



Raising the Bar in D.C. - A Funding Campaign for Legal Services

Law Firm Reporting Form - Donations in 2023

Reporting Deadline: February 16, 2024

Instructions

The D.C. Access to Justice Commission (“Commission”) is deeply grateful for your firm’s participation in the Raising the Bar in D.C. Campaign. For your firm to be formally recognized for its participation in 2023 the firm must submit the attached reporting form to Ernst & Young. This information will be kept confidential by Ernst & Young. Ernst & Young will only release the following information to the Commission:

- the recognition level (Platinum, Gold or Silver) for each participating firm;
- the aggregate amount of money donated by all participating firms to all eligible recipient organizations through this Campaign;
- the aggregate net change in the amount of money donated to all eligible recipient organizations through this Campaign.

Ernst & Young will not release any financial information about any individual firm. Only aggregated data will be released to the Commission.

When calculating the firm’s recognition level and completing the reporting form, please keep the following in mind:

- Only monetary donations, donations of attorney’s fees awarded in cases, and payments for Equal Justice Works or other fellowships sponsored by the firm at one of the eligible recipient organizations listed below count toward meeting the benchmark level. The value of pro bono work, the value of loaned associates, in-kind donations made by the firm, and donations made by individual attorneys do not count.
- Only donations to the eligible recipient organizations listed below count toward meeting the benchmark level. Firms may only count contributions to the D.C. Access to Justice Foundation (i.e., the Commission) once they have reached the Silver level through donations to one or more of the other listed organizations. In other words, donations to the Commission may only be counted to move a firm up a level – either from the Silver to the Gold level, or from the Gold to the Platinum level.
- D.C. office revenue should be calculated as an average of the previous three years’ revenues. For this year, revenue should be calculated as the average of D.C. office revenue for 2020, 2021 and 2022.

- Fellowship donations may be prorated over a five-year period. Please alert the Commission (diana.sisson@dcaccessjustice.org) if the firm is electing to utilize this option.

Reporting Information

Please provide the total amount of monetary donations (this includes cash donations, donations of attorney's fees, and payments for fellowships sponsored by the firm at one of the eligible recipient organizations) made by the firm to eligible recipient organizations in 2023:

\$ _____

Please certify the benchmark level (Platinum, Gold or Silver) that this donation amount represents for the firm:

- Platinum (.11% of D.C. office revenue)
- Gold (.09% of D.C. office revenue)
- Silver (.075% of D.C. office revenue)

If the firm increased or decreased its giving to eligible recipient organizations between 2022 and 2023, please provide the aggregate net increase or decrease in giving. This will permit the Commission to quantify how much additional monetary support was generated through the 2023 Campaign:

\$ _____

Please check off the organizations to which the firm made monetary donations in 2023. In doing so the firm is confirming that only donations made to eligible recipient organizations were counted toward the benchmark level. Do not list individual amounts donated to each organization.

Eligible Recipient Organization	√
Advocates for Justice and Education	
Amara Legal Center	
Asian Pacific American Legal Resource Center	
Ayuda	
Bread for the City Legal Services	
CAIR Coalition	
CARECEN	
Catholic Charities Immigration Legal Services	
Catholic Charities Legal Network	
Children’s Law Center	
Christian Legal Aid of D.C.	
D.C. Access to Justice Foundation <i>(only count donations in total if your firm has reached at least the Silver level without them)</i>	
D.C. Affordable Law Firm	
D.C. Bar Foundation	
D.C. Bar Pro Bono Center	
D.C. Crime Victims Resource Center	
D.C. KinCare Alliance	
D.C. Volunteer Lawyers Project	
DV LEAP	
First Shift Justice Project	
Human Rights First – D.C. Asylum Legal Representation Project	
Kids in Need of Defense (KIND) – D.C. Office	
Legal Aid Society of the District of Columbia	
Legal Counsel for the Elderly	
Mid-Atlantic Innocence Project	
Mil Mujeres Legal Services	
Mother’s Outreach Network	
Neighborhood Legal Services Program	
NVRDC – Network for Victim Recovery D.C.	
Open City Advocates	
Quality Trust for Individuals with Disabilities	
Rising for Justice	
Safe Sister’s Circle	
School Justice Project	
Second Look Project	
Tahirih Justice Center	

Tzedek D.C.	
U.D.C. Summer Law Public Interest Fellowships	
University Legal Services	
Washington Area Lawyers for the Arts	
Washington Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights & Urban Affairs	
Washington Legal Clinic for the Homeless	
Whitman-Walker Legal Services	

 Law Firm Name (please list name as you'd like it to appear in campaign listings and materials)

 Name of Individual Completing Form

 Title

 Signature

 Address 1

 Address 2

 City, State, Zip

 Phone Number

 Email

Signed forms should be submitted via e-mail by February 16, 2024 to:

**Vesna Vidovic
 Ernst & Young
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Please address any questions about completion of this form or about the Campaign to Diana Sisson at diana.sisson@dcaccesstojustice.org.