

2019 VLP Pro Bono Awards

<u>Awards</u>	<u>Recipients</u>
Eviction Defense (Attorney of the Morning)	Mark Aquino, Esq.
Community Partner	Los Samaritanos
Champion for Justice Award	Richard F Griffin, Esq.
Immigration	Elizabeth Callahan, Esq.
Immigration	Nevin Murchie, Esq.
Family Court Help Desk	Doug Stiller, Esq.
Law Student Award	Stephanie Verhage
Law Firm Commitment	Personius Melber LLP
Income Tax Controversy	Emma Savino, Esq.
Community Leader Award	Lee M. Redeye, Esq.
Judicial	Hon. Mary L. Slisz
Corporate Pro Bono Award	Mark W. Warren, Esq.
Federal Court Pro Se Assistance Program	Anna Marie Richmond, Esq.
In House Volunteer Award	James Morrissey, Esq.
Rising Champions for Justice	Christina Gullo, Esq.
VIP	Lauren Mendolera, Esq.

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Eviction Defense (Attorney of the Morning)	Michael J. Herberger, Esq.
Community Partner	Kevin Heffernan
Champion for Justice Award	Randy H. Gugino, Esq.
Immigration	Siana J. McClean, Esq.
Immigration	Ryan Crawford, Esq.
Family Court Help Desk	Gibbons & Stadler, PC
Law Student Award	Shelby Scibetta
Law Firm Commitment	Harter Secrest & Emery LLP
Income Tax Controversy	Justin Androozzi, Esq.
Community Economic Development Award	FB Community Land Trust
Judicial	Hon. William M. Skretny
Federal Court Pro Se Assistance Program	Bernadette Gargano, Esq.
Say Yes Legal Clinics	Bridget Steele, Esq.
Rising Champions for Justice	Jessica N. Reich, Esq.
VIP	Melinda Saran, Esq.

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<u>Awards</u>	<u>Recipients</u>
Eviction Defense (Attorney of the Morning)	Michael C. Cimasi, Esq.
Community Partner	Robert Brucato, Esq.
Champion for Justice Award	Katherine Bifaro, Esq.
Immigration	William Altreuter, Esq.
Immigration	Drew and Drew
Immigration	Matthew L. Kolken, Esq.
Divorce	Keith B Schulefand, Esq.
Family Court Help Desk	Kevin Condon, Esq.
Law Firm Commitment	Kenney Shelton Liptak Nowak LLP
Income Tax Controversy	Greenard Poles
Law Firm Pro Bono Coordinator	Robert P. Heary
Judicial	Joseph Deren, Esq.
Judicial	Jonathan Gorman, Esq.
Federal Court Pro Se Assistance Program	Hurwitz & Fine, PC
VIP	Joshua Dubs, Esq.

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Eviction Defense (Attorney of the Morning)	Kristopher M. Sigeti, Esq.
Immigration	Benjamin R. Dwyer, Esq.
Divorce	Cecile M. Dorlaie, Esq.
Divorce	Mindy L. Marranca, Esq.
VIP	Bridget M. O'Connell, Esq.
Family Court Help Desk	Elizabeth J Ciambrone, Esq.
Law Student	Colleen Moonan
Law Firm Commitment	Gibson, McAskill, & Crosby, LLP
Income Tax Controversy	Hodgson Russ LLP
Law Firm Pro Bono Coordinator	Erin L. Cody, Esq.
Judicial	Hon. Paul G. Buchanan
Federal Court Pro Se Assistance Program	Personius Melber, LLP

2015 VLP Pro Bono Awards

Awards	Recipients
Law Firm Commitment	Barclay Damon LLP Harris Beach LLP Hodgson Russ LLP Lippes Mathias Wexler Friedman LLP Phillips Lytle LLP
Divorce	Thomas A. Steffan Marc Shatkin
Family Court Help Desk	Daniel S. Johnston
Federal Court Pro Se Assistance Program	Charles S. Carra
Eviction Defense (Attorney of the Morning)	Gregory Della Posta
Immigration	Lawlor F. Quinlan, III
V.I.P.	WNY Center for Survivors of Torture
Law Student	Jason Fleischer

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Awards	Recipients
Judicial Award	Hon. Hugh B. Scott
Law Firm Commitment	Andreozi Bluestein Weber & Brown
Law Firm Pro Bono Coordinator	Joshua Feinstein (Hodgson Russ)
Solo Practitioner	Joshua E. Dubs
Divorce	Bryan G. Brockway
Family Court	Jamie L. Codjovi
Federal Court	Jodyann Galvin
Eviction Defense	Brandon Wrazen
Unemployment Insurance	Christopher Szczygiel
Immigration	Lisa A. Coppola
Litigation	Jennifer A. Shah
Not-for-Profit	Anthony D. Mancinelli

