

	Anne Arundel County Local Pro Bono Committee Meeting Minutes <i>DRAFT</i>	
Date:	September 26, 2022	
Time:	12:15	
Location:	ZOOM	
Attendees:	xTasnima Apol, Chair ☐ Anita Bailey xJoan Bellistri ☐ Justin Bieler ☐ Hon. Mark Crooks xShantell Davenport (Kim Klein alt) xAlex Athans (YWCA) xErin Gable ☐ Kim Klein xKathy Hughes (CLS) ☐ Hon. Michael Malone xDenis O'Connell	☐ Jonathan Pasterick ☐ Jessica Quincosa (CLS) xHon. Eileen Reilly xLisa Sarro xGinina Stevenson, Vice Chair xJoy Stinson ☐ Hon. Robert Thompson ☐ Hon. Cathleen Vitale ☐ Guest ☐ Guest:
<u>Minutes</u>		<u>Related Action Items</u>

- Approval of Minutes
 - [Minutes 2022 07 25](#) *draft* **APPROVED**
- Education and Outreach
 - Inn of Court

Chambers Chats are back. The next will be on October 6 with Judge Malone at the Bowman Jarashow Law Firm on West St. at 12:00. Lunch will be served. RSVP is requested. Tasnima has a conflict and cannot attend.

Meetings are also being held again. Tasnima will be attending and can provide information on pro bono opportunities.

Volunteer is needed to provide Pro Bono message at the chat.

Joanie will prepare a handout for distribution at the meetings.

Opportunities that were discussed included Lawyer in the Library, MVLS, PBRC, the Maryland Court Help Centers via phone and chat, and using the Call to Action link..

- AABA - Articles for the Barrister

There is one article in draft form that describes the work of the Committee. Other topics were suggested:

Erin - work of Affordable Law Task Force

Joanie - pro bono and Lawyer in the Library volunteers and hours

- Projects

- Family Law Skills and Study Group

Pro Bono case form Anne Arundel is not always required.

Current mentees have cases from MLA, MVLS and

Mid-shore pro bono. Use of the remote format for meetings allows for easy sharing of information

- Lawyer in the Library - volunteers

Volunteers will be needed starting in 2023. All slots through 2022 have been filled. Steve Migdal still responsible for the majority of sessions.

- Old Business

- Composition of Committee

Judge Crooks established at the last Meeting that Jonathan Pasterick is the AABA Office member

- AACC Clinic and Legal Workshops

Erin Gable reported that Federal funding and physical space has been secured. A clinic coordinator still needs to be hired. The position should be announced soon with a goal that the clinic will start in early 2023.

Legal workshops are now on hold until staffing issues can be addressed.

- Eviction collateral issues assistance

A possible opportunity to help with shielding.

- Call to Action

<https://probonomd.org/call-to-action/>

Kathy will talk to Jessica, the CLS Executive Director, about volunteering for CLS.

Joanie will review and finalize the first article.

Joanie will create a 2023 volunteer request.

A special invitation should be sent to Jonathan for the next meeting.

Kathy will investigate volunteer opportunities.

Call to Action will be added to the volunteer opportunity list.

- New Business

- [Pro Bono Award](#)

- Pro Bono Award 2022 Nomination Form
<https://forms.gle/XSAG4WLtpLvbQdte7>

Form was finalized with deadline of October 21 and announcement during Pro Bono Week, 10/23 -10/29.

- [Pro Bono Celebration](#)

- **RECRUITMENT** was discussed and will be the topic of future meeting. Committee needs include:
 - support of bench and AABA
 - collaboration with community leaders
 - frustration
 - inability of small providers such as CLS to provide assistance with training, management, case oversight and coordination

Joanie will get completed form to Committee for distribution to AABA and Inn of Court.

The committee will look for a method for the bench to acknowledge the award..

Next Meeting: November 28, 2022