

PRO BONO & PUBLIC SERVICE COMMITTEE

2015-2016 **REPORT**

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Attorneys & Staff Band Together to Support Alzheimer's Research & Care

Chicago, IL

Alzheimer's Disease continues to have a devastating effect on families across the country. With one out of every three seniors living with Alzheimer's or another form of dementia at the end of their lives, the families and other caregivers they rely upon are left needing assistance themselves. Families devote countless hours and extend other resources around the clock to help their loved ones live with the disease. (Cont. pg2)





Jason P. Eckerly Shareholder, Chicago Chair of the Pro Bono and Public Service Committee

Since its founding 30 years ago, Segal McCambridge has recognized the need to contribute to the betterment of our community through a commitment to pro bono and public service. The Pro Bono & Public Service Committee is charged with continuing this tradition. Through the years, our firm has donated its time and resources to over 130 legal and community organizations, with many of our attorneys serving in leadership positions.

This year's Pro Bono & Public Service Newsletter provides a glimpse of the diverse efforts of the firm to provide assistance to those in need. We hope you will be inspired by these efforts. On behalf of the Segal McCambridge Pro Bono & Public Service Committee, we wish to thank all of our attorneys, staff, clients, and friends for helping us make a difference in the lives of others. We hope to continue these efforts for another 30 years and beyond!

Austin Associate Robert Wall Obtains Declaratory Judgment In Pro Bono Case

Austin, TX



Robert G. Wall Associate, Austin

Austin Associate Robert Wall recently worked with Volunteer Legal Services of Central Texas and the Austin Bar Association to represent "Bob," a disabled man who was forced by his father to use trust money allotted to him for improper purposes.

Bob received a significant settlement as a child due to medical malpractice resulting in his disability. He received the funds from the settlement in a trust when he turned 18. At that time, Bob's father forced him to use the money to make payments on a mortgaged property where both Bob and his father lived. When the money from the trust ran out, Bob's father made Bob leave the property, so Bob lived in a tent in the woods for a year, subsisting on disability payments from the Social Security Administration. In 2014, the SSA cut off Medicaid coverage and benefits, demanding Bob repay more than \$30,000 in back benefits. Mr. Wall brought suit against Bob's father, and, after discovering Bob's father had no equity in the property, obtained a declaratory judgment finding that Bob never had a proper ownership interest in the property. The judgment allowed them to dispute the SSA's benefit denials.

Mr. Wall then used the declaratory judgement to explain to the SSA why it had wrongfully denied Bob benefits. The SSA agreed and reimbursed Bob for 18 months of unpaid benefits and canceled the back pay and penalties previously assessed against Bob. His benefits were reinstated going forward.

This positive result comes just before National Pro Bono Week (October 25-31) and shows how young lawyers can handle cases on their own, especially with the help of organizations like Volunteer Legal Services of Central Texas. Mr. Wall described the case as one of the highlights of his career.

Alzheimer's Research & Care cont.

At Segal McCambridge, our attorneys and staff have been brought together by the prevalence of family members who live with or who have lived with Alzheimer's and dementia. With their common goal of supporting those with Alzheimer's and dementia, attorneys and staff have put numerous hours into supporting the Alzheimer's Association. Throughout the past year, Segal McCambridge employees have worked together to raise money, attend events and lobby for change that will bring more funds to Alzheimer's research, care and support.



Marcus R. Morrow Associate, Chicago

"Almost everyone involved has at least one relative who has been diagnosed with Alzheimer's," says Chicago Associate Marcus Morrow. "It's one of the most prevalent and the most expensive disease in the United States, but also one of the least diagnosed."

Mr. Morrow is Executive Committee Member of the Board of Directors and the Director of Advocacy on the Junior Board of the Alzheimer's

Association. In these roles, he has worked on organizing the Paint the Night Purple Fundraiser, the Reason to Hope Fundraiser, the Alzheimer's Walk, and several lobbying events in both Springfield and Washington, D.C. Additional attorneys and staff involved in these fundraising efforts include: Chicago Shareholders Jill Felkins, Catherine Goldhaber, Jason Kennedy and Nancy Woodworth, Associates Mandy Black, Sarah Flohr, Nicole Luisi, Grace Mangieri, Ben Nellans, Shannon Strasser, Sara Strom, paralegals Amanda Przybycien, Maria Rito-Foukas, Darryl Ann Shaffer and staff members Monica Brewster, Peg Dore, Jennie Krueger and Jonathan Lee. They participated in events such as the Walk to End Alzheimer's on September 25, 2016. The Segal McCambridge team raised more than \$20,000 for the walk.

