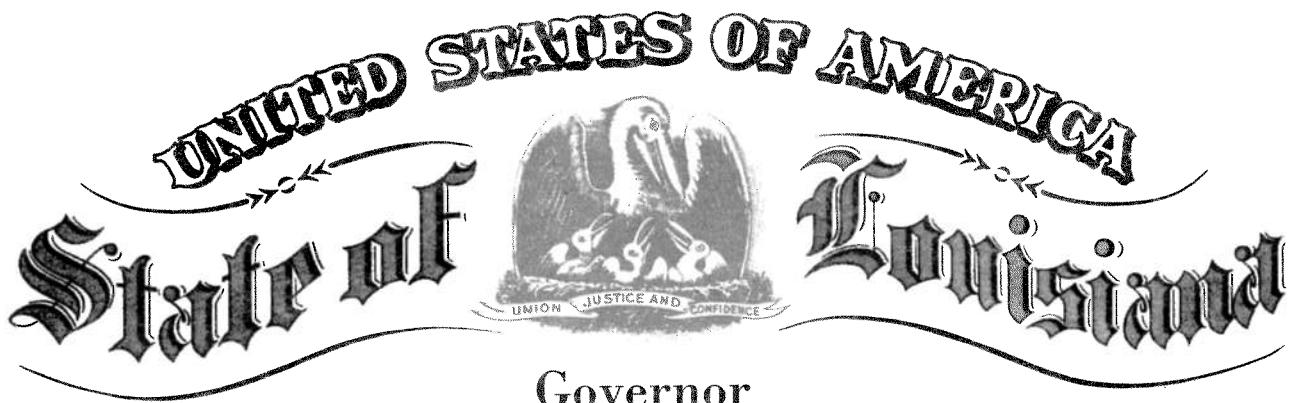




Governor
Bobby Jindal

Proclamation

WHEREAS, access to justice is a fundamental and essential right in a democratic society; and

WHEREAS, tens of thousands of Louisiana residents continue to lack access to legal assistance that is often critical to their safety and independence, forcing them to resolve complex legal problems on their own, including domestic violence, divorce, child custody, evictions, mortgage foreclosures and the physical and financial abuse of the elderly; and

WHEREAS, legal services agencies, pro bono service programs, the State Bar of Louisiana, and local bar associations throughout Louisiana have enlisted the services of volunteer attorneys to provide valuable legal services to those in need; and

WHEREAS, while members of Louisiana's legal community donate thousands of hours in free legal service and make generous financial contributions to legal aid organizations in our state, a huge unmet need for legal assistance remains for disadvantaged Louisianans; and

WHEREAS, Rule 6.1 of the Louisiana Rules of Professional Conduct calls on every lawyer to aspire to provide at least fifty (50) hours of pro bono legal services to those unable to pay, and reaffirms the professional goal of every lawyer to provide pro bono legal services to persons of limited means; and

WHEREAS, the National Pro Bono Celebration is a coordinated effort to showcase the great difference that pro bono lawyers make to the nation; and

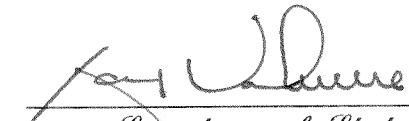
WHEREAS, during October 24th-30th, 2010 the Louisiana State Bar Association's Access to Justice Program in collaboration with local pro bono projects, businesses, government agencies and community organizations will be celebrating "Pro Bono Week" to highlight the work of Louisiana's pro bono community and the difference it makes to our state, our system of justice, our communities and, most of all, to the clients served.

NOW,
THEREFORE, I, Bobby Jindal, Governor of the State of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim October 24 – 30, 2010 as

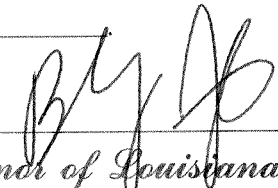
PRO BONO WEEK
in the State of Louisiana.



Attest By
The Governor


Secretary of State

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set
my hand officially and caused to be affixed the
Great Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the
Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this
the 24th day of October
A.D., 2010*


Governor of Louisiana