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O'Melveny's David Lash authored the post "[Four Reasons Solo and Small Firm Lawyers Can, and Often Do, Participate in Pro Bono Work \(And Debunking Other Pro Bono Myths\)](#)," the second in a series of bi-weekly columns for *Above the Law*, published October 13, 2016.

In the article, Lash writes that, "The volunteer role of small firms and sole practitioners is, and historically has been, critical to the delivery of legal services to the poor."

In addition to the pro bono work of major law firm lawyers, which contribute collectively as many as 5 million hours of legal representation to the poor every year, there are many thousands of lawyers working alone or in small firms who diligently serve indigent clients, Lash notes.

Lash serves as managing counsel for pro bono and public interest services, overseeing the firm's national and international pro bono program. He is a frequent contributor to publications around the country and a guest speaker on issues related to access to justice, legal aid, combating poverty, and more. He resides in O'Melveny's Los Angeles office.