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Awards	Recipients
Judicial Award	Hon. Michael F. Griffith
Law Firm Commitment	Hiscock & Barclay, LLP Hurwitz & Fine, PC
Solo Practitioner	Jennifer P. Stergion
Divorce	Bernadette Hoppe
Family Court	Frank J. Longo Audrey Rose Herman
Attorney of the Morning Eviction Defense	Michael J. Mettille
Unemployment Insurance	Sean Costello
Immigration	Kevin Mulvehill
Litigation	John P. Feroletto
Not-for-Profit	Martha Buyer

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Awards	Recipients
Bankruptcy Award	Matthew B. Herdzik, Jr.
Divorce Award	Katherine J. Bestine
Family Law Award	James C. DeMarco, III
Attorney Emeritus	Modesto A. Argenio
VLP "VIP" Award	Joshua E. Dubs
Government Attorney	Joseph M. Guerra, III
In-House Volunteer	Meghan A. Corcoran
UIB	Brett D. Tokarczyk
Attorney of the Morning	Christopher R. LaFever
Immigration	Kenneth A. Cohen
Law Firm Commitment	Jeffrey Freedman Attorneys

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Awards	Recipients
Attorney of the Morning	Michael Anton Sciortino
Bankruptcy	Wendy Christophersen
Divorce	Julie Falvey
	Sharon Anscombe Osgood
UIB	Rupp, Baase, Pfalzgraf, Cunningham & Coppola, LLC
Income Tax	Crosby Sommers
Family Law	Kevin Gibbons
Haven House Project	Leah Bouguard
Immigration	Eileen Marie Martin (Hodgson)
Large Law Firm Commitment	Hiscock & Barclay
VLP	Bruce Blackman
In-House Volunteer	Alissa Fortuna
Solo Practitioner	Sara Anthis

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Awards	Recipients
Attorney of the Morning (Landlord-Tenant)	Michael Anton Sciortino
Bankruptcy	Barbara Ridall
Divorce	Brian Welsh
UIB	Leah R. Nowotarski
Income Tax Controversy	Kathleen Deveraux
Litigation	Jason Botticelli
Family Law	Alan Birnholz
Haven House Project (Domestic Violence Victims)	Suzanne E. Tomkins
Ruth Ritchell Award (In-House Volunteer Attorney)	Rachel Baldassarro
Immigration	Phillips Lytle, LLP
Large Law Firm Commitment	Damon Morey, LLP
	Brown & Kelly, LLP
VLP	Catherine Nagel
Judicial	Hon. Paula Feroletto

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Awards	Recipients
Attorney of the Morning	Jennifer Stergion
Bankruptcy	Paul Pochepan
Divorce	Mindy Marranca
Litigation	Tracey Ehlers (Nixon Peabody)
	Kevin Kruppa (Rupp, Baase, Pfalzgraf, Cunningham & Coppola, LLC)
Family Law	Leah Bouguard
	Naomi Fernandez
Ruth Ritchell Award (In-House Volunteer Attorney)	Tracie Corey
Immigration	Frank Callocchia
Large Law Firm Commitment	Damon & Morey
VLP	C. Kenneth Foit

2008 VLP Pro Bono Awards

Awards	Recipients
Bankruptcy	Barbara Ridall
Divorce	Keith Schulefand
Family Court	James DeMarco, III
In-House Volunteer	Claire Sellers
Large Law Firm	Phillips Lytle, LLP
Attorney of the Morning (Landlord-Tenant)	Jennifer Stergion
Immigration	Jill Apa
VLP VIP	Matthew Herdzik, Jr.
	Mindy Marrance
Small Mid-Size Law Firm	Jeffrey Freedman Attorneys at Law

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Awards	Recipients
Bankruptcy	Regina A. Walker
Divorce	Michelle G. Chaas
Family Court	Lillian Medina-Zelazny
Litigation	Evelyn O'Sullivan
Not-For-Profit Groups	William D. Harrington
Ruth Ritchell (In-House Volunteer Attorney)	Eric Valby
In-House Volunteer	Brenna Terry
	Nathan Hezel
Large Law Firm	Damon & Morey
Attorney of the Morning (Landlord-Tenant)	Melissa LoTempio
Immigration	Michael S. Cerrone
Judicial	Hon. Henry Nowak
VLP VIP	Scott Bacon
VLP VIP	Hon. Sharon S. Townsend
	Kenneth A. Manning

