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# WHO IS HELPED

The Pennsylvania IOLTA Board awards grants to legal services organizations, pro bono programs, and law schools which in turn provide a wide variety of civil legal assistance to those without the financial means to retain legal counsel. Below are glimpses into the type of help that is provided by these organizations and programs.

In early 2009, Legal Aid noticed a pattern of cases coming through its intake. The clients were all Spanish-speaking, and they were all complaining about their lease-purchase agreements. The paralegals noticed that even though there were several corporate names for the landlords, all of the rent payments were being made to the same address. Approximately 200 homes were "rented" to potential buyers through apparent lease-purchase agreements with the landlord. The clients came to Legal Aid because they had begun receiving notices from banks telling them to remit their payments to the banks, not the landlord. None of the notices acknowledged the lease-purchase arrangement and treated the clients as regular tenants. These buyers gave down payments, sometimes as high as \$10,000. They also put their own money into fixing up the properties to make them livable. What the buyers didn't know was that there was only one landlord behind all of the arrangements and that the landlord took out mortgages on the improved properties for more than \$20 million dollars. The mortgages became delinquent, and the mortgage companies were moving to foreclose on the properties. All the while the unknowing buyers were dutifully making their "rent" payments to the landlord. Legal Aid convinced the court to appoint a receiver to collect rents and make needed repairs on the properties, arranged for the Sheriff's Sale to be postponed, and arranged for a special conciliation conference in the Court's mortgage diversion program scheduled for all of the properties.

Legal Aid had numerous cases this past year where clients with medical assistance were denied replacement wheelchairs despite medical necessity and the determination of vendors that chairs could not be repaired. One case in particular was compelling, involving a young man with cerebral palsy who had the same chair since he was a child. His parents had self repaired, duct taped it, and repaired it in other ways. The chair was not only broken but dangerous - it lunged and would stop operating and then the parents would have to push the chair (weighing over 300 pounds). The client also needed an elevating seat which was denied. After a hearing, the Administrative Law Judge denied the request. Upon further appeal by Legal Aid the Secretary of the Department of Public Welfare eventually approved the item.

An Amish family of 2 parents and 4 children moved to Indiana County in the hope of finding employment. Because of the need to pasture their horse which provided their only means of transportation the family had difficulty in finding a place to live. At the end of summer a place was found that appeared suitable except that the furnace was dismantled. The landlord promised to install the furnace before winter. In mid-October the weather became cold and the landlord was asked to hook up the furnace, but the landlord said it was not his responsibility. At the same time, the well which supplied the water to the household failed. When asked to correct the problem the landlord refused. The family stopped paying rent, and after two months had saved enough money to repair the well and get water into the house. The family again made repeated requests of the landlord to install and fix the furnace, but the landlord refused. The family had to use kerosene heaters, seal off rooms and reduce living space to try to stay warm. In the spring the landlord brought an action for the back rent and the family then sought help from Legal Aid. At a hearing before a magistrate the claim of the landlord for the rent was rejected because of his failure to make required repairs after appropriate notice.

# THE PENNSYLVANIA IOLTA BOARD

The Pennsylvania IOLTA Board operates under the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania. Primarily, it collects and manages funds from several sources, and annually awards grants to non-profit organizations, law school clinical and internship programs, and pro bono programs that provide civil legal assistance to persons who cannot afford to engage private legal counsel. Pro bono is the provision of legal assistance for the public good, that is, the provision of service by the attorney without the expectation of a fee.

On July 17, 1996, the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania issued a directive that replaced the voluntary IOLTA program, which had been created by Act 59 of 1988, with its own mandatory IOLTA program. The Court's Pennsylvania Interest on Lawyers Trust Account Board (IOLTA Board) is governed by a nine member Board of Directors. All nine members are appointed by the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania. Each member is appointed to a three year term and no member may serve more than two consecutive three year terms. The Supreme Court appoints the Chairman. Members of the IOLTA Board at June 30, 2009 were:

Maureen P. Kelly, Esquire Pittsburgh, PA Chair

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# GRANTS

#### LEGAL SERVICES ORGANIZATIONS.

Pennsylvania Legal Aid Network. The Pennsylvania IOLTA Board distributed \$12,474,000 or about 86% of the grant funds it had available for legal services organizations to the Pennsylvania Legal Aid Network (PLAN, Inc.), formerly Pennsylvania Legal Services, to supplement the funding of civil legal aid throughout the state. Of this amount, \$9,709,051 is derived from the Access to Justice Act, and \$2,764,949 from regular IOLTA funds. PLAN, Inc. is an administrative and support agency that also receives annuallyappropriated Commonwealth and federal block grant funding through a contract with the Pennsylvania Department of Welfare. Except for funds to cover its own administrative and support budget, the PLAN, Inc. subcontracts all the funding to eight legal aid organizations that provide a full range of civil legal aid for the indigent and abused, and to six projects focused on specialized areas of the law, or on clients with special needs. This statewide network of organizations is referred to as the Pennsylvania Legal Aid Network (PLAN). For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, the PLAN, Inc. handled 95,576 cases, maintained 73 offices, employed 261 attorneys and 112 paralegals, and from all sources was funded at about \$47.7 million dollars. The PA IOLTA Board's funding administered through the PLAN, Inc. provided about 26% of the total annual financial support for the PLAN.

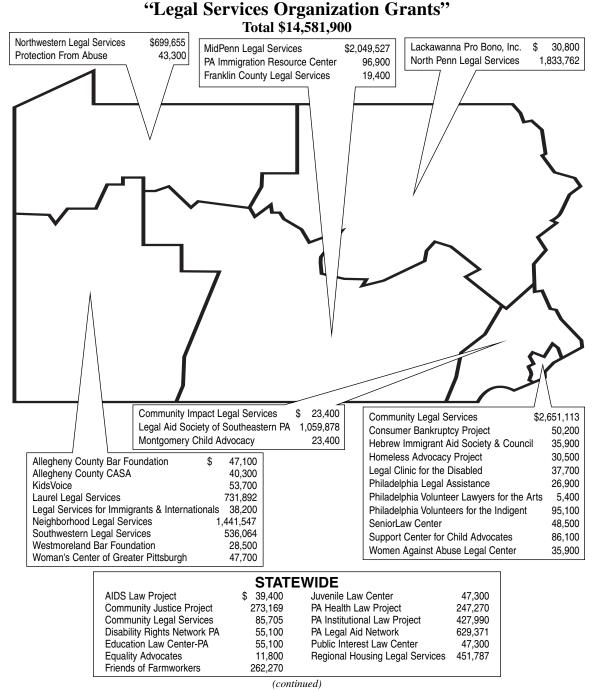
**Zone Grants.** The unmet civil legal needs of the poor are addressed not only by the PLAN, Inc. funded organizations described above, but also by other independent legal services organizations. These other organizations, which are located primarily in the urban areas of the Commonwealth, often target specific areas of the law, help particularly vulnerable client populations, or provide civil legal assistance which the PLAN organizations are restricted from providing because of governmental regulations. Because of their special focus, the organization leaders and supporters exhibit a unique passion for the missions of the organizations. Surveys of the American Bar Association have determined that only 20% of the civil legal needs of the poor are being addressed by legal services organizations and pro bono efforts of attorneys. The IOLTA Board's focus is to attract more support, financial and pro bono volunteers, to help close this gap. The uniqueness of the non-PLAN organizations.

