EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S LETTER

This past year was one of uncertainty. At the beginning of the year, I was deeply worried about our continuing ability to serve our clients at a time when they would need it most. Yet 2017 has turned out to be a year of amazing accomplishment.

Core Services: In the face of a continuing threat to the funding for the Legal Services Corporation, which provides us with 40% of our budget, we forged on to help our clients address their core legal needs—needs that affect every aspect of their lives.

- We protected them against family violence—about 1,000 women and children a year.
- We kept them in their homes—over 1,100 people avoided eviction or foreclosure.
- We protected their incomes—almost 400 clients got $2 million in benefits.
- We got them medical care—300 clients got medical care totaling $6.1 million.

We continued to serve over 20,000 clients at less than $500 a case.

Clayton County: Perhaps most remarkably during this time of uncertainty, we are expanding our services in Clayton County. In all regards our poorest county, we had never had the resources to open a regularly staffed office. After two years of diligent efforts, we now have space for a courthouse office focusing on issues of domestic violence and housing.

Volunteers: Another breakthrough effort was the dramatic increase in our use of pro bono volunteers. Last year, we had 1,200 volunteers who obtained $2.2 million in benefits for clients through a dozen volunteer programs in all five of our counties and around the state.

Funding: We asked our core supporters to significantly increase their contributions through the Gambrell Society, and, thus far, we have received commitments of almost $500,000 over a three-year period from nearly 40 donors. We also collaborated with four partners to obtain two major new grants—one from the Georgia Bar Foundation and the other from the Junior League of Atlanta.

I continue to be amazed at what a remarkable organization Atlanta Legal Aid is. Every year we provide the core services our clients need, and expand our work to new client populations.

Nor does the nature of our program go unnoticed. We get national grants for our use of volunteers. We are recognized locally for our work with families of hospitalized children, with unaccompanied minors escaping violence in their native countries and with children with autism. And we and our partners were among only three grantees to receive a grant from the Junior League of Atlanta to celebrate its 100th anniversary.

But the challenge of maintaining our success grows. We must make sure we stay a core institution in the Atlanta community and a role model for the rest of the country.

Steve Gottlieb
ECONOMIC IMPACT

Amount of money Legal Aid put back into Atlanta and Georgia’s economy.

TOTAL
$111,183,482

BY THE NUMBERS

ALL OTHER GEORGIA COUNTIES
$24,733,425

FINANCIAL OUTCOMES FOR CLIENTS

TOTAL FINANCIAL OUTCOMES
$19,962,104

INCOME MAINTENANCE
$2,403,716

HEALTH
$6,268,596

EDUCATION
$779,745

CONSUMER
$1,263,749

FAMILY STABILITY
$6,193,553

HOME PROTECTION
$3,052,745

CASES

Legal Aid attorneys, paralegals and caseworkers opened 20,438 cases in 2017.

COBB: 2,981
GWINNETT: 3,177
FULTON: 5,663
DEKALB: 4,463
CLAYTON: 1,578

TOTAL CASES 20,438

PEOPLE PROTECTED IN KEY AREAS

BENEFITS OBTAINED OR PRESERVED
1137

PROTECTION AGAINST VIOLENCE
987

HOUSES OR APARTMENTS PROTECTED
1182

HEALTHCARE ACCESS OBTAINED OR PRESERVED
768

FAMILY STABILITY PROTECTED OR PRESERVED
1131
HOUSING Lindsey Siegel not only won a housing victory but also reunited a family after it was spread to the four winds. A mother of five moved here from North Carolina and sought to “port” her Section 8 voucher from that state to a local housing authority. Because she lacked suitable housing when she arrived, her children were split up various ways and assigned to foster care.

Then mother was denied permission to transfer her voucher. Even though she was eligible for housing assistance in a sister state, the local authority applied tougher standards. They held some parts of her history against her, even though she was not disqualified under federal law.

With Lindsey as her legal champion, mother filed suit in federal court. The court denied quick relief, but we soon settled the case on favorable terms. Our client got her rightful voucher and reunited with all her children.

Miriam Gutman saved two clients from eviction by using complaints of discrimination against the disabled. The first is an amputee who uses a motorized wheelchair. His son often comes over to help out. The apartment complex banned the son after another tenant claimed the son threatened him in the parking lot.

Miriam asked the complex for a “reasonable accommodation” for tenant’s disability – that the son no longer be banned. After getting the run-around from management, Miriam sent in a federal “fair housing” complaint. Ultimately the complex agreed not to ban the son, while emphasizing the father’s responsibility to obey the lease.

The second tenant suffers from disabilities, she and her husband lived together until the couple separated, and she alone remained on the lease. The couple reconciled, so the tenant wanted her husband to move back in. During the separation, however, the complex had changed its availability rules. It no longer rented to seniors and the disabled, only seniors. It refused to add the husband back on the lease because he was not over 60.

The tenant then asked that her husband be treated as her live-in aide, submitting appropriate documents. The leasing manager denied the request, saying husband had been a previous resident. A second letter informed tenant that her lease would not be renewed because of “business reasons.” The leasing manager turned aside tenant’s protests.

In response to Miriam’s federal complaint, an investigator suggested that management add husband back on the lease as an authorized resident and withdraw the notice of non-renewal. They agreed. Great work, Miriam.

Lindsey Siegel and Jessica Felfoldi helped a mother of eight who has held a Section 8 voucher for 18 years, 14 of them with DeKalb County. In 2016, she complained of her housing conditions. Because the place was substandard, the housing authority stopped paying its share of the rent. After multiple inspections, the authority terminated her voucher, in part because she missed a reinspection appointment while her disabled son was in the hospital.

During her hearing, the client testified in great detail that she was not responsible for the repair problems. Even though the authority presented no evidence she was at fault, it ruled against her and took away her voucher. The landlord sought to evict her. Dismayed, she agreed just to move out. She and her children went to live in one room in an extended stay hotel.

Legal Aid argued, and the federal district court agreed, that hearsay evidence alone could not justify cutting off tenant’s housing voucher for conditions problems, after she testified she was not at fault. The court ordered client’s voucher reinstated immediately.

Congratulations to Lindsey Siegel and Jessica Felfoldi for fixing a desperate situation for this very large family.

CONSUMER Hee Ryu won a great result in a homeowner’s association (HOA) dispute. The HOA sued homeowner over assessments. The month before it sued, the HOA had tacked on a nearly $5,000 fine because client’s pine straw supposedly failed to meet the community standard. Our client insisted she had maintained her yard properly. It turned out the only problem was that homeowner had not report her yard work.