"A good group of

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to this cause because

so many people have

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Nancy S. Woodworth Shareholder, Chicago

become closer by talking about how we have been impacted by providing care for our family members."

The firm and its Pro Bono and Public Service Committee have assisted in the team's mission by sponsoring tables at the Reason to Hope business leader luncheon and by purchasing tickets for attorneys to attend the Paint the Night Purple event, each of which raised \$100,000 for Alzheimer's.

In addition to funds raised during the walk, Segal McCambridge employees raised \$15,000 throughout 2016, totaling an estimated \$35,000 in support of the Alzheimer's Association. But Mr. Morrow is hoping to make an even bigger impact through his lobbying efforts, which he hopes will increase funding for Alzheimer's research and care by \$300-\$350 million this year alone. He has participated in the Illinois Lobby Day in Springfield, the 3-Day DC Alz Lobbying Forum and weekly lobbying efforts to advocate increases in funding from local and federal representatives.

Mr. Morrow was also featured on WGN TV's Around Town segment to promote the Longest Day event, which you can view on his YouTube channel. He contributed an interview to an upcoming documentary called "My Alzheimer's" in honor of his grandmother, who recently passed away from complications with the disease.

Visit the Alzheimer's Association if interested in learning more or contributing.



Mary Dore, Peg Dore





Sarah Flohr, Melissa Hewitt



Pro Bono Family Law

Segal McCambridge New York Associate Obtains **Disability Benefits for Pro Bono Client**

New York City, NY



Joseph James Gianetti Associate, New York

Segal McCambridge New York Associate Joseph J. Gianetti obtained a favorable opinion for his pro bono client in a Supplemental Security Income and Social Disability Security matter in New York City.

Gianetti's client lost

his job after developing chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. He exhausted his savings and found himself homeless, spending several nights on the street before finding Urban Pathways, a provider of services for homeless individuals in New York. He spent many weeks at Urban Pathways making applications for Supplemental Security Income and Social Security Disability, which were all denied. The client reached out to Mr. Gianetti to help him prepare appeals after two years of being homeless.

Segal McCambridge Medical Legal Consultant Sophia Larig prepared a medical summary for Mr. Gianetti to present in his argument before the court. Mr. Gianetti proved that his client was in fact disabled and eligible to receive SSI and SSD benefits. In an eight-page opinion, the judge granted Mr. Gianetti's client's appeal and awarded him \$21,000 in arrears and \$820 per month moving forward. With this income and help from Project FIND, a service that helps older New Yorkers with services and support to find housing on Manhattan's West Side, Mr. Gianetti's client was able to move into a studio apartment at the Woodstock Hotel. The client now volunteers at the soup kitchen that originally connected him with Urban Pathways.

Twenty-one Segal McCambridge Attorneys Participate in Guardian Ad Litem Training Programs Chicago, IL



Mark Crane Shareholder, Chicago



Shareholder, Chicago

The Segal McCambridge Pro Bono and Public Service Committee collaborated with Chicago Volunteer Legal Services' (CVLS) Guardian ad litem program to provide training to 21 Segal McCambridge attorneys. As Guardians ad litem, attorneys represent the best interests of children or adults with disabilities who are involved in custody or guardianship cases. To further this goal, and to investigate the circumstances and environment to which the client is exposed, volunteer attorneys meet with the clients as well as family members, social workers and healthcare personnel. The Guardian ad litem will then make recommendations to the Court

based on their observations in order to attain the best possible living situation and guardian for the client involved.

CVLS offers to perform in-house training sessions for law firms that can field five or more volunteers. Segal McCambridge attorneys responded enthusiastically, with 21 volunteers attending interactive training sessions during the month of April. Attorneys involved include Christina Linsmeier, Laura Henneman, Sean Phillips, Grace Mangieri, Mandy Black, Alex Shadley, Lauren Zabrin, Jason Eckerly, Alex Dravillas, Sara Feld, Joyce Williams, Nicole Sorell, Joi Kamper, Sara Śtrom, Nicole Nystrom and Shannon Strasser. Chicago Shareholders Mark Crane and Jill Felkins have handled a number of Guardian ad litem cases in the past, and serve as mentors to those taking on cases for the first time.

