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Press Release

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Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service (MVLS) is pleased to announce that Lonni Summers has joined its staff as the Managing Attorney for Foreclosure Prevention and Consumer Law. Lonni will lead MVLS' efforts in the areas of foreclosure, tax sales, debt buyer defense, bankruptcy and other related consumer law matters. She will mentor volunteer attorneys, provide direct client representation on a variety of legal issues, and coordinate MVLS' work with both the private and public bar.

Lonni is uniquely positioned to assist MVLS in expanding our assistance to clients facing consumer law matters. She most recently served as the Public Policy Analyst/Staff Attorney at the Maryland Access to Justice Commission, where she directly addressed issues facing self-represented clients. She also spent four years at the District Court Self-Help Center in Glen Burnie as a Staff Attorney, where she provided assistance to clients facing many different legal issues, including collections matters. With Lonni's assistance, MVLS will be focusing on expanding legal services for Marylanders facing a variety of consumer law matters. This includes preserving housing for individuals facing foreclosure or tax sale and assisting consumers in defending against debt buyer lawsuits.

Lonni is a 2009 graduate of Drexel University College of Law in Philadelphia, and is admitted to practice law in Maryland, District of Columbia, and the U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland.

Founded in 1981, MVLS is the largest provider of pro bono legal services in Maryland. Our 2,000 volunteer lawyers provide free civil legal assistance to low-income residents and community-based nonprofits across the state. MVLS volunteers represent clients in a wide range of cases, including foreclosure, bankruptcy, and income tax disputes, landlord/tenant disputes, and consumer rights, denial of public benefits, wills, divorce/custody, and deed changes.

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