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## BUSINESS

### Attorneys' Pro Bono Work Recognized

Harrisonburg attorneys and law firms were honored for their pro bono work at the Oct. 12 seminar of the Harrisonburg-Rockingham Bar Association.

R. Darren Bostic of Bostic & Bostic PC, the law firm of Roger Ritchie & Partners LLC and Dawn Wine Ruple received the 2005 Pro Bono Awards.

Since 1982, the bar association and Blue Ridge Legal Services have collaborated in operating a pro bono referral program.

A Latin term that means "for the public good," pro bono work is performed without pay to help people with limited funds or to assist non-profit organizations.

Blue Ridge Legal Services provides free civil legal assistance to low-income residents through its offices in Harrisonburg, Winchester, Lexington and Roanoke.