Since the Board seeks to assure its grants are geographically disbursed, it provides project or special initiative grants to the PLAN organizations in the rural areas of the Commonwealth to balance the grants made to the non-PLAN organizations in the urban areas.

The Board has a "statewide" zone since some of the non-PLAN organizations offer their services to clients throughout the state. Some of the organizations use statewide toll free

help-lines. Often, advice and counsel can be provided to callers, and if the particular issues of the caller meet the case acceptance criteria of the organization, the client will receive representation on their case, no matter where the caller lives, or where the organization is located.

In addition to general operational support of the non-PLAN organizations, several major themes of the IOLTA Board's zone grants were to support or expand the use of service area wide, or statewide, help-lines that make advice, counsel, and brief service available to low income persons in even the most remote areas of the state, and to assure the provisions of legal assistance to persons of limited English proficiency. Zone grants for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009 totaled \$2,107,900.



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Law Schools. Grants were made to each of the eight law schools operating in Pennsylvania to support clinical and/or internship programs that provided practical skills training for the law student, while also providing civil legal assistance to indigent persons. This allows the students to experience first-hand the dire circumstances many low income persons confront which can often be lessened by civil legal intervention. The exposure helps the students understand the special position attorneys hold in the justice system, and the necessity for all lawyers to provide pro bono services. Law schools must demonstrate that the grant funds are used to address a current civil legal need of the poor and for live-client or other real-life practice experience. The law school must also consult with local area programs that provide free or low-fee civil legal services to the poor, and demonstrate their own financial commitment to the programs funded by the IOLTA grant. Law school grants for the year totaled \$1,634,847.

	<u>IOLTA</u> Student Hours	<u>FUNDED</u>
School of Law	in Clinic/Represent	Staff/Faculty Hours in Rep. & Supervision
Pennsylvania State, Dickinson		
Family Law – Summer Session	69	129
Elderly Law	390	1,283
IOLTA Fellowships	4,816	810
Drexel University		
Civil Litigation Clinics	4,204	810
Pro Bono Projects	2,138	1,280
Duquesne University		
Unemployment Clinic	288	125
Civil and Family	2,237	558
Summer Fellowships	2,630	216
University of Pennsylvania		
Sparer Fellows	524	0
Civil Practice	524	387
Mediation	30	27
Transnational	391	294
University of Pittsburgh		
Civil Practice	2,169	336
NLSA Practium (Use of L/A	1,128	750
Lawyering Process Super.)	742	189
Temple University		
Immigration	1,399	642
Family Law Litigation	1,000	572
Elderly Law Project	319	519
Legal Advocacy of Patients	303	374
Villanova University		
Civil Justice & Farmworkers	2,849	980
Legal Aid Externship	100	0
Widener University		
Civil Practice	1,408	1,188
	29,658	11,469

Law Schools Grants

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**Pro Bono Initiative.** Pro Bono, as envisioned by this initiative, means the provision of legal assistance to indigent clients without the expectation of any fee for any service rendered by the attorney. Pro bono initiative grants were awarded to support non-profit organizations that provide the administrative and support structure for effort to mobilize pro bono volunteer attorneys. Pro bono initiative grants for the year totaled \$66,700.

	Grant Amount	Projected Volunteers
Blair County Bar Association Develop an organized pro bono outreach effort to increase pro bono participation in Blair County.	\$ 9,800	25
Chester County Bar Association Expand the number of pro bono attorneys available and to extend its outreach to the working poor in Chester County.	\$ 3,500	135
Community Legal Services Provide pro bono representation by attorneys from private firms to low-income Philadelphia tenants.	\$ 10,000	75
Franklin County Bar Association Expand the "Assisted Pro Se Program" to include child custody matters and to expand outreach to the low income Latino community.	\$ 8,900	75
Washington County Bar Association Increase the number of pro bono panelists and train attorney-volunteers in family law areas.	\$ 12,500	75
Pennsylvania Bar Association Administer statewide website tools to obtain pro bono requests and distribute them to a network of pro bono attorneys.	\$ 22,000	6,000

#### **Pro Bono Initiative Grants**

# **DEPOSITORY INSTITUTION HONOR ROLL**

(As of November, 2009)

The **HIGHLIGHTED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS** are Platinum Leader Banks — institutions that go above and beyond eligibility requirements to foster the IOLTA Program. These institutions pay a net yield of 60 percent or more of the Federal Funds Target Rate on all PA IOLTA accounts (effective 1/1/09). They are committed to ensuring the success of the IOLTA program and increased funding for legal aid.

#### ABINGTON BANK

Adams County National Bank AFFINITY BANK OF PENNSYLVANIA Allegent Com. Federal Credit Union Allegheny Valley Bank of Pittsburgh Allegiance Bank of North America Alliance Bank Altoona First Savings Bank Ambler Savings Bank **AMERICAN BANK** AMERISERV FINANCIAL Apollo Trust Co. Arc Federal Credit Union Bancorp Bank (The) Bank of America Bank of Landisburg Beaver Valley Federal Credit Union **BELCO** Community Credit Union **BENEFICIAL BANK** Berkshire Bank BNY Mellon, N.A. BRENTWOOD BANK Brown Brothers Harriman & Co. Bryn Mawr Trust Co. Bucks County Bank C & G Savings Bank Cambria County Federal Savings & Loan Assoc. Eureka Bank Centra Bank **CENTRIC BANK** CHARLEROI FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK Chemung Canal Trust Co. Citibank, N.A. Citizens and Northern Bank Citizens Bank of Pennsylvania Citizens National Bank - Myersdale CITY NAT. BANK OF NEW JERSEY Clarion County Community Bank **CLEARFIELD BANK & TRUST CO.** 

