

THE NEW YORK
BAR FOUNDATION

2017 ANNUAL REPORT

President's Message

The law is a learned occupation and is inescapably a public calling. The combined professional effort of all lawyers nurtures and sustains the Rule of Law and American democracy. The practice of law is a helping profession; we are the custodians of the legal system and have an enhanced obligation of service to the community and to promote justice through the Rule of Law.

Many of our fellow New Yorkers desperately need our help. While New York lawyers spend countless hours providing pro bono services, the need transcends these herculean efforts.

We support the many New York legal services organizations who day after day represent families in need of keeping a roof over their heads, protecting the rights of undocumented children from deportation, obtaining for veterans the assistance of a thankful nation, assisting those released from incarceration to get a job – the list goes on and on.

When I began my term as President my main focus was to increase Foundation funding to meet our recognized responsibility to help those in need of legal assistance.

2017 demonstrated that together, we can and do make a difference. Through the New York Bar Foundation, lawyers across New York State have helped to fund the programs that serve those in need of legal assistance.

Because of these efforts the Foundation's anticipated 2018 grant program is expected to be the largest it's been, continuing to seed the efforts of non-profit legal service organizations across the state.

Your support has enabled us to grow and develop opportunities for law students by offering Section and other scholarships to help offset financial burdens and fellowships to provide experience and guidance.

We partnered with the NYSBA to assist in the development of an online portal to connect attorneys with pro bono opportunities to assist immigrants in need of legal representation. With the Business Law and Family Law Sections of the NYSBA we cultivated two new funds that, through our grant program, will provide assistance to those in need of legal services that align with the missions of the Sections.

By undertaking the administration of the Catalyst Program, the Foundation helped expand the knowledge of this remarkable program that provides financial support to law students seeking a public service career.

Through our commitment to access to justice for all, lawyers make a difference. We serve the public and in doing so, we have a tremendous opportunity to make life-changing impacts.

However, the job is far from over. We need your help in the form of a contribution, however small or large. As I noted at the outset, we are a helping profession with an enhanced obligation to support access for all to the Rule of Law.

Throughout this annual report you will see how your gifts, compassion, and commitment to the Foundation have made a difference. You have helped us grow and have helped more organizations, more students, more people across New York State meet the legal challenges imposed on them.

Thank you for helping this wonderful organization – reflective of our commitment to serve those in desperate need of our profession's assistance.

John H. Gros President



Your Support Matters

Offering guidance, strength, a voice, hope...lawyers make a difference every day.

You believe that every person should have access to the services of a lawyer. That belief, your tireless efforts to help those in need, and your passion to do more has led you to support the New York Bar Foundation as part of your commitment to do the public good.

You have had a profound impact on the organizations, people and students the Foundation helps. Your efforts have changed people's lives for the better.



The Foundation is growing because of you. Your gifts enable us to help provide access to legal representation, create opportunities for law students, and highlight the good work of the profession.

There were many moments in 2017 when we paused in admiration of your generosity, and what you have helped us accomplish. Here are just few ways your commitment has led to life-changing outcomes.

You helped:

- 96 programs across New York State that provide legal services to those in need
- open the door to opportunity and hands-on learning experiences for nearly 60 students through Foundation-sponsored scholarships and fellowships
- the people of Florida, Texas, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands by contributing to our disaster relief efforts after the devastation caused by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria
- veterans in need of legal services via the 24-hour veterans challenge

These are just a few ways lawyers have made a difference through the Foundation.

I hope this annual report shows how much those we collectively assist appreciate your support. We couldn't do it without you.

Thank you for all that you do!

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Deborah Auspelmyer Foundation Executive

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a Message to The Fellows

As I look out my window and write this year's message to the Fellows, the bitter cold of winter is here; sharing one of the coldest weeks of the season thus far.

The sun is shining brightly though, hitting the snow just right to make it alimmer, producing a hopeful ray that warmer weather and Spring will be coming. That glimmer on this New Year's Day reminds us of the New Year as it offers opportunity and hope for new beginnings; the resetting of goals and aspirations of things to come. It is also an opportunity to reflect on the past year; its successes, misses and the items that are being carried over from the 'to do' list into the New Year

As Chair of the Fellows, I have the opportunity to work closely with Foundation leadership in setting goals, developing fundraising initiatives and hearing the updates about the positive impact of our grants. 2017 was a success filled year for The Foundation in many ways.

As Fellows, you been the drivers of growth for our organization, significant expansion of our grant program has been the direct result of your generosity. We can take pride together as Fellows, having become more involved in our giving initiatives, nominating process and spreading the pride of being involved in an organization that makes a difference. Because of your efforts we have seen growth in the number of fellows completing their pledges, of the money raised through the basket auction and the numbers of new fellows being nominated and accepting this honor, and the number of Fellows wanting to be involved.

