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LACBA DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROJECT-VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH-NOVEMBER 2009

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VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH
Filippo Marchino, Esq.

Filippo Marchino was born in Turin, Italy into a family with a rich history of car racing and athleticism. A product of two successful doctors, he was taught as a child that success is the benefit of hard work and dedication. Filippo had the privilege of attending a small International school, studying English, French, and of course his native language, Italian making him tri-lingual by the young age of 10. After graduating high school in 1998 and completing the rigorous International Baccalaureate, Filippo moved to the U.S. to attend Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach, FL. In August 2002, he graduated with his Bachelors of Science in Aerospace Engineering and subsequently, with honors, for his Masters of Science in Aerospace Engineering in May 2005.

With 7 years of college behind him, along with two degrees, Filippo decided to move across the country to Los Angeles, CA to attend Southwestern University School of Law. He successfully conquers his studies and graduates with his Juris Doctorate in December 2007 from Southwestern, in addition to earning a Certificate in Dispute Resolution from Pepperdine University School of Law in August 2007. Apart from Filippo's academic endeavors, he has always been drawn to adventures that combine his love of competitive sports, with his lust for adrenaline. Racing, a family tradition, has been a large part of Filippo's life since childhood. Filippo competed regionally in Trials from the age of 13 to the age of 17, in regional go-kart racing from the age of 14 to the age of 16, and finally in the Renault Formula Campus for the 96-97 season.

As a practicing attorney, heading a personal injury law firm, Filippo currently resides in Los Angeles, CA and holds the National Champion title in Giant Slalom for the USA Snowboard Association.

About his time with the Project Filippo says, "In the past 18 months I have the opportunity to meet countless women and men that were in desperate need of a hand. People from all races, all walks of life, all religions, and all ages. All with only two things in common: fear and the desire of a better life. Through volunteering in Dept.8, each and every volunteer out there has made it possible, for the victims they have assisted, to move onto a better day. To leave behind the emotional pain, the physical abuse and the sadness of being in a violent relationship. The reward for the volunteer? A thank you that comes from the bottom of the heart of one who realizes you have just helped save their life. Literally.

There are few things in life that rival the human touch of a genuine thank you and a genuine hug from a stranger. For me, that has to be the biggest reward for donating a bit of my time to the Domestic Violence Project."



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