



QUICK overview of the National Pro Bono Week 2015 Timetable

Monday 2 November

Launch of National Pro Bono Week (Breakfast); Launched by the Attorney General **"Is regulation killing pro bono?" A panel discussion with the regulators**

Sir Michael Pitt, Chair, Legal Services Board
Dr Vanessa Davies, Director-General, Bar Standards Board
Paul Philip, Chief Executive, Solicitors Regulation Authority
Andrew Donovan, Board member, CILEx Regulation
Mike Napier, Attorney General's Pro Bono Envoy (Chair)

Venue: The Law Society, 113 Chancery Lane, London
Time: 8:30 - 11:00

<https://events.lawsociety.org.uk/ClientApps/Silverbear.Web.EDMS/public/default.aspx?tabId=37&id=1098&orgId=1&guid=959b4bc7-a764-49b9-8c94-ba5b0e6122ad>

Pro bono SPARK talks: inspiring talks from across the pro bono sector.

Host: Afua Hirsch, social affairs and education editor at Sky News.
Alexander Mclean; founder of the African Prisons Project, a barrister and a TED fellow.
Dr. Alison Prendiville MSc, MA(RCA); a senior researcher in the School of Graphic Design at LCC, University of the Arts London.
Rebecca Stevens; a family solicitor with Withy King.
Paul Yates; head of London Pro Bono, Freshfields.
Samantha Leung; Winner of the student pro bono competition.

Venue: Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer, 65 Fleet Street, London, EC4Y 1HT
Time: 17:30-20:30.

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The Business Case for Pro Bono (organised by LawWorks and Shoosmiths)

This event will be an informal opportunity to learn about how legal pro bono work can make a difference to your practice as well as your community. The discussion will explore opportunities and challenges for pro bono, including examples of local initiatives or projects.

Venue: Shoosmiths, Apex Plaza, Forbury Rd, RG1 1SH, Reading
Time: 12:30 – 14:00

RSVP: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-business-case-for-pro-bono-reading-tickets-18325185122>

Meet your Law Centre: Pro Bono volunteering for qualified lawyers

An event for lawyers and legal professionals. Come along for a glass of wine and meet Law Centre staff. Find out more about how you can get involved with pro bono work with Newcastle Law Centre.

Time: 18:00

Venue: Central Newcastle TBC

RSVP: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/meet-your-law-centre-pro-bono-volunteering-for-qualified-lawyers-tickets-18745905508?utm-medium=discovery&utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&aff=esfb&utm-source=fb&utm-term=listing>



Tuesday 3 November

Drop in session for MPs at Portcullis House

An opportunity for MPs to meet with pro bono organisations and discuss their work and how they can help their constituents.

Venue: Portcullis House, Room U

Time: 10:00 - 16.00

By invite

Drop in session for AMs at Ty Hywel

An opportunity for AMs to meet with pro bono organisations and discuss their work and how they can help their constituents.

Venue: Ty Hywel

Time: 12:30 – 14:00

By invite

Birmingham Law Society NPBW event with keynote speaker Baroness Lawrence

Birmingham Law Society's annual pro bono lecture; with the opportunity to meet community partners and third sector organisations.

Venue: Wragge Lawrence Graham & Co, Two Snowhill, Snow Hill Queensway, Birmingham, West Midlands B4 6WR

Time: 17.30 - 20.00

http://birminghamlawsociety.co.uk/index.php?option=com_civicrm&task=civicrm/event/register&Itemid=159&id=55&reset=1

Designing better access to justice services for the future (Co-hosted by LawWorks and Innovation Unit)

Experience what design can do for justice - A dynamic, hands-on introduction to design as a tool for solving the challenges of access to justice. In this session, you will learn about Innovation Unit's tried and tested Disciplined Innovation model, hear about real life examples where it has been used to transform lives, and have the chance to give it a go yourself.

Having experienced the potential of this approach, there will also be opportunities to brainstorm how it could be applied across pro bono initiatives, and to chat with experienced practitioners.

Venue: Skype, 2 Waterhouse Sq (140 Holborn), London, Greater London, EC1N 2ST

Time: 18:00 – 20:00

To book a place: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/designing-better-access-to-justice-services-for-the-future-tickets-18674664424>

Wednesday 4 November

Surveying Pro Bono: Breakfast event focusing on the value of surveys and indexes. Including the launch of the 2015 Law Society omnibus survey stats.

Panel: Jo Cox, Research Team, The Law Society; Nic Patrick, Pro Bono Partner, DLA Piper; Serena Grant, TrustLaw; Martin Barnes, LawWorks.

Venue: DLA Piper, 1 Noble Street, London

Time: 9.00 (9:15 start) - 11.00

RSVP: rebecca.wilkinson@lawsociety.org.uk



National Pro Bono Week Breakfast Event (Bristol): The Avon & Bristol Law Centre and Osborne Clarke are hosting a strategic discussion on the relationship between the respective sectors. Hear about the current issues facing the advice agency sector and the opportunities for the commercial legal sector to work more closely with Bristol-based advice agencies.

