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Goodwin Procter's Pro Bono Initiative is a vibrant part of our culture, shaped by the needs of our communities and the interests of our lawyers and professional staff. This important work unites our firm, with a diverse set of matters spanning our offices on both coasts and bringing people together for a common cause. In doing good work for good causes, we help our clients, our communities, and ourselves. —Regina M. Pisa, Chairman & Managing Partner

NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS INITIATIVE

Goodwin Procter's Neighborhood Business Initiative (NBI) partners with an array of community-based organizations in the Greater Boston area to provide business and legal services to entrepreneurs and small-business owners who are members of underserved communities and whose businesses positively support underserved neighborhoods. NBI's outreach includes workshops, clinics and direct business legal services representation. In 2010, NBI served entrepreneurs through five workshops, four clinics and four hybrid workshops/clinics, and took on 25 neighborhood businesses as clients with issues including choice of entity, contracts, employment and leases. Together, more than 80 attorneys provided 1,900 hours of service to neighborhood small-business owners and entrepreneurs.

Through NBI, the firm represented a local bakery in Boston's Jamaica Plain neighborhood throughout its business life cycle. In 2006, attorneys from the firm helped the bakery's co-owners incorporate and negotiate seller and other financing, and assisted with the purchase of the assets of an existing bakery. The firm continued to represent the business in various matters, including the amicable resolution of a dispute with the bakery's HVAC service provider and the negotiation of a commercial lease. In 2010, the bakery's co-owners decided to end their business relationship and sell the bakery to a group of employees. Goodwin Procter represented the bakery through the sale process, including negotiation of the asset sale and the agreements relating to a loan from the co-owners of the bakery to the employees.

—Conor Kilroy, Attorney, Boston

MASSACHUSETTS PROBATION DEPARTMENT

In May 2010, the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court appointed Goodwin litigation partner Paul Ware as Independent Counsel to investigate patronage hiring and related misconduct in the state Probation Department. The Goodwin team spent more than 5,000 hours in the ensuing months, interviewing nearly 70 employees, politicians, and others under oath. They successfully defeated an attempt by legislators to quash subpoenas issued to them on constitutional grounds. The team also reviewed over 500,000 pages of documents gathered from the Probation Department. By November 2010, the investigation culminated in a 308-page report describing systemic fraud and abuse within the department and legislature. The report led to the resignation of the Commissioner of Probation, his top two deputies and the state Speaker *Pro Tem*, sparking calls for broader reform throughout state government.

—Kevin Martin, Attorney, Boston



VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT

"SHARISE"

"Sharise" is a Jamaican national who moved to New York in 2003. Sharise is married to a U.S. citizen who became verbally and physically abusive to both her and her children in late 2008. A series of escalating incidents, which included Sharise's husband brandishing a knife at her and threatening

to kill her family, resulted in the police forcibly removing Sharise's husband from their home, and the court issuing an order of protection to keep her family safe. She was left with no job and no means of supporting her children.

Sharise's case was referred to Goodwin Procter by inMotion to assist her with obtaining legal permanent resident status under the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA). The Goodwin team met with Sharise and her children several times for in-depth and emotional interviews concerning her marriage and her husband's abuse. Shortly after filing her application under VAWA, the team received a favorable determination that entitled Sharise to important services like food stamps and Medicaid. During an interview in August 2010, an adjudicator determined that both Sharise and her dependant daughter should be granted legal permanent resident status. With her green card, Sharise is now able to support her family, and her daughter plans to attend college to become a nurse.

—*Meghan Spillane, Attorney, New York*

DC CIVIL RIGHTS LITIGATION CASE

(*LINDSAY HUTHNANCE v. DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, ET AL.*)

Goodwin Procter attorneys secured an important pro bono victory for civil rights in the District of Columbia. After a nine-day trial, a jury in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia found that Lindsay Huthnance was unlawfully arrested and wrongly detained for several hours for disorderly conduct by two Metropolitan Police Department officers. The District of Columbia was separately held liable for its independent role in maintaining both an official policy permitting officers to dispense with certain post-arrest notifications in an effort to eliminate any prosecutorial or judicial review of the arrest (in violation of the Fifth Amendment); and a custom of inadequately training and supervising police officers making disorderly conduct arrests, that amounted to deliberate indifference to the First, Fourth and Fifth Amendments. The jury awarded Ms. Huthnance a significant sum as compensatory and punitive damages.

—*Jeffrey Skinner, Attorney, Washington DC*

BAMB ECOLOGICAL TECHNOLOGY

Goodwin Procter represents Bamb Ecological Technology, a socio-ecological enterprise that hand-makes BAMBIKE brand bamboo bicycles with fair-trade labor in the Philippines. In addition to making beautiful "green" bicycles, Bamb provides employment, training, and livelihood to residents of one of the Gawad Kalinga villages in the Philippines. Gawad



Kalinga, which means to "give care" in Filipino, is a Philippine-based poverty alleviation and nation-building program. Goodwin Procter attorneys counsel Bamb on intellectual property matters.

