



the ripple effect



2015 ANNUAL REPORT

Lawyers caring. Lawyers sharing.
Around the corner. Around the state.

A Message to The Fellows



My husband loves presents. He awaits Christmas with great anticipation for the wonderful wrapped packages brightly decorated with ribbons. In January our board of directors looks forward to giving presents of our own – each of our hundreds of grant applications are carefully reviewed, discussed at the Grant Committee meeting and then presented to our board for discussion, recommendation, and approval. As Fellows of The Foundation, we participate in this process by financially supporting The Foundation.

In spirit, our presents are wrapped with different colored ribbons no less important than those wrapping my husband's gifts. A pink ribbon for Marianne Saccomando Freedman, light pink for Charles Evans Hughes, kelly green for Benjamin N. Cardozo, green for Thurgood Marshall and gold for Learned Hand. All of these colored ribbons, representing various levels of giving circles, are proudly worn to our New York State Bar Association bar meetings. They are tangible evidence of the support we give to our Foundation.

To receive a colored ribbon, Fellows make a financial commitment to make payments toward a circle goal. Each Circle has been named for a highly respected individual who has dedicated his or her life to the law and the advancement of the legal profession. Their gifts to the profession and your gifts of being a Fellow and Circle member impacts the anticipation of the grantees we are able to contact because of your support.

This year, Fellows found a new, creative way to support our Foundation. Each of our 13 district chairs developed a basket of items that represented the attributes of their unique area of New York State. Each of the District baskets was auctioned at the summer Cooperstown meeting during which we install our new bar president. With the support of David Miranda, our bar president, and that of our then Foundation President, Cris Cioffi, we were able to raise close to \$8,000. That figure enables our Foundation to donate at least one additional grant, crucial to a worthy and needy organization this year.

From around the corner, and around the State, thank you for your continued generosity to The Foundation.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Emily F. Franchina'.

Emily F. Franchina
Chair of The Fellows

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President's Message

The Foundation is the arm of the NYSBA that touches people directly, helping to make life easier and safer for those seeking legal assistance through the non-profit organizations that receive our grants.

Since 1950 your generosity has shown that lawyers care about our neighbors and are committed to the principle of access to justice for all; but there remains a substantial gap in access to justice—over 1 million litigants in civil matters in courts in New York remain unrepresented.

2015 brought a 25% increase of applications to our grant program, many of which can be characterized as falling under the umbrella of “access to justice”. The underlying needs sought to be fulfilled are elemental—freedom from modern day slavery, a roof to live under, unjust deportation, escape from childhood or domestic abuse.

At the last meeting of 2015, The Foundation's Board of Directors voted to launch “Impact Campaign 2016”. In addition to its traditional grant program, The Foundation is committing to seek contributions for grant programs that touch on these essential basics of life, among others.

We need you to be involved!

As legal professionals you are aware of the profound difference having legal assistance can make in improving a person's chance in conquering legal problems. Giving to The Foundation shows that you believe that everyone has the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness as guaranteed by our national Constitution.

The dollars you give to support our grant program helps provide legal representation, giving a voice to those without legal recourse:

- You help us participate in the fight to free those across New York State who have been subject to modern day forms of slavery as identified in our own Association's Task Force report in 2013.
- You help provide assistance to protect the abused wife and mother subjected to emotional and physical violence day in and day out with no means to free herself or her children.
- You help provide legal assistance to those in need who have served to protect us in the armed forces of this great country—our veterans.



Why give to The Foundation

We have been recognized for our efforts in good governance. We operate lean, fulfill our mission, provide good stewardship of your gifts, and publicize the compassion and philanthropy of the legal profession.

When you give to The Foundation, your gift's impact is enhanced through our grant program creating a ripple effect that extends throughout New York State via numerous non-profit organizations. You help assist people in our neighborhoods with life changing legal matters.

You will be asked to participate in making an impact. I invite and encourage you to help us in substantially increasing Foundation funding to meet our recognized responsibility to assist those in need of legal assistance.

Thank you,

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John H. Gross
President

"Each time a man stands up for an ideal, or acts to improve the lot of others, or strikes out against injustice, he sends forth a tiny ripple of hope... and crossing each other from a million different centers of energy and daring those ripples build a current that can sweep down the mightiest walls of oppression and resistance."

Robert F. Kennedy

How far will your ripple go?



Robert Kennedy's quote taken from words spoken at the University of Cape Town in South Africa has been inspiring people since 1966.

Decades later those words are still profound, resonating with the values and passion of the legal profession as you work to strike out against injustice and work to improve the lot of others.

By making a donation to The Foundation you make a ripple of hope, offering someone the opportunity for legal assistance to make their voice heard. You make a ripple of hope to the law student passionate and eager to begin the noble practice of law. You make a ripple of hope to the person in need of learning about legal services in a language they can understand.

When you give to The New York Bar Foundation, your gift has a ripple effect. It is added to other donations making a larger financial impact to those we collectively assist through our grant program. Your gift becomes part of a \$5,000 grant. The \$5,000 grant starts a needed legal program or expands the reach and availability of one in existence. That legal program opens its doors to someone in need of legal services and your gift has a life changing impact.

The ripple expands like tributaries of a river reaching out to the rural areas and major cities of New York. It touches people of all ages, nationalities, religions and genders.

Its impact can flow through generations...giving a mother and her children the chance at having a better life, free from violence and abuse; preventing an immigrant child from being unfairly deported, free to start a new life; supporting a father as he reenters society and his family life after unjustly serving time.

Each gift The Foundation receives helps that ripple of hope spread further, the opportunity for change to grow and the current of providing needed legal services swell across New York.

I invite you to read how you make a difference within the pages of this annual report and thank you for making a difference.

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Deborah A. Auspelmyer
Foundation Executive

Your Gifts Matter, The New York Bar Foundation Awards Over \$530,000 In Grants

Ninety-three programs across New York State received grants totaling over \$530,000 from The New York Bar Foundation in 2015. "The Foundation saw a 25% increase in grant applications which demonstrates that there is still significant need for resources to provide legal representation to the underserved," states Grant Committee Chair, Lucia B. Whisenand.

As the charitable and philanthropic entity of the New York State Bar Association, The Foundation makes grants in four major areas including: facilitating the delivery of legal services to those in need; improving the justice system and the law; enhancing professional competence and ethics; and increasing public understanding of the law.

