The mission of MVLS is to provide quality pro bono legal services to Maryland’s working poor. Founded in 1981, MVLS has 2,525 attorneys on its volunteer panel who have accepted over 76,000 pro bono cases for low-income Marylanders. Experienced volunteer attorneys are drawn from every sector of Maryland’s legal community and include partners in the largest law firms, solo practitioners, corporate counsel and government attorneys.
WHEN PEOPLE
BRUSH UP AGAINST
THE LEGAL SYSTEM,

it can change their perception of it—and their relationship to it—for the rest of their lives. When it runs smoothly, and access is unfettered and complete, the result can be a lifelong trust in justice and fairness. When it doesn’t, when the system intrudes and fumbles, when people have to confront it without the right resources, the damage can be deep and permanent.

The people in the stories we tell this year have touched the system at different times in their lives. Shane Johnson was 16 when he defied stereotype and fought for legal custody of his infant son. Helen McCulloch was in her 70s when she was forced to access the health care system without the one thing most of us take for granted—an identity card. Arthur and Crystal Rogers were middle-aged newlyweds when they were driven from an insect infested apartment. They had to struggle to regain a place to live, their good credit, and Crystal’s health.

Left on their own, none of these people would have had the resources to deal with the complexity, indifference, and in some cases hostility they faced when they encountered various officials and bureaucracies. However, with the assistance provided by MVLS staff and volunteer lawyers, they were able to achieve outcomes that restored their lives and their faith in justice.

Sincerely,

Bonnie Sullivan  
Executive Director

Paul S. Sugar  
Board President

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Adult Protective Services and Guardianship Review Board Project (APGRB)

For over 15 years, MVLS has received funding from the Maryland Department of Human Resources to represent 300 Baltimore City indigent adults under public guardianship at semi-annual review hearings as well as alleged disabled adults in emergency guardianship hearings.

Community Development Project (CDP)

The Community Development Project provides free legal advice and representation to nonprofit organizations across Maryland that serve low-income communities. The Project matches nonprofits with volunteer lawyers who review contracts, negotiate leases, prepare personnel manuals, and help with other transactional legal needs.

Debtor Assistance Project (DAP Clinic)

Launched in March of 2008, the Debtor Assistance Project provides pro se debtors a half-hour free consultation with an experienced bankruptcy attorney, at the U.S. Bankruptcy Courts in Baltimore and Greenbelt.

Foreclosure Prevention Pro Bono Project

Since 2009, MVLS has been part of the statewide pro bono project to help distressed homeowners in Maryland facing foreclosure. We are unique among providers as we have a full-time housing counselor and foreclosure prevention attorney on staff to provide immediate services to callers.

JustAdvice

In May 2013, the nationally-recognized JustAdvice program began operating as an MVLS program in conjunction with the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law. JustAdvice is a mobile brief advice clinic that offers anyone with a legal problem up to 30 minutes with a lawyer. The clinic also incorporates School of Social Work and School of Medicine students in its service delivery model to provide a holistic service to vulnerable Marylanders. Eligible clients who need more than brief advice are able to apply for full-representation from an MVLS volunteer.

Low-Income Taxpayer Clinic (LITC)

The MVLS Low-Income Taxpayer Clinic provides pro bono legal assistance to low-income Marylanders with IRS tax disputes. Launched in 1999, this program helps taxpayers with tax issues that include denial of the Earned Income Tax Credit, audits, innocent spouse relief, filing back taxes, and setting up payment plans.

Reduced-Fee Family Law Project (Judicare)

Since 2008, MVLS has administered Judicare, a family law reduced-fee program funded by the Maryland Legal Services Corporation and Administrative Office of the Courts. Judicare authorizes payment of a reduced fee ($80 per hour, up to $1,600 per case) to attorneys handling highly contested custody and family law cases for low-income individuals. Currently, MVLS operates the Judicare program in 17 Maryland jurisdictions.

Washington County Courthouse Clinic

MVLS operates a Family Law Self-Help Clinic in the Circuit Court of Washington County, where an experienced family law attorney provides free advice and other services in a clinic setting to self-represented litigants.
**FISCAL YEAR 2013**

**MVLS AT A GLANCE**

**PRO BONO REPRESENTATION**

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**Total dollar value of volunteer hours**

$4,206,750
Jamie Seward
MVLS Volunteer,
Baltimore City
Getting caught in a Catch-22 is no fun, especially if you’re 73 years old and not in the best of health. Helen McCullough, a recent stroke victim, needed a photo ID to fill her many prescriptions. Easy enough if you have a Social Security card. Helen had a SS number, but the card itself had been lost in a fire years ago. Replacing a lost Social Security card is easy enough—if you have a photo ID. With her son Aaron’s help, Helen made the rounds-SSA, DMV, Department of Social Services—and repeatedly hit a wall. They even wrote to her elected representatives—no luck. Until Aaron contacted MVLS. Volunteer Jamie Seward, a lawyer with the Office of the Attorney General, not only took the case but took Ms. McCullough by the hand. After some research, she discovered a way out: If they could obtain a certified copy of Helen’s medical records—with her name, Social Security number, and date of birth—Helen could replace her Social Security card. So together they went to Union Memorial Hospital, obtained the records, took them to the SSA, and got the card.

