

FIFTH Judicial Circuit
Pro Bono Committee

5th Annual

Pro Bono Celebration Dinner

Wednesday, November 2, 2016

5:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Danville Country Club

2718 Denmark Road in Danville

Cocktail Reception at 5:30,
Awards Ceremony at 6:30, Dinner at 7:00

Special Guest Speaker:

Dean Vikram Amar

University of Illinois College of Law

Join us as we commemorate National Pro Bono Week and recognize the efforts of the Pro Bono Pledge Signatories and Pro Bono Service Award Recipients to expand access to justice in the Fifth Judicial Circuit.

Event Sponsors:

Land of Lincoln Legal Assistance Foundation
Public Interest Law Initiative (PILI)

Individual dinner tickets are \$45.

Purchase tickets at
www.pili.org/5thcircuit.

2016 Pro Bono Service Award Recipients

Jason Hortenstine

Heller, Holmes & Associates, P.C.

Although he is early in his legal career, Jason Hortenstine has already demonstrated a commitment to pro bono legal work and volunteerism. In addition to volunteering with the Special Olympics and Rotary Food Drive, Jason spent 117.85 hours on a contested divorce case that was closed last year. He works at Heller, Holmes & Associates, a firm with a strong commitment to pro bono. In 2015, Jason won the Lincoln Award Legal Writing Contest for the Illinois Bar Journal, and his winning article, "A Guide to the Loss of Chance Doctrine in Illinois" was published in the IBJ in February 2015. He graduated magna cum laude from Southern Illinois University School of Law.

Carlton Kagawa

Carlton M. Kagawa Law Offices

In his first pro bono referral, Carl Kagawa spent three years with his client, a young woman for whom he obtained a divorce with custody and child support, and then followed up to assist her with contempt proceedings when the father did not pay child support as ordered. When the client first contacted Land of Lincoln, DCFCS was involved with both of the parties and their two children. Carl was able to obtain a final judgment within a year of filing the Petition. He continued assisting the client with pursuing child support through the end of 2014. In the past few months, Carl has taken on representation of another woman in a case involving divorce and custody of four children.



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