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NUTS & BOLTS: FAMILY LAW SEMINAR, AWARD RECIPIENTS

Our recent event Nuts & Bolts celebrated the spirit of pro bono work and the dedication of legal professionals committed to making a difference in our community. With an impressive lineup of speakers and award recipients, the event underscored the importance of access to justice and highlighted the contributions of those who tirelessly serve others. Award recipients included:



Maria C. Gonzalez, Esq.: Founder of Law Offices of Maria C. Gonzalez and fellow of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers. Acknowledged for her decades of service and expertise in matrimonial and family law. We are beyond grateful for her handling of dozens of complex Guardianship and Family cases for decades and for the 460+ hours given to Put Something Back.



William Brady, Esq.: Honored for his unwavering support and volunteer work in assisting domestic violence victims as an outstanding volunteer, and founder of Brady Law Firm, P.A., who never says “no” when called upon to accept pro bono family matters including Dissolution of Marriage, Support Modification, Relocation, Domestic Violence and Child Advocacy cases.



Tenikka L. Jones, Esq.: Attorney ad Litem in Juvenile Dependency through Put Something Back and mentor through the Women of Tomorrow Program. Commended for her profound impact on the lives of vulnerable youth through extensive pro bono hours. Over the years, she provided more than 800 pro bono hours supporting and advocating for her teen client from age 13 to 18.

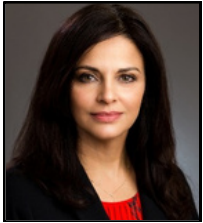


Jason E. Bloch, Esq.: Celebrated for his long-standing dedication to pro bono service, especially as a former recipient of Dade Legal Aid’s Access to Pro Bono Award. He has provided over 450 hours on a variety of pro bono Family, Dependency, Domestic Violence, and Housing cases.



Juan D. Berrio, Esq.: Partner at Berrio & Berrio, P.A. Recognized for his extensive pro bono work in family law and commitment to clients. Mr. Berrio has dedicated over 250 hours to Put Something Back pro bono clients in a variety of Guardian ad Litem, Domestic Violence, and Family law cases.

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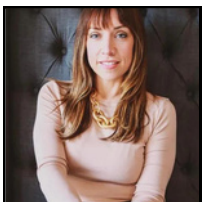
Raquel A. Lacayo-Valle, Esq.: Recognized for her work in complex family law cases and dedication as a Guardian ad Litem through Dade Legal Aid's Put Something Back Program and the 11th Circuit's Florida Guardian ad Litem Program. Partner at the Law Offices of Ronald H. Kauffman, P.A. who has spent over 125 hours of pro bono service through our project on Custody, Guardian ad Litem and Wills cases.



Cristina Morales, Esq.: Partner at Gedeon & Morales Law Group. Celebrated for her passion and empathy in handling family law and Guardian Ad Litem cases. She performs hundreds of hours of pro bono services in a variety of areas of law at Gedeon & Morales Law Group.



Jeffrey Rynor, Esq.: Founding member of Mitrani, Rynor, Adamsky & Toland, P.A. Acknowledged for his strong commitment to pro bono work in custody and domestic violence cases. He has spent over 360 hours on Custody, Divorce, Paternity, Dependency, and Domestic Violence cases. Recently, he successfully handled a TPR on behalf of a minor child.



Carolyn A. Reyes, Esq.: Honored for her dedication to family law and her role as a mediator and Guardian Ad Litem. Co-Founder of Grass | Reyes & Associates. who has provided her services in 15 complex pro bono Divorce, Custody, and Guardian ad Litem cases.



Erik C. Alexander: Vice President of Truist Wealth Legal Specialty Group. Praised for his extensive community service and support of Dade Legal Aid's mission. His service includes supporting Dade Legal Aid-Put Something Back, devoting countless hours on the Board of Directors of the Boy Scouts of America, South Florida Council, and on the Disaster Workforce for the American Red Cross where he aids in disaster and humanitarian relief.

Their dedication and service are truly inspiring, and we are proud to celebrate their contributions.

The seminar was generously sponsored by Truist, Accounting & Valuation LLC, Funding Florida Legal Aid, Vasquez de Lara Law Group, The Divorce Mortgage Guy, OurFamilyWizard, Peak Legal, Miami Dade Bar, Miami Dade Bar Young Lawyers Section, and Certified Divorce Real Estate Expert.

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