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**Troutman Sanders and American Cancer Society Team With Atlanta Legal Aid Society to Launch Cancer Pro Bono Project**

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Troutman Sanders LLP is pleased to announce a new pro bono alliance with the American Cancer Society and the Atlanta Legal Aid Society. Through this alliance, the law firm will provide free basic estate planning services on a pro bono basis to low-income individuals with cancer in the Atlanta metropolitan area.

"Estate planning is an essential part of dealing with a life threatening illness," said Sarah G. Isabel – member and project coordinator, Troutman Sanders' Atlanta Pro Bono Committee. "However, it is frequently overlooked or avoided because of cost and a lack of education about end-of-life or incapacitation decision making."

Troutman Sanders attorneys will provide pro bono services that include the drafting and execution of documents, such as Last Will and Testament, Financial Power of Attorney, Health Care Power of Attorney, Living Will and Nomination of Guardian.

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Cancer patients needing legal assistance on basic estate planning should contact the American Cancer Society at 800-227-2345.

**About The American Cancer Society:**

The American Cancer Society is dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by saving lives, diminishing suffering, and preventing cancer through research, education, advocacy and service. Founded in 1913 and with national headquarters in Atlanta, the Society has 13 regional divisions and local offices in 3,400 communities, involving millions of volunteers across the United States.

**About Atlanta Legal Aid Society:**

Atlanta Legal Aid Society, Inc. provides civil legal services to persons with very low income in Fulton, DeKalb, Gwinnett, Clayton and Cobb counties. Last year, Legal Aid attorneys assisted over 50,000 people and handled over 20,000 cases, primarily involving housing, family, and senior citizens issues. Begun in 1924 by 17 attorneys, Atlanta Legal Aid has meant access to justice for countless individuals, who might otherwise be shut out of an increasingly complex legal system because they do not have the money to hire a lawyer.

**About Troutman Sanders:**

Troutman Sanders LLP, founded in 1897, is an international law firm with over 600 attorneys serving clients from offices in Atlanta, Hong Kong, London, New York, Newark,

Norfolk, Raleigh, Richmond, Tysons Corner, Virginia Beach and Washington, D.C. The full-service firm provides advice and counsel in over 30 legal practice areas and is committed to delivering professional service throughout all its locations.

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