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KING COUNTY BAR FOUNDATION
Dear Friends and Colleagues:

Pausing to reflect on the 2008–2009 year, I am struck by a profound sense of gratitude. The Foundation began the year with high hopes and expectations, and an appropriately optimistic budget, but the financial crisis that surprised most of the nation in the fall served to make last year one of the most challenging in recent memory. As you might expect, the need for civil legal aid skyrocketed while revenue sources seemed to dry up almost overnight. Yet you met this challenge with generosity and spirit, and I am delighted to report that your efforts to ensure access to the legal system and encourage diversity in the legal profession were exceptional.

Though the Foundation’s overall revenue was down, the actual number of contributions made to the Foundation increased over the previous year! More people gave at the Breakfast With Champions. More people included a dues check-off contribution with their KCBA membership application. In fact, almost 400 new donors contributed to the Foundation last year—another increase over the previous year! We couldn’t be more pleased with the encouraging and compassionate way you have responded to our community’s need.

Last year, the Community Legal Services programs served 10,407 clients, the largest number to date. Your critical financial support for these programs was leveraged by 1,550 volunteer attorneys and 180 others to provide 34,503 hours worth of pro bono legal services valued at $7.29 million. KCBF also granted $112,500 in minority law student scholarships to the Seattle University and University of Washington law schools, making law school a reality for many students who might have had to postpone or deny their professional goals.

I applaud your commitment to providing a legal safety net in King County and remain grateful for your continuing support.

Respectfully,

Marcella Fleming Reed
KCBF MINORITY LAW STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS
KCBF is one of the largest providers of minority law student scholarships in Washington. In 2008-2009, KCBF distributed $112,500 to the University of Washington and Seattle University law schools for this purpose. Over 500 students have benefited from this program since it began in 1970 with over half still practicing in Washington.

BUILDING A BOOK OF BUSINESS
Based on the premise that those minority attorneys who are successful within law firms are more likely to stay, this program helps minority associates in private practice improve their chances for success. In a closed-door seminar, successful minority lawyers instruct participants how to effectively market themselves and acquire new clients for their firms.

FUTURE OF THE LAW INSTITUTE
FLI is a year-long program for minority and economically disadvantaged high school students interested in learning more about a career in the law. FLI provides students with substantive legal workshops, career counseling, a mock trial, a courthouse tour, and opportunities to meet with legal professionals. Students are matched up with a mentor for the school year and are eligible for scholarships when they continue on to higher education.

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HOUSING JUSTICE PROJECT (HJP)
HJP is a court-based, homelessness-prevention program that assists low-income King County residents facing loss of housing due to eviction. HJP volunteer attorneys and legal assistants meet clients at the King County Courthouse in Seattle and the Regional Justice Center in Kent on the day of their eviction hearings and provide advice and consultation, legal rights education, negotiations with landlords, or full representation at the show cause eviction hearing. If a case continues beyond the hearing, HJP volunteers have the option of keeping the case or sending it to VLS for referral to a volunteer on the housing panel. HJP also advises tenants in other landlord-tenant matters. Because of a significant increase in the number of clients seeking assistance, HJP opened two, afternoon walk-in clinics to provide advice to clients who do not have same-day hearings.

NEIGHBORHOOD LEGAL CLINICS (NLC)
The NLC program offers free, half-hour, limited legal advice consultations and referrals to King County residents and those Washington state residents with legal actions filed in King County who might otherwise have no access to the legal system. The program strives to make the clinics accessible regardless of a person’s disability or lack of fluency in spoken English. The NLCs serve over 7,200 annually, regardless of income, in 33 clinics countywide.

LEGAL SERVICES FOR THE HOMELESS (LSH)
LSH works with firms and individual attorneys to provide free legal clinics at six of the homeless shelters and/or transitional housing centers in Seattle. Volunteer attorneys at the clinics provide legal advice, referrals, and direct representation on a variety of legal issues. If the law firm cannot take on representation of a client due to conflicts, that client’s case is placed with CLS’s volunteer attorney panel.

