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TO: IOLTA Participating Financial Institutions
From: The West Virginia State Bar
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As we transition from one calendar year to the next, I thought it might be helpful – not to mention informative – for you to know what happens with the dollars the IOLTA program receives from interest on accounts held in your financial institution. James Martin, Legal Director with Legal Aid of West Virginia, provided the following information:

At Legal Aid of West Virginia (LAWV), IOLTA funds are directed to help clients in the highest priority categories for assistance. In 2014, these cases included victims of domestic abuse and people in danger of losing their shelter or income. Children in abusive home situations also are helped by representation supported by IOLTA funding. LAWV assisted more than 8,000 low income people in the last year; the dollars raised from your IOTLA accounts provide critical support for this work done.

Thank you again for your support and assistance. Please keep in touch and direct ANY questions you may have, at any time, to Anita R. Casey, caseya@wvbar.org or 304-553-7228