—*Eleanor Yost, Attorney, Washington DC*

AL WOOTEN JR. HERITAGE CENTER

The Al Wooten Jr. Heritage Center is a nonprofit youth center located in South Los Angeles. Created in response to the tragic death of the founder's son in a drive-by shooting in 1989, the center provides a safe and nurturing environment to approximately 300 boys and girls, ages 8 to 18, both after school and during the summer months. The center offers academic tutoring, college prep counseling, creative arts classes and recreational activities. In addition to providing a safe haven from gang activity, the center promotes academic excellence and good citizenship. Goodwin Procter advises the center on corporate governance, commercial law and employment law matters.

—*Marc Jones, Attorney, Los Angeles*

RECOGNITION

2010 Robert B. Fraser Annual Pro Bono Award:
Daryl Wiesen and Justin Silberberg

NY Legal Aid Society:

Goodwin Procter and Associate **Larkin Morton** received 2010 Pro Bono Publico Awards for outstanding service.

Medical Legal Partnership | Boston:

Stuart Glass, Haimavathi Varadan Marlier and Brandon Clippinger honored with the MLP 2010 Award for Excellence in Pro Bono Service.

New York State Bar Association:

Laurie Levin honored at the 2010 President's Pro Bono Service Awards Ceremony.



NONPROFIT TRAINING PROGRAMS

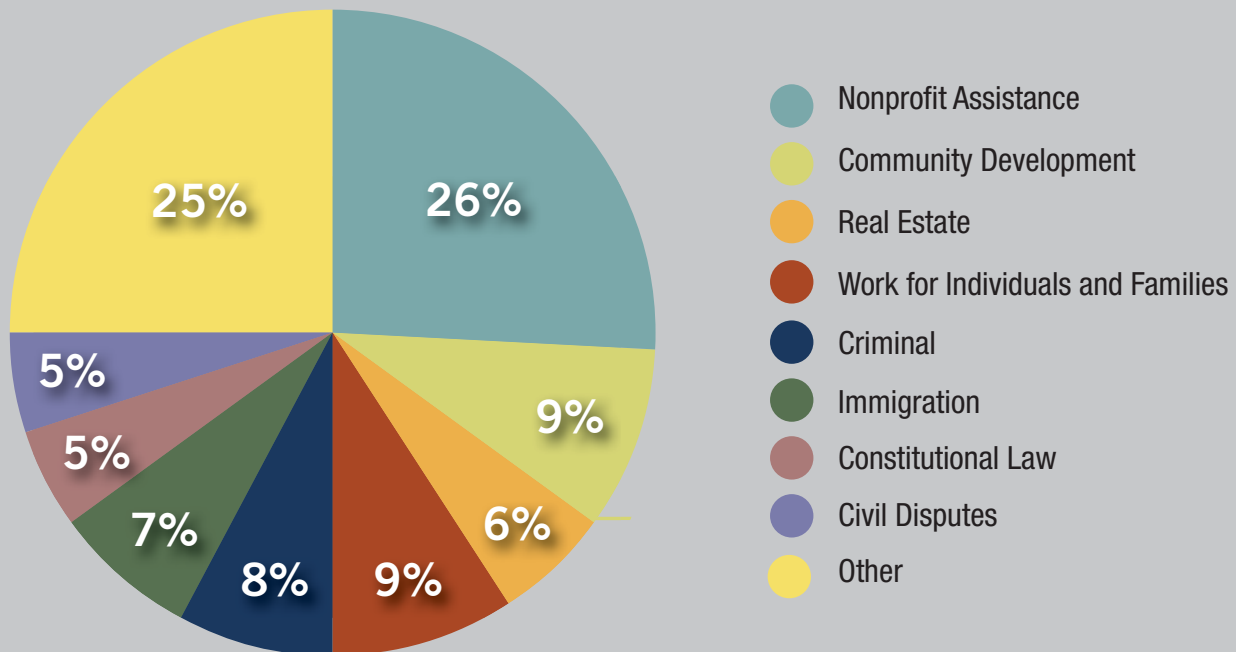
Since 2003, a team of Goodwin Procter lawyers has presented monthly workshops for people considering forming charitable organizations. This program has been created in partnership with the Lawyers Clearinghouse and the Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts of Massachusetts, which refer between 15 and 30 people to each session. These programs focus on the pro and cons of becoming a nonprofit organization, the steps involved in forming this type of entity and the alternatives a group might have if forming a new group is not advisable. The team led by Susan Abbott, includes Alyssa Fitzgerald, Janet Rickershauser and Jennifer Berylson Block. Each year, they reach more than 100 aspiring groups supporting social services, the arts, community development and a host of other important societal issues.

—Carolyn Rosenthal, Pro Bono Manager, Boston

NUMBER OF...

Attorneys Participating in Pro Bono	589
% of Attorneys Participating in Pro Bono Program	70%
Paralegals Participating in Pro Bono	60
% of Summer Associates Participating in Pro Bono	82%
Active Cases	530
New Pro Bono Matters Opened	165
Attorneys Who Billed More Than 50 Pro Bono Hours	216
% of Billable Time Dedicated to Pro Bono	3.3%

PRO BONO MATTERS



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