Your passion and commitment for doing good and making things better has provided crucial resources to those families in need of legal services across New York State. Your efforts have helped plant the seeds of hope for that neighbor in need of legal representation and the voice of justice: Indeed, changing the course of many lives for the better.

I begin this New Year thankful to have such a wonderful network of leaders across New York that want to make a difference. I am thankful for your support and commitment; and like the alimmer of sun that provides hope for warmer days, sure that together we can continue to make a difference to so many people in life-changing ways.

As 2018 begins to develop, I invite you to continue to grow into the next Circle of Giving and continue to plant and nurture the seeds of hope and justice.



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Emily F. Franchina Chair of The Fellows

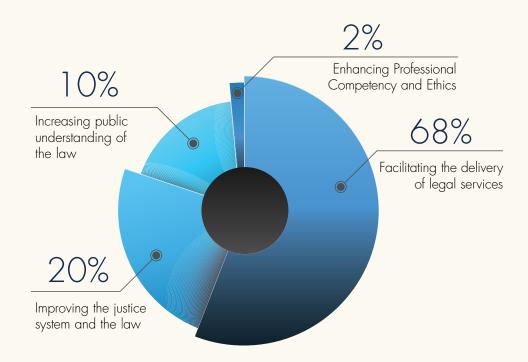
THE NEW YORK BAR FOUNDATION AWARDS

More Than \$640,000 In Charitable And Educational Grants

Ninety-six nonprofit programs across New York received grants totaling more than \$640,000 from The New York Bar Foundation this year. Funding for the grant program comes from the generous contributions to The Foundation by lawyers, law firms, corporations and others. These contributions and fundraising initiatives enable The Foundation to provide impactful grants across New York State, complementing local organizational

While the grant program has continued to increase, so have the needs as funding for these essential programs has been cut or reduced in many areas. Numerous organizations funded by The Foundation provide legal services to low-income individuals impacted by quality-of-life issues, such as homelessness prevention, immigration, access to veteran benefits, re-entry and domestic violence. The legal assistance provided is often life-changing for the recipients and their families.







Lucia B. Whisenand. Chair of the Grants Committee and Roger Juan Maldonado. Assistant Chair of the Grants Committee

2017 GRANTEES BY JUDICIAL DISTRICT

- Judicial District 1 (Manhattan)
- Advocates for Children of New
- Advocates for Justice (A4J)
- Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund (AALDEF)
- Boys and Girls Republic
- Brennan Center for Justice Cabrini Immigrant Services New
- York City Catholic Charities Community Services
- Center for Family Representation
- Community Service Society of New
- Court Appointed Special Advocates, Inc. (CASA)-NYC
- Feerick Center for Social Justice/ Fordham Law School
- Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society
- Housing Conservation Coordinators, Inc. (HCC)
- Human Rights First Her Justice
- LatinoJustice PRLDEF
- Lawyers Alliance for New York
- Lawvers for Children
- Legal Action Center
- Legal Information for Families Today
- Legal Services of New York City
- Lenox Hill Neighborhood House
- MFY Legal Services, Inc.
- National Center for Law and Economic Justice
- New York Asian Women's Center/ Womankind
- New York Center for Law and lustice, Inc.
- New York Civil Liberties Union Foundation
- New York Foundling Hospital DBA The New York Foundling
- New York Lawyers for the Public Interest, Inc. (NYLPI)
- New York Legal Assistance Group (NYLAG)
- Northern Manhattan Improvement Corporation
- Partnership for the Homeless
- Pro Bono Net, Inc.
- Safe Horizon, Inc.
- Sakhi for South Asian Women The Door-A Center of Alternatives,
- The Legal Aid Society
- UnLocal, Inc
- Urban lustice Center
- Volunteers of Legal Service (VOLS)
- Youth Represent

- Judicial District 2 (Kings County)

- Center for Court Innovation/Fund for the City of New York
- The Brooklyn Bar Association
- The Children's Law Center
- Judicial District 3 (Albany, Columbia, Greene, Rensselaer Schoharie, Sullivan, Ulster counties)
- Capital District Women's Bar Association (CDWBA)
- Center for Law and Justice, Inc.
- Court Appointed Special Advocates of Ulster County
- New York State Defenders
- Association, Inc.
- Department
- Essex, Franklin, Fulton, Hamilton, Montgomery, St. Lawrence, Saratoga, Schenectady, Warren, Washington counties)
- Onondaga Counties)
- Center for Community Alternatives

- Chemung, Chenango, Cortland, Delaware, Madison, Otsego,
- Judicial District 7 (Cayuga, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Seneca, Steuben, Wayne, Yates
- · Empire Justice Center (formerly Greater Upstate Law Project
- Hillside Children's Foundation
- Legal Aid Society of Rochester, Inc.

- Brooklyn Defender Services
- CAMBA, Inc.
- Catholic Migration Services, Inc.
- Volunteer Lawyers Project, Inc.

