

PRISONERS' LEGAL SERVICES OF NEW YORK

PRO BONO PROGRAM

REGISTRATION FORM

Prisoners' Legal Services (PLS) provides civil legal services to indigent inmates in New York State correctional facilities. Through the Pro Bono Partnership Program, PLS strives to expand those services by working with law schools, law firms, individual attorneys and community agencies to provide representation to inmates. Volunteer attorneys can receive support from PLS, including use of office space, partnerships with law students, access to training materials and CLE training in relevant legal topics. PLS also provides liability insurance coverage for volunteers.

PLS is an accredited CLE provider for both in-person trainings and *pro bono* work. Experienced attorneys may now earn up to ten (10) CLE credits each registration period by doing *pro bono* work – earning 1 CLE credit for every 2 hours of work!!

To volunteer with PLS, please complete and return this form to the Pro Bono Coordinator at Prisoners' Legal Services, 41 State St., Ste. M112, Albany, N.Y., 12207, jamodeo@plsnyc.org or 518-445-6053 (f).

Attorney Name: _____ Phone: _____

Firm/Program Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Yr admitted to NY Bar: _____

Are you covered by your/firm's liability insurance? Yes No Bar# _____

Please indicate any languages you speak other than English: _____

I would be willing to accept the following types of cases[†]:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Challenges to Tier III disciplinary hearings
<input type="checkbox"/> Excessive use of force claims
<input type="checkbox"/> First amendment claims
<input type="checkbox"/> Medical and mental health issues
<input type="checkbox"/> Habeas corpus petitions
<input type="checkbox"/> Immigration – removal proceedings
<input type="checkbox"/> Research/writing educational/self-help memos | <input type="checkbox"/> Translation of memos/forms
<input type="checkbox"/> Supervise student translations
<input type="checkbox"/> State Clemency Petitions
<input type="checkbox"/> Parole & Medical Parole
<input type="checkbox"/> Conditional Parole for Deportation Only (CPDO/ECPDO)
<input type="checkbox"/> Jail time/merit time/sentencing |
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[†] Please see reverse side for a list of prisons served by PLS.

Please indicate any requirements, limits on traveling, courts, limited scope, etc.: _____

Signature

Date

PLS provides legal services to inmates in all New York State prisons, which often requires travel by attorneys representing incarcerated clients. PLS has four offices – Albany, Buffalo, Ithaca and Plattsburgh – each of which is responsible for certain counties, and the prisons located therein. While the PLS office will try to assign counsel to cases that are nearby, it should be noted that inmates are often transferred from the prison at issue in a legal matter to another prison. Thus, we cannot guarantee that a specific *pro bono* client will be – or will remain – at a prison geographically near the attorney. In many cases PLS may be able to assist *pro bono* attorneys with client and witness interviews, where travel is an issue. Below, we have provided a breakdown of prisons throughout New York State, and the PLS office which covers those counties/prisons:

SERVICE AREA OF ALBANY OFFICE

County	Prison
Columbia	Hudson
Dutchess	Downstate; Fishkill; Green Haven
Essex	Moriah Shock Incarceration
Fulton	Hale Creek ASACTC
Greene	Coxsackie; Greene
New York	Edgecombe; Lincoln
Oneida	Marcy; Mid-State; Mohawk
Orange	Otisville
Queens	Queensboro
Sullivan	Sullivan; Woodbourne
Ulster	Eastern NY; Shawangunk; Ulster; Wallkill
Washington	Great Meadow; Washington
Westchester	Bedford Hills†; Sing Sing; Taconic†

SERVICE AREA OF BUFFALO OFFICE

County	Prison
Chautauqua	Lakeview Shock Incarceration★
Erie	Collins; Gowanda; Wende
Livingston	Groveland; Livingston
Monroe	Rochester
Orleans	Albion†; Orleans
Wyoming	Attica; Wyoming

SERVICE AREA OF ITHACA OFFICE

County	Prison
Cayuga	Auburn; Cayuga
Chemung	Elmira; Southport
Jefferson	Cape Vincent; Watertown
Seneca	Five Points; Willard Drug Treatment Campus★
Wayne	Butler

SERVICE AREA OF PLATTSBURGH OFFICE

County	Prison
Clinton	Altona; Clinton
Essex	Adirondack
Franklin	Bare Hill; Franklin; Upstate
St. Lawrence	Gouverneur; Ogdensburg; Riverview

ASACTC = Alcohol and Substance Abuse Correctional Treatment Center

† = Female;

★ = Female and Male