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Houston Volunteer Lawyers Receives Grant from the Litigation Section of the State Bar of Texas to Assist Low-Income Households Save their Homes After Hurricane Harvey

HOUSTON, TX – July 18, 2018– Houston Volunteer Lawyers (HVL), the service arm of the Houston Bar Association, has received a grant from the Litigation Section of the State Bar of Texas. The funds will support HVL’s efforts to provide high-impact legal representation to low-income households who have a legal issue caused by Hurricane Harvey and who cannot afford an attorney, particularly in cases that involve litigation.

Through pro bono attorneys, HVL will assist low-income households who have been denied FEMA assistance based on the preexisting condition of the home, who are facing foreclosure or bankruptcy due to financial strain after the storm, or who are fighting insurance denials or undervaluation of damage.

All three circumstances can be overwhelming, difficult and expensive for the low-income household, and could result in the detrimental loss of their home.

“HVL is committed to assisting these families and individuals, who were denied assistance and

who are at risk of losing their homes, through this generous grant from the Litigation Section of the State Bar of Texas,” said Wafa Abdin, HVL executive director.

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To apply for assistance for a Harvey-related legal issue, please call 713.228.0733 or visit www.makejusticehappen.org. Social service agencies interested in a partnership may also reach HVL at the same contact information.

About Houston Volunteer Lawyers

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