

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
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DISTRICT JUDGE

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**Re: Your Next Pro Bono Case is Online: Florida Pro Bono Matters**

Dear Fellow Florida Bar Member:

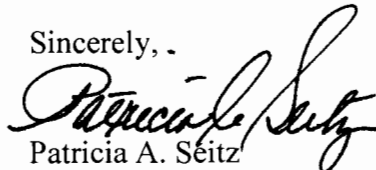
Good news—you have a unique and innovative way to access opportunities for pro bono service. Local pro bono attorneys and legal service organizations have creatively collaborated to develop [www.floridaprobonomatters.org](http://www.floridaprobonomatters.org).

Now you can access this continuously updating website which shows pro bono cases available from a number of different organizations. Are you interested in taking a particular type of case? This website can help. You can filter cases by location, area of law or even by a specific legal service organization. By going on this website, you can scroll through the cases and electronically submit an interest form which will alert the organization promoting the case that you're interested. The organization will then work to assign you the case immediately once you both agree it's a good fit and a conflicts check has been completed.

The exciting part is that this interactive website is the first one being rolled out nationwide. The Florida Bar Foundation is piloting this in Miami-Dade County before it can hopefully expand statewide.

Please join me, Judge Vance Salter and Chief Bankruptcy Judge Laurel Isicoff and participate in this very important project, because, as you know, only Florida-licensed attorneys can provide free legal services to those in need in Florida. As Judges Salter's and Isicoff's letters reflect, this is a call to action to assist our brothers and sisters in need who will greatly benefit from your services. We need your help.

Sincerely, -

  
Patricia A. Seitz  
United States District Judge