She scraped together enough to pay the assessments and late fees, but the HOA refused to negotiate the fine. By the trial date, the claimed balance had ballooned to $26,000, because of still more late fees and attorney fees. At trial, the HOA brought in conflicting evidence about any balance due. The judge found that the HOA did not carry its burden of proof. Of the $26,000 the HOA still demanded, client had to pay $0. More importantly, she avoided a lien on her home that the HOA could have used to foreclose on her unit.

Don Coleman won an unusual case by showing that a creditor waited too long to sue. A car buyer was sued on his loan. Because well over four years had run, the usual “statute of limitations” had expired. But the creditor argued it wasn’t too late, because of later payments on the loan.

The creditor’s problem was that the buyer did not make those payments. Those were made as part of a payment plan in a Chapter 13 bankruptcy. At Don’s urging, the court held payments by the bankruptcy trustee were not “voluntary payments” acknowledging the debt and did not reset the deadline to sue. This ruling seems to be a first in the Georgia courts.
Morgan Kauffman persuaded the U.S. Department of Education to discharge a subsidized loan. Using identity theft, somebody borrowed funds in client’s name. The client came to Legal Aid because his Social Security disability payments were garnished to pay off this federal student loan, apparently used in Arizona, for online classes.

There is no easy way to discharge a federal loan based on identity theft. A forgiveness form asks for a court order, finding there was identity theft and identifying the perpetrator. For obvious reasons, that kind of order is impossible for most victims to obtain.

Morgan therefore assisted the victim with filing police reports, completing an identity theft affidavit, and pulling together other documents to support his claim. As a result, his federal loans were discharged, and he was reimbursed for all past payments! Morgan is also interested in challenging the federal discharge rules, in a proper case.

Mary Irene Dickerson saved a widow over $5,000 in her bank account. The widow got sued on a credit card debt and her account was garnished to pay it. The money came from Veteran’s Administration (VA) benefits, paid to the client’s husband while he lived, in a lump sum. Her widow used part of that money to bury him. The garnishment froze the balance to pay her debt.

The judge gave everybody time to argue about whether the money in the account was exempt from garnishment. Federal law makes VA benefits exempt. When Mary Irene asked for time to file a brief, the creditor dismissed the garnishment. The court returned the frozen funds.

FAMILY LAW Terria Williams obtained a great result for a family in turmoil. A 13-year-old Gwinnettian came home one day only to discover his mother’s body. The child’s abusive step-father had murdered her, brutally. The boy’s older sister, only 25, picked him up and launched into action to become his primary caregiver. She found a larger apartment to accommodate them both, enrolled the child in grief counseling and petitioned for custody in Gwinnett Juvenile Court. We agreed to assist sister. The Juvenile Court granted her custody.

The birth father had been largely absent from the child’s life, living in California. Recognizing that the young survivor would be eligible for Social Security and other death benefits, however, he flew to Georgia. He got the boy’s paternal grandfather to swear falsely that the child lived with his older relative in Cobb County. The Grandfather went to Cobb County Probate Court and obtained temporary letters of guardianship, without notifying the sister or the child or any other relative. The sister learned about grandfather’s guardianship order only when he bragged to the maternal grandmother that he had obtained legal custody of the child. He never came to pick up the child, but called and made veiled threats to do so.

The probate court revoked the guardianship, dressing grandfather down for his false statements. The minor child will remain in his stable home with his sister. They both have some peace at last and can mourn the loss of their mother.

PUBLIC BENEFITS Wingo Smith got a good decision on a continuing client problem. A food stamp recipient was prescribed medicine costing about $1,200 each month. She had two receipts for past refills and a note from her doctor saying she needed her meds every month. Instead of treating this as an ongoing expense, DFCS wanted to call it a one-time expense. That meant she would have to submit new verification every month. An administrative law judge found that federal food stamp law requires a system based on reasonable estimates, avoiding constant paperwork. Verification requirements create all kinds of delay and denials, so this approach is necessary to make the medical expense deduction useful for food stamp recipients.

The DeKalb office saved a worker from almost $10,000 in claims by the State Department of Labor. The client was a senior who spoke English as a second language. She worked part time while getting unemployment compensation. She reported her income every week, as required. Because she was paid every other week, her reports cut her bi-weekly checks in half. The result was that sometimes she underreported her weekly earnings by as much as $10. Five times, she under-reported and got lesser benefits than she should have. Every time her numbers were too low, DOL figured her entire unemployment check for that period as an overpayment.

Not only that, but the department charged recipient with fraud. Then she narrowly missed her appeal deadline. Despite her own pleas for understanding and still more pleas from Mary Irene Dickerson, the department refused to give up its claims. Penalties and interest kept mounting up.

Finally, Angela Riccetti filed a Chapter 7 bankruptcy, planning to litigate the fraud claim in bankruptcy court if the department contested discharge. But the department did not file an “adversary claim.” All of the recipient’s debts were discharged successfully, including especially this huge one.

RIGHTFUL CITIZENSHIP Angela Riccetti won a 5-year battle to get a client’s citizenship recognized. Client was born at a U.S. Air Force Base in the Philippines, to an American service member and his American-born wife. Her parents did not register her birth with the local consulate. When she was two, her parents brought her home to this country, where she has lived ever since. Her difficulties began in 2011, when she moved to Georgia and sought to change her driver’s license. Before it will issue any government ID, Georgia demands either a U.S. birth certificate or a consular report of birth abroad. After trying on her own for a year without success, client came to us for help.

Angela first asked for a waiver of the usual requirements, offering a variety of solid secondary evidence. The state refused to waive anything, and suggested filing for a certificate of citizenship instead. Thus, began three years of back-and-forth with federal immigration authorities. During that whole time, client could not drive legally in Georgia.

Finally, this year, her appeal proved successful and her certification of citizenship was granted. Client had to attend a naturalization ceremony and swear an oath to the only country she has ever known. However, her certificate did note that she became a citizen on January 30, 1975 — the day of her birth. And she got her Georgia driver’s license.
In 2017, the downtown general law practice represented three clients at a failing subsidized housing complex. The cases were emblematic of the mismanagement and neglect that causes many families to suffer eviction and terrible living conditions. Management refused to recertify and renew leases in all three cases as required by federal law and had failed to make repairs to the units as required by law. Legal Aid filed two lawsuits against them and brought counterclaims in the third.

In Ms. Canton’s case, management wanted her to provide untrue income information; as a result, she paid more rent than law required, and she did not receive her utility allowance. Her utilities were terminated.

In Ms. Bush’s case, management accused her son of committing fraud when management submitted an employment verification they filled out to the son’s employer who made a mistake when completing the form. Management claimed an unlawful amount of rent and refused to give Ms. Bush her utility allowance. Her utilities were terminated. Due to evictions filed, Ms. Bush lost a job opportunity. Legal Aid filed a lawsuit on her behalf.