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Bankruptcy	Lee Charles LaMendola
Divorce	Daniel J. Hartman
	Randy S. Margulis
	Kristin Langdon Arcuri
Family Court	Christopher A. Spence
VLP VIP	Thomas F. Hewner
	James C. DeMarco, III
	Matthew B. Herdzik, Jr.
Ruth Ritchell (In-House Volunteer Attorney)	Lillian Medina-Zelazny
In-House Volunteer	Emily Conley
	Candice Giles
	Lindsay Corbett
Immigration	Rev. Allen W. Farabee
Litigation	Francis J. Offermann, Jr.
Small & Mid-Size Law Firm	The Law Office of Peter D. Grubea
Large Law Firm	Jaekle, Fleischmann & Mugel, LLP
Attorney of the Morning (Landlord-Tenant)	Nadine E. Patterson
	Phillips Lytle, LLP
Judicial	Hon. Janice M. Rosa

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Awards	Recipients
Bankruptcy	Barbara R. Ridall
Divorce	Siegel, Kelleher & Kahn
Family Court	Alan Birnholz
	James C. DeMarco, III
Corporate Counsel	James E. Privitera
Haven House Project (Domestic Violence Victims)	Antonio Cardarelli
Solo Practitioner	Bruce Kirby
VLP VIP Awards	C. Kenneth Foit
	Nadine E. Patterson
Ruth Ritchell Award (In-House Volunteer Attorney)	Wendy M. Gonzalez
In-House Volunteer	Leah Bouguard
Immigration	Sophie I. Feal
Large Law Firm	Damon & Morey
Small & Mid-Size Law Firm	Jeffrey Freedman Attorneys at Law
Attorney of the Morning (Landlord-Tenant)	Jennifer Latham
Meritorious Service	Matthew B. Herdzik, Jr.
Judicial	Hon. Thomas P. Amodio

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Awards	Recipients
Bankruptcy	William E. Lawson
	William Ilecki
Divorce	Charles Termini
Family Court	Christopher A. Spence
Guardianship	Ryan L. Everhart
Haven House Project (Domestic Violence Victims)	William R. Hites
Solo Practitioner	John D. Wieser
VLP VIP	James C. DeMarco, III
	Chester Dann
Ruth Ritchell Award (In-House Volunteer Attorney)	James M. Loree
In-House Volunteer	Carolyn E. Leed
	Christine M. Vetter
Small & Mid-Size Law Firm	Cohen & Lombardo, PC
Large Law Firm	Hurwitz & Fine
Immigration	Eileen Marie Martin
Father Bissonette	Eric W. Schultz
Attorney of the Morning (Landlord-Tenant)	George M. Zimmermann
Judicial	Hon. Sharon S. Townsend

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Awards	Recipients
Ruth Ritchell Award (In-House Volunteer Attorney)	Chester Dann
In-House Volunteer	Michael E. Hughes
Sandy Kulick Award (Mentor Award)	Francis X. Carroll
Bankruptcy	John D. Wieser
Divorce	Brian R. Welsh
	Gregory J. Stewart
VLP VIP	Kathleen M. Mehlretter
	Matthew B. Herdzik, Jr.
	Lawrence S. Lane
Solo Practitioner	Raymond M. Pfeiffer
Small Law Firm	Hartman & Ridall, PC
Large Law Firm	Damon & Morey
Litigation	Jeremiah J. McCarthy
Immigration	F. Alejandro Gutierrez
Family Court	Kevin M. Reedy
Attorney of the Morning (Landlord-Tenant)	Noralynn A. Dillon
Haven House Project (Domestic Violence Victims)	Wallace Wiens
Meritorious Services Award	Mark A. Leiter
Judicial	Hon. Eugene F. Pigott, Jr.

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Awards	Recipients
Ruth Ritchell Award (In-House Volunteer Attorney)	Susan Stiffler
In-House Volunteer	Catherine A. Miller
Attorney Emeritus	Chester Dann
Bankruptcy	Matthew B. Herdzik, Jr.
	Bruce Kirby
Family Court	James C. DeMarco, III
	Robyn G. Pharr
Haven House Project (Domestic Violence Victims)	Sharon Nosenchuck
VLP VIP	Patrick J. Roach
	Kevin M. Reedy
	Noralynn Dillon
Solo Practitioner	Barbara R. Johnson-Lee
Divorce	Holly Baum
Attorney of the Morning (Landlord-Tenant)	Suzanne K. Taylor
	Daniel M. Young
Large Law Firm	Brown & Kelly, LLP
Immigration	Serotte, Reich & Seipp, LLP
Judicial	Mark R. Sokolowski

