

VLP NEWSLETTER

A new look, but the same great information

LEGAL ACTION OF WISCONSIN

Office Moves

La Crosse Office has moved to 700 N 3rd St, Ste 203, La Crosse, WI 54601

Racine Office has moved to 245 Main St, Ste 202, Racine, WI 53403

Congrats Raphael Ramos

Raph was named Wisconsin's 34 Most Influential Asian Americans, read more [here](#). Since 2015, ConnectBlack has shined a statewide spotlight on the dedicated Wisconsin Leaders.

Congrats David Krekeler



Congratulations to long-time volunteer and presenter David Krekeler of Krekeler Strother, S.C.. He received the well-deserved 2021 John Lederer Distinguished Service Award from the State Bar of Wisconsin Solo, Small, & General Practice Section, read more [here](#).

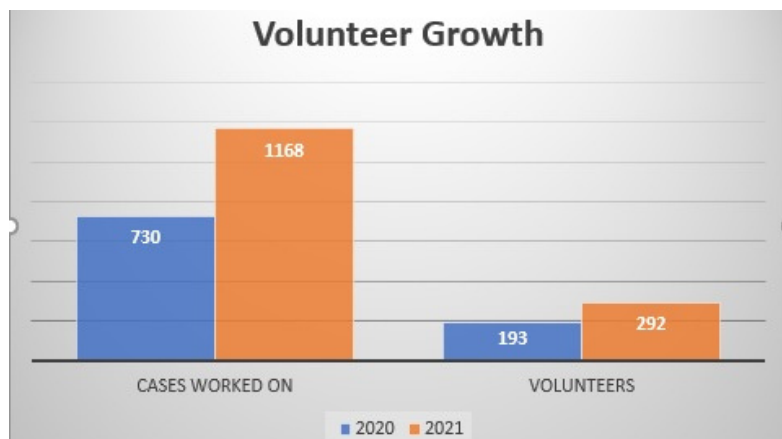
Referrals

Interested in taking cases for full representation in multiple different areas? We are regularly referring cases out to find the best pro bono fits for attorneys. Please complete this [form](#).



GROWTH FOR VLP

We would not be as successful of a program without our volunteers. In 2021, we grew by nearly 100 volunteers. This growth translated to an additional 438 client cases being worked on or assisted by a volunteer attorney.



New Bankruptcy Clinic

We have launched a new student-led petition clinic to assist clients in filing Chapter 7 bankruptcy petitions. The new clinic comes amid a growing community need for bankruptcy and consumer debt-related services, especially as vital public benefits and financial resources have been cut or suspended amid the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Supervised by Atty. Jake Thorne, students from both UW-Madison and Marquette Law schools work with clients to gather the necessary information to complete a bankruptcy petition using our cloud-based software. From there, Legal Action files each petition, representing the client through the order granting discharge.

Through this new clinic, Legal Action has vastly increased its capacity to assist clients struggling with debt and harassment from debt collectors. We have just completed petitions for our first wave of clients, and our hope is that this clinic will only grow in scale to address the community's needs. Any attorneys interested in supporting this clinic, either by providing advice or mentoring students, will be provided training, tech support, and any other necessary resources.

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2021?**

Certify your TIME!