Chicago Volunteer Legal Services is an organization of more than 2,300 volunteer attorneys who donate free legal services to thousands of low-income Chicagoans annually. The services are free and accessible.

New York Associate Nisha Lakhani Obtains **Additional Child Support for Pro Bono Client** New York City, NY



Nisha S. Lakhani Associate, New York

child support order, but was concerned that her voice was not being heard. In March 2016, Ms. Lakhani appeared in Kings County Family Court to argue for additional child support payments on behalf of her client, citing to respondent's increase in salary and lavish lifestyle as shown on his social media accounts.

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New York Associate The judge reserved decision and issued an Nisha Lakhani met order a few weeks later for the client to receive with Tamar Frank and \$600 in child support payment, a fourfold increase from the \$150 she was previously young receiving. The judge also ordered the one afternoon in the Segal respondent to pay the client \$4,800 in Respondent filed McCambridge NY retroactive payments. objections to the order, and Ms. Lakhani Office. Ms. Frank subsequently submitted rebuttal papers. The had appeared pro se judge issued a final child support order County Family Court and affirming his decision while citing language received an interim specifically from Ms. Lakhani's rebuttal papers.

> Ms. Lakhani was connected to her client through Her Justice, a New York City non-profit, that engages the talent and resources of New York City's law firms, bringing together committed lawyers and determined women to secure lifechanging results.

Settlements & Students

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Dennis Olive v. Edward Vlasak

Chicago, IL



Anastasios T. Foukas Associate, Chicago



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In February 2015, Mr. Olive was driving his 1998 Jeep when he was hit by a car driven by Edward Vlasak. Mr. Olive did not have comprehensive insurance and, as such, was not able to pay for the repairs on the Jeep. He initiated his lawsuit pro se and prevailed at Cook County Arbitration. When the Defendant who was represented by a local defense firm rejected the arbitration award, the case was set for trial and Mr. Olive sought pro bono legal assistance.

Mr. Foukas and Ms. Lozada were given the case about a month prior to the initial trial date. They met with Mr. Olive, interviewed his passenger and sent subpoenas to body shops at which Mr. Olive got estimates for the repairs. When opposing counsel saw Mr. Foukas and Ms. Lozada's preparation, they immediately asked for an opportunity to discuss settlement prior to beginning the trial. They were able to negotiate a favorable settlement on behalf of Mr. Olive and he has already received payment.

Segal McCambridge Founder Donald Segal Participates in Mikva Challenge

Chicago, IL



Donald Segal Of Counsel, Chicago

Don Segal, founding partner of Segal McCambridge, recently attended and participated in the Challenge Mikva Dinner, an event sponsored by Segal McCambridge that encourages Chicago high school students to get involved in a

variety of civic, school, community and political activities. Established in 1997, the Mikva Challenge focuses on informing, empowering and activating youth to become active community leaders. Every year, 6,000 students are involved and represent 110 schools across Chicago.

Mr. Segal has known Abner Mikva, for the Mikva whom Challenge is named, for several decades. The two met when Mr. Segal was a young attorney and Mr. Mikva was serving in the Illinois State House of Representatives. Mr. Mikva went on to become a U.S. Congressman, judge and thereafter, Chief Judge for the United States Court of Appeals and eventually, White

House Counsel for Bill Clinton. Mr. Segal admires Mr. Mikva's commitment to the education of young people on politics and the law.

Prior to the start of the dinner, Mr. Segal and his wife acted as judges at a fair where 60 Chicago High Schools presented current projects relevant to the Mikva mission. Showcased at the fair were projects related to immigration and anti-bullying issues and petitions to have better athletic facilities in city schools. As judges, Mr. Segal and his wife, interviewed participants, reviewed the projects and rated them. Mr. Segal was especially impressed by the submission of a Fenger High School junior who had committed his time to the school's Peace and Leadership Council to help address issues of attendance, the school lunch program and access to a school nurse as an alternative to getting involved in gangs and street activities.