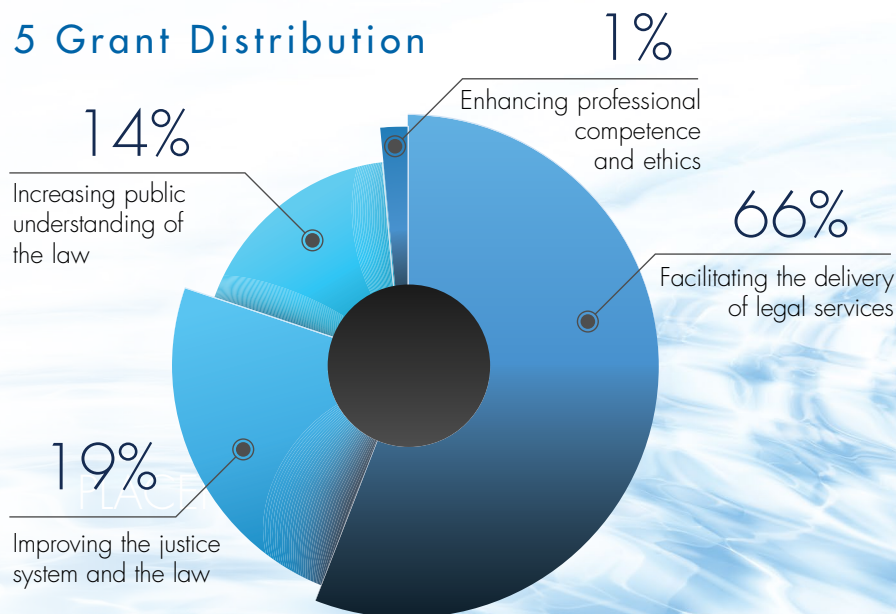
Funding for the grants comes from the generous contributions to The Foundation by lawyers, law firms, corporations and others. "The collective impact of The Foundation's donors complements local organizational efforts," explains Whisenand. "The grants make their dollars have a larger impact."



Lucia B. Whisenand,
Chair of the Grants Committee

Grants support a variety of programs that touch on quality of life issues including domestic violence, poverty, legal guardianship, housing, wages, immigration and employment.

2015 Grant Distribution



The grant applications get prepared to be sent to the Grant Review Committee.

2015 Grantees by Judicial District

Judicial District 1 (Manhattan)

- Advocates for Children of New York Inc.
- Advocates for Justice (AJJ)
- Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund (AALDEF)
- Brennan Center for Justice
- Center for Court Innovation/Fund for the City of New York
- Correctional Association of New York
- Feerick Center for Social Justice/Fordham Law School
- Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society (HIAS)
- Housing Conservation Coordinators, Inc. (HCC)
- Human Rights First
- inMotion Inc./Her Justice
- International Rescue Committee, Inc.
- LatinoJustice PRLDEF
- Lawyers for Children
- Legal Information for Families Today (LIFT)
- Lenox Hill Neighborhood House
- National Center for Law and Economic Justice
- New York Center for Law and Justice, Inc.
- New York City Gay and Lesbian Anti-Violence Project (AVP)
- New York Civil Liberties Union Foundation
- New York County Lawyers' Association
- New York Foundling Hospital
- New York Lawyers for the Public Interest, Inc. (NYLPI)
- New York Legal Assistance Group (NYLAG)
- Northern Manhattan Improvement Corporation
- Partnership for Children's Rights
- Partnership for the Homeless
- Pro Bono Net, Inc.
- Safe Horizon, Inc.
- Sakhi for South Asian Women
- The Door - A Center of Alternatives, Inc.
- The Fund for Modern Courts
- The Legal Aid Society
- The New Media Advocacy Project (NMAP)
- Urban Justice Center
- Volunteers of Legal Service (VOLS)

Judicial District 2 (Kings County)

- CAMBA, Inc.
- Catholic Migration Services, Inc.
- Center for Court Innovation/Fund for the City of New York
- Edwin Gould Services for Children & Families
- The Brooklyn Bar Association Volunteer Lawyers Project, Inc.
- The Children's Law Center

Judicial District 3 (Albany, Columbia, Greene, Rensselaer, Schoharie, Sullivan, Ulster counties)

- Bethlehem Youth Court, Inc.
- Legal Aid Society of Northeastern New York (LASNNY)
- New York State Defenders Association, Inc.
- NYSBA Committee on Courts of Appellate Jurisdiction
- NYSBA Committee on Diversity
- NYSBA Law, Youth & Citizenship Program
- Prisoners' Legal Services of New York

Judicial District 5 (Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Oswego, Oneida, Onondaga Counties)

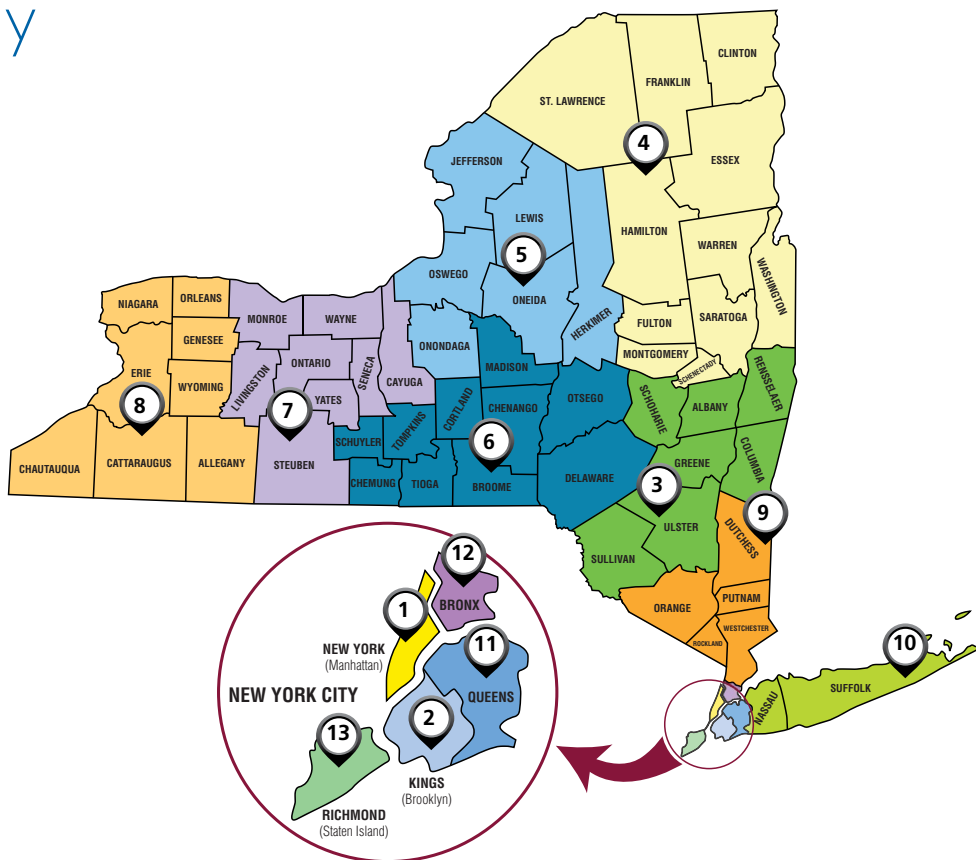
- Frank H. Hiscock Legal Aid Society
- Legal Services of Central New York, Inc. (LSCNY)
- Volunteer Lawyers Project of Onondaga County, Inc.