Clearview Federal Credit Union CNB Bank Coatesville Savings Bank Colonial American Bank Commercial Bank and Trust of Pennsylvania Community Bank & Trust Co. **COMMUNITY BANK, N.A.** Community First Bank Community National Bank of Northwestern PA Community State Bank of Orbisonia **CONESTOGA BANK** Continental Bank Dime Bank (The) DNB First, N.A. Dollar Bank Eagle National Bank EARTHSTAR BANK East River Bank East Stroudsburg Savings Assoc. Elderton State Bank Embassy Bank Enterprise Bank Ephrata National Bank (The) ERIEBANK, a division of CNB Bank ESB BANK, F.S.B. ESQUIRE BANK Farmers & Merchants Trust Farmers & Merchants Bank of Western PA FARMERS NATIONAL BANK **OF EMLENTON** Fidelity Bank Fidelity Deposit & Discount Bank FIFTH THIRD BANK First Citizens National Bank First Columbia Bank & Trust Co. FIRST COMMONWEALTH BANK First Cornerstone Bank

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First Federal of Bucks County First Federal Savings & Loan Assoc. of Greene County FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK First Keystone Bank FIRST KEYSTONE NATIONAL BANK First Liberty Bank & Trust First Merit Bank, N.A. **FIRST NATIONAL BANK &** TRUST CO. OF NEWTOWN FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF CHESTER COUNTY First National Bank of Fredericksburg First National Bank of Marysville First National Bank of Mercersburg (The) First National Bank of Mifflintown (The) FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF MINERSVILLE (THE) First National Bank of Palmerton (The) First National Bank of Pennsylvania First National Bank of Port Allegheny (The) FIRST NATIONAL COMMUNITY BANK First National Community Bank - Midland First Niagara Bank First Priority Bank FIRST RESOURCE BANK First Savings Bank of Perkasie First Star Savings Bank First Summit Bank First United National Bank Firstrust Bank Fleetwood Bank FNB BANK, N.A. Fox Chase Bank Franklin Mint Federal Credit Union FRANKLIN SECURITY BANK FULTON BANK Gateway Bank of Pennsylvania

Gratz National Bank (The) **GRAYSTONE TOWER BANK** Greenville Savings Bank HALIFAX NATIONAL BANK Hamlin Bank and Trust Co. Harlevsville National Bank Harleysville Savings Bank Herndon National Bank (The) Home Savings & Loan Co. Honesdale National Bank (The) HSBC Bank of USA HUNTINGDON VALLEY BANK HUNTINGDON NATIONAL BANK HYPERION BANK Indiana First Savings Bank Integrity Bank Investment Savings Bank Iron Workers Bank Jersey Shore State Bank Jim Thorpe National Bank JONESTOWN BANK AND TRUST CO. JUNIATA VALLEY BANK (THE) Kish Bank LAFAYETTE AMBASSADOR BANK Landmark Community Bank Luzerne National Bank M & T Bank Mainline National Bank Malvern Federal Savings Bank Marion Center Bank Marquette Savings Bank Mars National Bank (The) Mauch Chunk Trust Co. Mercer County State Bank Merchants National Bank of Bangor (The) Metro Bank Mid Penn Bank **MIFFLINBURG BANK & TRUST CO.** 

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Somerset Trust Co. Sovereign Bank, FSB St. Edmonds Federal Savings Bank Standard Bank, PASB Stonebridge Bank SunTrust Susquehanna Bank SWINEFORD NATIONAL BANK **TD BANKNORTH** TEAM CAPITAL BANK Third Federal Bank Union Bank and Trust Co. UNION NATIONAL BANK **OF MOUNT CARMEL (THE)** Union National Community Bank United Bank of Philadelphia United Savings Bank Unity Bank Univest National Bank & Trust Co. Valley Green Bank VANTAGE POINT BANK Victory Bank VIST Financial Wachovia Washington Federal Savings Bank Wayne Bank WesBanco Bank WEST MILTON STATE BANK West View Savings Bank William Penn Bank Wilmington Trust of PA Woodlands Bank Woori America Bank

# IOLTA FACTS AND FIGURES

	<u>6/30/09</u>	<u>6/30/08</u>	<u>6/30/07</u>	<u>6/30/06</u>	<u>6/30/05</u>
Attorney Participation					
Attorneys Licensed to Practice					
in Pennsylvania	61,100	60,678	60,530	58,422	57,084
Estimated Number of Attorneys					
Eligible to Participate	34,874	34,838	34,335	33,092	32,314
Attorneys Participating	31,083	30,732	30,148	29,113	28,236
Rate of Participation	89%	88%	88%	88%	87%
Compliant Non-participating Attys	3,220	3,551	3,730	3,775	3,854
Rate of Compliance		98%	99%	99%	99%
Estimated Eligible Non-					
Compliant Attorneys	571	600	457	205	224
Depository Institutions					
Participating Depository Institutions	216	219(c)	221	221	223
Bank Charges as a Percent of					
IOLTA Revenues	4%	3%	2%	3%	4%
Bank Reported Accounts	13,246	12,946	12,781	12,911	12,591
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Financial Revenues IOLTA	<u>7/1/08 -</u> <u>6/30/09</u> \$5,283,264	<u>7/1/07 -</u> <u>6/30/08</u> \$9,998,166	<u>7/1/06 -</u> <u>6/30/07</u> \$12,179,121	<u>7/1/05</u> - <u>6/30/06</u> \$10,132,675	<u>7/1/04</u> - <u>6/30/05</u> \$6,233,446
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\* Reflects the case data funded through the PLAN statewide system. Other services also funded by IOLTA are not reflected in the data.

(c) Corrected from original Reporting in 2008 Report.

# **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

To the Board of Directors of Pennsylvania Interest on Lawyers Trust Account Board Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

We have audited the accompanying balance sheets of the Pennsylvania Interest on Lawyers Trust Account Board, a component unit of the Supreme Court of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, as of and for the years ended June 30, 2009 and 2008, and the related statements of revenue, expenses and changes in net assets, and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Board's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Pennsylvania Interest on Lawyers Trust Account Board as of June 30, 2009 and 2008, and the changes in its nets assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The management's discussion and analysis on pages 2 through 6 is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The supplementary information on pages 15 through 18 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information, except for the portion marked "unaudited," on which we express no opinion, has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

September 29, 2009

Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania



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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 AND 2008

#### INTRODUCTION

The following discussion and analysis of the financial performance and activity of the Pennsylvania Interest on Lawyers Trust Account Board (IOLTA Board) is to provide an introduction and understanding of the basic financial statements of the IOLTA Board for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009 with selected comparative information for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008. This discussion has been prepared by management, is not audited; and should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and their notes, which follow this section.

