

# Volunteer Lawyer Services Registration

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Firm/employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

## Practicing status

*For information on insurance, see Terms and Conditions on page 2.*

I am registered as a member of the Law Society of Alberta, under the following status:

- Private practice
- Corporate/government counsel
- Active – pro bono
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Law Society membership #: \_\_\_\_\_

Year of call: \_\_\_\_\_

Practice areas: \_\_\_\_\_

Languages spoken: \_\_\_\_\_

## Volunteer opportunities

*For information on programs, see Terms and Conditions on page 2.*

I am willing to provide pro bono legal services for:  
(check all that apply)

- Volunteer Lawyer Services Roster Program
- Civil Claims Duty Counsel Project
- Queen's Bench Amicus Project
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

*NOTE: by selecting a volunteer opportunity, you agree to receive email and other communications related to that project. You can withdraw your consent and terminate your registration at any time by notifying Pro Bono Law Alberta by email or in writing.*

## Media and communications consent

*For information on our media and electronic communication policies, see Terms and Conditions on page 2.*

- Yes, Pro Bono Law Alberta can use media related to my volunteering in their promotions.
- Yes, send me additional news about access to justice, pro bono news, events and opportunities in Alberta.

*NOTE: You can withdraw your consent at any time by notifying Pro Bono Law Alberta by email or in writing.*

## Pro bono involvement

Do you provide pro bono services with another organization? If so, which organization?

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How did you hear about volunteering with PBLA?

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By completing and signing this Registration Form, I represent that I have read and understood this document, that the contents are correct to the best of my knowledge, and that I voluntarily agree to the Terms and Conditions of this document for the purposes of Volunteer Lawyer Services.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



**Pro Bono Law Alberta**

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## Terms and conditions

Pro Bono Law Alberta (PBLA) is a charitable organization that aims to provide opportunities for members of the Alberta legal community to volunteer their services to the public. This document sets out the standard terms and conditions of registering to be a volunteer lawyer with PBLA. By signing and returning the Registration Form, you agree to be bound by these terms and conditions, unless there are express variations or exclusions given in writing.

### Volunteer Lawyer Services Program

Volunteer Lawyer Services (VLS) is an authorized pro bono legal service provider. At this time, it administers a number of projects, including:

- The VLS Roster Program which provides weekly pro bono files for individuals, non-profits and charities. Files range from Civil Litigation, Family Law, Employment Law, as well as solicitor-type work for non-profits and charities. The program is designed to be flexible, and files can be taken on in full, or unbundled through limited scope retainers
- The Civil Claims Duty Counsel Program
- The Queen's Bench Amicus Program
- Several time-specific legal events and clinics, such as the Legal Grounds Advice Clinics, Law Day Dial-a-Lawyer, and other legal service clinics that arise from time to time.

Only lawyers who have registered as volunteer lawyers with VLS are able to participate in these programs.

Once you register as a volunteer under a project, you agree to receive emails and other communications related to that project.

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### Insurance exemption

Under rule 148(2.1) of the *Rules of the Law Society of Alberta*, VLS, which is administered by PBLA, is an authorized pro bono legal service provider. All pro bono services undertaken by a registered volunteer lawyer, in relation to VLS clients, files, programs, and services, are covered under the insurance exemption, as laid out under rule 148(2.1). This exemption extends to members of the Law Society of Alberta that hold an 'Active-Pro Bono' status, or are 'in-house' or 'government' counsel.

Lawyers in private practice, while technically covered by the insurance exemption, are otherwise covered by their normal insurance coverage through the Law Society of Alberta and the Alberta Lawyers Insurance Association.

### Media information policy

From time to time, Pro Bono Law Alberta (PBLA) will use stories, photos, videos, and other media from its activities to promote the work of the organization and the Volunteer Lawyer Services Program. This media is used on the PBLA website, newsletters, pamphlets, promotional material, and other publications and documents. These publications are distributed to members of the legal profession, organizations like the Canadian Bar Association, and to the general public.

By checking the box above, you consent to PBLA using media related to your involvement with the organization in their publications.

PBLA will not disclose any personal information, such as your name, without your express agreement.

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### Electronic communications policy

In addition to communications directly related to its programs, PBLA also shares information about events, opportunities, and other information of interest to the access to justice and pro bono legal services community.

By checking the box above, you consent to PBLA sending you additional information about access to justice issues, pro bono legal services, and other related material, in addition to communications related to PBLA programs and activities that may be characterized as commercial electronic messages.

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