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POLLOCK BEGG PARALEGAL CINDY WIRTZ WINS 2012 PRO BONO ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

PITTSBURGH (Sept. 24, 2012) — Pollock Begg Komar Glasser & Vertz LLC paralegal Cindy Wirtz is the recipient of the 2012 Pro Bono Achievement Award. A joint venture of the Public Service Committee of Allegheny County Bar Association (ACBA) and the Allegheny County Bar Foundation (ACBF), the annual awards recognize individuals and organizations that have made outstanding contributions to the delivery of free legal services to disadvantaged individuals in Allegheny County.

Winners will be honored at the 15th Annual Fellows Grand Reception on Thursday, Sept. 27.

Wirtz is being recognized for her positive influence in the county through her position as the liaison between the Pittsburgh Paralegal Association and the Neighborhood Legal Services Association for the Pittsburgh Pro Bono Partnership's newly established Signature PFA Project. The group provides legal assistance to nonfamily law firms in obtaining protection from abuse orders for individuals in need. Wirtz coordinates the scheduling of local attorneys for the representation of plaintiffs.

A strong proponent of community involvement and pro bono legal services, Pollock Begg spends a significant percentage of its billable hours doing volunteer work for various agencies and promotes a supportive culture internally of staff charitable involvement. The boutique family law firm has been involved in the Pro Bono Partnership for the past two years and is one of the founding members of the PFA project.

Wirtz also volunteers for Pittsburgh Action Against Rape and serves as president of the Hotline Volunteer Committee. She has been an active participant of the Pittsburgh Paralegal Association as a member of the board of directors, a member of the PPA Pro Bono Committee and also has served on PPA's student liaison/scholarship committee.

About Pollock Begg Komar Glasser & Vertz LLC

Founded in 2001, Pollock Begg Komar Glasser & Vertz LLC is a family law practice located in Downtown Pittsburgh. Pollock Begg is the largest firm dedicated solely to family law in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. For more information, visit www.pollockbegg.com.

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