

## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Lycoming Law Association

FROM: John P. Pietrovito, Chairperson

DATE: December 28, 2012

RE: Annual Report of the Legal Services for the Indigent Committee

The Legal Services for the Indigent Committee met once during calendar year 2012.

The following topics or issues were discussed at the meeting:

1. The recipient of the Thomas Wood, Jr., Equal Access to Justice Award was discussed, but the name of the recipient will not be revealed until the Annual Banquet.
2. The Committee again recommended and the Executive Committee of the LLA approved an alternative to the Customary Fair Share Awards that were distributed at the Annual Banquet to the attorneys participating in the Pro Bono Panel. In 2013, a \$500.00 donation will be made to the Saint Anthony's Center. The donation will be made in the names of the attorneys who participated in the Pro Bono Panel in 2012. Each attorney will receive a certificate recognizing his or her participation in the Pro Bono Panel and a discount coupon for one (1) LLA Eat and Earn seminar.
3. The Committee will recommend to the Executive Committee that a law firm be awarded the Fair Share Award if the law firm accepts and fulfills its allotment of Pro Bono referrals for the year. For example, a law firm consisting of a total of four (4) attorneys can earn the Fair Share Award if it accepts and fulfills a total of twelve (12) Pro Bono referrals during the year even if all twelve (12) referrals were handled by only one (1) of the attorneys in the law firm. If approved by the Executive Committee, this procedure would be put in place in 2013 with the first award(s) presented at the Annual Banquet in 2014.