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**SPEEDING LAWFULLY BIKE CHALLENGE TO BENEFIT DADE LEGAL AID
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Miami, Florida (September 29, 2020) – *Speeding Lawfully Bike Challenge to Benefit Dade Legal Aid* is a socially distanced virtual bike race benefiting Dade Legal Aid and kicking off pro bono week.

“Speeding Lawfully is a socially distanced bike challenge for all ages and activity levels that will take the place of Dade Legal Aid’s annual Patently Impossible Project, since it just isn’t possible to hold the Patently Impossible competition in person this year,” said Jaime Rich Vining, Esquire, Event Chair. *“All proceeds from the event are earmarked to assist Dade Legal Aid and Put Something Back Pro Bono Project with providing equal access to justice to low-income residents of Miami-Dade County,”* said Vining, Chair of the Intellectual Property Committee of the Dade County Bar Association for over a decade. A long-time supporter, leader and pro bono participant herself, Vining decided to “shift gears” to host this virtual event to support the non-profit law firm that has been serving the unmet legal needs of the community since 1949.

“Put Something Back is the cornerstone of the pro bono efforts by Miami lawyers. The program has served thousands of clients for decades. As a former President of the Dade County Bar Association I am very proud of this program and the work of Dade Legal Aid,” said Steven Davis, Partner, Boies Schiller Flexner LLP and Member of the Florida Bar Board of Governors for the Eleventh Judicial Circuit.

Dade Legal Aid staff and pro bono attorneys handle thousands of cases annually in the areas of family law, domestic violence, probate, guardian ad litem, child advocacy, bankruptcy, housing, and consumer law. *"The demand for our services has never been greater,"* said Karen Ladis, executive director of the agency. *"Our staff and pro bono volunteers are facing new challenges working remotely and navigating the new norm while continuing to provide a safety net of civil legal services to those in dire need – the elderly, the disabled, survivors of sexual assault and human sex trafficking, unaccompanied minor children, veterans and others."*

Thanks to the combined efforts of the bar association and its leadership, supporters, participants and many local voluntary bar associations, Dade Legal Aid continues fulfilling its mission to protect children and victims of domestic violence and sexual assault, families in crisis facing evictions, foreclosures and bankruptcy, and other vulnerable populations.

For more information about Speeding Lawfully or registering for a pro bono case, please visit www.dadelegalaid.org or email jrv@friedlandvining.com.

WHAT: A Virtual Bike Race to Benefit Dade Legal Aid Kicking Off Pro Bono Week

CHAIR: Jaime Rich Vining, Esquire

WHEN: Sunday, October 25, 2020, 10:00 am

SPONSORS: Dade County Bar Association, Intellectual Property Committee, Young Lawyer Section, Miami-Dade FAWL, Haitian Lawyers Association, South Miami Kendall Bar Association, Florida Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, Wilkie D. Ferguson Jr., Bar Association, Strook Stroock & Lavan, Bast Amron, Bilzin, Rasco & Klock, St. Thomas University School of Law, Phipps Reporting, Foster-Morales Sokol-Stone, Steven Davis, Ser & Associates, Cole Scott & Kissane, The Lab Miami, and many more...

REGISTER: <http://www.dadelegalaid.org/register-for-the-2020-virtual-bike-race-challenge/>