



# Voluntary Pro Bono Reporting Form

Historically, the need for legal services for the indigent has, in part, been met by attorneys donating their services. Providing pro bono services has become a practice which many attorneys consider an individual ethical commitment. It is not only a commitment, but a responsibility of each attorney in Louisiana. Louisiana's Rule 6.1 of Professional Conduct provides as much, and establishes an aspirational goal for every attorney to provide 50 hours of pro bono service each year.

This form has been designed to provide you with an opportunity to share information about the valuable legal services you perform as an attorney in your community. The information will give a more accurate picture of the amount of good work Louisiana attorneys are doing in their communities. Your responses can help improve pro bono services as well as enhance the public image of attorneys in Louisiana, by providing greater publicity about pro bono efforts.

Based on the definition provided in Rule 6.1 of the Rules of Professional Conduct, below, we would appreciate your providing us with the number of hours of pro bono legal services you will have performed in the 12 month period beginning July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010.

## Your participation is voluntary.

I have personally provided \_\_\_\_\_ hours of pro bono legal services in the 12 month period beginning July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.

Name & Bar Roll # \_\_\_\_\_

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### Louisiana State Bar Association's Rules of Professional Conduct Rule 6.1: Voluntary Pro Bono Publico Service

Every lawyer should aspire to provide legal services to those unable to pay. A lawyer should aspire to render at least (50) hours of pro bono publico legal services per year. In fulfilling this aspirational goal, the lawyer should:

- (a) provide a substantial majority of the (50) hours of legal services without fee or expectation of fee to:
  - (1) persons of limited means or;
  - (2) charitable, religious, civic community, governmental and educational organizations in matters that are designed primarily to address the needs of persons of limited means; and
- (b) provide any additional services through:
  - (1) delivery of legal services at no fee or substantially reduced fee to individuals, groups or religious, civic, community, governmental and educational organizations in matters in furtherance of their organizational purposes, where the payment of standard legal fees would significantly deplete the organization's economic resources or would be otherwise inappropriate;
  - (2) delivery of legal services at a substantially reduced fee to persons of limited means; or
  - (3) participation in activities for improving the law, legal system or the legal profession.

If you are interested in knowing more about pro bono opportunities in your community, **Contact: The Access to Justice Program, Monte T. Mollere, Director, 601 St. Charles Ave., New Orleans, Louisiana 70130. Phone (504) 566-1600. Fax (504) 566-0930 or visit our Web site at: [www.lsba.org/atj](http://www.lsba.org/atj).**

**Pro Bono Hours can also be reported electronically at**  
***[www.lsba.org/pbreporting](http://www.lsba.org/pbreporting)***