## Helping Attorneys Strengthen Nonprofits



**Quarterly Newsletter** 

Spring 2017

### Letter from the Executive Director

It was wonderful to have the opportunity to recognize our 2016 donors and volunteers last month. It took a small army of committed individuals to get Pro Bono Partnership of Ohio where we are today:

First, our donors: Led by Harold C. Schott Foundation, GE Aviation, and P&G, these companies, law firms, and foundations have made our work possible. Additionally, without the law firm of Dinsmore & Shohl, we would not have a home. Thanks to them, our staff of 4 now has world-class facilities with some of the best and brightest attorneys around.

**Second, our volunteers:** In just two years, over <u>380</u> corporate attorneys volunteered to be part of the positive change happening in our community by providing direct legal services to our nonprofit clients.

**Third, the <u>PBPO Board of Directors</u>:** Their vision and leadership have driven our progress.

**Finally, our** nonprofit clients: The work they do every day in Cincinnati and Dayton is inspiring. We are proud to partner with you.

Check out our **2016 Annual Report** to see more highlights.

As always, thank you for the work you do for PBPO and for our community.

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#### **Volunteers**

Check out our Volunteer
Opportunities! We update
our website regularly with
new legal requests.

#### **Nonprofits**

Are you a PBPO Client? If not, consider applying today.

Learn more about becoming a client and download our client application.

#### **PBPO Honors Volunteers and Donors**







On March 23, PBPO volunteers, donors, and friends gathered at Procter & Gamble to

celebrate and recognize outstanding attorney volunteers for their pro bono efforts in 2016.

We are proud to recognize the following award winners for their exceptional volunteer work:

2016 Corporation of the Year: GE Aviation

2016 Law Firm of the Year: Frost Brown Todd

2016 Corporate Attorney of the Year: Sarah J. St. Clair (Fifth Third Bank)

2016 Law Firm Attorney of the Year: Tara Burke (Jackson Lewis)

2016 Excellence in Nonprofit Service: Lynne Miller (P&G)

Congratulations to the award winners, and thank you to all who joined our celebration!

Click <u>here</u> to see more photos from the reception. Special thanks to our event sponsors **Lexis Nexis**, **Greater Cincinnati Foundation**, and **Procter & Gamble**!

# VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT Peggy Sullivan

GE Aviation
Counsel, Commercial Engines, Services & Global Sales

Peggy is one of the many fantastic volunteers from GE Aviation. She is now volunteering for her fourth legal project with PBPO, and has helped **Melodic Connections** and **Churches Active in Northside (CAIN)** develop and implement important policies.



Why does Peggy volunteer with PBPO?

When I embarked on my career I made a promise to use my legal skills to give back to the community - but my schedule became so busy I was struggling to find time to serve on a non profit board full time. Then PBPO came along - offering the flexibility to grab cases when my schedule permits and work with all sorts of inspiring nonprofits (big and small) to help them make a difference in our community. I have loved every minute of it and look forward to my next opportunity to contribute!

Read more about Peggy here.

# NONPROFIT HIGHLIGHT Boys Hope Girls Hope Cincinnati



PBPO client **Boys Hope Girls Hope Cincinnati** serves academically capable and motivated children in need to meet their full potential by providing value-centered, family-like residential homes, opportunities and education through college.

With the help of PBPO attorney volunteers from **Graydon**, BHGH recently broke ground to build a new home to house their scholars.

The team from Graydon did an amazing job evaluating our organization from top to bottom to ensure we are compliant in terms of government and not-for-profit regulations. This enabled us to complete the proper legal documents to pave the way for construction of our new Boys Home. Debbie Bowman, President

Learn more about this great organization and see the latest construction progress here.

#### **OTHER NEWS**

Welcome to PBPO Chasity Paul! Chasity joined PBPO as our paralegal in December. We hope you have the chance to meet her soon. You have already likely run into her if you have scheduled an Intro Call or closed a matter recently. Read more about Chasity <a href="here">here</a>.

PBPO Elects Two Board Members: We are delighted to welcome two new additions to our Board: Mark Chilson (Executive Vice President and General Counsel at CareSource) and Susan Whaley (Vice President and General Counsel, North America, Global Practices and Global Go-To-Market at Procter & Gamble). Read more here.







Mark R. Chilson

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Nonprofit Legal Boot Camp (Cincinnati)	Nonprofit Legal Boot Camp (Dayton)
3-Part Workshop Series	3-Part Workshop Series Final Session
Wed. May 10th, 8:30 - 10:30 am	Tues. May 16th, Noon - 2:30 pm Life Enrichment Center
Tues. July 11th, 8:30 - 10:30 am	
Tues. Sept. 12th, 8:30 - 10:30 am	
Presented by: PBPO & Leadership Council for Nonprofits	Presented by: PBPO & Miami Valley Nonprofit Collaborative & Dayton Metro Library
These hands-on workshops are geared towards executive directors, key personnel and board members. Participants will leave each session with the knowledge and tools needed to identify and address important legal obligations, adopt best practices and avoid risk.	Join us to learn about key issues that nonprofit organizations need to be aware of to protect their intellectual property, including logos, names, marks, ideas, services and inventions.
Workshop topics:	This seminar will answer common intellectual property questions including:
<ul> <li>Nonprofit Governance and Compliance</li> <li>Intellectual Property Basics for Nonprofits</li> <li>Employment Law: What Every Nonprofit Needs to Know</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Why is intellectual property protection important to my nonprofit?</li> <li>How do trademarks, copyrights, and other types of intellectual property protections work?</li> </ul>
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