Judicial District 7 (Cayuga, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Seneca, Steuben, Wayne, Yates counties)

- Empire Justice Center
- Hillside Children's Foundation
- Legal Aid Society of Rochester, Inc.
- Legal Assistance of Western New York, Inc.
- Lifespan of Greater Rochester, Inc.
- The Center for Youth Services, Inc.
- Volunteer Legal Services Project of Monroe County (VLSP)
- Worker Justice Center of New York, Inc.

Judicial District 8 (Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Genesee, Niagara, Orleans, Wyoming counties)

- Allegany County Youth Court



- Genesee County CASA for Children
- Legal Aid Bureau of Buffalo, Inc.
- Legal Services for the Elderly, Disabled or Disadvantaged of Western New York, Inc.
- Mental Health Association of Erie County
- Western New York Law Center, Inc.
- Wyoming County Youth Bureau

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

- Legal Services of the Hudson Valley
- Mental Health Association of Westchester, Inc.
- My Sisters' Place, Inc.
- Pace Women's Justice Center
- Westchester County Bar Foundation
- Westchester Hispanic Coalition

Judicial District 10 (Nassau, Suffolk counties)

- Bellport Area Community Action Committee, Inc.
- Catholic Charities Community Services
- Long Island Advocacy Center, Inc.
- Mercy Haven, Inc.
- Nassau County Bar Association
- Nassau Suffolk Law Services Committee, Inc.
- NYSBA Law, Youth & Citizenship Program/PATCH

Judicial District 11 (Queens County)

- Jacob A. Riis Neighborhood Settlement House
- Queens Volunteer Lawyers Project, Inc.

Judicial District 12 (Bronx County)

- BronxWorks
- Minkwon Center for Community Action
- Part of the Solution
- Start Small. Think Big., Inc.
- The Bronx Defenders
- Thurgood Marshall Junior Mock Trial Program, Inc.

Judicial District 13 (Richmond County)

- Center for Court Innovation/Fund for the City of New York
- Richmond County Bar Association Volunteer Lawyers Project, Inc.

Congratulations and welcome to the new Fellows of 2015

The following Fellows have been elected by The Foundation Board of Directors for 2015 and have accepted this distinguished honor:



First Judicial District

Mark Arthur Berman of New York (Ganfer & Shore LLP)

Maxine Blake of New York

****Lisa Carrie Cohen** of New York (Schindler Cohen & Hochman LLP)

Joseph Michael Drayton of New York (Cooley LLP)

Hillary Ann Frommer of New York (Farrell Fritz PC)

****Richard M. Maltz** of New York (Frankfurt Kurnit Klein & Selz PC)

****Lawrence Mandelker** of New York (Kantor Davidoff Wolfe Mandelker & Kass, PC)

Elizabeth McDonald Hecht of White Plains (Mead, Hecht, Conklin & Gallagher, LLP)

Jason R. Pickholz of New York (The Pickholz Law Offices LLC)

Stanley Pierre-Louis of New York (Viacom Inc.)

Third Judicial District

****Kathy A. Ahearn** of Latham (Guercio & Guercio, LLP)

JulieAnn Calareso of Albany, (Burke & Casserly, P.C.)

Catherine M. Hedgeman of Albany (Law Office Of Catherine M. Hedgeman)

Christopher Massaroni of Albany (McNamee, Lochner, Titus & Williams, P.C.)

Fourth Judicial District

Tucker C. Stanclift of Glens Falls (Stanclift Ludemann Silvestri & McMorris, P.C.)

Tara Anne Pleat of Clifton Park (Wilcenski & Pleat PLLC)

Fifth Judicial District

Laurence G. Bousquet of Syracuse (Bousquet Holstein PLLC)

Mitchell J. Katz of Syracuse (Menter, Rudin & Trivelpiece, P.C.)

Seventh Judicial District

Karen Bailey Turner of Rochester (Brown & Hutchinson, Attorneys At Law)

Paul Elijah Richardson of Pittsford

Eighth Judicial District

Thomas Raymond Beecher, Jr. of Buffalo (Phillips Lytle LLP)

Kenneth A. Manning of Buffalo (Phillips Lytle LLP)

Ninth Judicial District

Anthony J. Enea of White Plains (Enea, Scanlan & Sirignano LLP)

Philip M. Halpern of White Plains (Collier, Halpern, Newberg, Nolletti & Bock, LLP)

Steven R. Harris of New York (American International Group, Inc.)

Jacqueline Hattar of White Plains (Wilson Elser Moskowitz Edelman & Dicker, LLP)

Hon. Sondra Miller of White Plains

****Richard L. O'Rourke** of White Plains (Keane & Beane, PC)

Richard S. Vecchio of White Plains (Worby Groner Edelman LLP)

Tenth Judicial District

John M. Brickman of Great Neck (Ackerman, Levine, Cullen, Brickman & Limmer, LLP)

Jaclene D'Agostino of Uniondale (Farrell Fritz, P.C.)

****Sally M. Donahue** of Garden City (Jaspan Schlesinger LLP)

Howard M. Esterces of Mineola (Meltzer, Lippe, Goldstein & Breitstone, LLP)

Adrienne Flipse Hausch of Mineola

Carol M. Hoffman of Syosset (The Hoffman Law Firm)

Evan H. Krinick of Uniondale (Rivkin Radler LLP)

Dean Eric Lane of Hempstead (Hofstra University School Of Law)

William M. Savino of Uniondale (Rivkin Radler LLP)

Kevin Schlosser of Garden City (Meyer, Suozzi, English & Klein P.C.)

Steven H. Stern of Islandia (Davidow, Davidow, Siegel & Stern LLP)

Terrence Lee Tarver of Garden City (Sullivan, Papain, Block, McGrath & Cannavo, PC)

Jon A. Ward of Uniondale (Sahn Ward Coschignano, PLLC)

Thirteenth Judicial District

Orin J. Cohen of Staten Island

Michael J. Gaffney of Staten Island (Law Office of Michael J. Gaffney)

Edwina Frances Martin of New York (Counsel/Legislative and Budget Director Councilwoman Debi Rose 49th District)

***Joined as a Life Fellow*

Your Gifts Help Change Lives...

The ripples of your gifts, through The Foundation's efforts, expand to the rural areas and major cities of New York. They touch people of diverse ages, nationalities, religions and genders. The effect couldn't be as widespread or profound without your support.

Thank you for making a difference, for having an impact as highlighted in the following stories.

Your gift helped veteran, Fredgerald Dupont through NYCLA

Fredgerald Dupont was a combat soldier deployed in Iraq who watched his fellow soldiers die in IED explosions and witnessed the destruction of elementary schools with local children inside.

He suffered from severe post-traumatic stress disorder and, despite several attempts to explain his symptoms to authority figures, was never given proper medical treatment while in the military. He was eventually generally discharged due to several instances of misconduct. He sought counseling from a Vet Center and from there was put in touch with Josh Naylor, a lawyer with the Veterans Discharge Upgrade Project.