- Disability Rights New York
- NYSBA Committee on Diversity
- NYSBA Law, Youth & Citizenship
- NYSBA Pro Bono Service
- Prisoners' Legal Services of New
- Judicial District 4 (Clinton,
- · Council for the Prevention of Alcohol and Substance Abuse
- Judicial District 5 (Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Oswego, Oneida,
- Frank H. Hiscock Legal Aid Society
- Volunteer Lawyers Project of Onondaga County, Inc.
- Youth Court Jefferson County
- Judicial District 6 (Broome, Schuyler, Tioga, Tompkins counties)

 • Horseheads Family Resource

- Legal Assistance of Western New
- Lifespan of Greater Rochester, Inc. Monroe County Bar Center for
- The Center for Youth Services, Inc. Volunteer Legal Services Project of Monroe County (VLSP)
- Worker Justice Center of New York,
 Mental Health Association of
- Judicial District 8 (Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautaugua, Erie, Genesee, Niagara, Orleans, Wyoming counties)
- Center for Elder Law and Justice Genesee County CASA for
- Legal Aid Bureau of Buffalo, Inc. Veterans One-stop Center of WNY,
- Western New York Law Center, Inc.

Judicial District 9 (Dutchess) Orange, Putnam, Rockland,

RICHMOND

- Alliance for Safe Kids, Inc.
- Westchester, Inc.
- Judicial District 10 (Nassau,

NEW YORK CITY

- Huntington Youth Bureau Youth Development Research Institute, Inc.
- Nassau Suffolk Law Services

- Westchester counties)
- Hudson Valley Justice Center (HVJC) Leaal Services of the Hudson Valley (formerly Westchester/Putnam Legal
- Services)
- My Sisters' Place, Inc. Pace Women's lustice Center
- Suffolk counties)
- Long Island Advocacy Center, Inc.
- Committee, Inc. NYSBA Law. Youth & Citizenship

- (Queens County) Center for Court Innovation/Fund
- for the City of New York Center for Integration and Advancement of New Americans.
- Jacob A. Riis Neighborhood
- Judicial District 12
- Action (formerly YKASEC) · Part of the Solution

Judicial District 11

CLINTON

- Inc. (CIANA) Settlement House
- (Bronx County)
- BronxWorks MinKwon Center for Community
- Start Small. Think Big., Inc.

FELLOWSHIPS OFFER OPPORTUNITIES

Imaan Moughal, currently a Trusts and Estates Associate at Cullen & Dykman in Manhattan, was a recipient of the 2015 Trusts and Estates Law Section Fellowship. From law student to working as an attorney on an array of trusts and estates matters, Ms. Moughal shares her insight:

How did you get involved in this area of practice?

After taking a Wills, Trusts and Estates course taught by Professor Akilah Folami at Hofstra Law School, I knew that I wanted to pursue a career in this field of law. I then had the privilege of serving as a Surrogate's Scholar in the Chambers of Hon. Edward W. McCarty, III in Nassau County Surrogate's Court. During my 2L Summer, I received The New York Bar Foundation's Trusts and Estates Law Section Fellowship in the Chambers of the Honorable Peter J. Kelly, Queens County Surrogate, and subsequently had the honor of being hired by the judge after graduation as a judicial clerk.

What was your experience as a Fellow like?

When I was selected to be a New York Bar Foundation fellow in Judge Kelly's chambers, I was delighted at the chance to work for a Surrogate who genuinely wanted me to learn the ins and outs of Surrogates Practice. As a fellow, I shadowed the brilliant clerks in the Probate, Administration, Accounting, Guardianship, and Miscellaneous departments. Among many other things, they taught me how to file a petition for probate, what an administration proceeding entails, how to create a family tree for a kinship proceeding, and how to review an annual

Judge Kelly handles the process calendar, sat in on conferences and hearings, and observed fascinating trials.

What opportunities did your fellowship grant you?

My time as a judicial fellow was the most beneficial experience in preparing me to become an attorney. The transition from fellow to full time judicial clerk after law school was challenging, as I was no longer observing, but rather conducting conferences between attorneys, helping pro se litigants navigate the complexities of Surrogate's Court and drafting complex judicial decisions for the Court. My determination to practice in this field has been nurtured by the patience of mentors, including Judge Kelly and the court attorneys at Queens Surrogate's. The fellowship, resulting in my clerkship, was an insightful experience which would not have occurred had it not been for the

accounting of a fiduciary. I learned how New York Bar Foundation, for which I am arateful.

Where are you now?

Following my year as a Judicial Clerk with Judge Kelly's chambers, I was offered a position at Cullen & Dykman where I am now practicing, focusing primarily on estate litigation in Kings County Surrogate's

What advice would you give a law student regarding fellowships?

Don't be afraid to pursue them! Have confidence in yourself and your abilities. I didn't know a single estate lawyer until I wanted to become one myself. Make the right connections and pave the way for your career using the mentorship of those who have done it before you. Do not be intimidated or nervous to seek advice and ultimately, be willing to work tirelessly for what you want!