An Interest on Lawyers Trust Account (IOLTA) Program exists in each state and the District of Columbia. In some states, the underlying authority for the program is a state statute; however, in most, it is by rule promulgated by the state's highest court. In Pennsylvania, the IOLTA Program was initially established by statute in 1989, but in 1996, the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania suspended the statute, assumed jurisdiction for the program in accordance with Pennsylvania's constitution, and made participation in the program mandatory by all eligible licensed Pennsylvania lawyers.

The concept of the IOLTA program is simple. Clients and others frequently transfer money to lawyers to hold. When the amount is large or if the funds will be held for an extended period of time, lawyers invest them for the benefit of the client or third party. However, when the funds are small or expected to be held for a short time, they cannot practically be invested to benefit the owner. Pennsylvania Rule of Professional Conduct (RPC) 1.15 requires lawyers to maintain nominal and short term fiduciary funds in interest-bearing IOLTA accounts at financial institutions. Lawyers who infrequently handle fiduciary funds can request an exemption from the IOLTA requirements of the RPC 1.15. The lawyer's bank transfers the interest earned on IOLTA accounts to the IOLTA Board. Upon approval by the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, the IOLTA Board distributes the IOLTA funds raised to non-profit organizations, law school administered clinical and externship programs, and administration of justice projects all of which provide civil legal services free of charge to low-income and disadvantaged Pennsylvania residents.

Until the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003, the IOLTA Board's single major source of revenue had been the collection of interest earned on IOLTA accounts. Revenue generated by IOLTA accounts is dependent on the interest rate(s) credited by financial institutions on IOLTA accounts, service charges offset against the IOLTA interest, and the principal amount of funds maintained in the IOLTA accounts. Although IOLTA revenue can also be affected by the extent of lawyer compliance with the RPC 1.15, compliance is and has been nearly 100%.

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Effective November 1, 2002, a second significant revenue source was established. A statute, Act 122 of 2002, a section of which is known as the Access to Justice Act (AJA), provides for the assessment and collection of a surcharge on all civil filings, as well as the recording of deeds and mortgages and their related filings, and criminal filings where a conviction or a guilty plea is obtained (see Note 5 to the financial statements). For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, \$8.9 million and for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008 \$9.4 million of such charges were earmarked for the IOLTA Board's grants program targeted to civil legal services provided by non-profit legal aid organizations. The amount of the surcharge that is earmarked for the IOLTA Board is scheduled for legislative review before November 1, 2012 under a sunset provision of the statute.

Effective February 1, 2005, the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania required judicial officials of the Minor Judiciary to establish IOLTA-like accounts for their custodial accounts. The program is referred to as the Minor Judiciary Interest on Trust Accounts (MJ-IOTA) program. The MJ-IOTA program is similar to the IOLTA program. Judicial officials maintain custodial accounts to hold the collection of fees and fines, collateral and cash bonds, restitution for victims of crime and other similar amounts, until the funds are ultimately transferred to the owners. Essentially, all of the funds handled by the minor judiciary are qualified funds, that is, funds which are nominal in amount or will be held for a short period of time.

The IOLTA Board also receives some limited annual funding from voluntary contributions from lawyers. A solicitation is made for contributions to support the establishment or expansion of organized pro bono representation for indigent Pennsylvania residents by lawyers in private practice. Pro bono representation is the provision of legal assistance for the public good by lawyers without the expectation of a fee for the services.

Effective September 4, 2007, an admission fee of \$100 per case applicable to outof-state attorneys who wished to appear in a Pennsylvania Court was established. The admission fee proceeds which average about \$16,950 monthly are dedicated to the mission of the IOLTA Board.

#### IOLTA BOARD'S ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS

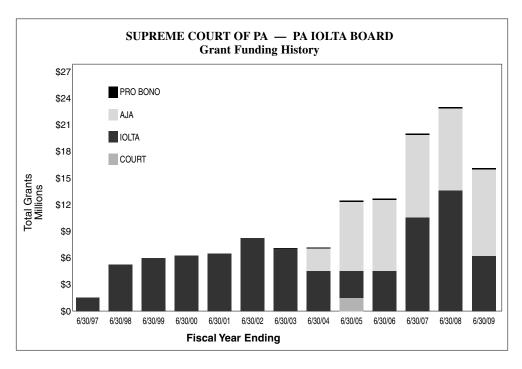
National and other studies have concluded that only one of five indigent persons needing civil legal assistance actually receives the needed legal help. As a result, legal

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assistance is often rationed to those whose needs are determined the greatest, such as victims of domestic violence, tenants and homeowners facing the loss of housing, and families facing the loss of income.

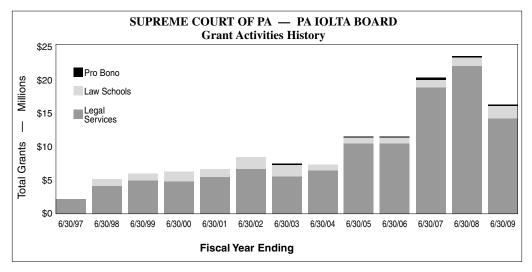
All of the IOLTA Board's grants are directed to maintaining and increasing the access to and provision of civil legal assistance for Pennsylvania residents who need civil legal help, but who cannot afford to pay for the assistance of a lawyer. An additional objective of its grants to law schools and pro bono programs is to instill a public service, pro bono ethic in the law students and lawyer participants of the programs.

The IOLTA Board also seeks to increase the amount of revenue it has available for such grants. Finally, the IOLTA Board monitors lawyer compliance with the IOLTA requirements of RPC 1.15.



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#### **Overall Grant Activities**

Since the inception of the IOLTA Board in Pennsylvania through June 30, 2009, about \$147.2 million of grants have been awarded (about \$131.6 million of which was awarded while the IOLTA Board was under the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court – see graph). As can be observed from the graph displaying the grant funding history, while the IOLTA Board was under the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court, grants have generally increased over the years. Significantly reduced interest rates, however, have caused a 30% reduction in grants this year.

Since the IOLTA Board came under the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of PA, most grants, \$115.1 million, have gone to legal services organizations, almost \$16 million to law school clinical and externship programs, and about \$454,700 to establish or expand pro bono efforts.

These grants over the years have been funded \$83.5 million from the IOLTA funding stream, \$46.2 million from the AJA fees, \$1.6 million from Court funding, and \$.5 million from private contributions (see graph on preceding page).

#### **Revenue Enhancement**

As a result of the unprecedented low interest rates paid on IOLTA accounts and their effect on grants to legal aid programs, on April 2, 2009, the Supreme Court of

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Pennsylvania amended RPC 1.15 to require each actively licensed Pennsylvania attorney to pay an additional \$25 per year to support the mission of the IOLTA program. Those payments which will be received in the next fiscal year are expected to total approximately \$1.5 million annually.

