

## Tax Incentives for Pro Bono Lawyers?

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### 4 Tips to Help You Macromanage, Not Micromanage

If you're in a supervisory role, you know you're not supposed to micromanage (even if you still do). But what can you do with all the time you'll save? Try macromanaging instead, recommends Elsbeth Johnson at [Harvard Business Review](#). That's the kind of big-picture, strategic work that is too often overlooked, she says. What can help you push yourself to tackle some of the big questions you might be ignoring? Johnson shares four tips to help you macromanage like a (really good) boss.



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### Could a Tax Incentive Help Close the Gap in Indigent Defense?

The indigent defense gap is so large that finding enough pro bono lawyers to fill it is a daunting, if not impossible challenge. That's true nationwide; one state where it's perhaps especially true is Louisiana, where public defenders handle 850 more felony cases per year than the recommended caseload of 150. With the state Legislature unlikely to provide additional funding, what could help attract and retain enough pro bono lawyers to make the kind of dent that's needed? How about a tax incentive? That's the recommendation offered in an opinion column at [nola.com](#). How would it work ... and could it work in your state, too?



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### ICYMI: Most Recent Bar Leader Is All About Transition and Change

It's not exactly related to the presidential election, and it was planned well in advance of that startling (to many) outcome. But it seems significant that the [November-December 2016 issue](#) of Bar Leader is heavily focused on change. Long-time executive directors who are now retiring share how they confronted or embraced big changes during their tenure and their advice for new execs who are arriving at a turbulent time. An expert on transition planning for lawyers offers his thoughts on how bar associations and their members can move forward in the "new normal." Finally, if your bar recently published a "futures" report, how can you make sure the discussion doesn't end there?

### ABA, Jones Day Introduce New Veterans Pro Bono Program

BigLaw firm Jones Day marked Veterans Day in a big way by hosting events at 18 of its offices to introduce a pro bono veterans program it's developing with the ABA. Called VetLex, the program is expected to launch this spring and will involve collaboration by the law firm, the ABA, local bar associations, and law schools. Pro bono help will be provided not only with benefits disputes, but also with landlord-tenant relations, family law, employment matters, and business start-ups. The program will also link veterans to social services as needed. [ABA Journal](#) has more details on VetLex and on last week's introduction.

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