NEWCOMERS RESOURCE PROJECT (NEWCOMERS)
Newcomers provides direct representation and legal resources to immigrants and refugees. Its largest panel collaborates with CASA Latina serving unpaid and underpaid workers by referring those with wage claim issues to a panel of volunteer attorneys who provide direct representation.

VOLUNTEER ATTORNEYS WITH HIV/AIDS (VAPWA)
VAPWA represents people living with HIV/AIDS or those who have legal concerns related to HIV/AIDS. VAPWA handles cases in a variety of civil legal areas, including bankruptcy and debt, consumer issues, employment issues, estate planning, family law (including domestic partnerships), housing, individual rights, Social Security issues, tort defense, and vacating criminal records.

VOLUNTEER ATTORNEYS FOR PERSONS WITH HIV/AIDS (VAPWA)
VAPWA represents people living with HIV/AIDS or those who have legal concerns related to HIV/AIDS. VAPWA handles cases in a variety of civil legal areas, including bankruptcy and debt, consumer issues, employment issues, estate planning, family law (including domestic partnerships), housing, individual rights, Social Security issues, tort defense, and vacating criminal records.

VOLUNTEER LEGAL SERVICES (VLS)
VLS provides direct representation of low-income clients by volunteer attorneys regarding a variety of civil legal issues. Common issues include bankruptcy, debt defense, landlord-tenant, vacation of criminal records, guardianships, and wills. VLS screens clients for financial eligibility, resolvable legal issues, and program priorities. VLS volunteers include attorneys from every area of practice.

SELF HELP PLUS (SHP)
SHP assists low- to moderate-income King County residents who will represent themselves in uncontested divorces and establishment of parenting plans. SHP focuses on serving clients who have difficulty completing the family law paperwork, including clients who are homeless, disabled, limited English speakers, protecting children from another parent’s abuse, domestic violence or substance abuse survivors, or who need restrictive parenting plans.

FAMILY LAW MENTOR (MENTOR)
Mentor facilitates pro bono representation for low-income clients in contested dissolution of marriage or parentage proceedings where the children’s safety is at issue because of domestic violence, child abuse/neglect, criminal activity, or alcohol/drug abuse by opposing party. The program assigns inexperienced or non-family law attorneys (mentees) to an experienced family law attorney (mentor) who provides initial training and continues to assist each mentee throughout the case.

KINSHIP CARE SOLUTIONS (KINSHIP)
Kinship provides free representation to low-income relatives and other caregivers involved in non-parental custody through referrals to a volunteer panel of attorneys. Children who are subject to these proceedings are at-risk in their parents’ care due to abuse, neglect, or abandonment or the parent’s substance abuse, incarceration, or other issue. Kinship recruits, trains, and mentors the volunteer attorney through the legal process.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE REVISION SQUAD (REVISION SQUAD)
The DV Revision Squad provides representation to low-income survivors of domestic violence in order for protection proceedings. Volunteer attorneys represent victims in obtaining initial orders for protection and in filing motions for revision or reconsideration in cases in which a protection order has been wrongly denied or is insufficiently protective of the children. Since these motions involve court record review, briefing and oral argument and must be filed and served within ten days of the original hearing, they cannot be referred through the usual volunteer referral process or handled by the NLCs.
King County Bar Foundation held its ninth annual fundraiser, the Breakfast With Champions on Monday, April 2, 2009, at the Westin Hotel in downtown Seattle. The event attracted nearly 900 guests and raised $228,000 in sponsorships, cash, and pledges. Proceeds from the Breakfast support the Foundation’s pro bono civil legal aid and diversity programs.