#### Attorney Compliance

Each year, the IOLTA Board notifies approximately 1,500 newly licensed Pennsylvania lawyers of their IOLTA responsibilities. Additionally, each year, the IOLTA Board compares escrow account information lawyers report to the Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania attempting to locate IOLTA accounts established by lawyers at their financial institutions but which are not being reported to the IOLTA Board by the financial institutions. Contact also is made with lawyers who report escrow accounts that should be established as IOLTA accounts, but which have not yet been so established by the lawyer.

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#### COMMENTS ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Condensed financial data extracted from the basic financial statements for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2009 and 2008 is as follows:

	2009	2008
Capital assets Other assets	\$ 101,298 15,738,373	\$65,606 <u>18,115,714</u>
Total assets	<u>\$15,839,671</u>	<u>\$18,181,320</u>
Total current liabilities	\$ 506,215	<u>\$ 361,815</u>
Invested in capital assets Restricted net assets Unrestricted net assets	101,298 10,004,356 5,227,802	65,606 10,965,358 6,788,541
Total net assets	15,333,456	17,819,505
Total liabilities and net assets	\$15,839,671	\$18,181,320
IOLTA interest, net of service charges Access to Justice fees	\$ 5,283,264 8,858,921	\$ 9,998,166 9,413,589
Total operating revenues	14,142,186	19,411,755
Program administration Grant awards	685,396	575,566
Legal service organizations Law schools Pro bono grants	14,581,900 1,634,847 66,700	22,010,202 1,195,993 58,468
Total grant awards	16,283,447	23,264,663
Total operating expenses	16,968,843	23,840,228
Total non-operating revenues	340,608	699,560
Change in net assets	(2,486,049)	(3,728,914)
Net assets - July 1	17,819,505	21,548,419
Net assets - June 30	<u>\$15,333,456</u>	<u>\$17,819,505</u>

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#### Financial Statement Overview

As between the reported years, grants were reduced by about \$7 million, or 30%. The reductions resulted primarily because of reduced revenues of about \$5.3 million. Most of the revenue reduction is attributable to steeply reduced interest rates paid on IOLTA accounts because of the recessionary economy. As between the years, IOLTA revenues are down \$4.7 million or 47%. To fully fund the grants that were awarded required the use of \$2.5 million from accumulated net assets.

#### Legal Services Organization Grants

Grants totaling \$14,581,900 and \$22,010,202 were awarded in fiscal years ended June 30, 2009 and 2008 to thirty-seven non-profit organizations that facilitate and/or provide civil legal assistance to the indigent and disadvantaged residents of Pennsylvania. The largest grant this past year, over \$12.4 million, was awarded to Pennsylvania Legal Aid Network, Inc. which is an administrative and support organization that oversees a statewide system of legal aid programs (the Pennsylvania Legal Aid Network) which is staffed by poverty law lawyers. That grant sought to provide general and specialized civil legal assistance in over 37,109 cases for indigent persons in Pennsylvania.

Direct grants were made to some of the organizations of the Pennsylvania Legal Aid Network targeted to increase the access to civil legal help by assisting the organizations to implement and maintain region-wide telephone "help lines". Help lines make use of a toll-free number that callers from the area served by the program can use to seek legal assistance. After financial eligibility for service is determined, callers requiring direct representation are routed to the appropriate service office to schedule an appointment. Clients needing legal advice are immediately transferred to lawyers and paralegals staffing the telephone help line. Other grants were awarded to defend mortgage foreclosure cases, combat predatory lending practices, and to defend against sub prime credit card abuses for low-income consumers. Another project funded with an IOLTA grant provided outreach to the Hispanic community to focus specifically on public benefits education and advocacy.

Grants were also awarded to civil legal service organizations that are specially organized to represent the homeless, disabled, victims of abuse, elderly, or to provide specialized legal help for education, immigration, bankruptcy and other areas.

#### Law School Clinics and Internship Programs

Grants were awarded to each of the eight Pennsylvania law schools to help fund clinical programs that provide practical, supervised representational experiences for law

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students, as well as, civil legal help for the indigent. The total IOLTA grant awards to the law schools, net of refunds of grant under-spending from prior years, were \$1,634,847 and \$1,195,993 in fiscal years ended June 30, 2009 and 2008. Each of the Pennsylvania law schools received a grant of at least \$200,000. Fourteen clinics operated by the law schools received IOLTA grant support. IOLTA support for a clinic ranges from a low of 4% of the total cost of operating the clinic, to 100% of the costs for some externship programs. At one law school, the IOLTA grant helped it initiate a farm workers' clinic, the first of its kind in the United States. At another school, the IOLTA funding helped it initiate an immigration law clinic. Externships at poverty law offices were also planned for students who will provide civil legal representation under the supervision of experienced poverty law practitioners. The law students and faculty planned to spend about 36,000 hours in the direct representation of indigent clients in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009.

#### Pro Bono Initiative

This year organized pro bono programs were funded in six counties and one statewide effort at the level of \$66,700. The grants were expected to help mobilize nearly 6,400 lawyer volunteers to provide civil legal assistance for the indigent.

BALANCE SHEETS JUNE 30, 2009 AND 2008

#### ASSETS

	2009	2008
Current Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 5,237,163	\$ 6,721,828
Deferred Compensation Asset (Note 9)	56,111	44,547
Accounts Receivable		
IOLTA Interest	441,727	727,531
Access to Justice	9,961,304	10,523,634
Other	2,908	88,555
Prepaid Expenses	10,888	9,619
Note Receivable (Note 10)	28,272	
Total Current Assets	15,738,373	18,115,714
Capital Assets (Note 3)	233,736	175,256
Less – Accumulated Depreciation (Note 3)	(132,438)	(109,650)
Total Capital Assets	101,298	65,606
Total Assets	<u>\$15,839,671</u>	<u>\$ 18,181,320</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET	<b>FASSETS</b>	
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	304,769	197,414
Accrued Expenses	145,335	119,854
Deferred Compensation Liability (Note 9)	56,111	44,547
Total Current Liabilities	506,215	361,815
Net Assets		
Unrestricted to IOLTA Program	4,799,460	6,532,610
Invested in Capital Assets	101,298	65,606
Restricted to Access to Justice Program	10,004,356	10,965,358
Unrestricted to Pro Bono	105,441	136,430
Unrestricted to Pro Bono Hac Vice	322,901	119,501
Total Net Assets	15,333,456	17,819,505
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	<u>\$15,839,671</u>	<u>\$18,181,320</u>

The Accompanying Notes are an Integral Part of the Financial Statements

Statements of Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets For the Years Ended June 30, 2009 and 2008