Through working with Mr. Naylor, Mr. Dupont received an upgrade to his military discharge, which gave him access to GI benefits and healthcare from the VA.



Fredgerald Dupont and his daughter enjoy some time together.

Mr. Naylor also successfully argued for disability payments for Mr. Dupont, who initially received \$12,000 in back-pay from the military. Thanks to these legal breakthroughs, Mr. Dupont was given the motivation to reestablish contact with his daughter, to attend a trade school for woodworking, and eventually to enroll in college.

"Mr. Naylor was professional, consistent and stayed with me until the very end. He was even more motivated than I was. Seeing how hard he worked for me restored my faith. Getting this Honorable Discharge has given me the opportunity to [be a part of my daughter's life] and help her out. I don't think I've ever been this happy." Fredgerald Dupont

Each donation makes a ripple

Mr. Dupont was assisted through a Foundation Grant to New York County Lawyers Association for their Veteran Discharge Upgrade Pro Bono Program. The program assists veterans to upgrade their discharged orders to a higher, revised character so they are able to claim their benefits following service. Veterans who receive less than Honorable discharges are often suffering from undiagnosed post-traumatic stress and/or traumatic brain injury which often lead to inferior service and misconduct while in service. NYCLA is helping many veterans reclaim their benefits as a result of these types of injuries sustained in wartime. Mr. Dupont has taken many positive steps that have an impact on him and his daughter.

Your Gift Assisted an 8 Year Old Girl Through a CASA Volunteer

CASA's main role is to advocate for the best interests of abused and neglected children within the Family Court system. The biggest reason why the CASA program is so successful is because it's comprised entirely of volunteers. These volunteers are everyday people from our local community, doing extraordinary things for our most vulnerable and impressionable children.

Peggy Lamb, a CASA volunteer, was the 2015 recipient of the "Genesee of the Year" award by the local chamber of commerce for her extensive volunteer work in our community. Peggy has been with the CASA program now for 7 years, dedicating countless hours spending time with the children that she serves. The impact of her volunteerism has been profound. Ashley Hausfelder, the Director of the Genesee County CASA shared that she has seen Peggy donate her couch out of her own home to her CASA family who didn't have a single piece of furniture in their apartment. Ashley has watched as

Peggy paid for summer tutoring for two siblings on her case so that they didn't fall behind in school because they had been struggling. Ashley witnessed Peggy go down to the local furniture store and ask for a bed to be donated. . . and actually get it delivered to the family because the children didn't have anything to sleep on.

There came a point in time in when Peggy was working on an 8 year old girl's case who had entered the foster care system due to abuse. The child had been moved to a few other foster homes due to her behaviors. There came a point in time when the Department of Social Services felt that it was necessary to place the child in a diagnostic treatment facility. Peggy, however, disagreed and felt that her current foster home was just not the best fit for her emotional needs. After extensively speaking with the child's school, CASA felt that a diagnostic treatment center may actually be a detriment to the young girl. CASA advocated for her to be placed into

a new foster home and the Family Court Judge heard their position.

The 8 year old girl is currently in a therapeutic foster home that is better equipped to meet her emotional needs and is with the most loving and caring foster mother that a CASA could ever ask for. The road has been long for this child, but she is slowly making progress towards the permanent goal of returning home.

"We greatly value the grant that we've received from The New York Bar Foundation this year as it has assisted us in recruiting and training an additional six volunteer advocates. For a small program such as ours, this is a great achievement and our goal by 2020 is to ensure that every abused and neglected child in Genesee County is assigned a CASA advocate."
Ashley Hausfelder.

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Ashley shared that she had the privilege of witnessing the 8 year old girl and her 10 year old brother approach Peggy with a gift bag and card at the organization's children's holiday party. Inside the gift bag was a small angel figurine and in the card they wrote "Peggy, you're our angel".

A modest donation made to The Foundation was combined with other donations for The Foundation's grant program. Because of the generosity of attorney donors, a significant grant was presented to the Genesee County CASA for Children, Inc. They used the grant to assist with the recruiting and training of 6 volunteer advocates such as Peggy Lamb. These volunteer advocates work to change the lives of the children within their communities.



A CASA Volunteer, Peggy Lamb, makes a difference.
Photo Credit: Howard Owens/The Batavian

Giving to The Foundation Helps in Assisting Trafficked Women

My Sisters' Place was a recipient of a Foundation grant for their Immigration and Human Trafficking Project. Following is one example of a trafficking client served by the grant. To protect the anonymity of the client her name has been changed.

"Maria" was referred to MSP by a social worker in the Pacific Northwest. "Maria" originally fled from her home country to the United States after suffering years of sexual and physical abuse and death threats at the hands of an abuser. She was only twelve years old when he raped her for the first time. When "Maria" found the courage to flee to the United States, she was detained by Immigration officers. She was released into the custody of her family's acquaintance who forced her to work. "Maria" became a victim of labor trafficking, where she was forced to work long hours without a break or food.

When "Maria" worked slowly because she was starving, her trafficker verbally and physically assaulted her, threatening once to cut her into little pieces to feed to her dog. When she wasn't working, she was forced to sleep on the floor of a room covered with dog excrement. "Maria" endured this abuse for about 3 months before she escaped from the room where she was held. By the time she was free, she weighed only 70 lbs.

After "Maria" escaped, her trafficker continued to search for her. "Maria" has moved across several states in efforts to escape her trafficker, and he has managed to track her down several times. Even now, her trafficker continues to search for her.



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With the help of the Immigration and Human Trafficking Project, "Maria" is coordinating with authorities in several states where there is an ongoing active investigation. My Sisters' Place is working diligently to help "Maria" secure a T-Visa. "Maria" continues to cooperate, hoping that her trafficker will be brought to justice.

A Foundation Grant Assists in Battling Elder Abuse

Legal Services for the Elderly, Disabled or Disadvantaged of Western New York applied for a grant from The Foundation to begin an innovative type of collaborative effort to assist victims of elder abuse, the Elder Domestic Violence Shelter Network of Erie County (EDVSN). According to their application, thousands of the elderly are abused each year and often in most cases of elder abuse the abuser is also the caregiver which makes the victim dependent upon the abuser. At the time, there was no option for the abuse victim to seek immediate care outside of an often unnecessary admission to a hospital emergency room. These admissions further burden the healthcare system and leave the victims without a safe, secure place to get the treatment and care they need. An elder shelter network of nursing homes gives victims a place to stay while a team of service providers work to find a permanent, safe residence for the victim.

One example of the EDVSN at work was an admission to the shelter network. The victim "Samuel" was an elderly male; the abuser his wife. "Samuel" was admitted to a local hospital, one of the EDVSN training sites. The hospital workers identified the presence of elder abuse and reached out to the EDVSN, submitting an application through the service website.

"Working collaboratively, we were able to ensure that an order of protection was in place removing the abuser from his home, that home health care services were reinstated, and had the victim desired placement at a facility, that placement was available," states Sarah Duval, Staff Attorney with LSED. The victim partnered with an advocate from crisis services who worked with him to ensure that he was safe in the home, that his bills were paid, and that with the reinstated home health care he could stay physically well in his home.