In Ms. Winchell’s case, management refused to acknowledge her son in the home because she did not have legal custody at the time. She was in the middle of obtaining legal custody. Management also refused to make repairs. Management refused to give Ms. Winchell her utility allowance; but, fortunately, her utilities were not terminated. Legal Aid counterclaimed that the policy discriminated against Ms. Winchell based on her familial status and sought damages for the landlord’s failure to repair.

The landlord paid the three clients a total of $11,288. It also paid Legal Aid attorney fees of $5,100.

Señor Lopez sought legal help when his mortgage company refused to convert the trial plan he had been paying into a permanent loan modification. The bank demanded that he provide a probate court order from his father’s estate. Fourteen years ago when he immigrated to Cobb County from Mexico, Sr. Lopez bought his home with his father who became co-owner and co-borrower to help Sr. Lopez qualify for the mortgage. His father returned to Mexico, where he passed away in 2014. Sr. Lopez had been struggling with the mortgage payments, and was relieved to be offered a modification. However, if the bank would not honor the modification, he would be several thousand dollars behind and face the risk of foreclosure. The HDP attorney argued that probate of his father’s estate was not required and persuaded the bank not to proceed with foreclosure while the title issues were being resolved. With pro bono help from a title attorney, HDP drafted an affidavit of descent and quit claim deeds from the heirs in favor of Sr. Lopez. All of the heirs cooperated in signing the necessary papers to transfer title to the home into the name of Sr. Lopez. Two of the deeds had to be signed and properly witnessed in Mexico. The affidavit and deeds were recorded with the county real estate records, and the bank approved Sr. Lopez for the permanent loan modification. Sr. Lopez was overjoyed to sign the modification documents, which lowered his monthly payment by $360. Sr. Lopez, his wife, and their three children are now secure in their home, no longer at risk of foreclosure.
FAMILY LAW  Atlanta Legal Aid’s lawyers go to court more often in family law matters than in any other kind. As it is for many general practitioners, family law work is part of our “bread and butter.”

With our court experience in family law matters, we have also been able to work behind the scenes to improve the legal system dealing with family law. One of our lawyers served on the statewide committee overseeing development of the new online child support calculator that was released in 2017. Another Legal Aid lawyer continues to serve on the Georgia Bar Family Law Section’s executive committee. And several of our newer lawyers were invited to testify at public hearings on proposed changes in the regulations governing Georgia’s child support agency.

In addition to often representing clients seeking orders of protection from family violence, Legal Aid’s lawyers also regularly represent people seeking divorce, legitimation, custody or visitation with their children, or financial support for their children or themselves. Here’s an example:

Ms. Abdi and her husband were refugees from Africa. When she came to Legal Aid seeking a divorce, they had been married for about 10 years and had two young children. Her husband had been physically violent to Ms. Abdi and had taken up with another woman. He got a religious divorce from Ms. Abdi, and then moved out of state and married the other woman without getting a civil divorce from Ms. Abdi. Once he left, he stopped providing any financial support for Ms. Abdi and the children, although he did visit with the children two or three times a year.

When Ms. Abdi came to Legal Aid, her husband had been gone for about two years. Although she was working steadily, she was struggling to make ends meet without any support from him for the children. She was also ready to move on with her life and wanted a legal divorce. But, there was no way she could afford to hire a lawyer to represent her.

We represented Ms. Abdi in filing for divorce, custody and child support. We got the husband personally served in the other state, so that the Georgia court could assert long-arm jurisdiction and order him to pay child support. When we went to court for trial, we engaged in mediation and had a short hearing with the judge. As a result of Legal Aid’s work, Ms. Abdi got her divorce, custody of the children and a schedule for them to visit with their father. She also got an order for regular child support that will significantly improve the household finances for her and the two children.
HEALTH LAW

HEALTH LAW PARTNERSHIP (HELP) The Health Law Partnership is an interdisciplinary community collaboration among Atlanta Legal Aid, Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta and Georgia State University College of Law. The social and economic conditions in which children live can seriously affect their health. Attorneys intervene to address issues, such as poor housing conditions, lack of protection from domestic violence and failure to protect the legal rights of disabled children, with the goal of improving the physical, social or economic environments in which many children live. HeLP has on-site legal offices at Children’s at Scottish Rite, Children’s at Egleston, and Children’s at Hughes Spalding Hospitals. In addition, HeLP has a legal clinic located at the Georgia State University College of Law, in which law students work with clients to address legal issues affecting the health and wellbeing of the children.

HeLP receives calls concerning disability benefits, special education, Medicaid, problems related to housing conditions, and all aspects of family law and stability, protection from violence. The attorneys have also assisted with problems related to food stamps, utilities, employment and health insurance.

Stephen is a 12-year-old boy who was diagnosed with Trisomy 18 at birth. Trisomy 18 is a rare and usually fatal disease, with most babies dying at birth or within the first year of life. He is nonverbal, non-mobile, oxygen-dependent, requires regular suctioning and he has over 20 seizures a day. He takes 33 different medications daily as well as respiratory treatments and therapies for his other affected bodily systems. Stephen had been receiving 72 hours of weekly home care nursing services through the Georgia Pediatric Program that were reduced to 56 hours and then, eventually, terminated. When Stephen’s mother contacted HeLP, she had already appealed the decision and received a notice that the hearing was scheduled for August. HeLP attorneys assisted her in getting the hearing continued until September, and also reviewed Stephen’s medical records to prepare for the hearing. Less than 24 hours after the Department of Community Health was put on notice that HeLP’s attorneys were going to be assisting at the hearing, our client received an offer to reinstate the 72 hours of skilled nursing care plus 20 hours of unskilled nursing care. After receiving advice concerning her options, Stephen’s mother accepted this offer and is now receiving the assistance she needs.

THE DISABILITY INTEGRATION PROJECT continued

our mission of pursuing the promise of Olmstead vs LC & EW, the landmark 1999 U.S. Supreme Court case won by Atlanta Legal Aid, that gives people with disabilities the right to live in the community rather than in institutions. Our attorneys and paralegals advocate for our clients in a variety of venues so they can obtain the supports necessary to live full and meaningful lives in the community. Two of our attorneys specialize in school-based advocacy on behalf of students with complex behavioral needs. In addition to advocating for appropriate services in school, these attorneys also fight to get their clients the Medicaid-funded supports they need to stay at home with their families. We also facilitate the Nick Project, a collaborative effort with the DeKalb Public Defenders office, the DeKalb County Jail, the state’s mental health agency, and mental health providers, to help inmates with mental illness and/or developmental disabilities get connected to community supports and housing prior to release. Our advocacy on behalf of justice-involved individuals extends to clients civilly committed in state forensic hospitals, who with the right supports can also live in the community. For our clients with physical disabilities who want to move out of nursing homes and into their own homes or back home with their family, we advocate for community-based Medicaid waiver supports, appealing unjust denials. Our Olmstead Disability Rights Clinic at the Georgia State University College of Law, now in its second year, allows us to educate the next generation of lawyers about Olmstead and our clients’ struggle for community integration.