Mr. Segal is a Pro Bono Mentor, having worked with Mikva students over the past year. He has been involved in teaching, peer juries, and other service programs on the South and West Sides of Chicago. Most recently, Mr. Segal conducted interviews with candidates seeking the "Youth Change-Maker Award," where citywide participants competed to receive awards, including Electoral Politics Change-Maker, Education Change-Maker, and Peace and



Public Safety Change-Maker. Being a product of Chicago Public Schools and having two sons who attended public schools, Mr. Segal is committed to bettering public education. In furtherance of his commitment, Mr. Segal encourages young lawyers to get involved with programs like the Mikva Challenge as he believes they are apt to relate to the issues facing these public school students.

Over the past several years, the Challenge has received sponsorships from several corporations. Segal McCambridge is one of just a few law firms to get involved in the cause.

Special Projects

Segal McCambridge Chicago Team Works on Behalf of Prisoner Who May Have Received Inadequate Medical Treatment

Chicago, IL

Chicago Shareholder Catherine Goldhaber represented Nathaniel Green, a prisoner at the Federal Correctional Institution at Greenville, IL, in his allegation that inadequate medical treatment led to the amputation of his leg above the knee in the case of Nathaniel Green v. U.S.A., et al. Ms. Goldhaber, along with Chicago Associate Anastasios Foukas, was able to secure an expert vascular surgeon that linked the prison staff's inadequate diagnosis to the progression of his disease, which ultimately led to his surgery. The expert also opined that the vascular surgeon who performed the surgery, Dr. Oak, did not meet the standard of care and his negligence ultimately led to the need for amputation.

Ms. Goldhaber and Mr. Foukas filed an amended complaint naming the physician as another defendant. That physician filed a motion to dismiss for lack of personal jurisdiction because he was a Missouri resident, licensed in Missouri who only practiced and saw Mr. Green within the state of Missouri. The Segal McCambridge team responded to the motion and were initially successful. Dr. Oak filed a motion to reconsider and the court has reconsidered the ruling and is requiring Ms. Goldhaber and Mr. Foukas to engage in discovery with Dr. Oak to determine if he had the requisite minimum contacts with the State of Illinois to allow the matter to proceed against him.



Catherine E. Goldhaber *Shareholder, Chicago*



Anastasios T. Foukas Associate, Chicago

Segal McCambridge New York Office Hires Legal Interns Through Thurgood Marshall Summer Internship Program

New York City, NY

The New York office of Segal McCambridge has hired two new interns through the Thurgood Marshall Summer Law Internship Program. The interns, Lianna Dumeng and Leon Alper, will work with East Coast Office/HR Manager Matt Frederick and Litigation Support Project Manager Gabriel Cubero on various legal document support projects throughout the office.

The Thurgood Marshall Summer Law Internship Program places high-achieving inner-city high school students with legal employers for the summer. It is supported by the New York City Bar in an effort to enhance diversity in the legal profession. Students are selected to participate based on personal interviews and academic excellence. In addition to their work within the firm, the interns attend a law class at Columbia University and a diverse career opportunities panel, and participate in a mock trial and a job shadow week.

After just a few weeks on the job, Dumeng says she has already learned much more than she would have thought through her internship.

"Being exposed to actual everyday legal procedures has been especially eye-opening.

It has greatly intrigued me how much you may learn when you are involved with a very specific type of law such as asbestos litigation," she says. "Being able to work alongside incredibly knowledgeable, but also incredibly friendly attorneys, paralegals, and legal assistants has been wonderful."

Alper also says he was surprised by how involved he is able to become in the details of the cases Segal McCambridge attorneys are working on.

"For starters, I have learned just how vital doing adequate research is for every case. Knowing background information as well as underlying details can be all that is needed to make a major discovery about the case's future prospects," Alper says. "Along the same lines, the need for continuous communication between clients and representatives has become apparent as I indexed massive files full of important documents and conversations."

Both interns worked with the firm until school resumed in August.

Michigan Shareholder Alan Taylor Negotiates Resolution in Ministries' Landlord/Tenant Dispute

Detroit, MI

In April 2015, Grace and Truth Ministries was sued by its previous landlord after voluntarily vacating the location it used as its church. The building had significant plumbing related issues which Grace & Truth Ministries paid to fix out of its own funds before opting to terminate the lease and move its congregation to a new location.

