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**"IF WE ARE TO KEEP DEMOCRACY, THERE MUST BE ONE
COMMANDMENT: THOU SHALT NOT RATION JUSTICE"**

— Judge Learned Hand

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Dear Fellow Attorneys,

This is the time of year when we “kick-off” our Annual Campaign for Equal Justice to ensure that our community’s most fragile and vulnerable residents are provided with essential legal services to meet their most basic needs for personal safety, housing, healthcare, and economic security. To those of you who continue to support our efforts each year, we sincerely thank you. To those of you who are new to our legal community or have not as yet participated in our campaign, we hope you will sign up today to either accept a pro bono referral and/or contribute a minimum of \$350 to support pro bono efforts in Palm Beach County. We are happy to report that in the 2015-2016 campaign, over 45% of those attorneys donating funds to Legal Aid contributed \$400 or more.

As most you are aware, due to the continuation of low interest rates, significant reductions in funding from the Florida Bar Foundation’s Interest on Lawyer’s Trust Account Program (IOTA) has seriously threatened the ability of the Legal Aid Society to maintain our current level of services to our county’s most vulnerable populations.

Palm Beach County is renown in the state and nation for our steadfast tradition of providing pro bono legal assistance to the poor, and our promise that the doors to justice remain open to all individuals in our county.

Please fill out the enclosed form TODAY to be assigned a pro bono case or make a tax deductible contribution of \$350, \$400, or more to ensure justice for all. *Once we have received your contribution, you will be removed from further Campaign for Equal Justice mailing lists for this year.*

Most Sincerely,

Robert A. Bertisch, Esq.

Executive Director

PLEASE REPORT THIS ON YOUR 2017 BAR DUES STATEMENT

***Remember, by responding today you will not receive any more*

Campaign for Equal Justice letters!



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