36-year-old Jane suffered from a stroke and an aneurysm, causing her to be completely bed-bound and dependent on others for all of her activities of daily living. She also underwent multiple hemicranieectomy’s (removal of a side of her skull) to reduce reoccurring brain infection and swelling. Jane’s mother contacted the Disability Integration Project to help her daughter out of a nursing facility and back home after she was denied admission to the Independent Care Waiver Program (ICWP), a Medicaid program administered by the Department of Community Health (DCH) that provides home care as an alternative to nursing home care. Legal Aid lawyer filed a motion for Summary determination prior to the scheduled hearing, and the attorney for DCH contacted her the day before the hearing to settle the case. Jane was awarded 12 hours of personal care supports so that she could move into her mother’s home. She has now safely transitioned home and is doing well. Jane’s mother is thrilled to have her daughter back home!
A single mother with stage 4 breast cancer and with three children under the age of ten came to us for help with estate planning. The client had expressed her wishes in earlier meetings for the Health Law Unit to draft her estate planning documents, including a guardianship document for her minor children. When the Health Law Unit attorney got to the section to review where she stated she wanted a burial, the client could not bring herself to confirm that she wanted this. The attorney asked her if she had any questions, and she stated that her mother and sister wanted her to have a burial, but she could not bear the thought of her children having to see her like that. The attorney asked her if she wanted more time to think about it, that this did not have to be rushed if she was not ready, and she looked up at everyone in the room and gently said, “I do not have any more time.” She knew her time was coming to an end, and all she could do was think about her three young children. The attorney explained to her that it was her wish we wanted to ensure we expressed, not the wishes of her mother or sister and to take her time to decide what she wanted. She ultimately decided that she wanted a cremation. There was not a dry eye in the room. The client passed away the next week, and while losing a client is never easy, her attorney knows that we gave the client the dignity she deserved.

The Health Law Unit provides comprehensive and compassionate legal services to low-income individuals living with serious health conditions such as cancer and HIV/AIDS. The Unit assists clients across metro Atlanta with a wide range of illness-related legal issues that are barriers to care and affect the clients’ abilities to focus on treatment and wellness. The Health Law Unit focuses on the most essential of legal issues, such as access to healthcare, safe and affordable housing, preservation of benefits and income, protection of rights under the ADA and HIV confidentiality rules, end of life planning and other legal assistance that helps each client focus on their health and well-being.

We continue our collaboration with Grady Cancer Center for Excellence, DeKalb Medical Center and Gwinnett Medical Center through our Breast Cancer Legal Project and Cancer Initiative where our outreach paralegal is present in the hospital to meet with our cancer population for in-person intake twice a month. The AIDS Legal Project collaborates with Grady’s Infectious Disease Program and assists our HIV/AIDS client population on a weekly basis through on-site in-person intake outreach. The AIDS Legal Project also works with AID Atlanta for monthly outreach education on housing, employment rights and estate planning issues. We continue our collaboration with Positive Impact Health Centers in Gwinnett where our outreach paralegal meets with our HIV/AIDS clients twice a month.

The Health Law Unit offers estate planning to every client and the partnership with the private bar allows for the clients to have their estate planning completed. The Health Law Unit provides a detailed estate planning training to private attorneys to take on these cases pro bono. Without this collaboration, the Health Law Unit would not be able to provide this legal service to every client.

THE GEORGIA SENIOR LEGAL HOTLINE is a statewide service that provides advice, brief service, and referrals to economically and/or socially disadvantaged Georgians 60 and over and to kinship caregivers of any age. In 2017, with a staff of only seven attorneys, the Hotline opened over 4,300 cases resulting in $2,250,000 in benefits to its clients. The Hotline’s work is supported by an army of volunteers. Nearly every day, volunteer support staff from Alston & Bird and Coca-Cola provide hours of administrative support allowing staff attorneys to handle a greater volume of cases. In addition, highly dedicated volunteer attorneys significantly increase the Hotline’s case capacity by providing hundreds of hours of pro bono services each year.

Even though all work by Hotline attorneys is done remotely, they are able to make meaningful and lasting impact on the lives of their clients. For example, when 73 year old Shirley called the Hotline, she was terrified she would lose her home which was scheduled for foreclosure. Hotline attorney Dina Franch not only stopped the foreclosure, she also assisted Shirley with a loan modification resulting in a 30% reduction in her monthly mortgage payments.
LEGAL AID PRO BONO

In 2017, volunteers donated 17,428 hours to serve Atlanta Legal Aid clients with their civil legal needs. Volunteers accepted representation in more than 780 cases and completed another 380 matters through our brief service and advice follow up project.

Our projects partner with the following providers to serve clients:

1. Estate Planning – Atlanta Bar Association’s Women in the Profession Section; Georgia Association of Black Women Attorneys; Arnall, Golden Gregory, Troutman Sanders, Kilpatrick Townsend, BakerHostetler, Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, Krevolin Horst, Holland & Knight, Emory Law School, Bank of America

2. Guardianship and Probate – Nelson Mullins, Burr + Foreman, Kilpatrick Townsend, United Parcel Service

3. Housing Preservation – Alston & Bird, Seyfarth Shaw, Taylor English

4. Unemployment Benefits – Dentons

5. Georgia Senior Hotline – Alston & Bird, Coca-Cola, Troutman Sanders

6. Veteran’s Affairs Clinic – Troutman Sanders

7. Family Law and Kinship Care – Atlanta Bar Association’s Family Law Section; Smith & Lake; Kilpatrick Townsend, Hunton & Williams, Lawyers for Equal Justice

8. Domestic Violence Protection – Anderson, Tate & Carr, Taylor English, Bryan Cave, Baker Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, Freeman, Mathis & Gary, Hunton & Williams


10. Transgender Name Change – Eversheds-Sutherland, Paul Hastings, Stonewall Bar Association, Lawyers for Equal Justice, Emory School of Law

We had associate fellows on loan to us from Troutman Sanders and Hunton & Williams last year.

ADOPION PROJECT: Volunteer attorneys represent caretakers in obtaining an adoption or advise caretakers on applying for adoption assistance and other benefits to provide support for eligible children. Volunteers also complete estate planning documents for caretakers after adoption. Twenty-three forever families were created with volunteer involvement in 2017.

