



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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To Recognize and Celebrate Maxim Perel as the 2020 Recipient of The Legal Aid Society of Columbus' Pro Bono In the Trenches Award.

**WHEREAS**, Maxim Perel is the 2020 Pro Bono In the Trenches Award in recognition of Maxim's participation in various virtual clinics and his active work with the Tenant Advocacy Project during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, Maxim received his undergraduate degree from The Ohio State University in 2014 and earned his law degree from the Moritz College of Law in 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, Following law school, Maxim began his career working as a compliance officer and project attorney and volunteered with the Sierra Club of Ohio; and

**WHEREAS**, At the start of the pandemic, Maxim lent his services to the virtual clinic, soon after dedicating his time and expertise to the Tenant Advocacy Project, where he represented clients in court facing eviction; and

**WHEREAS**, Maxim is an invaluable addition to the pro bono community of Columbus and positively impacts the lives of his clients and contributes greatly to the operations of Legal Aid Society of Columbus; and

**WHEREAS**, The Legal Aid Society of Columbus is led by a dedicated team of attorneys who are passionate about providing legal services to low-income individuals and it is an honor and a privilege to work with an organization that is committed to making the daily lives of Columbus residents better - an fact exemplified by the service of attorneys such as Maxim Perel; now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:**

That this recognizes and celebrates Maxim Perel as the 2020 Recipient of The Legal Aid Society of Columbus' Pro Bono In the Trenches Award.