

## FormanWatkins Pro Bono Initiative Hits 5-Year Mark

The FormanWatkins Pro Bono Initiative was launched in 2017 in an effort to solidify the firm's commitment to public service and community involvement. Over the past five years, FWK attorneys, staff and summer associates have committed 8,864 hours to pro bono matters across the public interest spectrum including but not limited to: family and immigration law, appellate work, and assistance to veterans. The value of the pro bono hours is more than \$2 million. Not only did the firm commit an enormous amount of time and energy to pro bono efforts, but FWK employees also donated more than 10,000 hours of their time to civic organizations in their local communities. The firm remains committed to public service and positively impacting our legal and local communities by helping those with limited means.

<http://www.formanwatkins.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/2023-Pro-Bono-Year-in-Review-1.mp4>

**In 2022, the firm had 11 attorneys who completed 25+ pro bono hours, and these attorneys will be awarded 2022 Pro Bono Badges on their credentials.**

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For 2022, Catherine Pettis in our Jackson office was awarded the Pro Bono All-Star\* for logging over 80 pro bono hours as she drafted an appeal to the Mississippi Court of Appeals. Jennifer Parks in our Jackson office was awarded the Civic Star for dedicating over 239 civic hours while serving in various capacities in her church and also serving as the state and local President of the Mississippi Legal Professionals Association.