"Samuel" is now a part of the shelter network, and instead of being alone in a home with an abuser he has access to legal, social, and health care assistance.

"This comprehensive approach to elder domestic violence is the goal of the EDVSN and, thanks to the support of The New York State Bar Foundation, we are making our community a safe place for our seniors." Kathy Kanaley, President of the Erie County Council on Elder Abuse.

Each donation makes a ripple

The Elder Domestic Violence Shelter Network of Erie County (EDVSN) opened to provide shelter for elderly victims of domestic violence through temporary placement at local nursing facilities while a team comprised of attorneys, social workers, health care providers and other community members work together to seek permanent, safe placement. This process can involve filing for an order of protection, completing Medicaid applications, working to contact family members, and putting in place the safeguards necessary so the victim can live a life free from abuse. In addition, by training hospitals and community providers to identify elder abuse and reach out to the EDVSN, they are able to get involved and put those safeguards in place to prevent readmissions and additional abuse. The more cases of elder abuse which are identified through referrals to the EDVSN, the safer their community is as a whole for seniors.



This photo is not a depiction of the person described.

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 Auspelmeyer at (518) 487-5650, email dauspelmeyer@tnybf.org or download the form at www.tnybf.org/legacysocietyform.

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

James B. Ayers
Hon. Richard J. Bartlett *
Christine Beshar
Hon. John C. Cherundolo
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Gary M. Darche
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Alan H. Friedenthal
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Lorraine Power Tharp *
Hon. Jonah Triebwasser
Justin L. Vigdor
H. Elliot Wales
Lucia B. Whisenand

*Deceased



"I became a member of The Foundation's Legacy Society because I have seen first-hand the impact that our giving can make. Delivering checks for disaster relief efforts for Super Storm Sandy and meeting directly with several organizations that are grant recipients was an enlightening experience; reaffirming the need for The Foundation, what we do today, and can do in the future. Adding The Foundation to my long-term philanthropic plans gives me the peace of mind that I am supporting my passion while still providing for members of my family." Cristine Cioffi, Immediate Past President

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. Fellows 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 programming 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:



Chair of The Fellows
Emily F. Franchina
Garden City



Vice-Chair of The Fellows
James B. Ayers
Albany



First
Sylvia Fung Chin
New York



Hon. George Bundy Smith
New York



Second
Mark A. Longo
Brooklyn



Third
Susan Carroll Picotte
Albany



Fourth
Peter V. Coffey
Schenectady



Hon. Paul L. Wollman
Amsterdam



Fifth
Donald C. Doerr
Syracuse



Sixth
Richard B. Long
Binghamton



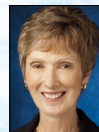
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C. Bruce Lawrence
Rochester



James C. Moore
Rochester



David M. Schraver
Rochester



Eighth
Diane F. Bosse
Buffalo



Vincent E. Doyle III
Buffalo



Richard F. Griffin
Buffalo



Ninth
Carla D. Glassman
White Plains



Tenth
Peter J. Mastaglio
Garden City



Ilene Cooper
Uniondale



Eleventh
David L. Cohen
Kew Gardens



Twelfth
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 C Trueheart, Harry P., III
 Turner, Karen Bailey
 * Tyler, John R., Jr.
 C* Vigdor, Justin L.
 * Wagner, Robert H.
 * Walsh, Mary Ellen
 * Wesley, Richard C.
 * Wilkens, Beth Ela
 * Witmer, G. Robert, Jr.
 * Wolford, Michael R.

Eighth District

* Ange, Grace Marie
 Beecher, Thomas
 Raymond, Jr.
 Bloom, Laurie Styka
 Boniello, Ralph A., III
 * Bosse, Diane F.
 * Brevorka, Peter J.
 * Brick, Daniel E.
 Cassata, Joseph J.
 M Chimes, Deborah A.
 * Church, Sanford A.
 * Civilette, David M.
 * Connors, Terrence M.
 Convissar, Robert N.
 Cosgrove, Edward C.
 M* Doyle, Vincent E., III
 M* Eagan, Gayle L.
 Effman, Norman P.
 * Fine, Robert P.
 M Fink, Raymond L.
 M* Fisher, Cheryl Smith
 * Foschio, Leslie G.
 * Freedman, Bernard B.
 Freedman, Brenda M.
 * Freedman, Jeffrey M.
 C* Freedman, Maryann

Saccomando
 Gates, Lynn D.
 M Gerstman, Sharon Stern
 * Graber, Garry M.
 M Griffin, Richard F.
 Hager, Rita Merino
 * Halpern, Ralph L.
 * Hanna, Joseph Maron
 * Hassett, Paul Michael
 Heim, David Michael
 * Howe, Barbara
 * Lamantia, Stephen R.
 * Lane, John P.
 M* Lucente, Rocco , II
 Manning, Kenneth A.
 C* McCarthy, Joseph V.
 M* Meyer, Harry G.
 * Mikoll, Ann T.
 C Mohun, Michael M.
 * O'Donnell, John F.
 * O'Mara, Timothy M.
 * O'Reilly, Patrick C.
 * Oliver, Mary Ann
 * Palmer, Thomas A.
 M Peradotto, Erin M.
 * Pfalzgraf, David R.
 M Porcellio, Sharon M.
 * Rachlin, Lauren D.
 Rennie, Aven
 M* Riedel, George E., Jr.
 M Semmelhack, Tricia T.
 * Sharkey, Edward M.
 M Shaw, James M.
 Smith, Sheldon Keith
 * Spitzmiller, John C.
 Sweet, Kathleen Marie
 M* Townsend, Sharon S.
 * Vilardo, Lawrence J.
 Walsh, Kevin D.
 M Young, Oliver C.

Ninth District

Aydellott, Judith A.
 Baer, Susan Taxin
 M Barson, Alan D.

* Bashian, Gary Edward
 * Bave, William H., Jr.
 * Bavoso, William D.
 M* Berman, Henry S.
 * Birnbaum, Edward L.
 B* Boies, David
 Brown, Susan S.
 M Carlisle, Jay C., II
 * Cashman, Richard
 * Catania, Joseph A., Jr.
 * DaSilva, Willard H.
 * DiBlasi, John P.
 Dickerson, Thomas A.
 M* Dohn, Robert P.
 * Edelman, Paul S.
 Enea, Anthony J.
 * Fader, Bruce E.
 + Fields, Gerald J.
 M Fontana, Lucille A.
 * Fox, Mark D.
 Fox, Michael L.
 * Freeman, George
 * Galloway, Frances C.
 * Gardella, Richard M.
 Gartland, Michael G.
 * Geoghegan, John A.
 * Glassman, Carla D.
 Goldberg, Evan M.
 * Goldenberg, Ira S.
 M Gordon-Oliver, Arlene
 * Greenawalt, William S.
 M Gutekunst, Claire P.
 *+ Haggerty, Michel P.
 Halpern, Philip M.
 Hamilton, Sarah Jo
 Harper, Zenola
 * Harrington, Joseph P.
 Hattar, Jacqueline
 B* Headley, Frank M., Jr.
 McDonald
 * Hollis, P. Daniel, III
 Horowitz, David Paul
 * Lalla, Thomas R., Jr.
 Leven, David C.
 + Lewers, Cornett L., Sr.

