



Press Release

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Marquette Volunteer Legal Clinic to Open at Milwaukee Justice Center

Milwaukee, October 22, 2009 – On Friday October 23, 2009, the Marquette Volunteer Legal Clinic will celebrate its opening at the Milwaukee Justice Center, located in the Milwaukee County Courthouse. The Marquette Volunteer Legal Clinic will assist self-represented litigants by providing limited legal advice and referral services through volunteer attorneys assisted by law students. Volunteer attorneys from Foley & Lardner LLP, Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP, Michael Best & Friedrich LLP, O’Neil, Cannon, Hollman, DeJong S.C. and Reinhart Boerner Van Deuren, s.c., along with the students will staff the clinic from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. every Friday beginning October 30th.

The opening reception will begin at 4:00 p.m. and will include a brief program with remarks from Milwaukee County Circuit Chief Judge Jeffrey A. Kremers, Milwaukee County Clerk of Court John W. Barrett, Marquette University Law School Dean Joseph D. Kearney, and Milwaukee Bar Association President Francis W. Deisinger. The reception will be held in the courthouse rotunda. Approximately 100 guests will be in attendance.

The celebration will mark the addition of the Marquette Volunteer Legal Clinic to services already being provided at the Milwaukee Justice Center, a project initiated by the Milwaukee Bar Association in 2008 to mark its 150th anniversary. Currently the Milwaukee Justice Center staffs a self-help desk for family law issues Monday – Wednesday, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and on Fridays from 8 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. On Thursdays the self-help desk is open for small claims issues from 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

“The MBA is thrilled with the addition of the Marquette Volunteer Legal Clinic to further assist the delivery of legal services to unrepresented litigants,” says MBA President Francis W. Deisinger. “The success of the Milwaukee Justice Center is a result of the collaborative efforts between the Milwaukee Bar Association, Milwaukee County and the Marquette University Law School, as well as the many volunteer attorneys.”

Opening Reception

Marquette Volunteer Legal Clinic at the Milwaukee Justice Center

Friday, October 23, 2009

4:00 p.m. (program to begin at 4:15 p.m.)

Milwaukee County Courthouse Rotunda

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