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News Release: BBA Marathon Assistance Project Aiding Individuals



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As a comprehensive effort to provide legal assistance to small businesses in Back Bay following the devastating attacks of the Boston Marathon was well underway, new needs arose. The bar rose to the occasion again – an overwhelming number of BBA members volunteered to provide help to those in a time of need. Here's the story, as told by four volunteer attorneys:

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Before I had been asked to help out from the BBA, I was at the service in the South End that President Obama attended and sat next to a number of first responders – they were Longwood Orthopedic Surgeons, and I was thanking them. At the time I was thinking that they had such a skill set that that could be useful in the aftermath. I thought ‘what could I do?’ The BBA’s request finally gave me something concrete to do, a real way I could help provide assistance and be of use following the events of the Marathon.

I represented a spectator who was so distraught by the events of the day that she could no longer work. I got in contact with the client’s employer and worked on a resolution with her employer and resolved the matter to the client’s great satisfaction.

Being able to help an individual client in her time of need was gratifying, given what she had to go through.