

STATE OF MICHIGAN



CERTIFICATE OF PROCLAMATION

ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF MICHIGAN
I, Rick Snyder, Governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim October 2011 as

PRO BONO MONTH

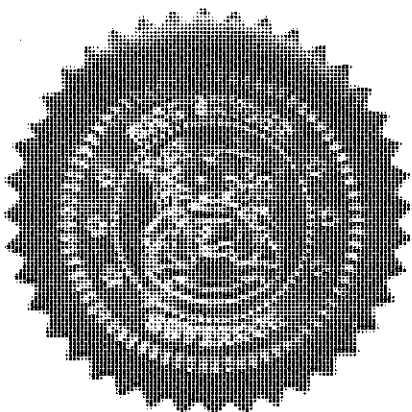
WHEREAS, countless Americans are unable to afford the legal representation that they need when facing legal obstacles that affect basic needs including family safety, housing, health and economic security; and,

WHEREAS, legal professionals throughout Michigan have the capacity, through pro bono work (no or low cost legal assistance), to contribute specialized skills and expert knowledge to the thousands of citizens in Michigan that qualify for assistance from legal aid agencies because their annual income is below the federal poverty level; and,

WHEREAS, the State Bar of Michigan and the American Bar Association have recognized Pro Bono Month since 2008; and,

WHEREAS, during this month, we join with the State Bar of Michigan to raise awareness of pro bono legal services among the public and the legal profession; we encourage citizens that may need no or low cost legal assistance to learn more about pro bono opportunities and we recognize the legal professionals who continue to volunteer their services to assist those in need;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Snyder, Governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim October 2011 as Pro Bono Month in Michigan.



A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Rick Snyder".

Rick Snyder
Governor

