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Bob Hollingshead Nominated for NJ State Bar's Medal of Honor

(PARSIPPANY, February 6, 2014) — Recently retired Day Pitney partner Bob Hollingshead was nominated by the Morris County Bar Foundation for the NJ State Bar Foundation Medal of Honor, which is awarded annually to two NJ attorneys or judges who have made “a significant contribution to the advancement or improvement of the justice system or the betterment of the legal profession in NJ” and demonstrated “professional excellence as demonstrated by accomplishments in the law or service to the profession and the community during their careers.”

The letter of nomination cited Mr. Hollingshead’s 30-year commitment to the goals and pro bono and charitable projects of the Foundation, particularly his role in the Battered Women's Legal Advocacy Project. He co-founded the Project in 1992 and has run it since then, during which time it has assigned pro bono counsel from a pool of Morris County volunteers, including 10 per year from Day Pitney, to more than 2,000 victims of domestic violence and abuse in their court hearings to obtain Final Restraining Orders against their abusers. The Project's attorneys have obtained final orders or favorable consent orders or agreements for approximately 90 percent of the victims. Prior to the start of the Project, less than one-third of the unrepresented victims obtained those orders.

“This is a well-deserved recognition and we congratulate Bob on his nomination,” said Day Pitney partner Paul R. Marino, head of the firm’s Pro Bono Committee. “Bob’s commitment to pro bono and charitable works has been an inspiration to many of us here at Day Pitney, and the firm has benefited tremendously from his leadership and example in this field.”

In addition to Mr. Hollingshead’s efforts, Day Pitney’s firm-wide pro bono effort has earned recognition from the legal community. In November, the Connecticut Bar Association Young Lawyer's Section (YLS) recognized Day Pitney during its Annual Pro Bono Fair for the firm’s contribution to the \$1 Million Pro Bono Service Campaign. Day Pitney attorneys donated more than 860 pro bono hours during the three-month campaign period from March 2013 to May 2013. The New Jersey State Bar Association also gave its 2013 *Pro Bono* Award to Mr. Marino for his efforts to expand Day Pitney's pro bono program to benefit young adults with developmental disabilities in guardianship proceedings.

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