



MINTZ LEVIN/PAUL POTH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP MASSACHUSETTS VICTIM ASSISTANCE ACADEMY

ESTABLISHMENT OF SCHOLARSHIP: To honor the legacy and memory of Attorney Paul P. Poth, the law firm Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky, and Popeo, P.C., is awarding scholarships to attend the Massachusetts Victim Assistance Academy (MVAA). Scholars will have demonstrated a commitment, through their personal, civic and/or professional activities, to furthering the ideals espoused by Paul Poth in his career as and through his service to victims/survivors; and the victim services community. Selected Mintz Levin and Paul Poth Scholars will be recognized at the Victim Rights Month Award Ceremony in April.

INTRODUCTION TO PAUL POTH: Paul was known universally for his compassion for those in need, and he dedicated his life to serving those who were most vulnerable in society. A hallmark of Paul's work as an assistant district attorney involved his efforts on behalf of victims, in particular adolescents coerced into prostitution. Paul believed that working to restore the self-confidence of the victims he assisted was as much a part of his duties as was the successful prosecution of the criminals involved. Paul worked closely with MOVA to help further its goals, assisted domestic and sexual assault survivors on a pro bono basis, cycled in support of AIDS research in the Boston-New York AIDS Ride, volunteered for Project Hope, and mentored city youth through hockey leagues and the Boston public schools' Mock Trial Program. Humor was an integral part of who Paul was, and making people laugh - often through stories about his own experiences - was something in which he took great pleasure, and something from which all those that came to know him, benefited greatly. Paul's personal and professional lives were inextricably linked because of the values that motivated all that he did. His success in his work and volunteerism was inspired, buoyed and informed by what was most important to him - his devotion to family, particularly to his wife, Kristen, a dedicated victim services professional with whom he shared his passion for advocating for victim rights, and their son.

**Mintz Levin/Paul Poth Scholarship Application
Massachusetts Victim Assistance Academy**

APPLICANT'S NAME (PRINT)

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

APPLICANT'S TITLE

AGENCY

AGENCY DIRECTOR'S NAME (PRINT)

AGENCY DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE

DATE

APPLICATION PROCESS/REQUIREMENTS: To be considered, interested applicants must submit the following:

1. A complete, signed MVAA application
2. A completed, signed Mintz Levin / Paul Poth Scholarship Application Cover Page
3. A written narrative (no more than three pages) that includes the following:
 - a. A brief description of your current position, scope of work, achievements to date, and passion and commitment to victim services;
 - b. A narrative detailing how your professional work, civic/volunteer experience, and/or other efforts demonstrate the qualities and ideals described above about the person whose life is honored by this scholarship opportunity;
 - c. A brief explanation of your agency's need for financial assistance.

APPLICATION DEADLINE IS February 23rd, 2018

Please submit completed application with cover page signatures to:

MOVA, c/o MVAA

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