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Pro Bono Attorney of the Month

Craig D. Robins

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The Volunteer Lawyers Project has several times honored attorneys for their diligence on the bimonthly Bankruptcy Clinics. These attorneys, however, are not alone in VLP's efforts to help indigent people facing bankruptcy. Standing behind them are the many attorneys to whom the VLP staff refers the many cases that the Clinic recommends for bankruptcy actions. Craig D. Robins, Pro Bono Attorney of the Month for February 2002, is one of VLP's most dependable attorneys for these cases, having accepted forty-three since 1990. As of mid-January he had devoted 164 hours to this work, with nine of the cases still open.

Robins, who is a member of both the Nassau County and Suffolk County Bar Associations and serves on the Bankruptcy Committee of each, devotes his practice in Westbury primarily to bankruptcy and debt-related matters. His articles on bankruptcy law issues have appeared in both the Nassau Lawyer and Suffolk Lawyer. He has lectured on the topic at various bar associations, other organizations, and on radio and television. For several years he served on NCBA's Blue Ribbon Committee on Lawyer Advertising. He is also part of SCBA's Mentor Program as well as an active member



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of the American Inns of Court.

A 1981 graduate of Emory University, Robins received his J.D. from Western New England School of Law in 1984 and studied for one year at the University of Notre Dame School of Law, Concannon Program of International Law in London, England. In 1985 he was admitted to practice in New York, Massachusetts, the United States District Court, the United States Tax Court, and the United States Claims Court. The following year saw his admission to the Florida bar.

Robins lives in Huntington with his wife Arlene and his young son Max. Having been a competitive bicycle racer for thirty years, he happily spends much of his time away from the law riding his bicycle around the

North Shore.

With bankruptcy a major problem on Long Island, VLP is grateful to Craig D. Robins for his constant willingness to put his expertise in service to the community's indigent citizens. He well deserves the honor of being a Pro Bono Attorney of the Month.

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