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## Local Lawyer Recognized for Pro Bono work

HAILEY – Last year 750 Idaho attorneys reported volunteering 14,000 hours of free legal work for 2,100 low-income persons. A handful of those attorneys have been singled out by the Idaho State Bar for the Denise O’Donnell Day Pro Bono Award. Award winners were selected for their extraordinary time and effort to resolve legal issues for low-income clients.

**Kirstin K. Dutcher**, of Lawson Laski Clark & Puge, PLLC, helped a new mother in a complicated custody action that took about 84 hours of legal services to resolve. The father, a married man who refused to make child support payments, was abusive, making this a challenging case. Ultimately, Ms. Dutcher was able to negotiate a settlement that gave the mother primary custody and allowed supervised visits for the father following a graduated schedule. The agreement also secured child support payments.

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For more information, contact the attorney directly, or Idaho State Bar Communications Director Dan Black at [dblack@isb.idaho.gov](mailto:dblack@isb.idaho.gov) or (208) 955-8866.

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