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Attorney Volunteers Needed for Statewide Pro Bono Events in October

Volunteers needed for the LSBA's Lawyers in Libraries 2025 events, which are taking place October 20-25, 2025, in conjunction with National Celebrate Pro Bono Week. During this week, libraries will be hosting 2-hour "Ask-a-Lawyer" sessions where patrons can ask legal questions in a one-on-one setting. These sessions will be offered in person at libraries across the state and by phone for those who may be unable to participate in person. Attorney volunteers are still needed for programs in several parishes, including: Ascension, Assumption, Bossier, Caddo, Calcasieu, Cameron, Concordia, Franklin, Iberville, Jefferson. Lafavette. Lafourche. Lincoln, Morehouse, Natchitoches, Orleans. Ouachita. Plaquemines. Point Coupee, Rapides, St. Charles, St. Helena, St. James, St. John, St. Mary,

St. Tammany, Terrebonne, Vernon, Washington, & West Baton Rouge.

"Ask-A-Lawyer" consultations are in 2-hour time slots. Individual events are scheduled based on attorney preference and library availability. To volunteer, go to https://lil.ivolunteer.com/2025. The deadline to register is Sept. 12, 2025.

INSTRUCTIONS: To volunteer, please select the library branch from the dropdown menu, then select date(s) and time(s) to volunteer, and provide the required information. If volunteering for a virtual event, please select the "Virtual Calendar" from the drop-down menu. Please note that additional library schedules are forthcoming. For more information, go to www.LouisianaLawyersinLibraries.org. or contact Bridget Berins at Bridget.Berins@lsba.org. ◆

VOLUNTARY PRO BONO REPORTING



Snap the above with your mobile device or click to visit

www.lsba.org/ProBono/ ProBonoVoluntaryReporting.aspx

OCTOBER 20-25, 2025

Make a real impact in just 2 hours.
Volunteer with Lawyers in Libraries to offer brief, one-on-one legal consultations to library patrons across Louisiana—either in person or by phone.

Bring Justice to Your Local Library! Sign up at lil.ivolunteer.

lil.ivolunteer. com/2025





Keep Going Strong: LSBA's "25 in 2025" Initiative

There are many ways to support the LSBA's 25 in 2025 pledge to complete 25 probono hours next year. Here are two:

Volunteer just 2 hours for Lawyers in Libraries, October 20–25: https://lil.ivolunteer.com/2025

Find a case or project at www.probono.net/la

Pro bono work strengthens communities, delivers access to justice, and offers personal and professional rewards—enhancing your legal skills, expanding your network, supporting your well-being, and elevating the legal profession. ◆



A FREE ONLINE FORUM FOR CIVIL LEGAL QUESTIONS

Allows volunteers to:

- Log in whenever/wherever
- Choose the question you answer and respond anonymously
- Receive training and access to resources
- Be covered by malpractice insurance

For more info, contact Rachael Mills ATJ Projects Counsel rachael.mills@lsba.org or call 504.619.0104.

ATTORNEYS

EXPAND YOUR IMPACT. GROW YOUR PRACTICE. JOIN THE MODEST MEANS ONLINE LEGAL DIRECTORY TODAY

1.4 million Louisianans fall into the "justice gap"—they earn too much to qualify for free legal aid but cannot afford traditional legal fees. You can help.

The LSBA Modest Means Directory connects these individuals with attorneys who provide affordable services, such as flat fees, sliding scale rates, limited scope representation, or other reduced-cost options. If you're in good standing and want to serve clients below 400% of the Federal Poverty Level, we invite you to join the Modest Means Directory where you can make a difference while expanding your client base.

FIND OUT MORE! CONTACT

Emily Belanger, ATJ Projects Counsel at emily.belanger@lsba.org
Or for more information online, visit

www.lsba.org/ATJCommission/ModestMeans.aspx





Legal Symposium Commemorating Hurricane Katrina

On Thursday, August 28, 2025, the Legal Symposium Commemorating Hurricane Katrina was held at Entergy Headquarters to mark the 20th anniversary of the storm's devastating impact. Hosted by Southeast Louisiana Legal Services, Entergy, The Pro Bono Project, and the Louisiana State Bar Association's Access to Justice Program, this landmark event convened legal professionals, policymakers, and community leaders to reflect on the storm's far-reaching

legal consequences. The well-attended program featured powerful keynote addresses, dynamic panel discussions, and moving community storytelling, all centered on the legal challenges, policy reforms, and resiliency efforts that have shaped the region in the two decades since Katrina. The symposium served as both a remembrance and a call to action, underscoring the continued importance of equitable legal access in the face of disaster. •



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