

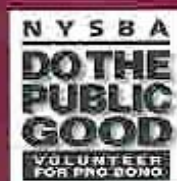
NYSBA 2008

President's Pro Bono Service Awards

Awards Luncheon

May 1, 2008

The State Room
142 State Street
Albany, New York



Small/Mid-Size Law Firm

Blitman & King
LLP

Nominator

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Contribution to Pro Bono

Established in 1933 Blitman & King concentrates on the exclusive representation of clients in the areas of employee benefits, labor and employment law. Totalling approximately 16 attorneys, Blitman & King distinguished itself during 2007 as a leader in pro bono services.

Attorneys at the firm performed over 500 hours of pro bono work, representing the poor and disenfranchised in a diverse range of matters, including, among other things, unemployment insurance claims, workers' compensation cases, and prisoner's rights cases.

Of the 500 hours, 260 hours were spent representing pro bono unemployment insurance benefit cases; 135 hours were expended on prisoner rights cases; 100 hours were donated to disability discrimination cases; and 20 hours were provided for handling pro se uncontested divorce matters.

The firm encourages its attorneys to engage in individual, self directed, pro bono assignments which they believe will enable them to provide free legal services to the broadest range of needy individuals. Blitman & King attorneys provide free legal services to clients referred by the Voluntary Lawyer Project who need assistance in unemployment insurance claims.

The firm has dedicated itself to providing pro bono service because the firm appreciates the need for it. Firm leaders have observed that many individuals they represent often can barely afford the necessities of food, shelter, and electricity. Unemployment insurance benefits—which may seem insubstantial on their face—can be life altering for the clients they serve.

Blitman & King is dedicated to providing service, advice and free legal representation to as many indigent individuals as possible.

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Blitman & King is a law firm with a national reputation for providing cutting edge practical advice in complicated areas of the law. There are few firms that can match the scope of skill provided by our leading Employee Benefits, Employment and Labor practices. Over the years, the needs of our clients and our drive to provide innovative, energetic and dedicated representation, have led the firm to further develop its practice areas. Our success has been sustained because of our focus on client goals, our unending pursuit of excellence and our unfailing commitment to achieve. Today, we are proud to contribute to the success of our clients by providing them the services of lawyers of the highest caliber.

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