

# **Pro Bono Council Application**

## **Pro Bono Council Mission Statement:**

In furtherance of Campbell Law School's mission and the acknowledgment that the practice of law is a profound calling, the mission of the Pro Bono Council at Campbell Law is to engage and educate students on the nature and importance of serving the underserved through:

- Creating a life-long commitment to pro bono work and volunteerism among Campbell Law students;
- ❖ Embracing Volunteerism and Community Service partnerships in the Raleigh area;
- Developing alliances and volunteering with organizations providing legal services to those in need; and
- Assisting lawyers who provide high quality, low-cost legal services to individuals in need

### **Importance of Pro Bono:**

- Provides much needed legal services to the community
- Provides students with hands-on opportunities to develop legal skills
- Instills a sense of professional responsibility early in the students' careers
- Affirms the legal profession as a profession of service
- Enhances Campbell Law School's ties with the community and alumni

#### **Terminology:**

- *Pro Bono* Voluntary legal services provided at no cost and given by a licensed NC attorney or under the supervision of a licensed NC attorney.
- *Public Service/Community Service* Serving the community at large through skills gained through legal education as well as other talents and abilities in order to make the legal profession and the community a better place.

#### What does the Pro Bono Council do?

- Promote a culture of pro bono service at Campbell Law
- Participate in the annual Student Organization Fair, both in the Fall and the Spring semesters
- Host Blood Connection Blood Drives when necessary for the community
- Educate students on the importance of serving the underserved
- Engage students through pro bono projects in a variety of interest areas
- Plan and host National Pro Bono Week in October
- Develop community partnerships to provide legal services to those in need Coordinate existing are hope projects
- Coordinate existing pro bono projects
- Develop new opportunities for pro bono projects
- Host a Campbell Law Pro Bono Reception
- Coordinate Campbell Law's involvement in the NCBA Legal Feeding Frenzy
- Honor students, faculty, and organizations at the annual Law Awards Banquet who have demonstrated outstanding pro bono and community service achievement
- Host a Supervising Attorney and Community Partner Appreciation Event at the end of each academic year (Spring).



### **Executive Leadership Positions**

### **Managing Director**

- Plan and coordinate PBC meetings, pro bono and community service events, and host National Pro Bono Week
- Engage students in pro bono projects and cultivate alumni network of pro bono attorneys
- Represent PBC at leadership and faculty meetings

## **Assistant Director**

- Assist the PBC Director in carrying out their responsibilities
- Track student pro bono engagement
- Publicize pro bono project achievements and manage and update PBC communication and marketing outlets, including social media
- Help coordinate National Pro Bono Week
- Assume the duties of the Director in the Director's absence

#### **Secretary**

- Assist the PBC Director and Assistant Director in carrying out their responsibilities Manage collection of pro bono service data through the online system and prepare reports as needed
- Keep minutes of each PBC meeting

#### **Project Managing Partners**

- Attend general monthly meetings of the PBC
- Oversee the execution of their project, including trainings, case management, and volunteer coordination.
- Recruit and cultivate relationships with any faculty members, supervising attorneys, or volunteers needed for the project
- Monitor student involvement in the project and entry of service hours
- Promote project through marketing and maintain the project's email account and Blackboard
- Be accessible to participants for advice, guidance, and support
- Communicate with PBC regarding needs of the project, including resources, funding, or general assistance
- Educate the law school community about the project's accomplishments and community impact, including participation in National Pro Bono Week

## Projects (each project has capacity for up to two-three Managing Partners positions)

- Capital Area Teen Court (CATC)
- Death Row Visitation
- Domestic Violence Advocacy (DVAP)
- Education Law
- Expunction Project
- Immigrant & Refugee Rights (IRRP)

- Innocence Project (CLIP)
- Veterans Project
- Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)
- Wills/Advance Directives



# **Application Process**

Applicant Name:
Applicant Campbell Law Email Address:
Applicant Phone Number:
****Please submit your application along with a current resume via e-mail to**** <u>bckelly0904@email.campbell.edu</u> and <u>rbyrne@email.campbell.edu</u> by 7:00 PM on Wednesday,  March 22, 2023.
<b>APPLICATION QUESTIONS</b> (Feel free to attach a separate word document with the answers for each of the following questions).
1. What leadership role(s) are you interested in for next year with the Pro Bono Council? (you may select more than one).
<ul> <li>☐ Managing Director</li> <li>☐ Assistance Director</li> <li>☐ Secretary</li> <li>☐ Project Managing Partner (List Project/s)</li></ul>
2. Why are you interested in serving in these roles next year?
3. How will you effectively fulfill the duties of the position(s)?
4. Are you currently applying for other comparable leadership positions within Campbell Law
school? If yes, how do you plan to balance multiple responsibilities?



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ve the Pro Bono Council for next year?
Date:

Thank you for applying! Brigitte Kelly, 2022-2023 PBC Managing Director bckelly0904@email.campbell.edu