Imaan Moughal

FOUNDATION SUPPORTS ONLINE PORTAL Connects Volunteer Attorneys Seeking To Provide Legal Assistance To Immigrants In New York

Responding to the urgent need for lawyers to assist New York immigrants in need of representation, the

New York State Bar Association and The New York Bar Foundation announced an initiative to connect pro bono lawyers with nonprofit groups serving immigrants across New York.

Since lanuary 2017, thousands of attorneys across the country have volunteered to assist immigrants after the federal government initiated heightened enforcement efforts. Many other attorneys would like to assist, but are not aware of which organizations could make best use of their skills.

The State Bar Association created an online portal to connect attorneys with pro bono opportunities statewide on a timely basis and in a way that best matches the skills and interests of each attorney with the needs of organizations providing legal services to immigrants. The portal also provides access to valuable training materials and an events calendar.

The Foundation, the charitable arm of the Association, provided a grant of \$40,000 toward creating the portal and hiring a pro bono fellow to help administer the statewide portal. The State Bar Association provided an additional \$40,000 to fund the initiative.

www.nysbaprobono.org launched this past summer and the pro bono



Foundation President John H. Gross presents a grant check to Immediate-Past President Claire Gutekunst during the April House of Delegates meeting in Albany.

immigration fellow works to communicate with NSYBA members to get them signed up to volunteer. The fellow also reaches out to legal service providers across the state that serve immigrant legal communities to encourage them to create listings in the portal. The fellow then sends volunteer attornevs tailored referrals to those organizations. The fellow also curates training materials and events that will be useful to attorneys.

25 organizations from across the state have created listings on www.nysbaprobono. org. There is a new attorney sign up process and soon, an automated referral feature will be up and running.

"This project has enhanced the relationships between the Pro Bono Services Department and non-profit civil legal service providers across the State," noted Kristen Wagner, NYSBA Director of Pro Bono Services. "One example is Catholic Charities who has been holding immigration law clinics across the State. We've been working closely with them to refer volunteer attorneys and post their clinic events."

To sign up as a volunteer attorney or to list your organization, go to www. nysbaprobono.org.

BROOKLYN BAR ASSOCIATION Volunteer Lawyers Project

The Brooklyn Bar Association Volunteer Lawyers Project, Brooklyn, NY received a grant for the organization's Foreclosure complex legal process that has significant Intervention Program to continue the needed assistance to low- and moderateincome homeowners in Kings County facing the acute loss of their homes. Foreclosure continues to devastate families and neighborhoods throughout Brooklyn, particularly low-income communities and communities of color. The objective of FIP is to ensure that homeowners from underserved Brooklyn communities have

quality pro bono representation, and are fully informed of their legal rights in a impact on individuals, families and their communities.

Meet Brenda

Like many VLP clients, Brenda – a former bank executive now raising her 6-yearold granddaughter – faced a complex and prolonged legal battle on her own, struggling to succeed. Brenda was

invited to the organization's 2017 Annual Gala, sharing her personal story of what seemed to be an impossible situation, to finding hope, help, and assistance with the Foreclosure Intervention Program. Through the VLP Foreclosure team, Brenda and her granddaughter were able to remain in their home - the only home her granddaughter has ever known-with an affordable mortgage, renewed sense of pride in home ownership, and delight to remain in their community.

"I know I would have lost my home without the assistance of the VLP. They are such a vital and resourceful partner to have for so many people like me who can't afford to pay an attorney. My family and I will be forever grateful from the bottom of our hearts to the VLP for saving our home."



MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE FUTURE THROUGH The New York Bar Foundation Legacy Society

The members of this inspiring group help in making a difference in The Foundation's future. By making contributions for future charitable and educational law-related projects for people who will be impacted for generations to come, Legacy Society members recognize the importance of being able to make a difference for those in need tomorrow.

You can become a member of The New York Bar Foundation Legacy Society by designating a minimum \$1,000 bequest to The Foundation in your will or by establishing a planned gift with The Foundation.

Please contact Deborah Auspelmyer at (518) 487-5650, email dauspelmyer@ tnybf.org or download the form at www.tnybf.org/legacysocietyform.

Thank you to each of the following members of the Legacy Society:

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*Deceased



"I am a member of The Foundation's Legacy Society because I want part of my legacy to provide ongoing support to the important work of The New York Bar Foundation throughout the State in helping to provide access to justice, improve the legal system and promote the rule of law, as well as support the educational programs of the New York State Bar Association.

LEGAL ASSISTANCE OF WESTERN NEW YORK, Geneva Grew Their Education advocacy Project,

Inc. (LawNY) provides free legal aid to students we work with drop out of school people with civil legal problems. Through less, are more likely to find stable housing a Foundation grant LawNY was hoping to and employment, and are less likely to continue to expand its Education Advocacy become involved in the criminal justice Project (EAP). The people served by this system," states Kate Woods, managing program are low-income families with attorney. "A successful educational educational advocacy concerns living in experience can lay the foundation for self-LawNY's five-county coverage area of sufficiency." Livingston, Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates counties. LawNY serves families that are particularly susceptible to educational challenges, working with students and their families to secure the rights of each student to an education by providing direct representation to students whose rights are in jeopardy.

