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## Simpson Thacher Receives Pro Bono Week Recognition From VOLS for Work With DACA Clients

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Pro Bono Coordinator Maria Gonzalez was interviewed for a Q&A with the Volunteers of Legal Service (VOLS). Partnering with VOLS for more than 15 years, Simpson Thacher has recently been involved with their Immigration Project and worked closely with the organization over the summer to help submit renewals for DACA recipients. Discussing the significance of pro bono work, Maria said “...When you see the extraordinary people who come together (the legal services experts and the Firm’s attorneys who find such gratification from helping others) and then witness how much the representation means to clients, it has allowed me to understand all the more how important pro bono programs are.”

VOLS was founded as a nonprofit organization in 1984, when New York City Bar leaders responded to severe federal government budget cuts to legal services. Today, VOLS harnesses the power of New York City’s legal community and neighborhood-based groups to provide free, civil legal services when and where they are needed most.

To read the full interview, please [click here](#).