*+ Loeb, James R.
 * Lurie, Alvin D.
 * Mahler, Peter Andrew
 * Maker, William , Jr.
 * Manley, Mary Ellen
 Markhoff, Harris E.
 Marwell, John S.
 * McCullough, Frank S., Jr.
 M* Miller, Henry G.
 Miller, Sondra
 T* Mirsky, Ellis R.
 Newton, Juanita Bing
 * O'Keeffe, Richard J.
 * O'Rourke, Richard L.
 * Ostertag, Robert L.
 Pantaleo, Frances M.
 M Paul, Gerald G.
 * Planell, Raymond M.
 * Plunkett, Kevin J.
 Prager, Bruce J.
 * Redis, Robert M.
 B* Roberts, George Hunter
 * Rosenblatt, Albert Martin
 * Rothstein, Alan
 Rudolph, Nancy J.
 * Sachs, Joel H.
 Shoenthal, Lawrence E.
 Siegel, Jay M.
 * Silverman, Marc L.
 M Sobie, Merrill
 * Spolzino, Robert A.
 * Stone, Peter G.
 * Thompson, Larry D.
 * Townley, Rosemary A.
 * Triebwasser, Jonah
 * Tyre, Margaret H.
 * Wallach, Sherry Levin
 B Zauderer, Mark C.
 * Zeltner, Peter P.

Tenth District

* Abramson, Harold I.
 * Ades, Paul R.
 * Affatato, Peter T.
 * Austin, Leonard B.

* Life Fellow
 + Sustaining Fellow
 *+ Life Sustaining Fellow
 B Benjamin N. Cardozo Circle

B* Benjamin N. Cardozo Circle, Life Member
 C Charles Evans Hughes Circle
 C* Charles Evans Hughes Circle, Life Member
 L Learned Hand Circle

L* Learned Hand Circle, Life Member
 M Maryann Saccomando Freedman Circle
 M* Maryann Saccomando Freedman Circle, Life Member

T Thurgood Marshall Circle
 T* Thurgood Marshall Circle, Life Member

	Barnosky, Eugene R.		Gruer, Sharon Kovacs		Petrocelli, Lisa M.		C Wimpfheimer, Steven		* Gorin, Robert S.
*	Barnosky, John J.	L	Guercio, Gregory J.	*	Prudenti, A. Gail		Yablon, Elizabeth		Grill, Norma
*	Bartol, Ernest T.	*	Guido, Robert P.	*	Pruzansky, Joshua M.			*	Hallenbeck, Robert M.
*	Bekerman, Marc Stephen	*	Gutleber, Edward J.	*	Purcell, A. Craig			*	Hodges, H. William, III
*	Besso, David H.	*	Hamburger, Richard	*	Quinlan, Robert F.			*	Hulsey, William Noble
*	Besunder, Harvey B.		Harper, Robert Matthew	*	Radigan, C. Raymond			*	Jaspan, Arthur W.
	Black, Bronwyn Mary		Hausch, Adrienne Flipse	*	Randazzo, Sheryl L.			*	Kennedy, T. Richard
*	Bohner, Robert Joseph		Helfer, Cheryl M.	*	Reynolds, James T.			*	Kezsbom, Allen
M*	Bracken, John P.	*	Hesterberg, Gregory X.	*	Rice, Thomas O.			*	Leinhardt, Wallace
*	Bracken, Lawrence J.	M	Hoffman, Carol M.	*	Richmond, Warren H., III			*	MacKenty, John E.
	Brickman, John M.	*	Hyde, Andrea	*	Riegel, Arthur A.			*	Maffeo, Vincent A.
*	Buonora, John L.	*	Hyman, M. Allan	*	Roe, John J., III			*	Maney, Michael M.
*+	Burner, Nancy	*	Johs, Frederick C.	*	Salkin, Patricia E.			M+	McCarthy, Bernard W.
*	Cahn, Richard Caleb	*	Juliano, John L.	*	Santemma, Jon N.			*	McQuary Smith, Beverly
*	Campasano, Nicholas V.	*	Karson, Scott M.	*	Savino, William M.			*	Meyer, Martin A.
*	Castellano, Louis J., Jr.	*	Killeen, Thomas Joseph	*	Schissel, Lois Carter			*	Montgomerie, Bruce M.
*	Chase, Dennis R.	*	Klein, John V. N.		Schlosser, Kevin			*	Newman, Stephen M.
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*	Cooper, Ilene S.		Korth, Donna-Marie	*	Schwartz, Donald Jay				Pickholz, Jason R.
*	Czygier, John M., Jr.	C	Krinick, Evan H.		Shields, John M.				Pierre-Louis, Stanley
	D'Agostino, Jaclene		Krisel, Martha	*	Smolowitz, Barry M.			*	Pisani, Michael J.
*	D'Angelo, Frank G.	*	Kunken, Stephen L.	*	Spellman, Thomas J., Jr.			*	Robinson, Barbara Paul
	DeCarlo, Donald T.	*	Lack, James J.	*	Stack, Elaine Jackson			*	Robinson, Edward T., III
*	Deveney, Brian T.		Lane, Eric	*	Stave, Howard D.			*	Rosenberg, Donald J.
	Diamond, Arthur M.	*	Lapp, Charles E., III		Stern, Steven H.			*	Roth, Gary F.
*	Donahue, Sally M.	*	Lazer, Leon D.		Tarver, Terrence Lee			*	Rothkopf, Douglas R.
M*	Edelman, Howard C.		Leventhal, Steven G.		Troy Alden, Tricia A.			*	Rothkopf, Leslie
*	Ehrlich, Jerome H.	*+	Levin, A. Thomas	B	Vishnick, Bernard			*	Ruger, William G.
*	Emerson, Elizabeth H.	*	Levy, Caroline	*	Ward, Jon A.			*	Sachs, David
*	England, Louis C.	*	Levy, Peter H.	*	Warren, Barry L.			*	Schaab, Arnold J.
	Esterces, Howard M.	*	Loughlin, Daniel J.	M	Warshawsky, Ira B.			*	Sherwood, Arthur M.
*	Farrell, George J., Jr.	*	Lupkin, Stanley N.	*	Wicks, James M.			*	Small, Robert A.
*	Finz, Leonard L.	*	Mahony, Harold A.	*	Winkler, James R.			*	Spelman, Laurence A.
*	Fishberg, Gerard	*	Makofsky, Ellen G.	*	Zuckerman, Richard K.			*	Tarnow, Herman H.
*	Fishel, Gustave, III		Maligno, Thomas					*	Taylor, Leland B.
*	Folks, Robert L.	*	Malito, Vincent A.					*	Torrey, Claudia O.
M	Forchelli, Jeffrey D.	*	Margolin, Linda U.					*	Troeger, Merle M.
B	Franchina, Emily F.	*	Mastaglio, Peter J.					*	Tsimbinos, Spiros A.
*	Fredrich, Dolores	*	McBride, Scott P.	M*				*	Ufford, Charles W., Jr.
*	Friedenberg, Marilyn Ruth	*	McCoyd, Edward A.	M					Van Lierop, Robert F.
	Fromewick, Richard G.	*	McEntee, John P.					C*	Walsh, Owen B.
*	Gann, Marc	*	McGrath, Christopher T.	*				*	Wishod, Eugene L.
*	Gassman, Stephen	*	Meng, M. Kathryn					*	Yesawich, Paul J., III
*	Gesualdi, James F.	*	Mihalick, Andrew J.	M				*	Zelkowitz, Steven L.
*	Ginsberg, Eugene S.	*	Moran, Grace D.						
*	Glickstein, Howard A.	*+	Mullen, Michael F.						
*	Good, Douglas J.	*	Nashak, George J., Jr.						
M	Gregory, John Dewitt	*	O'Connell, Geoffrey J.						
T	Gross, John H.								

