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Dear Polk County Bar Association Member:

Your 2021 Polk County Bar Association (“PCBA”) dues statement is enclosed. As a PCBA member, you join close to 1,400 of your fellow Polk County attorneys and judges. We take pride in our broad-based membership and are proud of the valuable services and benefits that PCBA provides to the bar, bench and our community (even during a pandemic).

For example, by renewing your membership, you will once again receive access to over 30 hours of **free** CLE. This includes two all-day general practice CLE events along with monthly free CLE hours on a variety of topics from our Bench Bar, Membership, Family Law, and Solo and Small Firm committees.

PCBA membership provides many additional advantages. PCBA members are invited to the annual Bench-Bar golf outing, the increasingly-popular Trivia Challenge Nights, and Civic Center events (members get early access to premium seats); not to mention our monthly member luncheons (often times with CLE credit) and soon to resume [socially distant] gatherings with judges and other dignitaries.

In addition, your dues allow the PCBA to continue to provide valuable services to our membership and others. PCBA is a partner and financial supporter to the PCBA Volunteer Lawyers Project (“VLP”). The VLP provides legal assistance to over 1,000 low income individuals each year. PCBA also sponsors the PCBA Mediation Program, which provides Polk County litigants with affordable alternative dispute resolution.

As a final note and request, as you renew your PCBA dues, please consider including a tax deductible contribution to the VLP. The demand for the VLP’s life-changing legal services to low income Polk County residents has only grown during the pandemic, and the VLP’s primary source of funding—interest on IOLTA funds—is anticipated to significantly decline due to the low interest rates. The VLP needs your generosity, now more than ever.

On behalf of the PCBA Officers and Board, I thank you for your continued membership, support and participation in the PCBA. If you have any questions or concerns about your PCBA membership, **or if you have any interest in becoming more actively involved by serving on one of our many fun committees**, please contact me or our Executive Director, Carol Phillips. We are here to serve you.

Sincerely,

Nicholas Cooper
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Enclosures