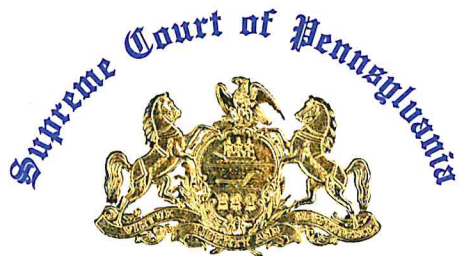


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Dear Pennsylvania Lawyer:

I am pleased to join Pennsylvania Bar Association President Kristen Hamilton in recognizing attorneys across our Commonwealth for their pro bono service. During the 2025 National Celebration of Pro Bono, October 19-25, 2025, we will acknowledge lawyers' roles in "Supporting Communities" through pro bono work.

Pro bono service is a professional responsibility and an individual ethical commitment of each lawyer. Pennsylvania is a national leader in so many ways, including raising the bar for providing legal services to those who cannot afford it. Every October, legal organizations across America participate in the National Celebration of Pro Bono to draw attention to the need for pro bono participation, and to thank those who give their time year round. Since its inception in 2009, the Pennsylvania Celebration of Pro Bono has grown to cover the entire month of October.

The Pennsylvania Bar Association, local bar associations, and legal aid programs sponsor events throughout this month to celebrate Pennsylvania lawyers' past service and to provide further opportunities to assist those in need.

I hope you will join me in recognizing Pennsylvania attorneys, judges, law students and legal support staff working to help the less fortunate among us achieve access to justice.

And, if you haven't already done so, please consider volunteering yourself. It's the right thing to do.

Warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Debra Todd".

Debra Todd