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SMITH ANDERSON DRIVES EFFORT TO RAISE NEARLY \$14,000 FOR LEGAL AID OF NORTH CAROLINA

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Smith Anderson announced that the fifth annual Associate Fund Drive for Legal Aid of North Carolina has raised nearly \$14,000 in support of **Legal Aid of North Carolina**, a nonprofit law firm that provides free legal services to low-income individuals to ensure equal access to justice and remove legal barriers to economic opportunity.

Smith Anderson has coordinated and participated in the Associate Fund Drive for Legal Aid since its inception in 2012, with Associate **James Jolley** serving as co-chair for the last three years. The two-week effort encourages associates at mid-size-to-large law firms in the Triangle area to join together to raise funds in support of Legal Aid's work addressing unmet legal needs across the State. Associates **Taylor Dewberry** and **Patrick Lawler** coordinated the initiative at Smith Anderson, conducting outreach and raising awareness among their colleagues to drive 94 percent participation in this year's Drive.

Many Smith Anderson attorneys have supported Legal Aid through serving on the Board and garnering support for the organization, as well as taking on pro bono cases, advocating for public funding for legal aid and volunteering with Legal Aid's Lawyer on the Line program. In addition, Associates **Toby Coleman** and **John Harris** have each served as co-chairs of the annual Associate Fund Drive in the past.

"With Smith Anderson's long-term support of Legal Aid and its mission, it is easy for us to say 'yes' to leading the Associate Fund Drive each year," said Jolley. "We congratulate everyone on a fantastic effort this year and thank our peers across the Triangle for their participation and support."

To learn more about Legal Aid of North Carolina, visit www.legalaidnc.org.

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