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Mr. Monforton:

Thank you for your interest in speaking to our students at the University of Windsor, Faculty of Law on September 16, 2013. Each year, Pro Bono Students Canada strives to find a prominent member of the community, who has made a difference in the community or legal profession through their work, to speak to our students about the importance of pro bono work. We are honoured that you have agreed to join us this year.

Who We Are

PBSC is a national *pro bono* organization with chapters at all 21 law schools across the country. Founded in 1996, PBSC is the only national *pro bono* service organization anywhere in the world. Each year, about 1,500 PBSC volunteers provide approximately 120,000 hours of free legal services to between 400-500 organizations, courts and tribunals across the country.

I am the Program Coordinator for the University of Windsor PSBC Chapter. I have been hired by PBSC to work full-time over the summer and part-time during the school year developing projects; recruiting students, lawyers and partners; and training and monitoring students. I do this in close consultation with an On-site Supervisor at my law school and the staff at PBSC's National Office, which is housed in Toronto.

Why We Do This

Through our program, PBSC law student volunteers are given an opportunity to enhance their legal skills by providing free legal services to individuals and communities in need in Canada. PBSC volunteers have a genuine passion for public interest work, and a commitment to increasing access to justice in our local community. Our hope is that we are creating a generation of law students who will enter the legal profession with a commitment to providing some of their legal services free of charge.



The PBSC Launch

Each year, PBSC holds a launch event in September. This is our opportunity to introduce the entire student body to PBSC and inform them about why they should get involved. This year, we are aiming to hold our launch event over a lunch hour on Monday, September 16th. The launch event invites students to not only hear from the PBSC coordinator about what our chapter does, but also provides an opportunity for them to hear from a leader in the community who has made a commitment to pro bono work. Each year our speakers discuss their involvement in community projects and emphasize the importance of promoting access to justice. We would then allow students an opportunity to ask questions pertaining to the legal community and pro bono work.

We thank you again for your enthusiasm in speaking to our students. We look forward to seeing you!

Sincerely,

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