	2009	2008
Operating Revenue IOLTA Interest, Net of Service Charges		
of \$215,053 and \$277,604	\$ 5,283,264	\$ 9,998,166
Access to Justice Fees	8,858,922	9,413,589
Total Operating Revenue	14,142,186	19,411,755
Operating Expenses		
Program Administration	685,396	575,566
Grant Awards		
Legal Service Organizations	14,581,900	22,010,202
Law Schools	1,634,847	1,195,993
Pro Bono Grants	66,700	58,468
Total Grant Awards	16,283,447	23,264,663
Total Operating Expenses	16,968,843	23,840,229
Operating Income (Loss)	(2,826,657)	(4,428,474)
Non-Operating Revenue		
Pro Bono Initiative Contributions	35,711	62,811
Pro Hac Vice	203,400	119,501
Other Interest and Service Charges, Net	101,497	517,248
Total Non-Operating Revenue	340,608	699,560
Change in Net Assets	(2,486,049)	(3,728,914)
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	17,819,505	21,548,419
Net Assets, End of Year	<u>\$15,333,456</u>	<u>\$ 17,819,505</u>

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Statements of Cash Flows For the Years Ended June 30, 2009 and 2008

	2009	2008
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
IOLTA Interest Received	\$ 5,537,370	\$ 10,288,313
Access to Justice Fees Received	9,421,252	9,727,130
Other Cash Receipts	85,647	(82,158)
Cash Paid to Grant Recipients	(16,283,447)	(23,264,663)
Cash Paid to Suppliers	(110,006)	(13,407)
Cash Paid to Employees	(406,045)	(325,858)
Net Cash and Cash Equivalents Used by Operating Activities	(1,755,229)	(3,670,643)
Cash Flows from Non-Capital Financing Activities		
Pro Bono Initiative Contributions	35,711	62,811
Pro Hac Vice	203,400	119,501
Other Interest and Service Charges, Net	101,497	517,248
Net Cash and Cash Equivalents Provided by Non-Operating Activities	340,608	699,560
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Purchase of Investments for Deferred Compensation Asset	(11,564)	(14,345)
Acquisitions of Capital Assets	(58,480)	(66,239)
Net Cash and Cash Equivalents Used by Investing Activities	(70,044)	(80,584)
Decrease in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(1,484,665)	(3,051,667)
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	6,721,828	9,773,495
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	\$ 5,237,163	\$ 6,721,828
Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash and Cash Equivalents Used by Operating Activities Operating Income	\$ (2,826,657)	\$ (4,428,474)
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income to Net Cash and Cash Equivalents Used by Operating Activities		
Depreciation Expense Changes in Assets and Liabilities:	22,788	15,632
Accounts Receivable	905,509	521,530
Prepaid Expenses	(1,269)	(834)
Accounts Payable	107,355	167,353
Accrued Expenses	37,045	54,150
Net Cash and Cash Equivalents Used by Operating Activities	\$ (1,755,229)	\$ (3,670,643)

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Years Ended June 30, 2009 and 2008

#### 1. NATURE OF ACTIVITIES AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Organization

The IOLTA program was established by statute (P.L. 373, No. 59) on April 29, 1988. The statute permitted attorneys to establish IOLTA accounts for qualified funds they handled. On July 17, 1996, the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania suspended the statute and amended Rule 1.15 of the Pennsylvania Rules of Professional Conduct which governs Pennsylvania attorneys' handling of fiduciary funds. The amendment requires that substantially all Pennsylvania attorneys place all fiduciary funds they handle in interest-bearing accounts and that the interest earned inure to the benefit of clients, qualifying third parties, or is given to the IOLTA program. Effective September 1, 1996, the Pennsylvania Interest on Lawyers Trust Account Board (the Board) was established to administer this program through a nine-member Board, all of whom are appointed by the Supreme Court.

#### **Reporting Entity**

The Board's financial statements present the financial position and results of operations of the Board only. The Board does not exercise oversight responsibility for any other organization. It is a component unit of the judicial branch of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

#### Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

The financial statements of the Board are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The Board applies all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements and applicable Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements and Accounting Principles Board (APB) opinions issued on or before November 30, 1989, unless they conflict with GASB pronouncements. The Board does not apply FASB pronouncements issued after November 30, 1989.

The Board's financial statements use the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenue is recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows.

#### **Restricted Resources**

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Board's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

#### Estimates

The preparation of financial statements under the accrual basis of accounting requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

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#### Grants

The amendment to the Pennsylvania Rules of Professional Conduct requires that IOLTA interest be used for the following purposes: 1) delivery of civil legal assistance to the poor and disadvantaged in Pennsylvania by non-profit corporations described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code; 2) educational legal clinical programs and internships administered by law schools located in Pennsylvania; 3) administration and development of the IOLTA program in Pennsylvania; and 4) the administration of justice in Pennsylvania. Grants are generally awarded on an annual basis and grant payments are disbursed on a semi-annual or quarterly basis. Grants are expensed at the inception of the specified grant period.

#### Capital Assets

Capital assets consisting of furniture, equipment, computer software, and leasehold improvements are recorded at cost. Depreciation policies reflect the use of the straightline method with useful lives of three, five and seven years. When assets are retired or otherwise disposed of, the cost and related accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts, and any resulting gain or loss is recognized in income for the period. The cost of maintenance and repairs is charged to income as incurred; significant renewals and betterments are capitalized. Deductions are made for retirements resulting from the renewals or betterments.

#### Net Assets

Net assets are classified in the following three components: invested in capital assets; restricted and unrestricted. Invested in capital assets consists of all capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation. Restricted consists of net assets for which constraints are placed thereon by regulations and enabling legislation, less any related liabilities. Unrestricted consists of the net assets of the Board, which are not restricted for any project or other purpose.

#### **Risk Management**

The Board is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. Significant losses are covered by commercial insurance. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage in fiscal year 2009. There were no significant claims in the current year or the two prior years.

#### Tax Status

The Board is exempt from Federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service Code and from Commonwealth of Pennsylvania corporate taxes.

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#### 2. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Under statute, the Board's deposits must be held in insured depositories. The Board may also invest in direct obligations of the U.S. Government and agencies thereof. The Board follows the policy of holding cash deposits in demand deposit and money market accounts of Pennsylvania financial institutions.

#### Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Board's deposits may not be returned to them. The Board does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. Protection of Board cash and deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) as well as qualified securities pledged by the institution holding the assets.

The carrying amounts of the Board's deposits were \$5,237,163 and \$6,721,828, and the bank balances were \$5,256,919 and \$6,857,354, for the years ended June 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

Total balances are covered by federal depository insurance or by the pledge of securities which provide adequate collateral under provisions of Act No. 72.

