UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

In Appreciation of the Rutgers Bankruptcy Pro Bono Project

The Rutgers Bankruptcy Pro Bono Project, which this past spring completed its eleventh year of service to low-income residents in southern New Jersey, is one of the most successful programs of its type in the nation, and is a vital part of the Pro Bono Program at the Rutgers School of Law in Camden.

During its history, participating attorneys and students in the Bankruptcy Project have established an enviable track record of volunteer community service. Over 1,000 clients have been counseled during initial interviews, most of whom also received much-needed relief under Chapter 7 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code. Throughout its existence, the Project has proudly sustained a high level of student and attorney interest, which continued during 2003 and 2004.

The Bankruptcy Project is overseen by a Steering Committee, whose members also include several of the participating attorneys. The Project relies on many individuals, and organizations such as the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, South Jersey Legal Services, the Community Health Law Project, the Camden Center for Law and Social Justice, and the Rutgers School of Law-Camden. Most importantly, the Project simply could not exist without its dedicated and hardworking attorneys, who unselfishly volunteer their time and resources to help people and families in the community otherwise unable to afford legal services, and the many students who work with the attorneys.

In appreciation, to all the people who made it work again in 2003 and 2004, the Steering Committee of the Rutgers Bankruptcy Pro Bono Project extends it thanks, and in particular wishes to recognize and thank the following participating attorneys:

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