-3390.



Anne Arundel County Homeless Resource Day

Saturday, October 28, 2017

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

A "one-day, one stop" opportunity for individuals and families experiencing homelessness to access benefits, medical care, substance use resources and mental health counseling as well as a variety of social services which can ultimately lead to housing and self-sufficiency. Volunteer attorneys will provide legal services.

Sponsored by: Anne Arundel County Local Pro Bono Committee

Where: Glen Burnie High School - 7550 Baltimore-Annapolis Blvd, Glen Burnie, MD

Registration: Clients register http://www.signupgenius.com/go/409084AA9A92FABFB6-homeless. **Attorneys** register by contacting Joan Bellistri, joan.bellistri@aacounty.org, 410-222-1387.



Volunteer attorneys can talk to clients for up to 20 minutes about civil legal problems for free! (Client Sign-up at 4:15 p.m. for lottery to determine time slots.)

Sponsored by: Anne Arundel County Local Pro Bono Committee, and the Anne Arundel County Public Law Library

Where: Anne Arundel County Public Library, Eastport-Annapolis Neck Community Library, 269 Hillsmere Drive, Annapolis, MD 21403

Registration: Attorneys register by contacting Joan Bellistri, joan.bellistri@aacounty.org, 410-222-1387. Clients sign up using this link https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1uStV5ZrYL-5j10Zykok 2KSIGPIT7xhBJSSSWhd2r8M/edit#gid=0.

EDUCATION EVENTS



October Education Events



Representing Consumers in District Court: Identifying Defenses and Affirmative Claims

Monday, October 16, 2017

11:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Join expert consumer law practitioners as they prepare you to defend, negotiate, and settle common types of debt collection cases in Maryland district court, including actions involving debt buyers, residential leases, and auto loans and auto repossession, as well as provide you with tips on the practical ways you can use affirmative claims to resolve your clients' cases.

Sponsored by: Pro Bono Resource Center of Maryland and Community Legal Services of Prince George's County

Where: Prince George's County Circuit Ct., Room M042, 14735 Main St., Upper Marlboro, MD 20772

Registration: Attorneys can register online at <u>probonomd.org/training</u>, for questions, please contact Caitlin Goldblatt at <u>cgoldblatt@probonomd.org</u>. Pro bono commitment required.

FOR MORE TRAININGS FOR ATTORNEYS VISIT: www.probonomd.org/training



WEBINAR: Avoiding Pro Bono Burnout

Thursday, October 19, 2017

12:00 PM - 1:30 PM

MVLS volunteer attorney Yollette Atkinson and staff attorney Ellyn Riedl will provide advice and tips for effective client management, setting boundaries, setting realistic expectations while being considerate of the numerous barriers a client has faced just to get to you, maintaining and managing contact, and managing disappointment. There is no cost for the webinar.

Sponsored by: Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service

Where: ONLINE

Registration: Sign up https://mvlslaw.org/events/list/



Best Practices in Family Law

Friday, October 20, 2017

2:00 PM -- 4:00 PM

The judges and Magistrates of the Circuit Court for Carroll County in conjunction with the Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service will present a Best Practice in Family Law discussion. Attendance is free and open to all practitioners, but lawyers who attend must accept 1 family law case (divorce or custody) from MVLS. The bench will discuss a variety of issues of interest to family law practitioners, offering valuable insight into how Carroll County Judges and Magistrates approach many of the thornier issues faced by family law attorneys. The bench invites and encourages your attendance at this program.

Sponsored by: Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service

Where: Jury Assembly Room on the 2nd Floor of the Courthouse Annex of Carroll County 55 N Court St, Westminster, MD 21157

Registration: Sign up https://mvlslaw.org/events/list/



New Expungement Law: Justice Reinvestment Act (JRA) WEBINAR Tuesday, October 24, 2017

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

This webinar will cover Maryland expungement law with an emphasis on the Justice Reinvestment Act which will allow certain convictions to be expunged starting on October 1, 2017. The webinar will be taught by Matthew Stubenberg, the IT Director/Staff Attorney at MVLS and the creator of MDExpungement.com. There is not cost for this webinar.

Sponsored by: Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service

Where: ONLINE

Registration: Sign up https://mvlslaw.org/events/list/

RECOGNITION EVENTS



October Recognition Events



Celebrate Pro Bono Annual Awards Ceremony

Wednesday, October 4, 2017

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service will host its annual awards ceremony to recognize the many pro bono attorneys who did exceptional work for MVLS in FY17. Event will include a networking our with formal presentation to follow.

Sponsored by: Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service

Where: American Visionary Art Museum, 800 Key Highway, Baltimore, MD 21230

Registration: Guests can register online at www.mvlslaw.org/cbp2017. Celebrate Pro Bono is a free event, but guests are invited to make a \$35 tax-deductible donation to MVLS.



Maryland Legal Aid's 25th Anniversary of being in Baltimore Thursday, October, 5, 2017

4:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Join Maryland Legal Aid for a celebratory re-dedication to their Baltimore City office building, honoring the culmination of several years of work by numerous people across the state. Many will be honored at the event and light refreshments will be served.

Sponsored by: Maryland Legal Aid

Where: 500 E. Lexington St., Baltimore, MD 21201

Registration: No registration required. Light refreshments will be served.



Joint James C. Cawood, Jr. Inns of Court and AABA Dinner Thursday, October, 5, 2017 5:45 PM - 8:30 PM

Presentation of the AABA President's Pro Bono Award.

Sponsored by: James C. Cawood, Jr. Inns of Court and Anne Arundel Bar Association

Where: Double Tree by Hilton, 210 Holiday Court, Annapolis, Maryland, 21401

Registration: Please RSVP by noon on Monday, October 2, 2017 by emailing

jessicakwisner@gmail.com. Cost for non-members: \$35.00.



Community Legal Services Celebration of Neal T. Conway's 22 Years of Dedication to Access to Justice

Tuesday, October 17, 2017 6:00 PM - 9:30 PM

A celebration including cash bar and guest speaker Timothy F. Maloney of Joseph, Greenwald & Laake, PA; business/cocktail attire, RSVP by September 29th.

Sponsored by: Community Legal Services of Prince George's County

Where: Greenbelt Marriott, 6400 Ivy Ln., Greenbelt, MD 20770

Registration: Call Jessica A. Quincosa, Esq. at 240-391-6532 EXT 4 or emailing quincosa@clspgc.org.



Pro Bono Volunteer Appreciation Reception & Awards Tuesday, October 24, 2017 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

A celebration of volunteer attorneys held by the Baltimore County Bar Association.

Sponsored by: Baltimore County Bar Association

Where: Pessin Katz Law, 901 Dulaney Valley Road, Ste. 400, Towson, MD 21204

Registration: Register to attend by contacting Doris Barnes, doris@bcba.org