Twelfth District

- * Bailey, Lawrence R., Jr.
- * Balka, Sigmund R.
- * Collins, John P.
- * Cozier, Barry A.
- * Johnson, Nadine C.
- * Kilsch, Gunther H.
- * Pfeifer, Maxwell S.
- * Price, Richard Lee
- M Raskin, Michael Alan
- * Richman, Murray
- * Rubin, Mark B.

Thirteenth District

- Cohen, Orin J.
- Gaffney, Michael J.
- * Hall, John G.
- * Hall, Thomas J.
- Martin, Edwina Frances
- * Morse, Andrea S.

Out of State

- * Ackerman, Kenneth E.
- * Atlas, Jeffrey M.
- * Baglin, Cathi
- * Barnett, Helaine M.
- * Barthold, Walter
- * Bellacosa, Joseph W.
- * Boone, Jerry
- * Brenner, Frank
- Brown, Geraldine Reed
- * Brown, Meredith M.
- Burke, Walter T.
- * Butler, Tyrone Thomas
- * Carew, Colleen F.
- * Chakansky, Michael I.
- * Colucci, Anthony J., Jr.
- * Corcoran, Robert W.
- * Coughlin, G. Gordon, Jr.
- Dignam, Rhea Kemble
- * Dwyer, James F.
- * Esteve, Edward V.
- Funda, Joyce E.
- * Gacloch, James C.
- * Glynn, Thomas V.

Eleventh District

- * Arcella, David J.
- *+ Belson, Jerome
- M* Cohen, David Louis
- M Darche, Gary M.
- Fedrizzi, Linda F.
- * Goldblum, A. Paul
- M Lerner, Richard E.
- Nizin, Leslie S.
- * Rosenthal, Edward H.
- * Strauss, Sidney F.
- * Taylor, Janice A.
- * Terranova, Arthur N.

Fellows News

2015 was an active year for The Fellows of The New York Bar Foundation!

Because of your efforts the number of Fellows grew from 1080 to 1114 and continues to increase.

Fellows are critical to the success of The Foundation. Membership in the Fellows is evidence of professional distinction and constitutes a professional honor. Fellows are nominated by peers and recognized for distinguished achievement and dedication to the legal profession, commitment to the organized bar and service to the public.

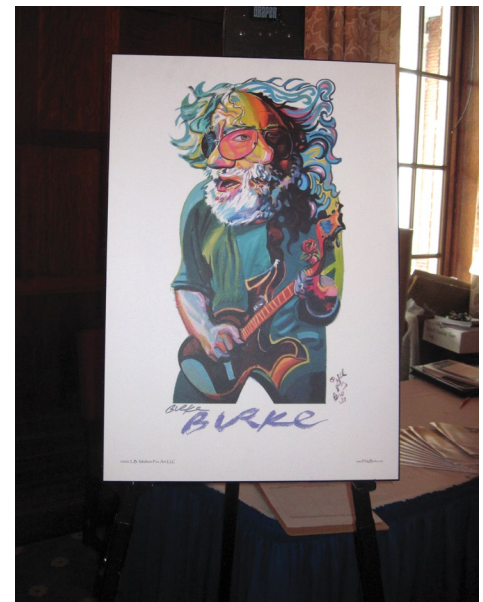
You have extensive knowledge of the attorneys within your area and we would very much appreciate your recommendations for outstanding attorneys who would be good Fellow candidates.

A list of new Fellows can be found at www.tnybf.org under Fellows news.

Fellows responded

We asked and you gave your time, talent and treasure to participate in the first Fellows Basket Auction which was held during the NYSBA summer meeting in Cooperstown. The creativity and efforts of everyone that participated in putting a basket together was impressive! Baskets

with items representing the Judicial District, artwork, and gift certificates were some of the several items donated by Fellows across New York State. Nearly \$8,000 was raised toward The Foundation's grant program. As 2015 saw a 25% increase in grant applications, your efforts will have impact.



Fellows Chairs Provided Input

The Judicial District Chairs of The Fellows participated in teleconferences throughout the year to discuss district events and the development of a training manual. And a new Fellows nomination brochure was developed to capture the honor of being asked to be a Fellow.

Judicial District Chairs were invited as guests to The Foundation's June Board meeting, the first of what we hope to be many opportunities to bring leadership together to discuss The Foundation.



Judicial Districts Hold Events

The Fellows in the first Judicial District and tenth Judicial District were able to attend a unique program, "Huguette Clark and The Clark Family Treasures". Each district coordinated the program and invited the Fellows within those districts to participate.

Special thanks to Sylvia Chin, Judicial District Chair of the first District and Ilene Cooper, Judicial District Co-Chair of the tenth District in putting these programs together. Speakers at the events included John R. Morken, Esq. and Hillary



Top left photo:
Fellows Judicial District
Chairs David L. Cohen
(Eleventh District), David
M. Schrauer (Seventh
District) and C. Bruce
Lawrence (Seventh District)
attended The Foundation's
Board meeting.

Top right photo:
John R. Morken, Esq.
of Farrell Fritz, P.C.

Bottom photo:
Paul Provost, Deputy
Chairman of Christie's Inc.

A. Frommer, Esq. of Farrell Fritz, P.C., and Paul Provost, Deputy Chairman of Christie's Inc.

Your gift matters

Your Foundation pledges and moving into the Giving Circles directly support The Foundation's grant program.

Here's what our grantees have to say about your support through The Foundation:

From The Door...

"The Door's Legal Services Center was able to help this young person successfully terminate deportation proceedings, and he is currently awaiting his green card. We appreciate the New York Bar Foundation's longstanding support, and hope to continue growing our positive impact on the lives of young people."

