

**RESOURCES FOR VOLUNTEER ATTORNEYS**

The ABA Death Penalty Representation Project is committed to providing its volunteer attorneys with the best possible resources. These are a few of the types of resources we provide:

- **Strategic Counsel** — Perhaps the single most important resource for a volunteer firm is its strategic counsel. These experienced capital defenders can provide invaluable advice about strategy, investigation, and experts. Making use of strategic counsel can save the firm valuable time and resources throughout the case.
- **ABA Introductory Training Materials** — Upon agreeing to represent a death-sentenced prisoner, every firm receives a copy of the Project's training materials. This packet includes materials gathered from experts in the defender community and provides an introduction to the world of capital post-conviction work. The firm's strategic counsel will have additional training materials that are the most up to date and specific to the jurisdiction in which the firm is working.
- **Probono.net Library** — All volunteer attorneys are strongly encouraged to join our secured practice area at <http://www.probono.net/deathpenalty>. There you can access a library of over 1000 documents related to death penalty representation.
- **Defender Community** — The capital defender community is comprised of wonderful, talented lawyers who are eager to help their colleagues. Volunteer attorneys are encouraged to join the Habeas Listserve moderated by Professor Eric Freedman where they can connect with and seek advice from this community. The Project is also in the process of organizing brown bag lunches in major legal communities throughout the country where volunteer attorneys can meet and discuss their cases.
- **Training Conferences** — There are numerous training conferences held throughout the year in locations around the country. The Project notifies its volunteer firms about the best training opportunities and encourages volunteer attorneys to attend.
- **Project Staff** — The Project staff are committed to assisting our volunteer attorneys in any way we can. We are always available to locate additional resources and advisors for firms.