The fast-paced Breakfast program was emceed by Peter Ehrlichman. Foundation President Marcella Fleming Reed and King County Bar Association President Dan Gandara welcomed and thanked guests for attending the Foundation’s major fundraising event of the year. Attorney General Rob McKenna, John McKay (former US Attorney for Western Washington), Ian Warner (1L University of Washington), and Kerry Robinson (HJP/Kent Supervising Attorney) also addressed the crowd.

Dr. Mary Frances Berry, the outspoken author, historian, and civil rights pioneer, delivered the keynote address. Dr. Berry, a polemic figure during her time as a member and chair of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission, has had a notable career in public service. She is currently the Geraldine R. Segal Professor of American Social Thought and Professor of History at the University of Pennsylvania and the author of several books on civil and human rights. Her Breakfast keynote was a commentary on the American judicial system. Dr. Berry also applauded the Foundation’s commitment to justice and diversity.

The Foundation would like to thank the members of the Breakfast With Champions planning committee, event sponsors, table captains, guests, trustees, staff, and volunteers for making the 2009 Breakfast With Champions such a successful affair.
DONATIONS TO THE KING COUNTY BAR FOUNDATION HELP PROVIDE PRO BONO LEGAL SERVICES TO THOSE WITH NOWHERE ELSE TO TURN AND INCREASE DIVERSITY OF THE COURTROOMS AND LAW OFFICES WITHIN KING COUNTY.

GIVING CIRCLES
Giving Circles members make multi-year pledges to support King County Bar Foundation’s work.

FOUNDATION CABINET
A pledge of $5,000
($1,000 annually for 5 years)

LEADERSHIP CIRCLE
A pledge of $2,500
($500 annually for 5 years)

PRESIDENT’S COUNCIL
A pledge of $1,000
($250 annually for 4 years)

KCBA DUES CHECK-OFF
King County Bar Foundation Dues Check-off makes it easy for KCBA members to donate by including an opportunity to give when paying annual membership dues.

ENDOWMENT GIVING
Donors to King County Bar Foundation’s Endowment Fund are making a commitment to future generations, helping to ensure that KCBF’s justice and diversity programs endure—through economic downturns and for years to come.

THE LEGACY GROUP
Members of the Legacy Group include King County Bar Foundation in their estate plans. Membership is open to all individuals who provide a gift through one of the following gift programs offered by the Foundation:
• Bequest by Will
• Life Income Arrangement
• Designation of Beneficiary

In all cases, members receive the satisfaction and recognition of being major benefactors and, to the extent provided by law, may also receive financial and tax benefits.

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The King County Law Firm Campaign for Equal is a combined effort between King County Bar Foundation and LAW Fund to jointly seek funds from King County law firms in support of legal justice in the state of Washington.

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### Statement of Financial Position

**Assets**
- Cash and Equivalents: $458,488.65
- Accounts Receivable from KCBA: 75,307.50
- Pledge Receivables, net of allowance: 410,285.68

**Total Assets:** $944,081.83

**Liabilities & Capital**
- Liabilities:
  - Grants and Accounts Payable: $112,168.05

**Net Assets:**
- General Fund Balance: $409,073.63
- Restricted for Diversity: 15,070.82
- Restricted for Time: 307,769.33

**Total Net Assets:** $831,913.78

**Total Liabilities and Net Assets:** $944,081.83

### Statement of Activities

**Revenues**
- Campaign for Equal Justice: $192,126.75
- Breakfast With Champions: 226,561.50
- Legal Foundation of Washington Grant: 335,750.00
- Future of the Law Institute: 321,811.32
- Other Grants and Contributions: 365,755.23
- Interest and Royalties: 14,139.37

**Total Revenues:** $1,166,194.68

**Expenses**
- Program: $990,000.00
- Management and General: 21,620.83
- Fundraising: 76,845.35
- In-Kind: 198,599.00

**Total Expenses:** $1,287,065.18

**Net Income**

*Based on unaudited figures.

**In fiscal year 2009, KCBF used reserves accumulated in prior years to be able to maintain grants given to support pro bono and diversity programs.

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