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Dear Member of the Bar:

The First Judicial District recognizes the importance of performing pro bono work in order to ensure justice for the citizens of Philadelphia. It is also important to the First Judicial District to recognize the tremendous effort that many attorneys expend in providing pro bono services to litigants in the Court of Common Pleas or Municipal Court. Consequently, the First Judicial District will publish the Pro Bono Roll of Honor for 2017 and honor those attorneys at a reception on October 25, 2017.

I urge you to submit your name for recognition on the 2017 Pro Bono Roll of Honor, using the attached form. The criteria for eligibility are as follows:

- The attorney must practice in Philadelphia County and have provided the pro bono services to a client or client group for a case pending before the First Judicial District of Pennsylvania for the period October 1, 2016 to September 23, 2017;
- The attorney must not be employed by an organization that has, as its primary purpose, the provision of free legal services to the underprivileged;
- The attorney must have (1) provided services to a client or client group who does not have the resources to compensate another attorney for the services, or (2) organized, implemented or managed an initiative to expand pro bono legal services in the courts.
- The attorney does not receive a fee or have any expectation of receiving a fee for the services.

If you or an attorney you know, meet these criteria, please complete the attached form and forward it by **September 22, 2017** to Victoria Johnson at [victoria.johnson@courts.phila.gov](mailto:victoria.johnson@courts.phila.gov), by facsimile to 215-686-3748, or mail to Room 336 City Hall, Philadelphia, Pa, 19107.

Very truly yours,

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