

**CELEBRATION  
OF THE  
40TH ANNIVERSARY OF LEGAL SERVICES IN BERKS COUNTY  
AND  
RECOGNITION OF THE BERKS PRO BONO TEAM**

**October 27, 2009  
The Abraham Lincoln – A Wyndham Historic Hotel**

**11:45 LUNCHEON**

The Honorable J. Richard Gray, Mayor of the City of Lancaster,  
Master of Ceremonies

President Judge Jeffrey L. Schmehl, Berks County Court of  
Common Pleas

Recognition of Legal Services Pioneers – Past and Present  
Rhodia Thomas, Executive Director of MidPenn Legal  
Services

Recognition of the Pro Bono Team – Howard M. Lightman,  
President of the Berks County Bar Association

Keynote Speaker - Senior Judge R. Stanton Wettick, Jr., Allegheny  
County Court of Common Peas

**2:00 SEMINAR – What is the Relevance of a 1906 Lynching to Pro Bono in the  
21<sup>st</sup> Century? (1 hour ethics / ½ hour substantive credits)**

An examination of *U. S. v. Shipp*, 203 U.S. 563 (1906), its  
background and its message for today.

The Honorable John E. Jones, III, U.S. District Court for the  
Middle District of Pennsylvania  
Donald F. Smith, Jr., BCBA Executive Director  
Thomas B. Schmidt, III, Esquire, Pepper Hamilton, LLP  
David Trevaskis, PBA Pro Bono Coordinator, Moderator

**3:30 – 3:45 BREAK**

**3:45 SEMINAR – Protecting Pennsylvania Consumers from Unlawful Debt  
Collection (1 hour substantive credit)**

The applicable state and federal laws will be reviewed and their  
application to protect consumers will be discussed.

Jason M. Rapa, Esquire  
Val West, Esquire, Moderator

**4:45 RECEPTION**