

## WHAT IS DL RESTORATION?

1 in 7 NC residents have a suspended driver license. Courts can suspend licenses for a variety of reasons, including as non-driving related consequences. Pro bono work provides clients with information, advice, and advocacy to restore their driver licenses to work toward family security and economic stability.

## PRO BONO EXPECTATIONS:

Before: The Advocacy Center staff determines case eligibility. We only refer eligible clients.

During: Communicate with clients to gather information on their case and financial hardship. Draft advice letters and motion to remit fines.

After: May require lawyers to negotiate with DA or appear in court, if the pro bono attorney is comfortable doing so.

Time 5-10 hours

## PRO BONO IMPACT:

NC residents without valid licenses face transportation barriers to employment and social mobility. Without access to representation and funds to apply for restoration, these consequences could remain permanent and lead to collateral consequences such as misdemeanor convictions.

## TRAINING + SUPPORT

We offer trainings to attorneys outside of their practice area. We also provide a tool kit with the necessary materials to take the case. The Advocacy Center staff provide ongoing assistance, including revision of all advice letters. Co-counsel is welcome and encouraged!

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## YOU WOULD ENJOY DL RESTORATION IF:

- You want to work directly with clients.
- You are excited about eliminating barriers to opportunity in North Carolina.
- You want to volunteer but have limited or inconsistent time to do so.
- You want to learn more about niche injustices in NC communities.