

Pro Bono and Access to Justice Conference

Buenos Aires, September 13-15, 2001

Thursday, September 13

1:00 Lunch

3:00-4:30 Introduction to the Argentine Legal System (for US delegation)  
Martin Bohmer, Dean, University of Palermo Law School  
Robert Saba, Director, Center for Post Graduate Studies,  
University of Palermo Law School

6:30-9:00 Pro Bono and the Rule of Law

Welcome

Martin Bohmer, Dean, University of Palermo Law School  
Joan Vermeulen

Opening Remarks

Evan A. Davis, President, Association of the Bar of the  
City of New York

Representative of the Ministry of Justice, Argentina

Reception

9:00 Dinner

Friday, September 14

8:30 Registration and Coffee

9:00-12:30 Institutionalizing Pro Bono Work

9:00-9:30 Opening Remarks

The Honorable Juanita Bing Newton, Deputy Chief  
Administrative Judge for Justice Initiatives,  
New York State

9:30-12:30 Roundtable Discussions

The Private Sector

Facilitators: Jeff Gracer, Partner, Torys

Todd Crider, Partner, Simpson Thacher & Bartlett

Uriel O'Farrell, Estudio O'Farrell  
Guillermo Walter Klein, Klein y Franco  
Topics: Setting Up a Pro Bono Program  
Conflict Issues  
Range and Types of Pro Bono Projects  
Relationships with Provider Organizations and Law  
Schools  
Role of Bar Associations in Facilitating Pro Bono Work

The NGO Community

Facilitators: Maria Imperial, City Bar Fund  
Bill Dean, Volunteers of Legal Service  
Francisco Cullen, Poder Ciudadano  
Topics: Developing Relationships with Law Firms  
Developing Appropriate Pro Bono Projects  
Placement and Monitoring of Pro Bono Work  
How to Handle Problems with Firms  
Using Pro Bono to Advance Organizational Mission

12:30 Lunch

Opening Remarks: Martin Bohmer  
Presentation on the Skadden, Arps Fellowship Program

2:00-4:00 Pro Bono, Professional Responsibility and Access to Justice  
Panel Presentation and Audience Discussion

Panelists

Evan Davis, Association of the Bar of the City of  
New York  
Andrea Durbach, Executive Director, Public Interest  
Advocacy Centre, Sydney  
Esther Lardent, Pro Bono Institute, Washington, DC  
Dan Kurtz, Holland & Knight  
Argentine Panelists To Be Announced

4:00 Closing Remarks

Michael A. Cooper, Past President, Association of the Bar of the  
City of New York  
Argentine Speaker To Be Announced