Legal Assistance of Western New York, "When we do this work, we know that the

Meet "Tia"

LawNY assisted "Tia" and her family in obtaining the appropriate education supports to allow her to find success in school. "Tia" suffered from severe mental health challenges, which led to her chronic absenteeism from school.

Because she was not attending school, the school district had not arranged for any supportive interventions.

LawNY's EAP attorney worked with "Tia," her family, and the school district in a collaborative effort to establish and Independent Education Plan and placement in a day treatment program for her. Even with those measures in place, "Tia" continued to struggle. The attorney advocated for a 1:1 aide in the day treatment program. Following this change, "Tia" did not miss a single day of summer school and passes all of her classes. This was the first time in three years that "Tia" had consistently attended school



WELCOME NEW FELLOWS Congratulations and Welcome to the New Fellows of 2017

The following Fellows have been nominated and elected by The Foundation's Board of Directors for 2017 and have accepted this distinguished honor:

FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Jay Cohen of New York (Paul Weiss Rifkind Wharton & Garrison) ~ Joined as a Fellow in the Charles Evans Hughes Circle of Giving

Harriet Cohen of New York (Cohen Rabin Stine Schumann LLP) ~ Joined as a Life Fellow

Richard J. Davis of New York ~ Joined as a Fellows in the Charles Evans Hughes Circle of Giving

Donna E. Frosco of New York (Dunnington Bartholow & Miller LLP)

Philip L. Maier of New York

Evan Spelfogel of New York (Epstein Becker & Green, P.C.) ~ Joined as a Fellow in the Maryann Saccomando Freedman Circle of Giving

Martha Cohen Stine of New York (Cohen Rabin Stine Schumann LLP)

SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT

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Elisa Strassler Rosenthal of Brooklyn (The Law Office of Richard A. Klass)

THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Hon. Michael J. Garcia of Albany (New York Court of Appeals)

Peter Gerstenzang of Albany (Gerstenzang, Sills, Davis, Cohn & Gerstenzang)

FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Sophie Dagenais of Syracuse (Syracuse University College of Law)

SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Connie O. Walker of Rochester ~ Joined as a Life Fellow

FIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Frederick G. Attea of Buffalo (Phillips Lytle LLP) Dennis R. McCoy of Buffalo (Barclay Damon LLP) ~ Joined as a Life Fellow

NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Magdalen Gaynor of White Plains (Law Offices of Magdalen Gaynor) ~ Joined as a Life Fellow in the Charles Evans Hughes Circle of Giving

TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Dennis I. Campagna of White Plains

John P. Christopher of Glen Head (Sahn Ward Coschignano, PLLC)

Michael R. Gordon of Katonah (Gordon Law, LLP)

Richard J. Guercio of Farmingdale (Guercio & Guercio, LLP) ~ Joined as a Fellow in the Maryann Saccomando Freedman Circle of Giving

Hon. Arthur Kremer of Uniondale (Ruskin Moscou Faltischek, PC1

Joan Lensky Robert of Rockville Centre (Kassoff, Robert & Lerner, LLP)

Gary L. Steffanetta of Farminadale (Guercio & Guercio, LLP) ~ Joined as a Fellow in the Maryann Saccomando Freedman Circle of Giving

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

loy Solomon of the Bronx (The Hebrew Home At

THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Daniel C. Marotta of Staten Island (Gabor & Marotta)

Claire C. Miller of Staten Island



Thank you from Safe Horizon, one of the many grantee organizations assisted through The Foundation because of our Fellows and donors

MEET THE FELLOWS

The Fellows of The New York Bar Foundation are instrumental in the success and growth of the organization. Each Fellow is elected by the Board of Directors. Follows are nominated for their outstanding professional achievement, dedication to the legal profession, and commitment to the organized bar. Every Fellow makes a financial commitment to the Foundation to support its grant making programing and acts as an ambassador for The Foundation

DISTRICT CHAIRS OF THE FELLOWS

The following Fellows serve as Chair or Co-Chair of The Fellows in the 13 Judicial Districts of the State of New York:



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CIRCLE OF GIVING MEMBERS

The Circle of Giving categories recognize individual Fellows who have made a major commitment to The Foundation by contributing or pledaing to contribute gifts ranging from \$3,000 to \$50,000.

All Fellows are invited to enhance their pledge by becoming a member of a Circle of Giving or moving to a higher circle. Each Fellow becomes a Life Member of a Circle upon fulfillment of the pledge.