CONSUMER LAW PROJECT: Low-income consumers receive much-needed assistance from volunteers with garnishments, credit defense, Fair Debt Collections Practice Act, debt assignment, used car cases, medical debt and bankruptcy.

CHILDREN’S AND DISABILITY RIGHTS ADVOCACY: Volunteer attorneys tackle issues such as special education, benefits, medical records review, school enrollment, minor name changes, and birth certificate amendments for children and disabled clients.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROTECTION PROJECT: Victims of domestic violence are represented by volunteers in temporary orders of protection, both initial orders and contempt hearings. Volunteers also assist clients with divorce by publication. More than 200 families were served through our domestic violence and family law work in 2017.

ENHANCED SERVICES PROJECT: This specialized project trains volunteers to follow up with clients to ensure they have been able to follow through with our advice in limited matters such as applications for benefits and estate planning. Outcomes from this project show increases in client rate of success from 50% to 80%. Volunteers worked with clients to collect more than $400,000 in financial benefits in 2017.

ESTATE PLANNING PROJECT: In this limited scope project, volunteers draft wills, nominate powers of attorney, and advance health care directive agents. Last year volunteers handled 361 estate planning cases for Atlanta Legal Aid clients.

HOUSING PRESERVATION PROJECT: Helping serve a basic client need, volunteers take on landlord/tenant cases, evictions, home owner’s association cases, contracts and offer limited advice through a housing clinic.

INTAKE AND SCREENING PROJECT: With more than 20,000 client cases opened, volunteers play a critical role by providing intake and screening support for Legal Aid clients. This includes our statewide Senior Legal Hotline, Domestic Relations Unit, Health Law Unit and others.

MINOR GUARDIANSHIP PROJECT: Volunteers assist caretakers in obtaining guardianship orders so they may stabilize care of the minor child and allow the caretaker to make decisions regarding the child’s education, health, safety, and medical care. Through brief service and advice, volunteers helped collect more than $42,000 to support these children who are not able to live with their parents.

PROBATE PROJECT: Providing direct representation or brief advice, volunteers represent clients in year’s support cases and adult guardianship for senior citizens, and may also offer brief advice during probate clinics.

SPECIAL NEEDS ADULT GUARDIANSHIP PROJECT: By helping caretakers establish guardianship over young adults with severe special needs, volunteers ensure the caretaker’s ability to apply for benefits, oversee the ward’s medical care, and provide continuity of care for the ward.

TRANSGENDER NAME CHANGE PROJECT: In this one-of-a-kind project, volunteers represent eligible clients with gender-affirming name changes, birth certificate amendments, and gender marker changes.

UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PROJECT: This project partners with law firms to train volunteers to represent low-income clients in unemployment benefits denial cases in the metro Atlanta area.
### 2017 Volunteer Honor Roll

#### Clayton Pro Bono
- Henry Adeleye
- Lukas Allen
- Emmett Arnold IV
- Gracey Barkdill
- John Barrow
- Joseph Chad Brannon
- Hugh Cooper
- Constance Daise
- Amanda Flora
- Shonteria Martin

#### Cobb Justice Foundation
- Kyra Abernathy
- Laura Anderson
- Brian Annino
- Sarah Avraham
- Neera Bahl
- Timothy W. Bailey
- Damon Bivik
- Tammora Boyd
- Chandler Bridges
- William Brown
- Lawrence E. Burke
- Althea Craig Caces
- Mark Carter
- Marjane Cauthorn
- Wick Cauthorn
- Robert Chambers
- Ophelia Wai Yan Chan
- Diane Cherry
- Sarah Cipperly
- Bert Cohen
- Clark Cunningham
- Mike Dalton
- Edward F. Danowitz
- Jeffrey A. Daxe
- Tiffany Donohue
- Robert Donovan
- Angela Duncan
- Lance Dutton
- Ian Falcone
- Carrie Fiedler
- Eric Fisher
- Max Fishman
- Kathleen M. Flynn
- Kathleen Furr
- Zachary Gaeta
- Kynna Garner
- Gina Grody
- Elizabeth Guerra
- John Gunn
- Scott Halperin
- Pierce Hand
- Jordan Hendrick
- Hannibal Heredia
- Douglas Hill
- Katherine Hill
- Kathryn Hinton
- James Hogan
- Montoya Ho-Sang
- Judge G. Conley Ingram
- Elizabeth Jabley
- Wesley Jackson
- Satya Kaskade
- Adam Keating
- Caitlyn Kerr
- Dina Khismatulina

#### DeKalb
- Judge Robert Castellani
- Glenda Cucher

#### Downtown Domestic Relations
- Samantha Beskin
- Roshonda Brown
- Paris Dokes
- Alisha Gabye
- Jeremy Holmes
- IAG Forensics/Elizabeth Jabley
- Karp

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- Rebecca Davis
- Alex Drummond
- Ryan Rehdleman

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- Lee Ann Anand
- Lila Bradley
- Iulia Caizer
- Christina Campbell
- Amy Casey
- Kimberly Lynn Davis
- Bethany Embry
- Crystal Gentleman
- Lynn Goldman
- Richard Goldstucker
- Anthony Guebert
- Erica Harrison
- Melodie Henderson
- Silmon
- Brenda Holmes
- Jennifer O’Connor
- Johnnop Oppenheiner

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- Ethel Andersen
- Michael Arnott
- Steven Ashby
- Sandra Ball
- Cha’Ron Ballard-Gayle
- Kenneth Bentley
- Scott Boykin
- Lauren Bryant
- Sherrin Buda
- Clarissa Burnett
- John Miles
- Kevin Moore
- Andy Morgan
- Raina Jeager Nadler
- Michael Nations
- Patricia O’Kelley
- Donald Osborne
- Yuni Park
- Anna Pearce
- Heidi Reese
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- Craig Sherrer
- Uday Singh
- Michael Smith
- Gloria Smith-Crimes
- Deana Spencer
- Keisha Steed
- Tori Tobog
- Jonathan Tonge
- Nelson Turner
- Christina Wagner
- Nancy Wadson
- Diane Weinberg
- Mark Wells
- John Welsh II
- Eric Wilborn
- David Wittenberg

