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MBF UPDATE

April 2010

2010 Legal Intern Fellowship Award Recipients Announced

MBF Trustees recently selected six exemplary law students to receive stipends of \$6,000 each for work at area nonprofits this summer. The MBF's Legal Intern Fellowship Program aims to inspire a future generation of public interest attorneys, while simultaneously increasing staff resources to local legal aid organizations. This year's Fellowship recipients are:

Veronica Hu, Boston University School of Law
Internship: Greater Boston Legal Services

Brittany Pinson, University of Mass./ Dartmouth Law School
Internship: South Coastal Counties Legal Services

Elizabeth Rossi, Boston University School of Law
Internship: GBLS/ BU Civil Litigation Clinic

Lumina Sato, Boston College Law School
Internship: Prisoners' Legal Services

Sarah Sherman-Stokes, Boston College Law School
Internship: Political Asylum Immigration Representation

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Congratulations to MBF Life Fellow **Michael D. Weisman**, who recently joined the firm of **Davis Malm & D'Agostine** as a

Project (PAIR)

Christopher Tirrell, Stanford Law School
Internship: Center for Law and Education

shareholder in the
Litigation Practice
Area.

Congratulations 2010 MBF Legal Intern Fellows!

Meet the Grant Reviewers!

Over the next six weeks, over 125 MBF Fellows from all over the state will be lending a hand in the 2010 IOLTA Grant Review. By volunteering on Grant Advisory Committees, reviewing applications, and making recommendations to the Board of Trustees, our IOLTA volunteers play a huge role in the distribution of IOLTA funds to nonprofits in our state.

MBF Fellows represent attorneys from all types of practices--from large firm to solo, from nonprofit to corporate counsel. And, we learned, their reasons for volunteering are just as diverse.

Here are just a few of our IOLTA Grant Reviewers, who shared with us their unique reasons for volunteering:



Richard J. Grahn, Esq.
Managing Partner, Looney & Grossman,
LLP

"I have been reviewing grant requests for about 10 years. Initially, I was attracted to the MBF because of my involvement and continuing interest in the delivery of legal services to those in need. Although I thought I was familiar with most of the agencies that provide these services, as I became involved in the MBF grant review process, I soon learned otherwise.

It is truly a testament to the heritage and commitment of our legal community that so many professionals have dedicated their lives to this cause. Not only is that dedication evident in the passion with which they serve this segment of our community, but also in the way they coordinate grant requests to maximize the effectiveness of their efforts and leverage the limited funds available through MBF grants.

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I take great joy in conducting my site visits because I gain a clear view from those who work in the trenches. My only regret is that the MBF can't fully fund each and every grant request for these worthy causes."

P. Keyburn Hollister, Esq.

Partner, Gobel & Hollister

"Each year, I find it so interesting to review the excellent and innovative legal programs right in my area that are supported by the MBF IOLTA grants."



Angela C. McConney, Esq.

General Counsel, MA Civil Service Commission

"I am a great believer in serving the community at large. By volunteering for the MBF IOLTA grant review, I get to participate "hands on" by reviewing the organizations, their purpose and how they help others. It's always a thrill to meet the awardees or the recipients of their assistance later."

Michael B. Weinberg, Esq.

Shareholder, LeClair Ryan

"As a resident of Dorchester, I consider Greater Boston to be my community. When I serve on a Greater Boston Grant Committee, I am ultimately helping people in my own neighborhood. And I am supporting initiatives that reflect the diversity of the City of Boston."



Thank you to all of our IOLTA Volunteers! The MBF simply could not do it without you.

For more information about volunteering as an IOLTA grant

reviewer, please contact [Elizabeth Lynch](#).

Looking for the perfect gift for the new Law School Grad?

Look no further than the MBF's Honor Gift Program!

An honor gift is a meaningful way to pay tribute to a family member, friend, or colleague while at the same time supporting the delivery of legal aid programs for the poor in our state.

Whether to recognize a law school graduate, mark a law firm milestone, or memorialize a colleague's legacy, an honor gift to the MBF will have a lasting impact in the legal community.

The MBF will acknowledge your generous gift with a personal note sent directly to your designee.

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