The Foundation thanks all our esteemed Fellows for their support

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DISASTER RELIEF ASSISTANCE EXPANDED

Lawyers and friends across New York came together to assist those in need of legal services due to the hurricanes and devastating floods impacting Texas, Florida, Puerto Rico, and the US Virgin Islands.

As Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria decimated communities The Foundation received donations from NYSBA members. firms, and friends wanting to help in some way. More than \$30,000 was received in donations and distributed to the Colegio de Abogados y Abogadas de Puerto Rico, the Florida Bar Foundation, the Houston Bar Association, the Texas Bar Foundation, and the Virgin Islands Bar Association to assist with those in need with the legal challenges that arise from these situations.

NYSBA employees and the Defense Association of New York contributed to the initiative as well. "In response to the devastation caused by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria and in furtherance of the mission of the Defense Association of New York's ("DANY") service to the community; DANY researched many charitable programs to partner with, stated Heather Wiltshire Clement, Esq., president of The Defense Association of New York, Inc. "The Disaster Relief Fund of the New York Bar Foundation was a perfect fit. As the charitable and philanthropic arm of the New York State Bar Association ("NYSBA"), it not only provided a vehicle for DANY to give back to the communities affected by all three hurricanes it also continues to foster the ongoing collaboration between DANY and the NYSBA."



Anna Pippin, a mother of three, attended an Ask-A-lawyer clinic hosted by disaster grantee Community Legal Services of Mid-Florida after her home sustained damage during Hurricane Irma. "I was just looking for a friendly face, and someone to be honest and help quide me, and that's exactly what I got," Pippen said. The Florida Bar Foundation was one of the recipients of a grant check from the New York Bar Foundation to assist with disaster arants.

"We thank the donors to The Foundation's disaster relief fund." As you know, Puerto Rico was decimated during the hurricane and while there is still much work to be done, we are working to help people with insurance and FEMA applications. We have worked to develop and present workshops in the most affected areas, designed to inform community and cooperative movement leaders about the different relief programs and how to access them. They then could use this knowledge to assist residents of the hardest-toreach communities. This entailed a major effort, since it was done in spite of lack of electric power at both ends and some difficult travel conditions. We also carried and delivered much needed supplies for our members and the general public in these communities.

Our Bar headquarters also served as a depot and gathering place for other relief efforts, such as those for the protection of shelters for victims of marital or relationship abuse. Every contribution matters and we won't forget your solidarity as we move forward."

> Francisco Santiago, Executive Director of Colegio de Abogados y Abogadas de Puerto Rico

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The Young Lawyer Friends of The Foundation and Young Lawyers Section came together to spearhead The Foundation's first online 24 hour giving campaign in 2016, exceeding their goal to raise \$5,000 to assist Veterans in need of legal services. More than \$7,300 was raised because of their efforts and a grant was presented to the Nassau Suffolk Law Services Committee, Inc. for their Veteran's Rights Project in 2017.

Later in the year this energetic group once again committed to this effort and surpassed their fundraising goal. Colleagues, family and friends from across New York state. and areas of California. Connecticut. Florida, Massachusetts, Nevada, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania, helped raise more than \$9,000 to once again assist Veterans in need of legal services.

Salman Ravala, Chair, Young Lawyers Friends of The Foundation said. "I am proud of the support the New York legal community, and especially the young lawvers, have provided to our veterans during the 2nd Annual Lawyers Love Veterans Challenge. Service to others is at the heart of our role as lawyers and we are delighted to exceed this year's fundraising goals which will directly support the lives of the brave women and men who have sacrificed so much for our freedoms "

Congratulations to the top three fundraisers for this campaign: Foundation Board Member and Fellow James Barnes (ID3); Foundation Board Member and Fellow Donald Doerr (JD5); and Foundation Fellow John Christopher (JD10).

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Through generous gifts from the New York State Bar Association Sections, law firms and donors, law students from across New York State are able to apply for fellowships and scholarships that provide invaluable educational opportunities.

In total, nearly \$200,000 was distributed, giving students the platform and knowledge to build a solid base for their career goals. The impact of these experiences on each student as they begin their professional pathway is remarkable. Thank you to our generous donors and fellowship host sites that support these invaluable programs.

Fellowships

Antitrust Section Law Student Fellowship

Four students were presented with \$6,000 fellowships to work on antitrust and related matters in the public sector in the State of New York.

Recipients:

Kepei Miao, Duke University of Law; New York Office of New York Attorney General, Antitrust Bureau

Paul Park, Brooklyn Law School; The Department of Justice Antitrust Division, New York Office

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Catalyst Public Service Fellowship

The Catalyst Public Service Fellowship Program was developed to encourage and enable first year law students to gain practical legal experience in public service.

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The \$6,000 Fellowship was awarded to a student to spend the summer working on Commercial Division matters in the Chambers of Justice Peter Sherwood, New York Supreme, Court Commercial Division.