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Awards	Recipients
In-House Volunteer	Peter Bergenstock
	Nicole Lee
Bankruptcy	Peter T. Ruszczyk
Family Court	Christopher S. Mattingly
Haven House Project (Domestic Violence Victims)	William Hites
VLP VIP	Robert B. Draur
	Jon A. Nichols
	Louis Rosado
Solo Practitioner	Matthew B. Herdzik
Divorce	H. A. Terri Zions
	Richard Grisanti
Litigation	Paul A. Peters
Attorney of the Morning (Landlord-Tenant)	Sharon Stern Garstmann
Permanency Planning	George R. Blair, Jr.
Large Law Firm Award	Jaেকে, Fleischmann & Mugel, LLP
Small Law Firm Award	Ward, Brenon & DiVita
Immigration	Mark T. Kenmore
Judicial	Adolph c. Iannacore

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Awards	Recipients
Ruth Ritchell Award (In-House Volunteer Attorney)	Kevin M. Reedy
In-House Volunteer	Michael Hoopengartner
	Tiffany Alexander
Bankruptcy	Bruce Kirby
Family Court	Deanne Trippi
Haven House Project (Domestic Violence Victims)	Kimberly Balthaser
VLP V.I.P. Awards	James K. Dady
	Brian Welsh
Solo Practitioner	Lawrence S. Lane
Divorce	William Ilecki
Litigation	Kevin M. Kearney
Attorney of the Morning (Landlord-Tenant)	Suzanne K. Taylor
Permanency Planning	John G. Brenon
Large Law Firm Award	Phillips, Lytle, Hitchcock, Blaine & Huber
Small Law Firm Award	Addelman & Marszalkowski
Immigration Award	Ellen Ginsberg Yost
Judicial	Hon. John B. Reid

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Awards	Recipients
Ruth Ritchell Award (In-House Volunteer Attorney)	Ronald R. Olson
In-House Volunteer	Paula M. Shank
	William E. Randolph
Bankruptcy	Regina A. Reitz
Family Court	Sharon Nosenchuck
Haven House Project (Domestic Violence Victims)	Maria P. L. Chisholm
	Fauzia S. Khan
VLP V.I.P. Awards	Mary M. Donogher
	Matthew B. Herdzyk, Jr.
	Salvatore T. Sanfilippo
Solo Practitioner	Patrick J. Roach
Divorce	Joan Casilio Adams
Litigation	Jaেকে, Fleischmann & Mugel, LLC (Gayle L. Eagan)
Attorney of the Morning (Landlord-Tenant)	Jennifer Latham
Permanency Planning	Suzanne K. Taylor
Large Law Firm Award	Brown & Kelly (Paul L. Feroletto)
Small Law Firm Award	Bloom, Neubeck & Shonn
Judicial	Hon. Vincent E. Doyle

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Awards	Recipients
Ruth Ritchell Award (In-House Volunteer Attorney)	Claudette Antholzner
In-House Volunteer	Christina M. Reid
Bankruptcy	Sallie G. Randolph
Family Court	Charles J. Greenberg
Haven House Project (Domestic Violence Victims)	Katherine J. Bestine
VLP V.I.P. Awards	Timothy R. LoVallo
	Fauzia S. Khan
	Justin S. White
Solo Practitioner	James C. DeMarco, III
Divorce	Brian R. Welsh
	Thomas R. Cassano
Not-For-Profit	Joel Brownstein
Litigation	Charles R. Chase
Attorney of the Morning (Landlord-Tenant)	Suzanne K. Taylor
Permanency Planning	Suzanne K. Taylor
	Robert R. Goods
Law Firm Award	Cole, Sorrentino, Hurley & Hewner
	Denise E. O'Donnell and the US Attorney's Office
Judicial	Hon. Matthew J. Jasen

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Awards	Recipients
Judicial	John J. Aman
	Rosalie M. Stoll Bailey
Ruth Ritchell Award (In-House Volunteer Attorney)	Eric Boron
In-House Volunteer	Erich de la Vega
Bankruptcy	Sallie G. Randolph
Divorce	Charles J. Greenberg
Family Court	Lawrence S. Lane
Not-for-Profit	Martha Buyer
Litigation	Janice Bellanti Kirk
Attorney of the Morning (Landlord-Tenant)	Edward J. Schwendler, Jr.
Haven House Project (Domestic Violence Victims)	Christina A. Agola
VLP VIP Awards	Bryan G. Brockway
	John J. Gruber
	Robert S. Stephenson
Sanford Kulick Award (Mentor Award)	Tina L. Syraski
Solo Practitioner	Lee Charles LaMendola
Law Firm Award	Schaus & Schaus

