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Moore & Van Allen Celebrates Charlotte Triage Pro Bono Project's Fourth Anniversary Serving Low-income Charlotte Residents

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Moore & Van Allen PLLC (MVA) is pleased to announce that the Charlotte Triage Pro Bono Partnership (Charlotte Triage) — developed to expand pro bono services for low-income Charlotte residents — marked its fourth anniversary with CLE training sessions attended by 272 legal and other professionals who learned about Charlotte Triage and participated in training to assist pro bono- clients.

Led by MVA, McGuireWoods, Wells Fargo, Bank of America, and Duke Energy, Charlotte Triage is a collaboration between area law firms and corporate legal departments. Charlotte Triage supports Legal Aid of North Carolina-Charlotte and the Charlotte Center for Legal Advocacy by enabling the legal aid organizations to outsource work to private practice lawyers and in-house counsel for matters related to human trafficking, criminal record expunctions, healthcare enrollment, housing eviction defense and special immigrant juvenile cases.

Among the speakers at the Charlotte Triage CLE event on Sept. 28 were Keith Cockrell, president of Bank of America Charlotte; Kodwo Ghartey-Tagoe, executive vice president, chief legal officer and corporate secretary of Duke Energy; Mark Metz, Wells Fargo deputy general counsel; Ashley Campbell, CEO of Legal Aid of North Carolina; and Toussaint Romain, CEO of the Charlotte Center for Legal Advocacy.

"We are very appreciative of all our law firm and corporate partners who have helped to make the Charlotte Triage Pro Bono Partnership a success over the last four years," said Thomas L. Mitchell, MVA's managing partner and chair of the firm's Management Committee. "We are most pleased that the program has been able to help so many of our neighbors in need gain access to legal counsel."

In addition to the law firms and corporate legal departments serving as leaders of Charlotte Triage, more than a dozen other law firms and corporate legal departments have contributed volunteers to this project, making it a truly collaborative program across the Charlotte legal community.

Formed in 2018, Charlotte Triage has been recognized for exemplary pro bono service with the 2020 Corporate Pro Bono Partner Award from the Pro Bono Institute, and the Outstanding Pro Bono Collaborative Service award in 2020 from the North Carolina Bar Association.