Recipient: Janae Cummings, Brooklyn Law School

Corporate Counsel Section Fellowship

The \$6,000 fellowship occurs at a New York public interest legal or charitable organization. The student assists the

organization's general counsel (or other similar individual holding a counsel position) with matters relating to counsel or advice to the organization.

Recipient: Emmanuel Zamor, Albany Law School; who completed his Fellowship at Urban Justice Center

The Health Law Section Fellowship

The \$5,000 fellowship was awarded to two law students to work in Health law positions in the State of New York during the summer.

Recipients:



"This program is an incredible opportunity to gain meaningful experience in the rapidly developing healthcare industry, while serving as an advocate for diversity

initiatives as well. My placement with NYC Health + Hospitals is the ideal work environment needed to learn from a team of experienced attorneys, especially about the legal considerations that arise in an integrated health care system. I am looking forward to contributing to the Office of Legal Affairs, building professional relationships, and being exposed to a wide range of challenging issues involving hospitals, neighborhood health centers, nursing homes, long-term care, and home care. Thank you very much again to the Health Law Section

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needed to work

"It is a great

through the challenges of healthcare policies; however, my work has just begun. I have a passion in healthcare, which is vastly different than law. have discovered tremendous satisfaction in working with a private healthcare practice for many years. Moreover, figuring out how to navigate through the healthcare system has become an undertaking that I have grown to appreciate. I realize the importance of delivering quality healthcare to patients, and all that goes into supporting a system that delivers such care. recognized that healthcare and law are not mutually exclusive industries, and that in combining the two I can achieve far more than what I have done. I am eager to work for the Catholic Health Services of Long Island this summer, as it will be one of many stepping-stones in my health law career."

Lillian Mosley, Hofstra University Law School

Trusts and Estates Law Section Fellowship

The Fellowship provides students an opportunity to experience trusts and estates law practice through supervised experience in the chambers of the Honorable Vincent Versaci of Schenectady County; the Honorable Robert Gigante of Richmond County; the Honorable Peter Kelly of Queens County; or the Honorable Barbara Howe of Erie County. Four \$5,000 fellowships were awarded.

Recipients:

Jenna Canciglia, Brooklyn Law School Bradley Murray, Albany Law School Nicole Mutignani, University of Buffalo School of Law Santorini Rivera, New York Law School



"It is an honor to be selected as a recipient of the prestigious Trusts and Estates Law Section Fellowship. This opportunity will no doubt strengthen my passion for trusts and estates, and

provide for unparalleled learning and growth that will stay with me throughout my future law career. I cannot thank the Section and Foundation enough for making this experience possible."

Bradley Murray



"I am honored to receive the Trust and Estates Fellowship. This is an excellent opportunity to explore my interest in trusts and estates. excited and humbled

by the opportunity to work with the Honorable Peter Kelly of the Queens County Surrogate's Court this summer." Santorini Rivera

Scholarships

The Honorable Joel K. Asarch Elder Law and Special Needs Section Scholarship Established through a gift from the Elder Law and Special Needs Section of The New York State Bar Association, the \$2.500 scholarship is awarded to a law student who demonstrates an interest in the legal rights of the elderly or those with disabilities.

Recipient: Jessica Kiersy, Touro College Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center

The Honorable Judith S. Kaye Children and the Law Committee Scholarship

As a special project of the New York State Bar Association Children and the Law Committee with a gift from the PJCIC Fund. Inc. of the Permanent Iudicial

Commission on Justice for Children to The Foundation, the scholarship was established to honor the memory and passion of the late Judith S. Kaye, the first woman Chief Judge of the State of New York. The purpose of the scholarship is to support young people who age out of foster care and are attending an accredited post-secondary college or institution. Seven students from across New York State were selected to receive a 2017 scholarship.

Real Property Law Section Melvyn Mitzner Scholarship

The scholarship was established through a gift from the Real Property Law Section of the New York State Bar Association (NYSBA) and from Rosalyn Mitzner and honors the memory of Melvyn Mitzner, a former Chair of the Section. The \$5,000 scholarship is awarded to law student that honors Mr. Mitzner's commitment to professional achievement in the area of real property law including legal writing, lecturing and scholarship; and diversity in the profession.

Recipient: Joanna Sedlak, Fordham University School of Law

The Real Property Law Section Lorraine Power Tharp Scholarship

The scholarship was established through a gift from the Real Property Law Section of the New York State Bar Association



(NYSBA) to the honor memory of Lorraine Power Tharp. Esa.: a former Chair of the Section and a former President of the Association. The \$5.000 scholarship is

awarded to a law student who best exemplifies the core values important to Lorraine - academic excellence, a demonstrated interest in public service, high integrity and an interest in real property law.

Recipient: Megan McGuiggan, SUNY Buffalo School of Law

Judge Bernard Meyer Scholarship

Established in 2004 by the law firm, Meyer, Suozzi, English & Klein, P.C., the scholarship is awarded to a law school student who excels in legal writing and advocacy skills. The \$5,000 scholarship is awarded to one student

The 2017 recipient, Rachel Bernzweig, Albany Law School, wrote an essay titled, "The Right to Healthcare Does Not Exist: An Analysis of the Lack of Access to Healthcare for Transgender Individuals."