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- Miles Alexander
- Laura Alfords
- Sherrif Allen
- Katy Appleby
- Matthew Bailey
- Teresa Bailey
- Katie Balthrop
- Louis Barbieri III
- Hailey Barnett
- Jasmine Bastien
- Meagan Beatty
- Mary Benton
- Leigh Bond
- Constance Brewer
- Brandy Brooks
- Meredith Broudy
- Alisha Brown
- Debbie Brown
- Brennan Carmody
- David Cartee
- Katrena Collins
- Charlotte Combre
- Jenna Cooley
- Brea Croteau
- Jan Davidson
- Alia Davis
- Lisa Davis
- Bianca DiBella
- Patty Dietz-Selke
- Lacey Elmore
- Edward Ezekiel
- Judith Fuller
- Melissa Fuoco
- Chris Glass
- Todd Goodwin
- Jamie Graham
- Ali Grant
- TJ Graves
- Jarvarus Gresham
- Marce Guzman
- Marilyn Hamilton
- Aisha Hardaway
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- Cathy Ward
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Nancy Fajman
Ashby Kent Fox
Kiesha Fraser
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Kwende Jones
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Hedy Rubinger
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Kinnette Salter
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Adam Sonenshine
Danny Vincent
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INTRODUCING THE 2017 SERVICE COUNCIL

Back in 2014, two young law firm associates, Laurice Rutledge Lambert and Crissy Wolfe, decided they wanted to do more for Atlanta Legal Aid and to introduce the program to the growing number of service-minded lawyers in metro Atlanta. They found a role on the traditional board and advisory committee did not require enough of its members, and they wanted to form a group devoted exclusively to service, both traditional pro bono and more creative outlets. The determined women set about to form a new service model for Atlanta Legal Aid. The Service Council was born and continued to grow in 2017, raising money through the collaborative Beer Tasting and BBQ Battle with Atlanta Volunteer Lawyers Foundation and support with law firms and community groups.

Scott Campbell
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Darl Champion
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Meagan Griffin
Rebecca Stork
Laurice Rutledge Lambert
Cheryl Legare
Amanda Moultrop
Mary Alexander Myers
Lauren Simons
Ansley Sluss
Isaac Tekie
Andy Tuck
Denise VanLANDuyt
Karlie Webb
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Crissy Wolfe
Nathan A. Wood

PROGRAM LIAISONS

Stephanie Carman
Kimberly Charles
Cari Naidu
Laurie Rashidi-Yazd
Lindsey Siegel
Angie Tacker
Chad Shultz
Steve Gottlieb
The Atlanta Legal Aid Society launched its first annual program celebration on October 19, 2017. We honored superstars from all corners of the program and celebrated nearly 18,000 hours of casework from over a dozen projects and special volunteers that work behind the scenes to help with Legal Aid’s day to day operations.

Debbie Ennis Pro Bono Service Award
Accepted by the family of the late Debbie Ennis

Judge Nora Polk for Georgia Association of Black Women Lawyers

Clayton-South Fulton Volunteer of the Year
Farley Ezekiel

William H. Stanhope Meritorious Service Award
Irma Griffith Steele

Extraordinary Pro Bono Service Award
Jamala McFadden

Volunteer Impact Award
Jennifer Whitton and Laurice Rutledge Lambert
BakerHostetler

Judge Robert Castellani Commitment to DeKalb Legal Services Award
Glenda Cucher and Robert Castellani

Rockstar Rookie Award
Lawyers for Equal Justice

Catherine Vandenberg Advocate for Victims of Domestic Violence Award
Loretta Smith

Service to the Program Award
Michael T. Nations

Commitment to Cobb Legal Services Award
The Hon Judge Conley Ingram

Our volunteers were also honored at the Atlanta Bar Association’s Celebrating Service awards luncheon.

Commitment to Pro Bono Service

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Randall L. Hughes Lifetime Commitment to Pro Bono
Paula Lawton Bevington

Volunteer of the Year
Jessica Jay Wood

2017 AWARDS ROUNDP

Tailey Wells
Inaugural Georgia Supportive Housing Association Mission Champion Award

Lindsey Siegel
Deborah Coker McDorman Memorial Award recognizing her exemplary humanitarian and advocacy efforts towards ending domestic violence from DeKalb County Domestic Violence Task Force

Steve Gottlieb
St. Thomas More Society Red Mass honoree
Most Admired CEOs honoree by Atlanta Business Chronicle

Michelle Jordan
Bensonetta Tipton Lane Award for Commitment to the Family by the Georgia Association of Black Women Attorneys

Courtney Dixon, Laura Holland Sclafani, and Sarah White
won scholarships from the State Bar of Georgia’s Family Law Section to the Family Law Institute

Nate Juster
Henry J. Sommer Scholarship from the National Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys

Kate Gaffney
Pat Head Dignity Award from Livesafe Resources

Sarah Mancini
Anti-Defamation League Southeast Young Lawyer Award

Kimberly Charles
Atlanta Bar Association’s Rita A. Sheffey Public Interest Award
THE COBB JUSTICE FOUNDATION
Cobb Legal Aid provides free legal services and education to individuals living at or below the federal poverty level in a variety of civil legal matters. Without Cobb Legal Aid, those seeking advice, education and representation through the program would have limited access to legal assistance. The organization also provides assistance in areas of law that most private attorneys do not, such as assisting clients with food stamp and Medicaid issues, as well as providing advice and representation in unemployment hearings and social security overpayment cases.

In 1991, Cobb Legal Aid partnered with the Cobb Bar Association and, along with the local judiciary and leaders within the community, created a strategic initiative to increase volunteer and financial support for Legal Aid. In 1993, the Cobb Justice Foundation (CJF) was born through that collaboration. This special project provides not only opportunities for pro bono attorneys to be involved with Cobb Legal Aid, it also provides legal education opportunities to both potential clients and pro bono attorneys. Educating clients on their legal rights has become especially significant in the last thirteen years. Since 2000, the number of indigent individuals eligible for Cobb Legal Aid services has increased by almost 150%. With this increased demand for services, educating clients to avoid legal problems has become a significant focus. With this increase in the number of clients, there has also been an increase in the need for Legal Aid attorneys. Because Legal Aid does not have the funding to provide attorneys to keep up with the demand, recruiting and training pro bono attorneys to help with this building caseload has become a very vital part of Legal Aid.

A CONGRESSIONAL VOLUNTEER
Congressman John Barrow served as an in-house pro bono volunteer for Cobb Legal Aid and the Cobb Justice Foundation during the first half of 2017. Congressman Barrow brought his experience as a United States Congressman and aided countless Cobb County residents with their legal issues.

One of the clients that had the opportunity to be represented by Congressman Barrow was 86-year-old “May” who had experienced years of abuse from her adult son. After a particularly bad incident, May sought the help of Cobb Legal Aid for her civil legal needs. She wanted to obtain a Temporary Protective Order that would finally make her feel safe. Congressman Barrow represented May and secured her TPO. Because of Congressman Barrow’s time and dedication, May is protected from the violence of her abuser.

