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# BIRMINGHAM VOLUNTEER LAWYERS PROGRAM

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See our new [CLE Opportunities/Upcoming Events](#) page for info on upcoming CLE programs.

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## E-Briefing

November 21, 2013

### Pro Bono Champions!

Congratulations to the following 22 volunteer lawyers who have gone above and beyond the call of duty to take a case and provide Pro Bono representation to a client who cannot afford an attorney. The following attorneys are currently working on a Pro Bono case that they took from the Birmingham Bar Volunteer Lawyers Program in September, October, or November.

Charlie Baxley  
Elizabeth Blair (2 cases!)  
John Clark  
Pamela Cousins (2 cases!)  
Tommy Davis (2 cases!)  
Melissa Doggett  
Charles Dunn

Megan Elder (2 cases!)  
C. Allen Flowers  
Floyd Gaines  
Maura Goodwyn  
Deborah Gregory (2 cases!)  
Ginger Hamilton  
Stella Jackson  
Jeanie Jones  
Loring Jones  
Brown "Bo" Linder  
Jessica Powers (2 cases!)  
Nancy Lawrence Rhodes  
Jordan Watson  
Pam Weed  
Elizabeth Zwiebel



VINCENT SAYLOR DISCUSSES HIS PRESENTATION WITH ATTENDEES OF A RECENT CLE.

### Donate to the BBVLP





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## Partners



The Birmingham Volunteer  
Lawyers Program is funded by  
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cases are:

- SSI benefits (1 case)
- Uncontested Divorce (6 cases)
- Contested Divorce (25 cases)
- Bankruptcy (31 cases)
- Wills & Estate (11 cases)
- Guardianship/Conservatorship (6 cases)
- Other (9 cases)

### **ZERO VOLUNTEERS for December Domestic Relations Help Desk:**

You can have your choice of times and dates to volunteer on a Wednesday in December at the Domestic Relations Help Desk. Be the first attorney to let us know you will help out by responding to this email or emailing [shudgens@vlpbirmingham.org](mailto:shudgens@vlpbirmingham.org).

Wide open are December 4th, 11th and 18th. Three attorneys are needed for each 8:30 to 10 a.m. shift and three are needed for 10 a.m. to noon. Your help will be well appreciated. Check out the [volunteer calendar](#) for more information.

### **District Court Help Desk volunteers also needed**

Please see the [volunteer calendar](#) for when you can volunteer.

### **Thank you to this week's Help Desk volunteers:**

District Court Volunteer Attorneys advised **19 clients** on Monday and **Thursday**

Stevan Goozee

Ryan Meyers-Lorant Law Group

Bertram Goodwin Minisman Jr.-Baker Donelson Bearman Caldwell &

Berkowitz

David T. Newton--Maynard Cooper & Gale, P.C.

Jessica Powers-Powers law

Honza Prchal-Heninger Garrison Davis, LLC

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**Domestic Relations Court Volunteer Attorneys advised 23 clients on Wednesday**

Megan Elder -- Elder Family Law

Linda Hall

Ginger Hamilton\*

Tanisia Moor

**Toys for Tots:** Friendly reminder to drop off an unwrapped toy at Legal Services Alabama, 1820 7th Avenue North, Suite 200, Birmingham, AL 35203, by December 2, 2013.

**Interesting read:** Remember when Alabama was the divorce capital of the nation? *The Montgomery Advertiser* does. Click [here](#) for the story.

## Qualify for Help

Clients whose income level is equal to or below 125% of the federal poverty level and who have first been interviewed by Legal Services Alabama staff or VLP staff are eligible for free legal help through the VLP. Only civil, non-fee generating cases are accepted by the VLP. See the "[Get Help & Volunteer](#)" page to apply for assistance.

Further, for information on how to apply for services, you may contact our intake line at (205) 250-5198 option #0.

New do-it-yourself instructions and forms are provided by the Alabama State Bar Committee on Pro Se Forms. See the [LawHelp website](#) for more information.

### Disaster Help Links

Help for filing insurance claims provided by the [Alabama Association for Justice](#). Free legal services for tornado victims provided by the [University of Alabama and Alabama State Bar](#). The Alabama State Bar also has a [Disaster Relief Hotline](#), at 1-800-354-6154.

See the "[Disaster Relief – Legal Information](#)" page for information and forms on dealing with contractors, unemployment, notice to landlord and other issues.