FOUNDATION ADMINISTERS Catalyst Public Service Program

The Foundation began 2017 with the announcement that it had undertaken administration of a new Fellowship Program. The Catalyst program was developed to encourage and enable first year law students to gain practical legal experience in public service. It was created in January 2016 by a donation of unused campaign funds from the lanet DiFiore for District Attorney Committee before she became the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals and the State of New York. The program is coordinated with law schools across the state and matches law school stipends so that each student receives a \$5,000 Fellowship.

"Too many law students, saddled with considerable debt from college and law school studies, are unable to accept nonpaying internships with public service organizations because they need to get paid during their summers," stated Program Coordinator, Robert Spolzino. Esq. "Those students who have to work to pay their tuition and living expenses miss out on the wonderful experiences available to them as interns in a public service office."

The first year of the program 16 fellowships were presented to students from 10 of the 15 law schools in New York State. In the program's second year, 40 Catalyst fellowships totaling \$100,000 were allocated to students from 13 law schools. "Next year, we expect all 15 law schools to participate and we hope to offer as many as four Catalyst Fellow positions to each of the 15 law schools for a total of 60 positions," added Spolzino.



Chief Judge Janet DiFiore (standing center) and the Catalyst Fellows at the 2017 Court of Appeals Day. Catalyst Fellows are invited to visit the Court of Appeals in Albany in early June when the Court is hearing arguments. During Catalyst Day at the Court of Appeals, the Chief Judge greets the students, they receive a tour of the beautiful Court of Appeals Hall, and each of the Court of Appeals Judges comes by and talks to the students about how public service was meaningful in their career.

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PORTRAIT UNVEILED

On November 3, 2017, The New York Bar Foundation unveiled the portrait it commissioned of the Hon. Judith S. Kaye, Chief ludge of the State of New York. The portrait hangs prominently in the State Bar Center's Great Hall in Albany, honoring one of the state's great jurists and its first woman Chief ludge.

"We are so grateful to so many for the tremendous honor of making our mother's the first portrait of a woman to grace the walls of the Great Hall in this prestigious institution, an institution that was very dear to our mother," wrote ludge Kaye's daughter, Luisa Kaye, in remarks that were read at the ceremony.

Foundation Vice President Lesley Rosenthal remembered Chief Judge Kaye as someone who loved the New York State Constitution, children, and the arts. Chief Judge Kaye's relationship with the Foundation focused on the needs of court-involved youth in our state. She permitted the Bar Foundation to rename its Youth Court Fund in her honor, supporting improved juvenile justice outcomes through an alternative to the criminal justice system for community youth. She and her family also permitted the Foundation to name after her the Judith S. Kaye Scholarship, which provides educational funding to students who will age out or have aged out of foster care. The Judith S. Kaye Scholarship was established at the Bar Foundation by the New York State Permanent Judicial Commission on Justice for Children to honor her commitment to improve the lives and life chances of the children who come before the New York State Courts.

The portrait was painted by Laurel Stern Boeck.

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ASSETS CURRENT ASSETS:		REVENUES: Contributions received:	
Cash, including interest bearing accounts	\$ 652,191	Contributions received: Unrestricted	\$ 203,163
Investments	5,851,235	Restricted	1,406,473
Cy Pres Fund	75,850	Cy Pres	8,789
Endowed Funds	708,889	Cy 1163	
Catalyst Fund	1,015,350		1,618,425
Accounts receivable	136,098	Rent	200 000
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	8,439,613	kent Income from investments	302,229 161,490
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FIXED ASSETS AT COST:		Other	41,900
Land	766,731	GG.	640,592
Building	9,655,174		·
Furniture, fixtures and library	158,636	total revenues	2,259,017
	10,580,541		
		GRANTS AND EXPENSES:	
Less accumulated depreciation	5,869,898	Grants:	
NET FIXED ASSETS	4,710,643	Unrestricted	556,536
TOTAL 100FT0	410.150.057	From restricted contributions	90,200
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$13,150,256</u>	Cy Pres	628,964
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE			1,275,700
Accounts Payable	14,694	Expenses:	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	14,694	Distributions from Restricted Funds	260,655
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BOARD DESIGNATED FOR:		Salaries & fringe	151,854
Endowed Assets	\$ 708,889	Depreciation	151,472
Restricted Assets	1,325,315	General and administrative	109,561
Cy Pres Net Assets	75,850		681,542
Undesignated	11,025,508	TOTAL GRANTS AND EXPENSES	1,957,242
TOTAL NET ASSETS	13,135,562	. 3 , . 2 3	.,, 0, ,2 12
TOTAL HABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	410.150.05 (Increase in net assets	\$ 301,775
total liabilities and net assets	\$13,150,256		



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