

COVID-19 Pro Bono Volunteer Opportunities (as of 5/4/2020)

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Central Louisiana Pro Bono Project Rapides, Vernon, and Avoyelles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ongoing: Self-Help Desk, 2nd Friday of every month, 2 hours, notary and advice for legal docs - Need help reaching more of the public under the quarantine orders - Would like to add more Pro Bono Attorneys to work files 	Laura Swantner probonopro.laura@yahoo.com (318)449-9778
Justice and Accountability Center of Louisiana New Orleans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expungement and re-entry legal clinics held virtually - More information on volunteer opportunities is here 	Joshua Branch Joshua@JACLouisiana.org (504) 322 4050
Lafayette Bar Association and Foundation Lafayette, Acadia and Vermilion Parishes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pro bono cases and online legal information seminars - Focus on presenting legal information seminars to the public. 	Marilyn Lopez 337-237-4700 ext 102 marilyn@lafayettebar.org
Louisiana Appleseed (statewide)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 22+ volunteer projects available, ranging from 3-10 hours' commitment - Example tasks: developing a bulletin educating landlords on eviction moratorium compliance, developing scripts to help DV clients navigate the court system, researching a memo on best practices for client access in the prison system, and more - Full list of opportunities available at: https://www.louisianaappleseed.org/volunteer 	Register online , then email Adrienne Wheeler at awheeler@louisianaappleseed.org with your preferred volunteer project.
Louisiana State Bar Association – LA.FreeLegalAnswers.org	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Free Legal Answers is an online platform that allows attorneys to volunteer their legal expertise virtually to low income users who post civil legal questions to the site. 	Sign up online here or contact Rachael.Mills@lsba.org or 504-619-0104
New Orleans Pro Bono Project Orleans and Jefferson parishes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Immediate need: attorneys to take phone consultations - Producing videos, live stream, and use other technologies to inform the public on legal resources (e.g., tutorials, clinics, Q&A); Learn more by watching this video 	Sign up to take phone consultations here . Other volunteer opportunities are listed here . Kathleen Legendre, klegendre@probono-no.org 504-881-8867

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Orleans Public Defenders Orleans Parish	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Release Consortium: providing limited scope representation for new arrestees, including advocacy in bond reductions, releases, and first appearances. Mostly remote unless a client meeting (via video) or a visit at the jail is necessary. Training provided. - Representation Consortium: representing clients throughout the life of the case. Must be a qualified criminal defense attorney with minimal need for training. 	Sign up here to volunteer for either consortium. Amelia Hoppe ahoppe@opdla.org
Southeast Louisiana Legal Services (SLLS) 22 parishes in Southeast LA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Legal advice via email, phone, skype or other online tools - Research, co-counseling, and extended services - Learn more here 	Attorney contact: Elena Perez eperez@slls.org 504-529-1000 x231 Student contact: Rebecca Rubenstein volunteer@slls.org
SLLS Northshore Pro Bono Project St. Tammany and Washington parishes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Serving clients via email, phone/text, Skype or other videoconferencing tools, Online Intake - Service area includes St. Tammany, Tangipahoa, and Washington Parishes 	Cynthia Bordonaro cbordonaro@slls.org 985-893-0076 x 519
Southwest Louisiana Bar Foundation Allen, Beauregard, Calcasieu, Cameron and Jefferson Davis parishes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Research/document preparation; FAQ/charts on COVID-19 related legal issues in various areas of practice - Telephone/virtual advice clinics - Representation in non-fee generating civil cases using virtual meetings and e-signatures 	Volunteer sign-up form here . Executive Director, Leslie Mize Leslie@swlabf.org 337.564.6413: Main Office 337.936.1015: Cell
Southwest Louisiana Law Center Located in Lake Charles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Need attorneys to take on cases - Operating by phone for initial inquiry, then e-mail intake, then phone appointment 	Mark Judson mjudson@swla-law-center.com 337-436-3308

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