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## **First Judicial District offers FREE one-on-one assistance to self-represented litigants**

### *Event celebrates National Pro Bono Celebration*

GOLDEN, Colo. – People representing themselves in court proceedings in the First Judicial District (Gilpin and Jefferson counties) will have the opportunity later this month to meet with an attorney for 15 minutes to discuss their criminal, civil, domestic, or small-claims case.

The Pro Bono Celebration event, sponsored by the 1<sup>st</sup> JD Bar Association, will be held from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on Thursday, October 24, 2013, in the atrium of the building at 100 Jefferson County Parkway, in Golden.

There is no charge to meet with an attorney at the Pro Bono Celebration event. Discussions will be confidential.

The event is part of an American Bar Association program to focus the nation's attention on the increased need for pro bono services, attorneys volunteering or offering assistance at a reduced rate for the public good.

“There’s an ongoing unmet community need for access to legal advice, especially for those of modest means,” said First Judicial District Judge Randall Arp. “This event helps the community address that need.”

For more information, contact April Bernard or Brigitte Smith at 303-271-6570, or visit [http://www.courts.state.co.us/Courts/County/Custom.cfm?County\\_ID=2&Page\\_ID=426](http://www.courts.state.co.us/Courts/County/Custom.cfm?County_ID=2&Page_ID=426).