Well, almost. The SSA promised to mail the card, but too much time had passed already. So Seward got the SSA to issue an official letter, with Helen’s name and Social Security number, that would pass as proof of identity at the MVA. Letter in hand, she accompanied Helen to the DMV where they waited in line, Helen had her picture taken, and she was issued… a photo ID. Well, almost. “I verified that Ms. McCullough has received both her Social Security card and photo ID in the mail,” says Seward. “No one should have to go through this much to get a simple ID card.”
It was supposed to be the beginning of a dream life together. It became a nightmare. Crystal McNeil and Arthur Rogers were married in 2007. They bought furniture, rented an apartment, and started creating a home together. One morning Crystal woke up with strange bites all over her body and flu-like symptoms that sent her to her doctor. The symptoms were diagnosed as Sjogren Syndrome, an autoimmune disorder that causes dry mouth and dry eyes. The bites were diagnosed as bedbugs. The doctor thought they might be related. The infestation was not only in their new apartment but in the entire building. Entreaties to the management were ineffectual. Crystal got sicker and the infestation got worse. The physical evidence of her affliction frightened her employer so much she lost her job. They had no choice but to move, and move quickly. All at once, the newlyweds had lost half their income, their new furniture, and their home. For months they drifted, living with relatives and friends, essentially homeless. And then the harassment started. Their former landlord started calling her husband at work, threatening to sue them for $3,600 in damages, more than $700 in interest, and $500 in attorneys’ fees. Somehow the landlord was even able to ruin Arthur’s credit; no landlord was willing to rent to them. In desperation, they turned to MVLS, which referred their case to Kristin Herber, an attorney with Tydings and Rosenberg. She reviewed their situation, gathered all Mrs. Rogers’ medical records, and concluded that they had a strong case for a countersuit—more than $9,000 in damages. Evidently the landlord’s attorneys reached the same conclusion—they dropped the suit and settled the case in the Rogers’ favor, including a letter of reference. “The Rogers are lovely people who didn’t deserve what happened to them,” says Herber. “Mr. Rogers is a hard-working guy who has two jobs, landscaping and maintenance at a hospital. They were just so thankful to MVLS and me, and I feel the same way. I always feel lucky to have great clients who I enjoy working with and these people were a real pleasure to work with.”
Colleen Ryf,
MVLS Volunteer,
Frederick County
When children have children, parenthood doesn’t always make them responsible adults. But it did with Shane Johnson. Shane was 16, and his girlfriend a year younger, when she gave birth to their son, Julien. Her parents’ first reaction was to shut the door on Shane, offering only minimal visitation rights, but he wasn’t going to settle for that. Shane was not only willing to provide child support and make purchases for the baby, he wanted to be a bigger part of his son’s life. And with his mother’s encouragement, he took steps to do just that. MVLS connected Shane with Colleen Ryf, an attorney with Ballenger Creek Law Offices in Frederick, Maryland. The negotiations took several months, and the result was joint legal custody and a graduated plan for visitation at three stages that gradually increases Shane’s time with his son, Julien, until he turns five. According to Ryf, the outcome was not only good for Shane, but was also in the best interest of Julien. “I’m really proud of Shane,” says Ryf. “He’s an unusual young man in that he really embraced fatherhood and he’s committed to his family. He wasn’t concerned about paying child support or changing diapers. He was more concerned with having enough time with Julien to get to know him. It’s nice to see such a young man stepping up to the plate.” Shane Johnson is now 18. In his senior year of high school, he’s taking carpentry, art, Spanish, and horticulture. When he graduates he’ll join the Marines, where he hopes to explore whatever educational opportunities and experience that will lead to financial security for himself and his son.
LAW OFFICE OF GRIMM & DORRILL LLC

Law Firm of the Year Award

At the Law Office of Grimm & Dorrill, community service and pro bono work are tightly woven into the fabric of the firm. The last sentence of the firm’s mission statement sums up its commitment:

“the attorneys are committed to serving both the legal and non-legal needs of the communities in which they work, donating significant time to the pro bono needs of the community.”

Nancy Grimm and Bill Dorrill joined MVLS’ volunteer panel in 2013. Since April, these lawyers have accepted 40 MVLS cases in a range of issue areas that includes family law, unemployment, landlord/tenant, will preparation, taxes, adult guardianship, SSI, debt collection and spousal/child support cases. Just as remarkable, within four months of acceptance, the firm has resolved and closed over one third of those cases. Nancy and Bill also don’t wait to be called. Instead, they call MVLS and request additional pro bono cases when they have time. Clients say these lawyers provide heartfelt representation and undivided attention to their legal needs.

