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BAR PROGRAM OFFERS FREE WILLS & ESTATE DOCUMENTS FOR FIRST RESPONDERS

Attorney volunteers will prepare free legal documents for first responders through Wills for Heroes Program

SAN DIEGO (April 9, 2018) – San Diego first responders can get free wills and estate documents on Saturday, April 28 through the Wills for Heroes program. The program will take place from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the offices of Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton LLP in Carmel Valley.

Through the Wills for Heroes program, attorney volunteers from the San Diego County Bar Association (SDCBA) will “protect those who protect us” by preparing free wills, durable powers of attorney for property management, and advance health care directives to first responders and their spouses/partners. Estate documents will also be notarized at the event.

“In California, our firefighters, law enforcement officers and other first responders are called upon to do so much, so often, to protect us,” said Kristin Rizzo, 2018 SDCBA President. “It is truly an honor to be able to do something where we can offer a bit of protection for our local heroes and their families.”

The national Wills for Heroes program was started shortly after the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks to provide a means for attorneys to assist and support first responders. Since the inception of the first Wills for Heroes program in South Carolina, attorneys have provided over 10,000 free estate planning documents for first responders in 25 different states.

First responders interested in receiving wills and other estate documents should sign up for an appointment online at www.sdcba.org/willsforheroes. Questions about the program can be directed to bar@sdcba.org. Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton’s office is located at 12275 El Camino Real, San Diego, CA 92130.

The San Diego County Bar Association is the region's largest law-related organization and the hub of the city's legal community, headquartered in downtown San Diego.

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