COBB JUSTICE FOUNDATION STAFF
Stephanie Carman, Director, Cobb Justice Foundation
Kate Gaffney, Director, TPO Project, Cobb Justice Foundation
James Ausenbaugh, Screening Attorney
Theresa Agyekum
Janice Hoover, Paralegal
Tracey Smith, Paralegal
Shemea Washington, TPO Screening Staff

BY THE NUMBERS:

MOST REFERRED CASES IN 2017

- Domestic Violence: 112
- Family Law: 13
- Bankruptcy: 8
- Probate and Wills and Estates: 13
- People Helped: 306, including 145 children

FINANCIAL OUTCOMES:

- Housing benefits, including home defense: $142,336
- Consumer savings (including debt discharged in bankruptcies): $90,616
- Amount of support in family law cases: $236,634
COBB JUSTICE FOUNDATION SUPPORT

COBB JUDGE
Melodie Clayton
G. Conley Ingram
A. Gregory Poole

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The Center Family Foundation, Inc.
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G. Cleveland Payne
J. Lynn Rainey
Garth Snider
W. Allen Separk
Mary Staley
Women of the Bar - Cobb Bar

JUSTICE JAM 2017
The fourth annual Justice Jam mixed things up with epic lip-sync and karaoke battles. Over 200 tickets were sold and Legal Aid netted nearly $15,000. Cobb Bar Member Amanda Moultrop took home the Best Karaoke Performance Award and Cobb Bar Younger Lawyers Division took home the Best Lipsync Performance with a mashup of 80s and 90s hits.
IN 2017, EXPANDING OUR REACH.
An important focus in 2017 was to serve more people through clinics, classes, and other events. The monthly Probate Clinic, entering its fifth year, saw nearly 250 people in 2017. Our newly launched monthly Consumer Law Clinic assisted more than 100 clients with matters involving landlord-tenant issues, debt defense, bankruptcy, and small claims. The semi-monthly Family Law Information Classes continue to provide resources for self-represented litigants, providing them with general information such as common legal terms, how to serve the other side, how to ask for a hearing, and what to bring to a hearing. Over 300 people attended the classes in 2017. There are no income limits for the clinics or the class.

Of course, our main focus is on providing high quality free representation to lower income residents. In 2017, the Gwinnett Pro Bono Project, through its network of private attorneys, assisted 467 people, both through full service representation and through our clinics. Nearly 100 children received direct benefits from the work of our dedicated pro bono attorneys.

Our attorneys provided assistance and representation in a variety of issues, including family law and protection from domestic violence; bankruptcy and other debt defense; end of life planning; housing; public benefits; education; and employment.

In 2018, the Project will focus on limited-English and non-English speakers who are at a significant disadvantage in the court process. Gwinnett County residents speak more than 180 different languages. In order to better serve this population, the Project will begin offering the Family Law Information Class once a month in Spanish and Korean. The classes for limited English speakers will include information on requesting an interpreter and available resources in the Gwinnett community.

Additionally, in 2018, the Gwinnett Pro Bono Project will join with local prosecutors, Child Support Services, mediators, and advocates to assist custodial parents with obtaining child abandonment warrants as well as direct them to long-term civil remedies.

As a perk to our volunteers, we continue to offer our popular CLE series, free to active Pro Bono Attorneys and open to all. (see sidebar)

2017 CLE Classes

January:
Case Law Update

February:
Landlord-Tenant Law

March:
One Law For All - The History of Atlanta Legal Aid Society

April:
Legal status of refugees and displaced people

May:
Litigation at the Movies! Trial Techniques Using “My Cousin Vinnie”

June:
Working with Guardians Ad Litem

July:
Protecting Immigrant Clients

August:
Caring For Your Loved Ones (Probate issues taught by the Gwinnett County Probate Court Judge Christopher Ballar)

September:
Networking for People Who Hate Networking

October:
Suing Abusers- Interspousal Tort Law

November:
Introduction to Social Security

December:
Ethics of Pro Bono Work

The Project also joined with the Gwinnett County Bar Association to offer a day-long CLE focusing on Settlement Agreements. Fifty-five local attorneys attended!

“This class was VERY beneficial, very informative. I highly recommend it to anyone needing legal assistance with family matters!”

J.M. – Family Law Class Participant

“Very informative...extremely helpful. I left with a much better understanding of the process and language. Thank you soo much.”

B.N. – Family Law Class Participant
EVENTS AND FUNDRAISERS

THE GREAT WHISKEY DEBATE
DeKalb Volunteer Lawyers Foundation and Atlanta Legal Aid Society – DeKalb cohosted the Great Whiskey Debate on May 4, 2017. Local restaurants provided the mixologists, George Dickle provided the spirits and nearly 250 attendees provided the fun! The sold out evening raised $16,000 for two deserving organizations.

DOUBLE OAKED LEVEL

SINGLE CASK LEVEL

BARREL AGED LEVEL

COCKTAILS & CONNECTIONS
With our role in the Atlanta legal community in mind, Legal Aid brings you Cocktails & Connections. The purpose of this ticket-limited event is to facilitate introductions and business opportunities between our many committed volunteers.

Tickets include a buffet, open bar and access to the bidding.

At Cocktails & Connections, guests can bid for access to decision makers at two levels.

First, attendees can bid for the rights to have lunch with the general counsels of various corporations – the life blood of corporate law offices.

Secondly, attendees can bid for the chance to have lunch with the administrative decision makers of various law firms.

The 2017 event raised about $30,000 to support Legal Aid.
EVENTS AND FUNDRAISERS

THE BEER TASTING & BBQ BATTLE is a collaborative effort of the Atlanta Legal Aid Society and the Atlanta Volunteer Lawyers Foundation to raise funds and awareness to support critical programs administered by each organization in the Atlanta area.

The 5th annual BTBB sold over 800 tickets and provided nearly $40,000 for each organization.
EVENTS AND FUNDRAISERS

RUN FOR JUSTICE
The Atlanta Legal Aid Society held its 26th Run for Justice in Oakhurst on November 11th, 2017 at 9:00 AM. The event benefitted the general operating fund of the Atlanta Legal Aid Society. Participants in the Run for Justice enjoyed a beautiful 5K course. Others enjoyed the crisp autumn day with the 5k walk, great for families and children.

