



## 2020 NATIONAL PRO BONO CELEBRATION CALENDAR OF PHILADELPHIA EVENTS

### **Philadelphia Bar Association CLE Program: Poverty and Practice: Working with Low-Income Litigants**

***When:*** Thursday, Oct. 15, from 12- 1:30 p.m.

***Where:*** SPEAKER LIVE via WEBCAST

***What:*** To kick off the National Pro Bono Celebration in Philadelphia, this CLE program aims to better inform attorneys about the challenges experienced by those living in poverty and contextualize some of the decisions people make when they have scarce resources. The program will examine the impact of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES), offer practice tips that will include communication strategies particular to low-income litigants, and address the special ethical considerations of doing pro bono work and working with low-income litigants. Hosted by the Family Law Section, Public Interest Section and Young Lawyers' Division. 1 SUB/0.5 ETH CLE credits available. For more information and to register, visit [www.philadelphiabar.org](http://www.philadelphiabar.org).

### **Philadelphia Bar Association CLE Program: Philadelphia Emergency Housing Protection Act and Eviction Diversion Program CLE Program**

***When:*** Monday, Oct. 26, from 10 a.m.–12:15 p.m.

***Where:*** VIDEO ENCORE via WEBCAST

***What:*** Philadelphia Bar Association will hold a CLE– Philadelphia Emergency Housing Protection Act and Eviction Diversion Program. Hosted by the Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee, this timely CLE program will prepare attendees to serve as volunteer mediators for Philadelphia's new Eviction Diversion Program (EDP). The EDP provides an opportunity for landlords and tenants to participate in (free) mediation before an eviction complaint is filed in cases where a tenant has been unable to pay rent due to a COVID-related financial hardship. FREE ONLY to those who VOLUNTEER to become a mediator for the Eviction Diversion Program. 2.0 SUB CLE credits available. For more information and to register, visit [www.philadelphiabar.org](http://www.philadelphiabar.org).

### **Consumer Bankruptcy Assistance Project: Pro Bono Volunteer Training**

***When:*** Tuesday, Oct. 27, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

***Where:*** Remote via Zoom

***What:*** Please join Consumer Bankruptcy Assistance Project (CBAP) for a Chapter 7 Bankruptcy Pro Bono Volunteer Training program. The training will cover the fundamentals of completing a Chapter 7 bankruptcy petition for a low-income client, including how to represent a client remotely. Given the current economic climate, CBAP anticipates a significant increase in bankruptcy filings in 2021. As a CBAP advocate, you will help a family in need get a financial fresh start during these trying times. We hope you will join us to meet this increased need and to perform this important service. To receive additional information and/or to register for this program, please contact CBAP at [info@cbap-phl.org](mailto:info@cbap-phl.org).



**Support Center for Child Advocates: “How to Handle a Child Abuse Case” Two-Part Virtual Training Program**

***When:*** Tuesday, Oct. 27 and Wednesday, Oct. 28, from 8:30 a.m.–12:45 p.m. (\*must attend both sessions).

***Where:*** Online!

***What:*** Become a Child Advocates Volunteer Attorney. Join SCCA for this volunteer workshop and learn from dedicated experts in the field of child advocacy about how you can make a difference in the lives of children who have experienced abuse and neglect. Register online at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/how-to-handle-a-child-abuse-case-tickets-11368708713>.

**SeniorLAW Center CLE Training:**

**Assisting Seniors through the Pennsylvania SeniorLAW HelpLine: Volunteer Attorney Training**

***When:*** Wednesday, Oct. 28, 12-1:30 p.m.

***Where:*** Virtual Zoom Training (Link will be provided upon registration)

***What:*** Volunteer to help PA’s aging population. Participants will be trained to provide legal advice, information, and referrals to vulnerable seniors across Pennsylvania who call the PA SeniorLAW HelpLine with civil legal issues. The training will focus on common areas of law requested by callers, the logistics of handling a HelpLine call and the professional responsibility requirements of pro bono and helpline service. This is a limited representation opportunity and volunteers will be able to choose the area(s) of law on which they will focus when counseling senior callers. Register with Joanna Jarzebowska at [jjarzebowska@seniorlawcenter.org](mailto:jjarzebowska@seniorlawcenter.org).

**Board Observer CLE Program: Nuts & Bolts of Nonprofit Board Service**

***When:*** Thursday Oct. 29, 10-11 a.m.

***Where:*** SPEAKERS LIVE via WEBCAST

***What:*** This CLE will provide attorneys interested in serving on a nonprofit board with an introduction to the role of a Board of Directors and the laws governing nonprofits, including charitable issues raised under state and federal laws. 1 SUB CLE credit available. Hosted by the Young Lawyers Division as part of the Board Observer Program. For more information and to register online, visit [www.philadelphiabar.org](http://www.philadelphiabar.org).

**Philadelphia VIP: An Introduction to VIP and Our Pro Bono Opportunities**

***When:*** Thursday, Oct.29, 12-1 p.m.

***Where:*** Zoom invite will be sent to all registrants; please register at <https://www.phillyvip.org/events/introduction-to-vip-2020/>

***What:*** This session explores how VIP works, VIP’s client base, and the pro bono opportunities we offer to volunteer attorneys. It will focus on both the logistical and substantive support that VIP staff provides to volunteers, as well as pro bono opportunities particularly well-suited to today’s remote environment. Attorneys with all levels of experience are welcome. No commitment is required; this is an informational session that includes an opportunity for Q&A with VIP staff at the end.

***For more information about public interest legal services organizations in Philadelphia, visit the [Pro Bono Opportunities Guide](#) and the [Directory of Public Interest Legal Organizations](#). Click [here](#) for a List of Remote Pro Bono Opportunities.***