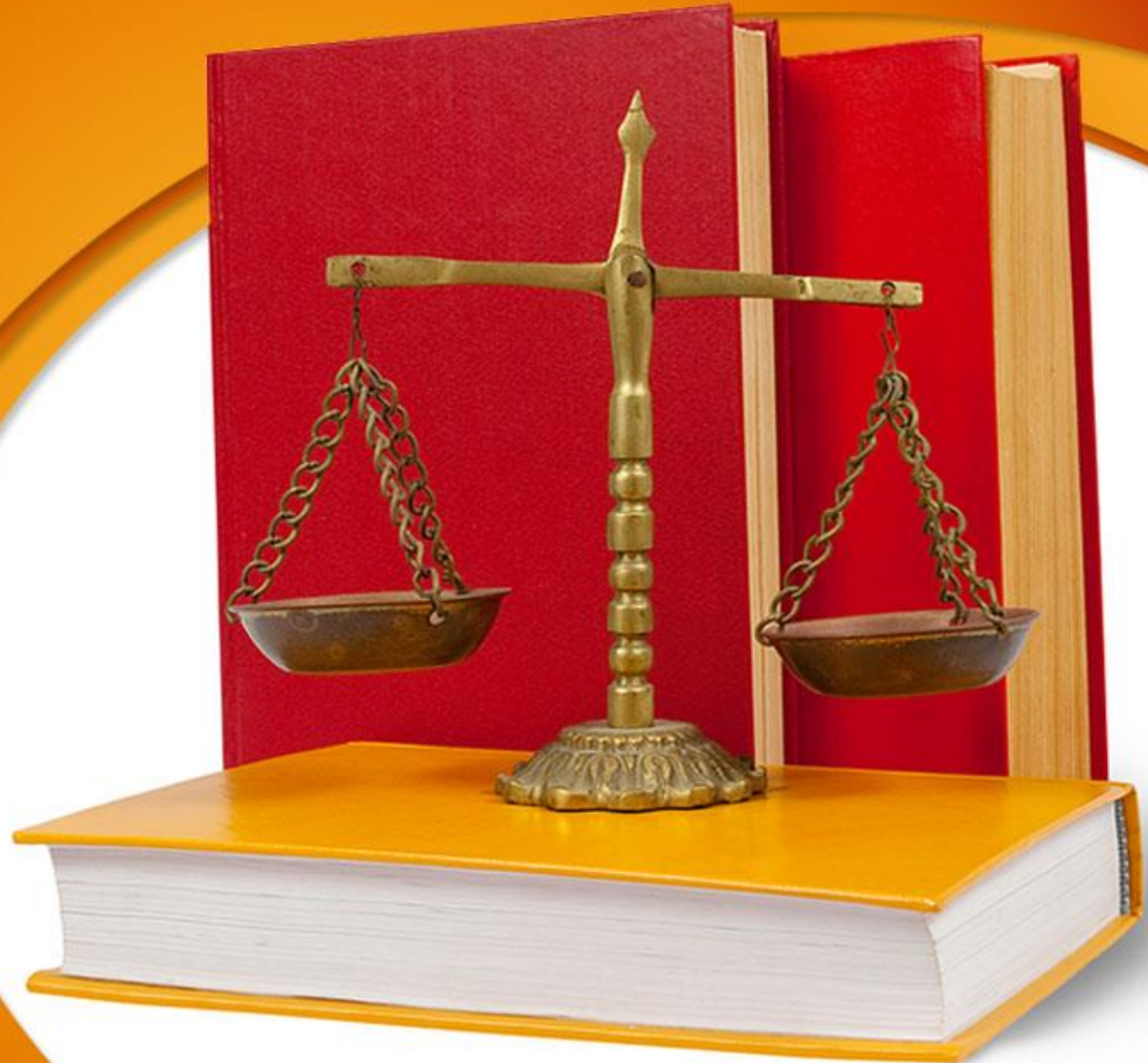


ABA TIPS Animal Law Committee Pro Bono Opportunity: Legal Support for Foster Programs



Legal Support for Foster Programs

- The ABA TIPS Animal Law Committee is offering attorneys a new pro bono opportunity to assist in their communities and animal shelters during COVID-19. The pro bono opportunity -- which is now live for sign-ups on the ABA Disaster Relief Pro Bono Portal [here](#) -- aims to pair pro bono lawyers with animal shelters that currently do not have foster programs or could benefit from legal support of existing foster programs.
- Strong foster programs are an important part of building resiliency in animal shelters as they continue to respond to the unique challenges created by the pandemic.
- You do not need to be a member of the ABA to participate.



Ways to Get Involved

- The ABA TIPS Animal Law Committee is looking for attorneys to sign up [here](#) to be a **pro bono volunteer**! We will work to pair you with a shelter in your state. Program participants will have access to resource materials (e.g., template foster agreement and application), training and mentoring.
- Attorneys with experience in animal law and animal sheltering issues are encouraged to volunteer to serve as an informal "**mentor**" to a volunteer attorney. This would not be an ongoing commitment, but rather availability for a one-hour call to support pro bono lawyers who may be new to animal law issues. Email Daina Bray (dainab@mercyforanimals.org) or Rebecca Huss (rebeccah@bestfriends.org) to sign up.



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If you are aware of an **animal shelter in need of legal support for its foster program**, please inform AJ Albrecht (ajalbrecht@mercyforanimals.org) or Katie Barnett (katie@barnettlawoffice.com).



Saving one dog will
not change the world,
but surely for that
one dog, the world
will change forever.

Karen Davison