Grace & Truth Ministries withheld rent based on its out-of-pocket costs to fix the plumbing issues and other related maintenance items that it needed to expend to keep the leasehold premises in an acceptable condition. After vacating, Grace & Truth Ministries was sued by the landlord for non-payment of rent. Segal McCambridge client Signature Associates, Inc., asked Michigan Shareholder Alan Taylor to help resolve the dispute on a pro bono basis. Over the course of the next two months, he successfully litigated/

negotiated a mutually agreeable resolution of the matter avoiding trial and providing closure to Grace & Truth Ministries.



Shareholder, Detroit

Supporting Local & National Non-Profits

Segal McCambridge Michigan Office Joins Forgotten Harvest in Feeding Families in Need

Detroit, MI

On December 11, 2015, eleven attorneys and professionals from Segal McCambridge's Michigan office spent the day at Forgotten Harvest(Detroit) bagging 8,000 pounds of potatoes for Detroit-area families in need. This is the fourth consecutive year the firm's Michigan team has participated in this holiday activity.

"The most rewarding part of volunteering is knowing that the food we are packaging is going directly to food pantries, shelters, soup kitchens and group homes for Metro-Detroit families and individuals who wouldn't normally have access to fresh, healthy food because it is either unavailable or unaffordable to them." says Legal Secretary Kelly Solak, who organized the event this year. "It is also an opportunity for our office to get together outside of the work environment and interact in a relaxed, fun environment while helping the community."

Forgotten Harvest was formed in 1990 280 and assists agencies throughout the metropolitan



The organization rescues 41 Detroit area. million pounds of food annually by collecting surplus prepared and perishable foods from 800 sources, including grocery stores, fruit and vegetable markets, restaurants, caterers, dairies and farmers. Forgotten Harvest then delivers the food to agencies throughout Wayne, Oakland and Macomb Counties.

This year's Segal McCambridge volunteers included Trish Basiaga, Eric Conn, Hilary Haber, Amy Johnson, Micki Rubenstein, Lauren Saad, Lisa Slicker, Kelly Solak, Mark Steiner and Alan Taylor,. The Michigan office plans to continue this tradition once again during the holidays in 2016.



Detroit's Alan Taylor, Mark Steiner, Micki Rubenstein, Kelly Solak, Trish Basiaga, Amy Johnson, Lisa Slicker, Eric Conn, Hllary Haber, Lauren Saad

Segal McCambridge Sponsors 2016 Southwest Youth of the Year Awards Firmwide



and Joseph Cagnoli attended the event in Dallas. This is Segal McCambridge's third year sponsoring the Boys and Girls Clubs of America event.



Jeffrey Singer Named to Eisenhower **Fellowships Board** of Trustees

Chicago, IL



Founding Shareholder Jeffrey Singer has been selected to serve as a Board Trustee for the Eisenhower Fellowships, an organization established in

Jeffrey Singer Shareholder, Chicago

1953 to celebrate Dwight D. Eisenhower's first birthday in the White House and to honor the President's devotion to World Peace. Since its inception, Eisenhower Fellowships has remained a private, non-profit, non-partisan organization committed to advancing leaders from around the world in their chosen fields. Once selected, Fellows travel to take part in individualized programs where they perform research and studies focused on business concepts and new technologies, among other subjects. The selection process crosses national borders and seeks Fellows who will challenge themselves, further positive change and engage others to better the world around them. As a Board Trustee, Mr. Singer will support both the mission and the strategic direction of the organization. Former Secretary of State Colin Powell serves as the current Chairman of the Board of Trustees. Previously, The Board has included former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and former President George H.W. Bush. Currently, there are 43 Fellow chapters and associations throughout the world.

Several attorneys from Segal McCambridge, including Jeffrey Singer, Walter "Pete" H. Swayze, Megan Grossman, Peter Strelitz

Segal McCambridge was a benefactor sponsor

of the Boys and Girls Clubs of America's 2016

Southwest Youth of the Year celebration at the

Hilton Anatole in Dallas, TX on June 20, 2016.

The event raised a grand total of nearly \$3

million, which will support the work of the Boys

and Girls Clubs of America and scholarships for the Southwest Youth of the Year Honorees.

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International Pro Bono Matters

Attorney John Lee Represents Former Mayor in Human Rights Case

Chicago, IL



John Lee Associate, Chicago

2015/141) on June 23, 2016 in San Jose, Costa Rica. Mr. Lee, in association with Notre Dame Law Professor Doug Cassel, has been handling Sra. Andrade's case before the Inter-American Commission of Human Rights ("Inter-American Commission"), and more recently the Inter-American Court, for more than 15 years.

