

2010 Pro Bono Awards NOMINATION FORM

Pro bono awards are presented to attorneys, law firms, or attorney organizations that do exemplary pro bono work. The awards are sponsored by the Multnomah Bar Association, Multnomah Bar Association Young Lawyers Section, Legal Aid Services of Oregon, and the Oregon Law Center. Awards will be presented at the MBA Annual Meeting and Dinner.

Award Categories

- **Senior Law Project Volunteer of the Year.** Presented to a lawyer (or lawyers) who has displayed a special commitment to pro bono services via the Senior Law Project. The Senior Law Project is Multnomah County's longest running pro bono project (since 1978) and serves over 1000 clients per year.
- **Michael E. Haglund Pro Bono Award.** Presented to a young lawyer (or lawyers) who, in the tradition of Michael Haglund, founder of the Volunteer Lawyers Project, has displayed a special commitment to pro bono services through LASO, OLC or MBA YLS projects. (LASO, OLC and MBA YLS projects include the Bankruptcy Clinic, Domestic Violence Project, Pro Se Assistance Project, Senior Law Project, Legal Aid Night Clinic, Community Development Law Center, ProBonoOregon Listserv, Neighborhood Legal Clinics, Non-Profit Project and Attorneys for Youth.) A "young lawyer" is defined as a lawyer who is 36 years old or less OR who has been an attorney for 6 years or less.
- **Pro Bono Award of Merit.** Presented to a lawyer (or lawyers) who has set an example for our legal community in his/her dedication to providing pro bono services to those clients who are unable to afford them.

Screening and Selection Criteria

- Any attorney, law firm, or attorney organization that does exemplary pro bono work, except members of the LASO-OLC Pro Bono Committee, is eligible to receive these awards. Former nominees may be re-nominated.
- The recipient's pro bono work should serve as an example for our legal community. Factors considered include:
 - The pro bono work performed by the nominee in the past year (including the number of hours donated and number of cases taken in the past year)
 - The number of years the nominee has served as a pro bono attorney
 - The nominee's history of willingness to take cases on an emergency or short-notice basis
 - The nominee's efforts to mentor or train new pro bono volunteers
 - Other qualities that promote a culture of pro bono work in our legal community
- The sponsors recognize the important contributions of all lawyers, regardless of sex, race, ethnicity or type of legal practice.

To nominate an attorney, law firm, or legal organization for an award, please complete and return this form. You may be contacted, confidentially, for more information on your nominee. Nominations must be received by 5 p.m. *Monday, February 15, 2010*, by the LASO/OLC Pro Bono Committee. Send nominations to William Penn, Lewis & Clark Law School, 10015 SW Terwilliger Blvd, Portland, OR 97219, fax: 503-768-6729 or wcpenn@lclark.edu.

NOMINEE _____ Company/Firm _____

In a *few paragraphs* describe the nominee's pro bono efforts, including the name of the organization(s) with which the nominee volunteers (if additional space is needed, attach a letter to this form).

Along with your nomination, you may submit a copy of the nominee's resume (max. 3 pages) and up to 5 letters of recommendation by those qualified to speak of the nominee's pro bono work.

Name of nominator _____ Phone number _____