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Pro Bono: Do What You Know to Help Promote Access to Justice

Tuesday, October 24, 2023

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. (Eastern time)

Zoom Webinar

This program will provide an overview of how attorneys can become involved in promoting access to justice through a variety of pro bono opportunities available at Volunteer Lawyers for Justice. If you are looking to give back and utilize your skills in an area that you already practice, there is a pro bono opportunity that is right for you! Cases will be made available after this program. The program will also provide an overview of relevant NJ court rules, ethics opinions, and rules of professional conduct related to pro bono practice and poverty law.

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AGENDA

- 12:00 PM Welcome/Introductions (5 minutes)**
- 12:05 PM The Benefits of Pro Bono Work (10 minutes)**
- 12:15 PM Factors to Consider When Selecting a Pro Bono Program (10 minutes)**
- 12:25 PM Choose a Program that Works for You (10 minutes)**
- 12:35 PM Expectations of Ethical Pro Bono Volunteers (15 minutes)**
- 12:50 PM VLJ Pro Bono Volunteer Experience (20 minutes)**
- 1:10 PM Next Steps/Q&A (15 minutes)**
- 1:25 PM Concluding Remarks (5 minutes)**
- 1:30 PM Adjourn**

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