

BENEFITS FOR VOLUNTEER LAWYERS PROJECT PARTICIPANTS

✓ **Probono.net/iowa**

- A free service providing a comprehensive collection of information on legal topics, upcoming events such as continuing legal education opportunities and a library of poverty law materials, pleadings, and resource materials.
- To access www.probono.net/iowa, the website that has information and support for volunteers in Iowa, please do the following:
 - Go to www.probono.net/iowa
 - Click the light blue "Sign-Up" box (found on the right side of the screen)
 - You'll be prompted to enter your email address, and press Continue. Fill out the information that follows and then click Finished.
 - Your information will be reviewed and in 2-3 days you can expect to receive a notification regarding your access to www.probono.net/iowa

✓ **Staff attorney support**

- Staff attorneys experienced in specific areas of poverty law are available to provide technical assistance, research backup, and co-counseling.
 - Volunteer intake attorneys receive co-counsel support from staff attorneys.
 - To contact your co-counsel with any questions or concerns you can chat or call him/her
 - Volunteer in-house attorneys can reach out to the managing or staff attorneys
 - Volunteer attorneys who take cases can contact Kara Smith at ksmith@iowalaw.org or Julie Hernandez at jhernandez@iowalaw.org for any type of assistance

✓ **Reduced fee continuing legal education seminars**

- Participating attorneys are eligible to attend accredited Project Sponsored continuing legal education seminars at a reduced rate.
- To receive information about continuing legal education seminars you can
 - Join probono.net/iowa
 - Share your e-mail address on the VLP sign-up form
 - Add ksmith@iowalaw.org to your address book to ensure that the message is not caught by the Spam filter

✓ **Malpractice coverage**

- Malpractice coverage is provided to volunteer attorneys for all cases accepted.
 - Professional liability insurance coverage is provided to volunteers who provide services to clients on behalf of Iowa Legal Aid, through referral or in connection with their in-house volunteer services.