



Virginia Bar Association Pro Bono Auction



2018 Information Packet

Who We Are

My name is Samantha Levin and I am the 1L Volunteer Coordinator for the 2018 George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School (Scalia Law) Pro-Bono Auction. I am honored to be a part of such a close-knit community that has such a strong presence in Pro Bono initiatives in the Northern Virginia area.

With programs such as the Mid-Atlantic Innocence Project (where students volunteer to sort through files of wrongfully incarcerated individuals) to the National Youth Justice Alliance (where volunteers talk to detained juveniles and teach them about their constitutional rights), students at Scalia Law are itching to get out into the community and help those who are unable to help themselves with their legal issues.

We aim to provide an arena where students can begin to explore the **ABA-recognized responsibility** to provide legal services for those who are unable to afford them. We believe that by giving back to our community, we uplift both the law and the legal profession in a way that helps to create a better future for ourselves and the future lawyers that follow.

What is the Pro Bono Auction?

The Pro Bono Auction provides funding for the APIL Scholarship Program. This program awards students a stipend to cover basic expenses while they work in unpaid public interest positions.

This year, we are hosting the 20th Annual Pro Bono Society Auction on Thursday, April 5 2018. The Pro Bono Society Auction is a popular event widely attended by current students, faculty, alumni, and members of the metropolitan Washington D.C. community. It is an exciting event and an excellent source of publicity for our donors.

With the help of funds raised by last year's Pro Bono Society Auction, Scholarship Recipients provided the following services:

- Providing legal assistance for individuals with disabilities
- Assisting in the representation of indigent criminal defendants
- Helping needy families resolve custody disputes
- Providing support for low-income housing and community development projects

How You Can Help

Your charitable donation will help Scalia Law students give back to the community. As well, your donation will be tax deductible to the extent provided by the law. Contributions made to GMU Scalia Law (tax ID 54-0836354) for exclusively public purposes are deductible by donors as charitable contributions as provided in section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code.

Where Your Donation Goes

Your generous donation will benefit the Association for Public Interest Law (APIL) Summer Scholarship Program. This scholarship supports Scalia Law students who dedicate their summers to giving legal representation to those who could not afford it otherwise. The APIL Scholarship Program awards students a stipend to cover basic expenses while they work in unpaid public interest positions.

Thank You

If you would like to donate, please fill out the enclosed donation form and return it with your donation by March 16, 2018. In addition, please attach your organization's card or logo (to be printed in the auction booklet).

Thank you for your support. If you have any questions or would like to contact the Scalia Law Pro Bono Society regarding a donation, please email me directly at slevin6@gmu.edu.

Donation Information

Pro Bono Auction Donation

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