

Hypothetical 1:

A client wonders if your firm could collaborate on a recurring limited-scope pro bono clinic. Attorneys represent tenants facing eviction at their mandatory pre-trial settlement conferences and negotiate agreements with the landlords' lawyers. If agreement is reached, the tenant's lawyer would sign the settlement. There is no on-going client representation after the clinic.

Questions for Breakout Group:

- What are key considerations or challenges to addressing this hypothetical?
- How would you structure a pro bono collaboration? – consider how you would determine participant organizations and roles, volunteer recruitment, and measuring success

Hypothetical 2:

A client based in Silicon Valley has approached you about partnering on a pro bono project. You are thinking about integrating them into the “Second Chance” or “Clean Slate” clinics that the firm already hosts at its office in San Francisco once a quarter to screen clients seeking expungement of their criminal records. Your firm typically takes on the ongoing representation of two or three clients from each clinic.

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Hypothetical 3:

You just moved to San Francisco to work at a small company as its first in-house lawyer. You have been asked to coach and sponsor a local San Francisco high school mock trial team by your CEO, a former lawyer. You would be expected to take primary responsibility for coaching the team, finding other volunteer coaches, and finding funding for the program.

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Hypothetical 4:

One of your major clients is on the board of a non-profit based in the Central Valley. The non-profit recently sent out an email seeking attorney volunteers to staff an all-day immigration clinic. The clinic would require 25 attorneys to travel to Fresno on a Saturday and screen clients to determine if they are eligible to apply for legal immigration status.

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