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#### 3. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets activity for the year ended June 20, 2009 was as follows:

Capital Assets	
Furniture and Equipment	\$ 117,521
Software	112,016
Leasehold Improvements	4,199
Total Capital Assets	233,736
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(132,438)
Capital Assets, Net	\$ 101,298

Capital assets activity for the year ended June 20, 2008 was as follows:

Capital Assets		
Furniture and Equipment	\$	65,732
Software		105,325
Leasehold Improvements		4,199
Total Capital Assets		175,256
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	_	(109,650)
Capital Assets, Net	\$	65,606

Depreciation expense of \$22,788 and \$15,632 was recorded for the years ended June 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

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#### 4. IOLTA REVENUE AND GRANT EXPENSES

Lawyers throughout Pennsylvania have established special interest-bearing IOLTA accounts with their local depository institutions for funds received by the lawyers in a fiduciary capacity which can not practically be invested to benefit the owner of the funds. The depository institutions transfer IOLTA interest earnings, net of service charges, to the Board. The Board uses these funds to make grants to not-for-profit corporations which operate in Pennsylvania, whose primary purpose is to provide civil legal services without charge to eligible clients. The Board can also provide grants to law schools in Pennsylvania for educational legal clinical programs and internships, and administration of justice. All of the Board's grants are directed to the provision of civil legal services for the poor and disadvantaged. Total grants awarded by the Board, net of rescissions, amounted to \$16,283,447 and \$23,264,663, during the years ended June 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

During March 2009, the Board recommended, and during May 2009, the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania approved, a total of \$5,233,000 in grants for the grant year July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010, which included \$3,598,000 in grants to Pennsylvania legal services organizations and \$1,635,000 in grants in Pennsylvania law school clinical and internships programs.

#### 5. ACCESS TO JUSTICE REVENUE AND GRANT EXPENSES

With the passage of Act 122 in 2002, an additional fee of \$10, starting November 1, 2002, was authorized to be charged and collected by prothonotaries, clerks of courts, clerks of orphans' courts, registers of wills, recorders of deeds, and the minor judiciary including district justices, Philadelphia Municipal Court, Philadelphia Traffic Court, and Pittsburgh Magistrates Court, on certain civil and criminal courthouse filings. In criminal matters the additional fee is collected if a conviction is obtained or a guilty plea is entered. Proceeds from the additional fees are transferred by the collecting authority to the Pennsylvania Department of Revenue for deposit into either the Judicial Computer System Augmentation Account (JCSAA) or the Access to Justice Account (AJA). The split of the collections between the two accounts is as follows:

Fiscal Years Ending June 30:	JCSAA	<u>AJA</u>
2004	85%	15%
2005	85%	15%
2006	80%	20%
2007 and Thereafter	80%	20%

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#### 5. ACCESS TO JUSTICE REVENUE AND GRANT EXPENSES (continued)

The AJA is scheduled to sunset on November 1, 2012. Funds in the AJA are distributed annually to the Pennsylvania Interest on Lawyers Trust Account Board for the provision of civil legal assistance for the Commonwealth's poor. The Board earned collections totaling \$8,858,922 and \$9,413,589 relating to the AJA during the years ended June 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively, of which \$8,853,117 and \$9,421,251 was available for appropriation for the years ended June 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

During March 2009, the Board recommended, and during May 2009, the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania approved, \$9,431,500 in grants to Pennsylvania Legal Aid Network, Inc. for the grant period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.

#### 6. PRO BONO INITIATIVE CONTRIBUTIONS AND GRANT EXPENSES

In June 2001, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania asked lawyers licensed to practice law in Pennsylvania to voluntarily contribute at least \$50 each to help fund the infrastructure necessary for organized county-based pro bono programs. The Board received contributions totaling \$35,711 and \$62,811 as a result of the appeal during the years ended June 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively. Grants to pro bono programs (included in amounts in Note 4) by the Board totaled \$66,700 and \$58,468 during the years ended June 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

During March 2009, the Board recommended, and during May 2009, the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania approved \$56,550 in Pro Bono grants for the grant period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.

#### 7. LEASES

The Board leases office space in Harrisburg under a three-year operating lease. Lease expense amounted to \$24,696 and \$ 23,716, for the years ended June 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

#### 8. RETIREMENT PLAN

The Board sponsors a 403(b) retirement plan for employees. There were employer contributions of \$38,530 and \$34,312 to the plan for the years ended June 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

#### 9. DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN

During the year ended June 30, 2004, the Board entered into a deferred compensation agreement with the Executive Director. The deferred compensation is to be paid to the

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Executive Director or his heirs in three substantially equal annual installments equal to the fair market value of the assets in the Rabbi Trust as of that date. The Board has funded \$56,111 and \$44,547 for the agreement as of June 20, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

#### **10. NOTE RECEIVABLE**

During the year ended June 30, 2009, a settlement was reached with a participating lawyer for past interest owed. The settlement was in the form of a note receivable in the amount of \$86,933, with an initial payment of \$30,000 due by December 31, 2008. Starting in January 2009, there would be monthly payments of \$5,000 which includes principal and interest of 6%. The principal amount due is \$28,272 as of June 30, 2009.

Interest received on this note totaled \$1,339 during the year ended June 30, 2009.

#### 11. PRO HAC VICE ADMISSIONS

One June 29, 2007, the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania established an admission fee for out-of-state attorneys who wished to make an appearance in a Pennsylvania court. The out-of-state attorneys are not licensed to practice in Pennsylvania, and pro hac vice (PHV) admission allows them to make a limited appearance. PHV is a Latin term meaning "for this particular occasion." The regulations of the IOLTA Board require each attorney to pay \$100 for each case for which pro hac vice admission is sought. The admission fee covers the attorney for the case for its proceedings in Pennsylvania courts, including through appeals. The PHV proceeds are used to cover the costs of administering the PHV admission process and to supplement the funding of non-profit organizations that provide civil legal assistance to the indigent and disadvantaged, or for similar purposes as authorized by the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania.

