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LAMP

The ABA Military Pro Bono Project: Four Years of Delivering Access to Justice to Servicemembers and their Families
By Mary C. Meixner, ABA Military Pro Bono Project Director, and Jason T. Vail, ABA Standing Committee on Legal Assistance for Military Personnel Chief Counsel

Throughout the course of the past decade, the ABA Standing Committee on Legal Assistance for Military Personnel (LAMP) became increasingly aware that ongoing military conflicts overseas, with their associated, frequent deployments of servicemembers, were resulting in an increasing level of legal needs by military families. [Read more...](#)

From the Chair...
By David G. Ehrhart, Brig Gen, USAF (Ret.)

One of the privileges of the LAMP Committee is the opportunity to formally recognize the exemplary work performed by military legal assistance offices and individual attorneys in meeting the civil legal needs of our service men and women stationed around the world. [Read more...](#)

IOLTA

Partnership Bank Programs: Maximizing IOLTA Revenue in Difficult Times

By Ken Smith, Betty Balli Torres and Judith Baker

With short term interest rates expected to remain historically low well into 2014, IOLTA leaders are trimming expenses and abandoning any lingering hopes for a "magic bullet" that would restore IOLTA revenues to the peak levels seen just a few years ago. [Read more...](#)

From the Chair...
By Lora J. Livingston

Three years ago I began my tenure as Chair of the Commission and today it quickly comes to an end. When I began my term, the economy was in decline and with it came a down turn in interest rates. [Read more...](#)

Grantee Spotlight:
Massachusetts Law Reform Institute: Tough Advocacy for Tough Times

By Georgia D. Katsoulomitis

Massachusetts Law Reform Institute (MLRI) is a statewide legal services organization whose mission is to promote economic, racial and social justice for low-income people through legal action, education and advocacy. [Read more...](#)

Pro Bono

2012 ABA Pro Bono Publico Award Recipients

On August 6, 2012, the five recipients of the ABA Pro Bono Publico Award were honored at the Pro Bono Publico Awards Assembly Luncheon held during the ABA Annual Meeting in Chicago. [Read more...](#)

From the Chair... **By Larry McDevitt**

Among the many activities of the Standing Committee on Pro Bono, I count the National Celebration of Pro Bono as one of the most important. [Read more...](#)

Policy News

New York Increases CLE Hours Available Through Pro Bono

The rule providing for CLE credit for pro bono service, §1500.22 (j), was amended to allow attorneys to earn 10 credits of CLE every two years by providing pro bono services to low-income New Yorkers. [Read more...](#)

News & Events

- The ABA Center for Pro Bono congratulates the recipients of the 2012 Pro Bono Publico Award.
- NAPBPro Virtual Pro Bono: A DeskTop Conference

[Read more...](#)

LRIS

Unbundled Legal Services and LRIS **By Al Charne**

More than 20 years have passed since Forest Mosten began promoting the unbundling of legal services.¹ The premise for unbundled legal services is that when appropriate, a client and lawyer can agree that the lawyer will provide some, but not all, of the work required for a particular legal matter. [Read more...](#)

From the Chair... **By John Norwine**

In early May I was invited by Louisville Bar Association Executive Director Scott Furkin to address a continuing legal education seminar at their bar headquarters. [Read more...](#)

The New LRIS Competition: Online Directories **By Britt Wegner**

As times and technology change, it's only natural that Lawyer Referral and Information Services change as well. Ten years ago, an LRIS's biggest competitors were in the Yellow Pages, and everyone spent large amounts of money to have the largest ads. Fast forward to the present and now LRISs are competing for the top Google spot on page one of the search results. [Read more...](#)

2012 National Lawyer Referral Workshop

Registration Now Open! October 24-27, 2012 — Las Vegas, Nevada. [Read more...](#)

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2012 Harrison Tweed Awards Presented at ABA Annual Meeting

The San Mateo County Bar Association and the San Antonio Bar Association were each presented a Harrison Tweed Award during the American Bar Association 2012 Annual Meeting in Chicago. [Read more...](#)

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