SHERWOOD R. WESCOTT

Volunteer of the Year Award

On top of running his own solo practice, this former Few volunteer lawyers consistently accept at least one pro bono case each year for ten consecutive years. Our ten year award recipients however, embody an exceptional commitment to pro bono service that goes well beyond ethical guidelines. MVLS is proud to recognize the following lawyers for their dedication to pro
police officer, professor and Assistant Public Defender, Sherwood Wescott, never hesitates to accept pro bono cases from MVLS. Sherwood is a dynamic attorney who goes to court for his clients and knows how to get the job done. Since his first year of volunteering with MVLS in 2009, Sherwood has accepted 30 cases for clients needing legal assistance with domestic and home ownership issues. Sherwood has demonstrated a strong, tireless commitment and work ethic, not only to his community and MVLS, but to his clients as well.

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JASON FRANK
Partnership Award

Jason Frank is a noted leader in the area of Elder Law and generously shares his expertise with the community and MVLS. His Elder Law, special needs and estate planning practice addresses the legal consequences of age related and other disabilities. Jason is an NYU Law graduate and President of Frank, Frank & Scherr, LLC as well as Assistant Baltimore County Attorney for the Baltimore County Department of Aging. He teaches Elder Law at many universities and law schools, is a prolific author in his field, serves on numerous nonprofit boards, and has been named a “Super Lawyer” by Baltimore magazine for six consecutive years.

For many years, Jason has helped MVLS expand its panel of volunteers by donating his time twice a year to teaching Elder Law at MVLS trainings. His commitment doesn’t end there, however. Jason mentors lawyers new to this area of law and is available to answer their questions throughout the life of their case. Jason’s dedication to the elderly and disabled is also demonstrated through his countless hours of community service as a board member, volunteer and advocate. MVLS is proud to recognize Jason with our 2013 Partnership Award for his special efforts to help MVLS clients, expand our volunteer panel and support the mission of MVLS.

• E. Hutchinson Robbins, Jr., Principal, Miles & Stockbridge, P.C. Baltimore City
• Larry J. Feldman, Law Offices of Larry J. Feldman, LLC, Baltimore County
• Susan J. Klein, Member, Gordon Feinblatt, LLC, Baltimore City
• J. Allan Cohen, The Cohen Law Firm, A Professional Corporation, Baltimore City
Volunteer lawyers are the engine that runs MVLS. Without them, our clients would have to face the place to live.”

— Regina H. • Harford County

We are proud to report that in FY 2013, 815 volunteer lawyers donated 14,036 billable hours, valued at over $4.2 million, representing MVLS clients. Listed below are the names of MVLS volunteers who accepted a new case between July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013. Volunteers are listed by the county of

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“If it weren’t for MVLS, I couldn’t get a job. They saved my nursing license. Thank you and God bless everyone.”

—CAROLINE H. • KENT COUNTY

“You’re doing a good deed for things (legal matters) to help people who can’t afford a lawyer for good things, not crimes. I think the lawyers are special people and kind to the people they help...I thank them and God for what they do and they treat you like a person who pays.”

—SHAWN K. • BALTIMORE COUNTY

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“The safety of my children was the biggest issue and now I feel they are safe and I can sleep with some comfort. The services are the best. I would not have been able to handle this case on my own. Thank God for you!”

—LUCIA D. • BALTIMORE COUNTY

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Celebrate Pro Bono

On October 18, 2012, MVLS honored its volunteers, friends and donors at our annual “Celebrate Pro Bono” reception at the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law’s Westminster Hall in Baltimore. Two hundred attendees enjoyed a catered buffet, networked with peers, listened to remarks from distinguished keynote speaker James J. Sandman, President of the Legal Services Corporation and applauded MVLS award winners: Volunteer of the Year, Yollette S. Atkinson, Law Firm of the Year, Grossbart, Portney & Rosenberg, Partnership Award winner, Frank E. Turney, Winnie Borden Pro Bono Leadership Award winner, M. Natalie McSherry, and Ten Year Volunteer Award winners Susan Mays and Jason C. Ridgell. The 2012 Maryland Public Interest Law Project students were also recognized.

Benefit

On the evening of March 28, 2013, MVLS hosted a “March Madness” themed benefit on the Southeast Club Level of M&T Bank Stadium. Over 250 MVLS fans watched the NCAA tournament basketball games, enjoyed a sports fan menu of stadium fare, took a behind-the-scenes stadium tour, played arcade basketball games, and bid on sports memorabilia auction items. Over $165,000 was raised to support MVLS’s mission.
2013 Financial Highlights

2013 Total Assets: $1,752,366

2013 Revenue:

- Government Grants: $1,128,052, 66%
- Benefit: $161,855, 10%
- Investment: $23,373, 1%
- Contributions/Foundations: $394,819, 23%
- Fundraising: $129,626, 7%
- Management & General: $200,374, 12%

Functional Expense Allocation:

- Program: $1,388,872, 81%
- Total Liabilities: $78,682

2013 CLOSED CASE HIGHLIGHTS

Cases Closed by Region:
- Central MD: 61%
- Western MD: 30%
- Southern MD & DC: 5%
- Eastern Shore: 4%

Cases Closed by Type:
- Family Law: 40%
- Housing & Foreclosure Prevention: 26%
- Consumer & Bankruptcy: 22%
- Tax & Income Maintenance: 5%
- Other: 7%
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