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Robinson+Cole Lawyer Honored for Pro Bono Service

Pro Bono Partnership recognizes Stephen Cooper as “Volunteer of the Year”

HARTFORD, CT (April 25, 2017) – The Pro Bono Partnership recognized Robinson+Cole business transactions lawyer [Stephen E. Cooper](#) as a Volunteer of the Year for 2016 during a reception on April 19, 2017.

Each year, the Pro Bono Partnership, which provides free business and transactional services to nonprofit organizations serving the disadvantaged or enhancing the quality of life on neighborhoods in Connecticut, New Jersey, and New York, celebrates the commitment of a few special volunteers for their exceptional dedication. These volunteers are recognized for the complexity or transformative nature of a pro bono project in which they are involved, their extraordinary responsiveness, or the sheer volume of their matters or time committed to pro bono service through the Partnership.

According to Maurice K. Segall, Director of the New York and Fairfield County Connecticut Program for the Pro Bono Partnership, Mr. Cooper was an obvious choice for this year’s recognition based on his longstanding commitment to the organization as well as the nature of the work he has done. A volunteer for nearly two decades, Mr. Cooper is well-known for his willingness to take on projects and the professionalism he demonstrates with his clients. Among the nonprofit clients he has worked with is the Regional Youth Adult Social Action Partnership (RYASAP,) an organization that works to ensure the safe and healthy development of youth, young adults, and families in the Greater Bridgeport region. RYASAP’s CEO, Robert Francis, shared special remarks about Mr. Cooper during the reception and presented him with his award.



Pictured from left to right are Robert Francis, CEO of RYASAP; Marcia Levy, Executive Director of the Pro Bono Partnership; Stephen Cooper, lawyer at Robinson+Cole and “Volunteer of the Year”; and Maurice Segall, Director of the New York and Fairfield County Connecticut Program for the Pro Bono Partnership.



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