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Awards	Recipients
Judicial	Hon. Robert T. Russell, Jr.
Ruth Ritchell Award (In-House Volunteer Attorney)	Deanne Tripi
In-House Volunteer	Frank Longo
	Sonia Sterrett
	Anne Mathews
Bankruptcy	Thomas P. Connelly, III
	Louis B. Toth
Divorce	Christina Agola
	Seymore Zimbel
Family Court	Kirk Stone
Not-for-Profit	Mark C. Butler
Litigation	Paul V. Hurley
Attorney of the Morning (Landlord-Tenant)	Gerald Chiari
Haven House Project (Domestic Violence Victims)	Erin Pelnik
	Susan Fraunfelder
	Rita McKenna
"In A Pinch"	Kristen Arcuri
Sanford Kulick Award (Mentor Award)	Linda Cleveland
Solo Practitioner	Joseph Gogan
Law Firm Awards	Panara Fielitz & Goergen
	Hill & McCreedy
Certificates of Appreciation	David A. Bernsohn
	Rosemarie A. Wyman
	Oliver C. Young

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Awards	Recipients
Judicial	Hon. Joseph S. Mattina
Ruth Ritchell Award (In-House Volunteer Attorney)	Christopher Ahlers
In-House Volunteer	Molly McGuire
	Kimberley A. Propeack
Divorce	Francis W. Tesseyman, Jr.
	Joseph C. Bania
Family Court	Alison J. Taylor
Not-For-Profit	William L. Giroux
Litigation	James R. Grasso
Attorney of the Afternoon (Immigration)	Linda G. Sennholtz
Attorney of the Morning (Landlord-Tenant)	Suzanne K. Taylor
Haven House Project (Domestic Violence Victims)	Kathleen Carmody
"In A Pinch"	Timothy P. Murphy
	David Wittemore
Sanford Kulick Award (Mentor Award)	Roger Murphy
Law Firm Awards	Silverberg, Yood, Sellers & McGorry
	Siegel, Kelleher & Kahn
Bankruptcy	Christina A. Agola
Solo Practitioner	Christina A. Agola
Certificate of Appreciation	Ferdinand J. Ciccarelli

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Awards	Recipients
Bankruptcy	Louis B. Toth, Jr.
Divorce	Julie Falvey
	Kathleen O'Connor-Esack
Family Court	Leo Kellett
Not-For-Profit	Robert B. Draur
Litigation	Kim Murphy
Attorney of the Afternoon (Immigration)	Bertrand Bosmans
Attorney of the Morning (Landlord-Tenant)	Richard Van Covering
Haven House Project (Domestic Violence Victims)	Steven Sugarman
Ruth Ritchell Award (In-House Volunteer Attorney)	Michael Driscoll
In-House Volunteer	Janet MacDonald
	Patricia Koch
"In A Pinch"	Kathleen Carmody
Mentor	Sanford Kulick
Solo Practitioner	Ann Demopolous
	Ted Dziekonski
Small Firm	Park, Lane, Bania, Blaszak, Montesano & Winokur
Mid-Size Firm	Rosenthal, Siegel, Muneke & Wolfe
Large Firm	Jaeckle, Fleischmann & Mugal
Judicial	Hon. James B. Kane
Special Thanks Award	Katherine S. Bifaro

1993 VLP Pro Bono Awards (1st Reception)

Awards	Recipients
Bankruptcy	Jeffrey M. Freedman
Divorce	Dawn M. Lawkowski
	Salvatore T. Sanfilippo
Family Court	Alison J. Taylor
Not-For-Profit	Michael A. de Frietas
Litigation	Dan D. Kohane
Attorney of the Afternoon (Immigration)	Mark. T. Kenmore
Attorney of the Morning (Landlord-Tenant)	George M. Zimmermann
Haven House Project (Domestic Violence Victims)	Jennifer M. Dillon
Special Divorce Project	Carol Condon
In-House Volunteer	Jennifer H. Schwan
Clerical	Lissette Vazquez
"In A Pinch"	Gary R. Gaffney
	Fauzia S. Khan
Mentors	Thomas P. Connelly, III
	Thomas Allan Palmer
	William E. Lawson
Small Firm	Tronolone & Surgalla
Mid-Size Firm	Bouvier O'Connor
Large Firm	Phillips, Lytle, Hitchcock, Blaine & Huber
Judicial	Hon. John F. O'Donnell