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**NEW YORK BAR FOUNDATION PRESENTS GRANT TO  
PRO BONO APPEALS PROGRAM**



Photo Caption: Foundation Board Member, James Ayers, Esq. (far right) presents a check to Cynthia F. Feathers, Esq. of the Pro Bono Appeals Program. Also pictured are George J. Hoffman, Jr., Esq., and Susan Patnode, Esq., Executive Director of the Rural Law Center of New York. The Pro Bono Appeals Program is a collaborative effort of the New York State Bar Association's Committee on Courts of Appellate Jurisdiction, the Rural Law Center, and The Legal Project.

The New York Bar Foundation recently presented a grant of \$7,400 to the Rural Law Center of New York, in Albany, which administers the Pro Bono Appeals Program. The grant will be used for the Pro Bono Appeals Program, including supporting the staff that assists the volunteer appellate attorneys who

generously provide their time and expertise to represent litigants in 50 upstate counties in selected appeals involving the essentials of life.

In early 2015, The New York Bar Foundation allocated over \$530,000 in grants to 93 programs across New York to assist in:

- Increasing public understanding of the law
- Improving the justice system and the law
- Facilitating the delivery of legal services
- Enhancing professional competence and ethics

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