Guest speaker: Guy Beringer, Chairman of The Legal Education Foundation and former-Senior Partner of Allen & Overy LLP.

Venue: Osborne Clarke, 2 Temple Back East, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6EG

Time: 8:30 (9:00 start) – 10:30

RSVP: dipika.keen@osborneclarke.com

BPBU Open House

An opportunity for barristers to learn more about the work of the Bar Pro Bono Unit.

Venue: National Pro Bono Centre, 48 Chancery Lane, London

For more information: kuki@barprobono.org.uk

The pro bono journey. It all begins with students (panel event organised by BPP)

Join us for an evening to discuss and celebrate student contribution to pro bono, chaired by Matthew Rhodes, OBE – Director of Roll On Friday.

Venue: BPP Red Lion Street Room 6.6

Time: 18:00

RSVP: probono@bpp.com by 9am on Friday 30 October.

Light refreshments will follow the formal proceedings.

The Great Legal Quiz: Run by the Access to Justice Foundation.

An opportunity to be part of a national quizathon, raising money for local free legal advice services.

For more information: Martha de la Roche (marthadelaroch@atif.org.uk)

Thursday 5 November

In-house counsel event on Public Legal Education (organised by the Citizenship Foundation)

Why is public legal education important? What value can in-house counsel add? How can you use your skills and expertise to improve young people's legal capability?

Keynote speaker: Solicitor General Robert Buckland QC MP

Venue: Weil Gotshal, 110 Fetter Lane, London EC4A 1AY

Time: 8:00 – 9:30

RSVP: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/helping-young-people-learn-about-the-law-good-for-business-tickets-18432067811>

Birmingham Student Conference (organised by BPP and the University of Birmingham)

An afternoon of pro bono talks and workshops targeted at law students. Including panellists from DLA Piper, No 5 Chambers and the Law Society.

Venue: Shoosmiths LLP, 2 Colmore Square, 38 Queensway, Birmingham, B4 6BJ

Time: 12.30-5pm

RSVP: L.Thomas@bham.ac.uk

Pro bono: what's in it for law students (organised by LawWorks and BPP Law School)

As part of National Pro Bono Week 2015, you are invited to join a national discussion about student pro bono, looking at how and why students should engage in pro bono work.



There will be a panel of guest speakers who will share their experiences of pro bono and explain the benefits for students getting involved:

Venue: Lecture Theatre, BPP University Law School, 36 Park Row, Leeds

Time: 15:00 – 17:00

RSVP: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/myevent?eid=18838357033>

Pro Bono: what's in it for students? (organised by Northumbria University)

Three speakers from varied roles in the legal profession will discuss their motivations for carrying out pro bono work and how they incorporate pro bono activities into their working life.

Following the speeches, there will be a question and answer session followed by networking and refreshments.

The University's community partners (including PSU, CAB, Newcastle Law Centre and street law) will also attend to advise students about their work and possible pro bono volunteering opportunities.

Venue: Faculty of Law and Business, City Campus East, Newcastle.

Time: 16:00 – 18:00

RSVP: ana.speed@northumbria.ac.uk

National Pro Bono Week Event (organised by Nottingham Trent University)

Featuring guest speaker: Lord Phillips of Sudbury; on the benefits of pro bono and why students should get involved. This will be followed by a panel discussion.

Venue: Lecture theatre, Nottingham Trent University city campus

Time: 16:00 – 18:00

RSVP: NLS.legaladvicecentre@ntu.ac.uk

Pro Bono: What Is It Good For? Celebrating 25 Years in Battersea

This event will celebrate the achievements of pro bono work at Battersea Free Legal Advice Clinic and at other free legal advice centres, and explore new ideas about dealing with this change. Speakers TBC

Venue: Allen & Overy LLP, 1 Bishops Square, London E1 6AD

Time: 18:30 – 20:30

By invite

Friday 6 November

International pro bono: harnessing UK expertise to make a difference globally

A panel discussion on supporting the rule of law in developing countries; best practice, opportunities and challenges.

Organised by ROLEUK

Venue: Berwin Leighton Paisner, Adelaide House, EC4R 9HA

Time: 8:30 – 10:00

RSVP: info@roleuk.org.uk

Pro Bono: what's in it for students? (organised by BPP Manchester)

A panel event on pro bono for law students in Manchester.

Venue: DLA Piper LLP, 101 Barbirolli Square, Bridgewater, Manchester, M2 3DL

Time: 8:30 – 10:00

For more information: VictoriaSpeed@bpp.com



The Business Case for pro bono (organised by LawWorks with DLA Piper in Manchester)

An informal opportunity to learn about how legal pro bono work can make a difference to your practice as well as your community. The discussion will explore opportunities and challenges for pro bono.

Venue: TBC - Manchester

Time: 8:45 – 10:45

RSVP: <http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-business-case-for-pro-bono-manchester-tickets-18819146574>

You can find further details about our NPBW events, and pro bono events throughout the year, at:

<http://www.nationalprobonocentre.org.uk/event-calendar>