Jogging strollers, kids and pets were welcomed! Awards were presented to the top 5K finishers and teams in a variety of categories, including pets, children and strollers. Special thank you to the nearly 1,000 registrants and our generous sponsors. Because of your support, Run For Justice raised $20,000 for Atlanta Legal Aid Society.
Sponsors

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Mary E. Haverty Foundation

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Mary Stanley Studio
Arnall Golden Gregory LLP

Susan Anderson
Louise Shaw

Picturing Justice is a photography and video exhibition presented by the Atlanta Legal Aid Society in conjunction with Mary Stanley Studio and Atlanta Celebrates Photography. Five documentary photographers explore diverse notions of home and community, with attention to key focus areas for the work of Atlanta Legal Aid. Photographers include: Carlos Javier Ortiz, Beate Sass, Greg Kahn, Maura Friedman, and Michael David Murphy. These artists told stories of place and cultural identity. Their imagery and personal narratives provided a deeper understanding of the challenges faced by vulnerable populations in Atlanta and throughout the US, highlighting the important work done by Legal Aid on their behalf.
### Expense Total: $10,953,000

- Personnel: $9,052,000
- Consulting: $720,000
- Travel: $39,000
- Space: $533,000
- Supplies: $237,000
- Equipment: $56,000
- Insurance: $31,000
- Training: $13,000
- Other (telephone, litigation, etc.): $272,000

### Income Total: $11,184,000

- Administrative Office of the Courts: $697,000
- Atlanta Regional Commission: $230,000
- City of Atlanta & Counties: $968,000
- Foundations & Other Support: $1,130,000
- Georgia Bar Foundation: $1,346,000
- LSC: $3,976,000
- Other Federal Sources: $148,000
- Private Bar/Annual Campaign: $1,577,000
- State of Georgia: $400,000
- United Way: $407,000
- VOCA: $305,000

### Contracts

Legal Aid works with community partners to deliver our legal services as a part of their objectives. These partnerships are a growing and mutually beneficial source of funding for our work.

- DeKalb County: Family Law Information Center
- Fulton Family Law Information Center
- Latin American Association
- National Consumer Law Center
- United Way of Greater Atlanta: Supportive Services for Veteran Families Program
- West Tennessee Legal Services

### Foundation and Government Grants

Legal Aid receives its grant funding from a wide range of sources. These donors, who make our work possible, illustrate the broad base of support that we enjoy:

- Harold and Nancy Abrams Family Foundation, Inc.
- Administrative Office of the Courts of Georgia
- AEC Trust
- American Bar Endowment
- Atlanta Bar Association Lawyer Referral and Information Service
- Atlanta Bar Foundation
- Atlanta Regional Commission
- City of Atlanta: Community Development (HUD)
- City of Atlanta: Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HUD)
- Clayton County
- Cobb County
- Cobb County CDBG Program Office, Board of Commissioners, County Manager (HUD)
- Cobb Law Library
- Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (VOCA)
- DeKalb County Community Development Department (HUD)
- DeKalb County Human Services Department
- Equal Justice America
- Equal Justice Works
- Fulton County: Ryan White Care Act
- Georgia Bar Foundation
- The Goizueta Foundation
- The Home Depot Foundation
- Harland Foundation
- Homer M. Stark Law Library Fund
- The Junior League of Atlanta
- Legal Services Corporation (LSC)
- The Rich Foundation, Inc.
- Sara Giles Moore Foundation
- State of Georgia Department of Human Services
- Susan G. Komen Greater Atlanta
- Thalia and Michael C. Carlos Foundation
- The UPS Foundation
- United Way of Greater Atlanta
INTRODUCING THE GAMBRELL SOCIETY

In honor of our founder, E. Smythe Gambrell, the Atlanta Legal Aid Society introduced the Gambrell Society, our special giving club made up of individuals who are dedicated to sustaining the good work of Legal Aid no matter the funding climate. Individuals pledge a minimum gift for three consecutive years and will receive tickets to Legal Aid events, a signature gift from our Picturing Justice exhibit and special recognition throughout the year. In 2017 alone, 36 donors gave nearly $150,000.

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ANNUAL CAMPAIGN 2017

THE ATLANTA LEGAL AID ANNUAL CAMPAIGN HAS RAISED OVER $32,000,000 SINCE 1982

Liz Price, partner at Alston & Bird, and Letitia McDonald, partner at King & Spalding, as campaign co-chairs.

They ask that you to join them again in supporting the 2017 Annual Campaign - our 35th - so that we may continue to sustain our high quality legal services for the most vulnerable among us in these uncertain times.

Remember, a Legal Aid advocate can help a client for just, on average, $500. Your dollars make a real difference.

Thirty-four years ago, friends and supporters launched the first Annual Campaign for Atlanta Legal Aid Society. Chaired by the great Randolph W. Thrower, the campaign was a direct response to cuts in the federal dollars that then comprised 75% of Legal Aid’s budget. That inaugural campaign raised $135,000 and allowed Legal Aid to maintain its services to the five-county metro region.

That initial investment has raised over $30 million in the intervening decades and fostered the development of over a dozen special projects that target vulnerable populations like senior citizens, women with breast cancer, victims of domestic violence and special needs children and have allowed us to lessen dependence on federal funds.

The money raised through the Annual Campaign is not just about dollars and cents. Atlanta Legal Aid is about whose lives are affected daily by your generosity. You helped us provide over $20 million benefits to clients. Your support also allowed us to benefit the larger economy. Based on a study commissioned by the Georgia Bar Foundation, we have been able to calculate that our work had an economic impact of over $85 million in Atlanta’s five counties and another $24 million in Georgia outside our traditional service area.

THE CAMPAIGN TEAM

Frank S. Alexander  Michael T. Nations
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John Fleming  Terry Walsh
Josh Humphries  Robert Waddell
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- Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, PC
- Bondurant, Mixson & Elmore, LLP
- Bowden & Spratt
- Bryan Cave LLP
- Butler, Wooten & Peak LLP
- Carlton Fields Jorden Burt
- Chick-fil-A, Inc.
- Dentons
- Eversheds Sutherland (US) LLP
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- FordHarrison LLP
- Goodmark Law Firm LLC
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- Kilpatrick Townsend LLP
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- Law Office of Peter S. Dardi
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- Schreeder, Wheeler & Flint LLP
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- Smith, Gambrell & Russell, LLP
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- Troutman Sanders LLP
- United Parcel Service Inc. Legal Department
- The Weil Firm
- Weissman, Nowack, Curry & Wilco, PC

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- Finch McCranie, LLP
- The Garrett Law Firm, PC
- Taylor English & Duma LLP
- Wilson Law Firm

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- Franzen and Salzano, PC
- Mitchell & Shapiro
- Origin Title & Escrow, Inc.
- Richard P. Perry, JD, PC
- Scroggins & Williamson
- Seyfarth Shaw
- Stites & Harbison PLLC
- The Beltran Firm

Contributor Firms and Corporate Legal Departments (Up to $149 per attorney)

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- Drew Eckl & Farnham, LLP
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- Betty and Davis Fitzgerald Foundation
- Catholic Foundation of North Georgia
- Dobbins Foundation
- MARTA Employees Charity Club
- Tull Charitable Foundation
- Wilson Family Foundation
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**Cornerstone of Justice ($25,000)**

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