

# Dykema to Receive Texas Appleseed Pro Bono Leadership Award

National law firm **Dykema** announced that it has been chosen by Texas Appleseed's Board of Directors as one of three law firms to receive the organization's Pro Bono Leadership Award. Dykema will be recognized at Texas Appleseed's annual Good Apple Dinner November 16, 2017, at the Four Seasons Hotel in Austin, Texas.

The Pro Bono Leadership Award is presented to pro bono partners of Texas Appleseed who have contributed and continue to contribute excellent work. Dykema will be recognized for its role in helping to develop and produce the contents for an online toolkit that empowers Texans to defend property confiscated by law enforcement through civil asset forfeiture. *Defending Against a Civil Asset Forfeiture Case*, features answers to leading questions about asset forfeiture; animated videos in English and subtitled in Spanish; sample pleadings and forms that Texans can customize; and a checklist for appearing in court, among other information. It is available at [www.EndForfeitureAbuseTx.org](http://www.EndForfeitureAbuseTx.org).

Texas Appleseed is a nonprofit public interest justice center that works to change unjust laws and policies and promote social and economic justice for all Texans. It works with a dynamic network of pro bono partners and collaborators to develop and advocate for innovative and practical solutions to difficult systemic problems. Texas Appleseed also conducts data-driven research that uncovers inequity in laws and policies and identifies solutions for lasting, concrete change.

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