

September/October 2010 E-newsletter

September/October News and Updates- Home Foreclosure Legal Aid Project

Thank you, everyone, for your interest and your continued efforts in helping Washington homeowners at risk of foreclosure.

STAFFING UPDATES

Colleen Mold is transitioning out of her role as HFLAP paralegal at NJP. As a result, the project will not be sending out new pro bono case opportunities until the week of October 22, 2010, when her replacement will be in place. Attorneys with existing pro bono matters can still contact Lili Sotelo, the project attorney, for consultation and case information. Aline Carton is transitioning out of her role as project manager at the WSBA. Steve Larsen, WSBA Deputy Director for External Relations, will temporarily take on that role until a new Public Service Manager position is filled. He can be reached at stevel@wsba.org or (206) 727-8240.

FORECLOSURES IN THE NEWS

Loan Mod Profiles: In Trial Limbo

<http://www.propublica.org/article/loan-mod-profiles-in-trial-limbo>

Foreclosures can make you sick, report says

<http://www.sfgate.com/cgi-bin/article.cgi?f=/c/a/2010/09/01/MN891F6B62.DTL>

Rescue from foreclosure? Frustration, anger grow

http://seattletimes.nwsourc.com/html/localnews/2012820758_loanmod06m.html

Homeowner Tips for Getting Loan Modifications

<http://www.propublica.org/article/homeowner-tips-for-getting-loan-modifications>

The Death of HAMP

<http://washingtonindependent.com/97802/the-death-of-hamp>

Flawed Paperwork Aggravates a Foreclosure Crisis

http://www.nytimes.com/2010/10/04/business/04mortgage.html?_r=1&ref=foreclosures

Foreclosure Furor Rises; Many Call for a Freeze

<http://www.nytimes.com/2010/10/06/business/06mortgage.html?ref=foreclosures>

HOUSEKEEPING

Can't Find That Old E-Newsletter with Some Helpful Information?

No worries! All of our e-newsletters are archived at <http://www.mywsba.org/default.aspx?tabid=199>

Working on a Case and Need Some Feedback or Assistance?

If you're actively volunteering with the project you should have been added to our WA Foreclosure Prevention Advocate list serve. Don't forget to use it! Experts, mentors and other volunteers are

standing by to exchange ideas and advocacy strategies. Unsure if you're on this list serve? contact Steve Larsen at stevel@wsba.org.

Please Check Your Email Spam Filter!

Please make sure you are receiving email from Lili Sotelo and the rest of our Home Foreclosure Legal Aid Project legal team; their emails are lilis@nwjustice.org and hflap@nwjustice.org.

Really Eager to Get a Case?

Have you been really eager to get a case but feel like you haven't been quick enough on the draw when our legal team sends out volunteer opportunities? Have you been unable to handle a matter that's been offered but are still really interested in getting a case? If so, please email hflap@nwjustice.org and also let us know if you'd be willing to take matters in neighboring counties or statewide.

Too Busy Right Now to Take a Case?

If you are not currently able or believe that you will not be able to accept cases through the Home Foreclosure Project for the next six months, please take a moment to let us know so that we can remove you from our volunteer list. Please contact Steve Larsen at stevel@wsba.org or (206) 727-8240. You can always rejoin us when your schedule opens up.

Thanks again for doing your part to put an end to the foreclosure crisis and helping Washington state homeowners!