EIGHTEENTH Judicial Circuit Pro Bono Committee

PUBLIC INTEREST LAW INITIATIVE (PILI)

Illinois Forum on Pro Bono

June 7, 2017

The Future of Pro Bono and How You Can Help

Join pro bono stakeholders from a cross-section of our legal community to discuss timely pro bono issues and share pro bono best practices.

Wednesday, June 7, 2017
3:00-5:00 p.m., with reception immediately following
DuPage County Bar Association
126 South County Farm Road, Wheaton, Illinois

Almost 37% of Illinois' citizens are low-income, with 6.3% of the total population living in extreme poverty. This panel discussion will explore the need for free legal assistance for individuals and families living in poverty in the Eighteenth Judicial Circuit, ways in which the community is pulling together to try to address that need, rules of professional conduct that are relevant to pro bono practice, and strategies for making a difference.

Following the panel discussion, attendees will participate in small group discussions focused on identifying barriers and obstacles to pro bono, sharing best practices, and developing strategies to enhance and expand pro bono.

Participants are invited to attend a networking reception immediately following the program to celebrate the significant pro bono being done in DuPage County, and the launch of the Eighteenth Judicial Circuit Pro Bono Committee.

PRESENTERS:

Michael G. Bergmann, Executive Director, Public Interest Law Initiative (PILI)
Honorable Robert Gibson, Judge, Eighteenth Judicial Circuit
Cecilia Najera, Legal Aid Director, DuPage Bar Legal Aid Service
Marisa Wiesman, Managing Attorney, Prairie State Legal Services

Organizers are applying for **2.0 hours of Illinois MCLE professional responsibility credit** for this free program.

Advance registration is required at www.dcba.org/event/ProBonoWS
or visit www.pili.org/18thcircuit for more information.

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