

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN**

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Re: Federal Court *Pro Bono* Opportunities

Dear Newly Admitted Attorney:

Congratulations on your recent admission to practice in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin, and welcome! The judges of the Eastern District look forward to seeing you in our court.

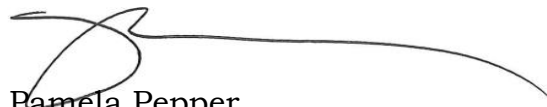
I am writing to share with you *pro bono* opportunities available in our court. We have *pro bono* opportunities in the following practice areas: (a) civil rights, (b) Title VII employment and (c) Social Security. These opportunities often arise in the context of prisoner litigation. Most cases arise under 42 U.S.C. §1983 and involve due process, equal protection, First Amendment and Eighth Amendment claims. Many litigants need assistance in negotiating settlement or participating in mediation. Some cases go to trial, giving volunteer lawyers an opportunity to try a case in federal district court. We have limited funds available to reimburse volunteer counsel for cost, such as copies.

We maintain a list of the names of attorneys interested in taking cases, or parts of cases, on a *pro bono* basis. When someone needs an attorney, the court will call an attorney on the list to determine his or her interest in being appointed. The attorney has the opportunity to review the case and, if he or she remains interested, the judge issues the formal appointment order.

I urge you, as a new member of our Eastern District practice, to add your name to the list of attorneys available to accept *pro bono* opportunities. We need and value your help, and we are confident that you will find the work rewarding. Please fill out the attached Individual Attorney Volunteer Card, or download it from the court's website at [www.wied.uscourts.gov](http://www.wied.uscourts.gov).

Thank you, and again, congratulations and welcome to the Eastern District.

Warm regards,



Pamela Pepper  
Chief United States District Judge

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