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Scholarships
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Scholarship Award Report 2007

MCLE awarded 1,300 scholarships during 2007, representing over 11% of registrations and a dollar value of \$188,500.

Pro Bono Advocacy Scholarships

645 scholarships were provided to train private attorneys to represent and advocate for low and moderate income clients and as incentives for accepting pro bono cases.

Community Legal Services & Counseling Center, <i>Cambridge</i>	New Center for Legal Advocacy, <i>New Bedford</i>
The HIV/ AIDS Law Consortium of Western Massachusetts, <i>Springfield</i>	South Middlesex Legal Services, Inc., <i>Framingham</i>
Massachusetts Justice Project, <i>Holyoke & Worcester</i>	Volunteer Lawyers Project of the Boston Bar Association, <i>Boston</i>
Merrimack Valley Legal Services, <i>Lawrence & Lowell</i>	Volunteer Lawyers Project Senior Partners for Justice, <i>Boston</i>
Neighborhood Legal Services, <i>Lawrence & Lynn</i>	Women's Bar Association of Massachusetts, <i>Boston</i>

Myra G. Orlen, Esq., *Orlen & Goldman, Florence*

"I am on the *pro bono* panel of the Massachusetts Justice Project in Western Massachusetts and a divorce mediation consultant with the Mediation and Training Collaborative in Greenfield, MA. On behalf of myself and the low-income family law clients I serve, thanks to MCLE for extending me a scholarship to *10th Annual Family Law Conference*, without which my attendance at the program would not have been possible. Your scholarship program provides an important service to the bar and to the clients we serve."

Legal Services Scholarships

391 scholarships were awarded to lawyers who enrolled in courses that reflect the spectrum of legal issues encountered by the poor. These scholarships were granted through the following organizations:

35 scholarships	100 scholarships
CPCS Children and Family Law Advocacy Program	CPCS Bar Advocates
256 scholarships	
Cambridge & Somerville Legal Services, <i>Cambridge</i>	Legal Assistance Corporation of Central Massachusetts, <i>Worcester</i>
Center for Law & Education, <i>Boston</i>	Massachusetts Advocacy Center, <i>Boston</i>
Center for Public Representation, <i>Northampton</i>	Massachusetts Correctional Legal Services, <i>Boston</i>
Children's Law Center of Massachusetts, Inc., <i>Lynn</i>	Massachusetts Justice Project, <i>Holyoke</i>
Community Legal Services & Counseling Center, <i>Cambridge</i>	Massachusetts Law Reform Institute, <i>Boston</i>
Disability Law Center, <i>Boston & Northampton</i>	Merrimack Valley Legal Services, <i>Lowell & Lawrence</i>
Greater Boston Legal Services, <i>Boston & Charlestown</i>	National Consumer Law Center, <i>Boston</i>
Health Law Advocates, <i>Boston</i>	Neighborhood Legal Services, <i>Lynn</i>
Lawyers Clearinghouse on Affordable Housing and Homelessness, Inc., <i>Boston</i>	South Coastal Counties Legal Services, Inc., <i>Fall River, CT</i>
Legal Advocacy Resource Center of the BBA, <i>Boston</i>	South Middlesex Legal Services, Inc., <i>Framingham</i>
	Volunteer Lawyers Project, <i>Boston</i>
	Western Massachusetts Legal Services, <i>Northampton, Pittsfield & Springfield</i>

Robert Sable, Esq., Executive Director, Greater Boston Legal Services, Boston & Charlestown
“Scholarships to MCLE programs give our staff attorneys needed access to critical training and allow us to focus more of our budget on expanding client services. But the real proof of the pudding is in the eating. Our staff values these opportunities and each year we run through our allotment and request even more.”

Maribeth Perry, Esq., Executive Director, Lawyers Clearinghouse on Affordable Housing and Homelessness, Inc., Boston
“MCLE scholarships provide access to resources that would be otherwise difficult for us to reach with a very small operational budget. Your workshops have been extremely helpful in training and keeping our staff attorneys abreast of updates in law. With your scholarships, our staff can better serve those in homeless shelters and small, community-based nonprofits across the Commonwealth, which, in turn, serve people in their localities. Thank you again for your generous help educating our staff.”

Doris Ferrer Roach, Esq., Brighton
“Thank you for providing me with a scholarship to *Emerging Issues in Employment Discrimination Law*. I am an attorney providing employment law training, management consulting and coaching to early childhood educators and centers. This is an underserved population that cannot afford to pay much for legal assistance. This scholarship, without which I would not have been able to attend this program, gave me the opportunity to update my skills for my own benefit and for the benefit of those I serve. Thank you.”

Needs-Based Scholarships

264 scholarships were awarded to lawyers in solo and small practices who certified financial need.

Charles S. Cohen Scholarship Fund <i>13 Scholarships</i>	Hon. A. David Mazzone Scholarship Fund <i>17 scholarships</i>
Hugh J. Corcoran Scholarship Fund <i>19 scholarships</i>	Richard S. Milstein Scholarship Fund <i>32 scholarships</i>
Louis W. Doherty Scholarship Fund <i>10 scholarships</i>	Hon. John J. Moynihan Scholarship Fund <i>12 scholarships</i>
Hon. Frank H. Freedman Scholarship Fund <i>4 scholarships</i>	Hon. Beatrice H. Mullaney Scholarship Fund <i>10 scholarships</i>
Hon. Edward M. Ginsburg Scholarship Fund <i>10 scholarships</i>	Hon. James F. Queenan, Jr. Scholarship Fund <i>6 scholarships</i>
Hon. Edward F. Hennessey Scholarship Fund <i>11 scholarships</i>	Hon. Walter Jay Skinner Scholarship Fund <i>16 scholarships</i>
Edward F. Hines, Jr. Scholarship Fund <i>47 scholarships</i>	Hon. Joseph P. Warner Scholarship Fund <i>5 scholarships</i>
Monroe L. Inker Scholarship Fund <i>17 scholarships</i>	Hon. Herbert P. Wilkins Scholarship Fund <i>12 scholarships</i>
Hon. Rudolph Kass Scholarship Fund <i>10 scholarships</i>	Hon. William G. Young Scholarship Fund <i>13 scholarships</i>

Steven A. Ciulla, Esq., Reading
“Thank you for awarding me a scholarship from the Judge Ginsburg Scholarship Fund to attend the *CPCS Mental Health Litigation Training*. The seminar was excellent and offered a comprehensive review of mental health law. I now feel well prepared to represent the clients within this vulnerable population in civil commitments and other proceedings. As an attorney new to the Boston area, the scholarship assistance came at a critical time when I was attempting to build a practice from the ground up. As my practice grows, I will remember MCLE’s assistance.”

Massachusetts Continuing Legal Education, Inc. (MCLE), a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit institution, has been the leading provider of hands-on seminars and practical reference materials for the Massachusetts legal community for over 50 years. Originally begun as a committee of the Massachusetts Bar Association, MCLE was incorporated in 1969 as a joint venture of the MBA and the Boston Bar Association. In 1976, MCLE merged with the New England Law Institute, bringing to the organization a history of CLE dating from 1953.

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