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Many private attorneys, firms, and corporations support access to justice efforts for low-income individuals and families in Michigan. The Pro Bono Initiative thanks and especially acknowledges the above-listed firms for their significant contributions to access to justice for all. These firms have met the State Bar of Michigan's Voluntary Pro Bono Standard because each lawyer within these firms donated at least \$300 or provided 30 hours of free representation for low-income persons. Recently, the Voluntary Standard was amended to increase the annual financial contribution from \$300 to \$500 for those whose income allows a higher contribution. The **Firm Leadership Level** is determined on an aggregate firm basis using a 30-hour or \$500 donation standard, while the **Excellence Level** is determined on an aggregate firm basis using a 30-hour or \$300 donation standard.

Circle of Excellence data is based on a calendar year to better align with the Access to Justice Fund. The Access to Justice Campaign is a partnership of the State Bar of Michigan, the Michigan State Bar Foundation, and Michigan's civil legal aid programs to increase resources for civil legal aid to the poor in Michigan.

Applications for the 2018 Circle of Excellence, celebrating pro bono participation for calendar year 2017, will be available in March 2018. If you are interested in developing a pro bono policy for your firm or have questions about the Circle of Excellence, please contact State Bar Pro Bono Service & Justice Initiatives Counsel Robert Mathis at rmathis@michbar.org or (517) 346-6412.