

**REQUEST FOR NOMINATIONS
FOR EXCELLENCE IN PRO BONO AND PUBLIC INTEREST SERVICE IN THE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS**

To Be Presented at the Court's

**THIRTEENTH ANNUAL AWARDS FOR
EXCELLENCE IN PRO BONO AND PUBLIC INTEREST SERVICE
ON FRIDAY, MAY 18, 2012, AT 3:00 P.M.**

MARCH 20, 2012 — The United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, in conjunction with the Chicago Chapter of the Federal Bar Association, **is seeking nominations to be submitted to the court no later than Thursday, April 12, 2012, for attorneys who have provided outstanding pro bono and public interest representation in civil and criminal matters before this court.** The nominee should be someone who has demonstrated excellence in commitment to pro bono or public interest work by handling a matter in this district as a court-appointed attorney, pro bono attorney, or staff attorney for a not-for-profit agency, representing an indigent party in a civil or criminal matter.

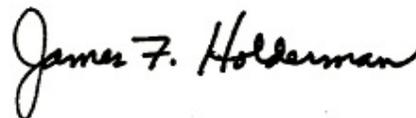
Factors to be considered in the selection of the nominee include: dedication to pro bono or public interest work, outstanding achievement resulting from the representation of a large group of indigents, successful representation in a difficult case, outstanding negotiation and settlement skills in achieving a result without trial, extraordinary number of hours committed to pro bono work, or other distinguished performance. **All pro bono and public interest work considered must be work performed in this court in civil or criminal matters on cases that are now completed and no longer pending.**

Please submit your nominations on or before **April 12, 2012**, using the attached form and including a brief summary of the reasons why you think that this person has performed outstanding pro bono or public interest work.

Please send your nominations via e-mail to: probono_ilnd@ilnd.uscourts.gov. If you have any questions, you may contact:

Chambers of Chief Judge James F. Holderman
2548 Dirksen Courthouse
219 South Dearborn Street
Chicago, Illinois 60604
Telephone: 312-435-5600

PLEASE SHARE THIS ANNOUNCEMENT WITH ALL INTERESTED PARTIES.



Chief Judge
United States District Court
for the Northern District of Illinois

NOMINATION FORM
**2012 EXCELLENCE IN PRO BONO AND PUBLIC INTEREST SERVICE IN
THE UNITED STATES COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS**

Name of Nominee: _____

Firm: _____

Address: _____

Telephone No.: _____

Email Address: _____

Member of the General Bar of the Northern District of Illinois? Yes No

Member of the Trial Bar of the Northern District of Illinois? Yes No

Case/Matter in which pro bono or public interest work was performed (Work must have been performed in this court in a civil or criminal matter which is now completed and no longer pending.)

Case Caption: _____

Case Number: _____ Presiding Judge: _____

Date of Appointment: _____ Appointed by: _____

Brief Summary of the Case: _____

Disposition (Case must be closed and not pending on appeal): _____

Date of Dismissal: _____

Please include the reasons why you think that this person has performed outstanding pro bono or public interest work on an additional sheet.

Nominator: _____

Telephone No. _____

Firm: _____

Email: _____