

# VLP NEWSLETTER

A new look, but the same  
great information

# LEGAL ACTION OF WISCONSIN

## 2022 Community Partner Award

The Moraine Park Technical College Student Community Impact Team awarded Lawyers for Learners and Legal Action of Wisconsin! This annual college award recognizes a community partner who has gone above and beyond in their role with MPTC students and the community.

## Bottom Up Podcast

Podcast centered around important issues and topics of importance to younger attorneys and exchange ideas. Check out more [here](#).

## Farewell to Jake Thorne

Legal Action would like to extend its sincere thanks to Jake Thorne for his tremendous work in developing our bankruptcy clinic. He has taken a new position staff attorney position at the Labor & Industry Review Commission. Jake will be missed as a colleague, friend, and advocate. But remains a dedicated bankruptcy volunteer.

## 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](#).



## CONSUMER DEBT DEFENSE CLINIC

Legal Action is launching the Consumer Debt Defense Project in Milwaukee. The project seeks to represent consumers in Small Claims Court who are defending collection cases filed by third party debt buyers who are mass filers. In Milwaukee County in 2021, a handful of debt buyers filed 8,960 cases comprising 42% of all non-eviction filings for the year and seldom were the defendants represented. This project intends to enforce consumers' rights by raising rarely used defenses and reducing uncontested and "rubber stamped" judgments against debtors. For a [full release](#) from PBIF.

We are hosting an Introduction to Defending Third-Party Debt Buyer Cases will be scheduled soon. If you are interested, please fill out this interest [form](#).

## Welcome Alexandra Scott

Alexandra Scott has joined the VLP team as a staff attorney. She will be overseeing the pro bono Bankruptcy Clinics. She will be working closely with a team of law students from the Marquette and UW Law Schools to prepare and file Ch 7 bankruptcy petitions on behalf of clients. Alex will also coordinate several other pro bono initiatives.

Prior to joining Legal Action, she practiced criminal defense law with the Office of the Wisconsin State Public Defender. She is a graduate of Marquette Law School, where she volunteered for Legal Action as a student. We're delighted to have her on our team!

## STATE BAR PRO BONO PORTAL

Looking for a way to find and connect with pro bono opportunities?  
Click [here](#) to see what's out there!

# OUR VOLUNTEERS

Who provided hours between January 2022-December 2022

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Michael Anderson  
Timothy Andryk  
Mary Arinze  
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Kelsey Bailey  
John Bannen  
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Tabitha Barrientes  
Michaela Bear  
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Josh Bernstein  
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Haley Bianchi  
Jennifer Binkley  
Abigail Bogli  
Ruth Booher  
Andrew Brehm  
David Britton  
Luke Bukowski  
Amy Burger  
Martha Burke  
Madison Bushman  
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Dawn Caldart  
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Stephanie Cash  
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Nicholas Castronovo  
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Allison Childs  
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Suzanne Edwards  
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Nicholas Enger  
AJ Fabianczyk  
Nicole Feltz  
Kevin Fetherston  
Savannah Floore  
Aaron Foley  
Mary Fons  
Taylor Forman  
Kolby Forest  
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Mya Gartland  
Alexis Garuz  
Elizabeth Gebarski  
Natalie Gerloff  
Sara Ghadiri  
Alexia Gianitsos  
Ann Glavan  
Colleen Gnabasik  
Zachary Gnas  
Nikolas Gouverneur  
James Gramling  
Antwaun Hackman  
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Robyn Hansen  
Angela Harden  
Amy Harriman  
Drew Harris  
Timothy Hawks  
Jaydn Hayes  
Rebecca Hays  
John Hebar  
Faith Heckel  
Susan Herro

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William Hughes  
Katrina Hull  
Morgan Hultz  
Herbert Humke  
Trace Hummel  
Daniel Izikowski  
Ruth Irvings  
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Lukas Jaeger  
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Eileen Jennings  
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Emily Jones  
Josiah Jordan  
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Dylan Kehoe  
Amanda Kerr  
Grace Kisch  
Jaiden Kitson-MacTaggart  
Christopher Koehnke  
Julian Koontz  
Eugene Krakow  
Mackenzie Kraus  
Margaret Krei  
Autumn Kruse  
Jeanette Kuske  
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Shenaz Lakdawala  
Brooke Larsen  
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