Sra. Andrade, who was mayor of La Paz, Bolivia from 1999 to 2000, was one of the first female mayors of a major Latin American city. After uncovering elements of corruption in the La Paz city government, Ms. Andrade was accused of corruption herself, with six criminal cases being opened against her. Eventually, she spent more than six months in prison and endured onerous precautionary measures that, until just recently, placed severe restrictions on her freedom of movement and her ability to earn a living.

After exhausting all possibilities for relief from the government of Bolivia, Sra. Andrade turned to the Inter-American Commission for assistance, filing a petition with the help of the Northwestern University Center for International Human Rights in June 2002. Professor Cassel, who was director of the Northwestern Center at the time, brought on Mr. Lee, who had recently finished law school, to assist him in the case.

After more than 10-years of ultimately failed negotiations with the Bolivian government to resolve the case, conducted by Mr. Lee, former US Ambassador Robert Gelbard, the Inter-

American Commission, and Sra. Andrade's attorney in Bolivia Coty Krsul, the Commission forwarded Sra. Andrade's case to the Inter-American Court in February 2015. As stated by the Commission, the Andrade case against Bolivia, "will enable the Inter-American Court to delve deeper into the application of specific criteria related to the right to be prosecuted within a reasonable period, particularly in cases with multiple defendants. This case also offers the Court an opportunity to analyze the limitations stemming from the adoption of precautionary measures in the context of a criminal case, as well as the circumstances under which such limitations are compatible with the American Convention on Human Rights."

Pictures and video of the hearing are available at the Inter-American Court website: Under *Caso Andrade Salmon v. Bolivia.* Mr. Lee anticipates that the Court will issue a ruling in Sra. Andrade's case by the end of the year.



Segal McCambridge

Associate John Lee

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Chicago Attorneys Volunteer at Misericordia Heart of Mercy

Chicago, IL

Chicago attorneys Mandy Black, Melissa Fallah, Laura Henneman, Elangie Lozada, JOrdan Pack, Sean Phillips, Nicole Sorell and Shannon Strasser, along with Marketing Coordinator Kathleen Kenney, spent the day volunteering at Misericordia Heart of Mercy on the north side of Chicago on November 17, 2015. The team worked in the Hearts & Flour Bakery, where they baked and packaged a variety of treats that would be sold over the holiday season to support Misericordia.

Misericordia offers a community of care that maximizes potential for persons with mild to profound developmental disabilities, many of whom are also physically challenged. About 600 children and adults live on its 31-acre Chicago campus. Many of its residents work either on or off-campus.

Segal McCambridge Chicago attorneys and staff have been volunteering at Misericordia each year for the past seven years. Chicago Shareholder Melissa Fallah started the initiative because Misericordia was close to her heart. When she was a child, friends of her family had a child who lived on the campus.

The Pro Bono and Public Service Committee is volunteering at Misericordia again in December 2016.



Chicago Shareholder Catherine Goldhaber Joins Board of Chicago Legal Clinic

Chicago, IL



Catherine E. Goldhaber *Shareholder, Chicago*

Segal McCambridge Chicago Shareholder Catherine Goldhaber has ioined the General Board of the Chicago Legal Clinic. Ms. Goldhaber has long been impressed with the work Chicago Legal Clinic has performed within and Chicago is

excited to be involved at a leadership level within the group.

The Chicago Legal Clinic served more than 38,750 clients last fiscal year, providing free or low-cost legal services to individuals who cannot afford a private attorney. Services provided ranged from immigration assistance to domestic violence cases to landlord-tenant disputes. The Clinic was started in 1981, and has since helped hundreds of thousands of people receive legal aid when they most need it.

The Pro Bono and Public Service Committee (PBPSC)

Charged with promoting the firm's pro bono efforts and increasing our commitment to pro bono and community service. The PBPSC meets monthly and establishes community service policies on a firmwide basis. The PBPSC is composed of the following members from several of our offices:

Chair Jason P. Eckerly Shareholder

Mentor Donald Segal Of Counsel & Founding Member

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John J. Kohnke Of Counsel

John A. Lee Associate Detroit Representative Eric P. Conn Associate

Kerry Rhoads-Reith Shareholder Jersey City Representatives Stephanie A. DeVos Associate

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