# DETAILED SCHEDULE OF REVENUE, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 AND 2008

0	Operating Revenue IOLTA Interest, Net of Service Charges of \$215,053 and \$277,604 Access to Justice Fees Total Oceastion Persona	<b>General</b> \$ 5,283,264	Access to Justice \$ 8.858.922 8.858.072	Pro Bono Initiative *	Pro Hac Vice	Property \$	Total           2009           \$ 5,283,264           8,858,922           14,142,186	Total           2008           \$ 9,998,166           9,413,589           10,411,755
	total Operaturg Kevenue Operating Expenses Program Administration	510,962	151,646			22,788	685,396	575,566
Page 31	Grant Awards Legal Service Organizations Law Schools Pro Bono Grants	4,872,849 1,634,847	9,709,051 -	- - -			$14,581,900 \\ 1,634,847 \\ 66,700$	22,010,202 1,195,993 58,468
	Total Grant Awards Total Operating Expenses	6,507,696 7,018,658	9,709,051 9,860,697	66,700 66,700		22,788	$\frac{16,283,447}{16,968,843}$	23,264,663 23,840,229
U	Operating Income (Loss)	(1,735,394)	(1,001,775)	(66,700)		(22, 788)	(2,826,657)	(4, 428, 474)
4	Non-Operating Revenue Pro Bono Initiative Contributions Pro Hac Vice Other Interest and Service Charges, Net	- - 47,858	- - 53,639	35,711	- 203,400 -		35,711 203,400 101,497	62,811 119,501 517,428
	Total Non-Operating Revenue	47,858	53,639	35,711	203,400	1	340,608	699,560
J	Change in Net Assets	(1,687,536)	(948,136)	(30,989)	203,400	(22,788)	(2,486,049)	(3,728,914)
ц	Reclassification of Net Assets Acquisition of Property	(45,614)	(12,866)	·		58,480		
4	Net Assets, Beginning of Year	6,532,610	10,965,358	136,430	119,501	65,606	17,819,505	21,548,419
4	Net Assets, End of Year	\$ 4,799,460	\$ 10,004,356	\$ 105,441	\$ 322,901	\$ 101,298	\$ 15,333,456	\$ 17,819,505

SCHEDULE OF PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES AND PROPERTY ACQUISITIONS – BUDGET & ACTUAL

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

	Budget ( <u>Unaudited</u> )	General	Access to Justice	<b>Property</b>	Total
Program Administration Expenses Personnel					
Wages	\$ 337,700	\$ 246,685	\$ 74,445	\$-	\$321,130
Fringe Benefits	133,600	96,444	25,516	φ -	121,960
Thinge Denents	155,000				121,900
Total Personnel	471,300	343,129	99,961		443,090
Operating Expenses					
Advertising	1,600	5,862	1,653	-	7,515
Consultants & Contract Services	79,300	63,835	24,761	-	88,596
Office Supplies	14,000	13,068	3,686	-	16,754
Postage	10,000	6,623	1,868	-	8,491
Printing and Publications	23,000	11,656	878	-	12,534
Rent	26,000	19,263	5,433	-	24,696
Telephone	8,500	5,377	1,517	-	6,894
Travel & Meetings	28,000	18,599	5,246	-	23,845
Depreciation	7,000	-	-	22,788	22,788
Insurance	9,000	5,913	1,668	-	7,581
Equipment Maintenance	10,500	11,237	3,170	-	14,407
Other	2,700	6,400	1,805		8,205
Total Operating Expenses	219,600	167,833	51,685	22,788	242,306
Total Program Administration Expense	s <u>\$ 690,900</u>	\$ 510,962	\$ 151,646	\$ 22,788	\$685,396
Property Acquisitions Furniture, Equipment &					
Leaseholds Purchased	\$ 145,000	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	\$ 58,480	\$ 58,480

SCHEDULES OF GRANT RECIPIENTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 AND 2008

	2009			2008	
Legal Service Organizations					
Aids Law Project	\$	39,400	\$	50,000	
Allegheny County Bar Foundation		47,100		110,000	
CASA of Allegheny County		40,300		60,000	
Community Impact Legal Services		23,400		35,000	
Community Legal Services of Philadelphia		64,700		82,100	
Consumer Bankruptcy Assistance Project		50,200		66,400	
Disability Rights Network of PA		55,100		70,000	
Education Law Center		55,100		70,000	
Equality Advocates Pennsylvania		11,800		15,000	
Franklin County Legal Services		19,400		20,065	
HIAS & Council Migration Services of Philadelphia		35,900		92,000	
Homeless Advocacy Project		30,500		47,000	
Juvenile Law Project		47,300		60,000	
Kids Voice		53,700		80,000	
Lackawanna Pro Bono, Inc.		30,800		46,100	
Laurel Legal Services, Inc.		64,400		_	
Legal Aid of Southeastern PA		119,400		178,700	
Legal Clinic for the Disabled, Inc.		37,700		50,000	
Legal Services of Immigrants and Internationals		38,200		38,100	
Mid-Penn Legal Services		168,500		249,000	
Montgomery Child Advocate Project		23,400		35,000	
Neighborhood Legal Services Association		64,400		24,124	
North Penn Legal Services		292,000		414,000	
Northwestern Legal Services		69,300		99,100	
PA Immigration Resource Center		96,900		180,000	
Pennsylvania Legal Aid Network, Inc.	1	2,474,000		18,883,265	
Philadelphia Legal Assistance Center, Inc.		26,900		35,000	
Philadelphia Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts		5,400		5,000	
Philadelphia Volunteers for the Indigent Program		95,100		135,000	
Protection from Abuse Coordinated Services, Inc.		43,300		60,000	
Public Interest Law Center of Philadelphia		47,300		60,000	
Senior Law Center		48,500		135,000	
Southwestern PA Legal Services		64,300		287,900	
Support Center Child Advocates		86,100		117,000	
Westmoreland Bar Foundation		28,500		42,500	
Women Against Abuse Legal Center		35,900		47,000	
Women's Center & Shelter Civil Law Project		47,700		30,848	
Total Legal Services Organizations	<u>\$ 1</u>	4,581,900	\$ 2	22,010,202	

#### SCHEDULES OF GRANT RECIPIENTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 AND 2008

	2009		2008	
Law Schools				
Pennsylvania State University –				
Dickinson School of Law	\$	200,000	\$	200,000
Drexel University, Earle Mack School of Law		165,000		45,000
Duquesne University School of Law		207,108		12,970
Temple University, Beasley School of Law		200,000		200,000
University of Pennsylvania School of Law		262,739		138,023
University of Pittsburgh School of Law		200,000		200,000
Villanova University School of Law		200,000		200,000
Widener University School of Law		200,000		200,000
Total Law Schools		1,634,847	_	1,195,993
Pro Bono Grants				
Blair County Bar Association		9,800		-
Chester County Bar Association		3,500		5,500
Franklin County Bar Association		8,900		9,968
Lackawanna Pro Bono, Inc.		-		7,000
Pennsylvania Bar Association		22,000		20,000
Philadelphia Bar Foundation		-		10,000
Philadelphia – Tenant Assistance Project		10,000		-
Venago County Bar Association				1,500
Washington County Bar Association		12,500		12,500
Wayne County Bar Association				(8,000)
Total Pro Bono Grants		66,700		58,468
Total Grant Awards	\$	16,283,447	\$	23,264,663