

**State Bar of Wisconsin Pro Bono Awards**  
**Nomination Information**

Each year, the State Bar's Legal Assistance Committee reviews nominations for a pro bono award to recipients in following categories:

- Individual attorney(s) in private practice, corporate practice, or employed by a government office or agency;
- A private law firm, organization or association

Awards are conferred at the Volunteer Lawyers Recognition Celebration during the State Bar's Annual Convention.

**Criteria:** In making its decisions on the Pro Bono Awards, the Legal Assistance Committee will consider whether the nominee has:

- Demonstrated dedication to the development and delivery of legal services to the poor,
- Contributed significantly toward developing innovative ways to deliver volunteer legal services;
- Participated in an activity that resulted in satisfying previously unmet legal needs or extending legal services to an underserved segment of the population;
- Handled pro bono cases that favorably affected the provision of services to the poor;
- Worked on legislation that contributed substantially to legal services to the poor;
- Made an outstanding effort to provide legal services to an underserved segments of the population; or
- Any combination of these contributions.

**Nominations:** Nominations may be submitted using the form provided by the Legal Assistance Committee or a letter that provides similar information. Nominations must be received by the second Friday in January and will be considered only if accompanied by sufficient documentation supporting the nomination. Examples of supporting documentation include:

- A written summary of the pro bono service or services provided by the nominee, or a description of the nominee's commitment to the provision of pro bono civil legal services;
- The nominee's resume or curriculum vitae;
- Newspaper, newsletter, or magazine articles documenting the nominee's service, or brochures about the nominee's work or the organization with which the nominee is affiliated;
- Testimonials or letters of support or recommendations from clients who have been helped by the nominee; and
- Letters of support or recommendations from colleagues and persons with whom the nominee has worked in providing pro bono services.

**Additional information:** Current voting members of the State Bar's Legal Assistance Committee are not eligible to receive a pro bono award; however, non-voting member participants are eligible. Legal services offices are not eligible to receive an award in the law firm category. Send nomination materials and supporting documentation to:

Pro Bono Coordinator  
State Bar of Wisconsin  
P.O. Box 7158  
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608-257-5502 (fax)  
[probono@wisbar.org](mailto:probono@wisbar.org)

# Pro Bono Awards Nomination Form

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**Person submitting nomination:**

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_

Name	
Organization	
Address	
Phone	
Email	

**Nominee:**

Name	
Organization	
Address	
Phone	
Email	

**Nominated for:**

- Pro Bono Award for a Private, Government or Corporate Practitioner
- Pro Bono Award for a Law Firm, Organization or Association

Reasons for nomination (you may attach additional materials):