From a client of Catholic Migration Services...

"During the nonpayment proceeding, I was very stressed and unable to sleep due to my fear of being evicted with my husband and two young sons. Thanks to Catholic Migration Services, I'm able to stay in my apartment and not fear eviction."

**Your Circle and Fellows
pledges make a difference,
thank you!**

Enriching The Legal Profession

Section gifts impact law students.

Through generous gifts from the New York State Bar Association Sections and donors, law students from across New York State are able to apply for fellowships and scholarships that provide invaluable educational opportunities. Over \$77,000 was allocated, giving students the platform and knowledge to build a solid base for their career goals.

The ripple effect on how these experiences impact each student as they begin their professional pathway is remarkable.

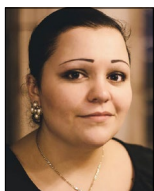
Fellowships

Antitrust

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



Sharaf Islam, Duke University School of Law, fulfilled his fellowship at the New York City office of the Federal Trade Commission.



Marcella Jayne, Fordham Law School, fulfilled her fellowship at the New York City office of the Federal Trade Commission: "I suspect

I learned more relevant knowledge and honed more legal skills in this Fellowship than I did throughout my entire 1L year. I now have an appreciation for the obstacles that government agencies face when trying to investigate and bring cases against business entities...

Without this Fellowship and the stipend it provided I would have likely had to do low-skilled wage labor to pay my rent this summer. Instead I gained invaluable knowledge and experience. I appreciate the opportunity that the New York State Bar has given me and I hope to pay it forward in the future."



Sean Murray, Fordham Law School, fulfilled his fellowship in the U.S. Department of Justice: "The Fellowship has impacted and

enhanced my legal education in a number of beneficial ways. More generally, I learned how lawyers approach litigation and strategize to prepare for every conceivable weakness and vulnerability in their case. This involves a meticulous attention to detail coupled with the ability to perceive and comprehend both sides of a pivotal legal issue.

The Fellowship has afforded me invaluable experience that has aided me in my goal of becoming an antitrust attorney. Understanding more generally the finer steps of becoming a successful lawyer and grasping more deeply the

role, strategy, and interworking of a major antitrust regulator has helped to further inform and define my specific interests in antitrust and competition law."

Commercial and Federal Litigation

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



Geoffrey Williams, Fordham University School of Law: "The theme of efficiency is emphasized through the courthouse. With the

Commercial Division experiencing a high volume of litigation, case management has been highlighted. In particular, the use of technology is encouraged and even required to some degree. Justice Scarpulla is one of the pioneers in bringing along Electronic Filing in the Commercial Division...

Overall, the internship provided me with exposure to a range of legal fields even beyond the practice of commercial litigation... While the responsibilities and lessons alone were valuable takeaways, working with Justice Scarpulla in particular, along with her law clerks, made the internship one of the more

enjoyable experiences that I've had; one that I will never forget."

Corporate Counsel

The \$6,000 fellowship occurs at a New York public interest legal or charitable organization. The student will assist the organization's general counsel (or other similar individual holding a counsel position) with matters relating to counsel or advice to the organization.



Declan McPherson
J.D. Candidate,
Hofstra Law School,
completed his fellowship
at the Urban Justice
Center: "It was truly an

honor to serve as Corporate Counsel Fellow with the Urban Justice Center's Community Development Project. This placement engaged all aspects of my legal and professional experience while also allowing me to explore my interests and develop new passions.

I walk away with a breadth of knowledge about corporate governance, nonprofit laws and the incredible work of the CDP's community based partner organizations."

The Health Law Section

The \$5,000 fellowship is awarded to two law students to work in Health law positions in the State of New York during the summer. Recipients included Justine Park, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law whose placement was at Montefiore Medical Center and Brian Miguel Salazar, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law whose placement was at Mt. Sinai Medical Center.



"Applying learned skill sets in an actual setting is much different than studying about it. The experience provided a broader overview on

how to apply my didactic knowledge, such as being concise in my writing to meet the timeframe demands of work environment." **Justine Park**



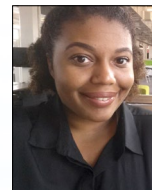
"Perhaps the most rewarding aspect of the Fellowship is that its scope went far beyond Health Law. Over the course of my eight weeks I worked

on a variety of concentrations that I was not introduced to during my first year of law school while also gaining 'real worlds' experience on subjects I did cover....I am grateful to the Health Law Section, The New York Bar Foundation and Mount Sinai Health system for this

opportunity. As a Legal Intern, my role was to support Mount Sinai's attorneys but I was made to feel every bit of a colleague. I could not have asked for a better experience." **Brian Salazar**

The Miriam Maccoby Netter Fellowship

One grant, valued at \$5,000 is awarded annually to a public interest intellectual property organization to conduct the fellowship.



The 2015 organization was Start Small. Think Big and the fellowship recipient was **Tania V. Parker**, Maurice A. Deane School of Law

at Hofstra University: "One of the most important lessons that I learned from my summer spent with Start Small Think Big is to never be afraid to try.

This summer I had the privilege of encountering men and women who took a chance and decided to follow their dreams and go into business for themselves. Their courage is not only admirable, but a great example of the type of determination and leadership that is needed throughout communities today.

It was a privilege and an honor to be around such inspiring individuals and I owe it all to the New York State Bar Foundation and Start Small Think Big."

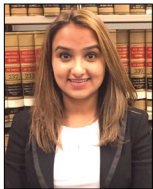
Tania V. Parker

Trusts and Estates Law Section Fellowship

The Fellowship program provides students an opportunity to experience trusts and estates law practice through supervised experience in the chambers of Judge Barbara Howe, Erie County Surrogate's Court; Judge Peter J. Kelley, Queens County Surrogate's Court; Judge Robert J. Gigante, Richmond County Surrogate's Court; and Judge Ava Raphael, Onondaga County Surrogate's Court. Three \$5,000 fellowships and one \$2,500 part-time fellowship were awarded.



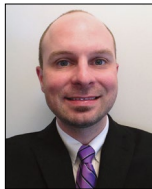
Deanna Cucharale of Albany Law School: the chambers of Judge Ava Raphael.



Imaan Moughal of Hofstra Law School: the chambers of Judge Peter J. Kelley: "My experience

interning in the chambers of the Honorable Robert J. Gigante, Surrogate's Court of Richmond County, was simply amazing. Judge Gigante and his staff made me feel welcomed and a valued member of the team.

"Prior to interning in Surrogate's Court of Richmond County, I was considering a career in estate law. My experience gave me the exposure needed to know how to prepare for such a career and has greatly exposed me to the inner workings of the field. I feel more certain of my career trajectory and look forward to starting my career in estate law.



Michael J. Schroeder of SUNY Buffalo Law School: the chambers of Judge Howe: "The Trusts and Estates Law Section Fellowship expanded

my knowledge base and allowed me to gain valuable insight into Surrogate Court practice and procedure. The practical lessons learned from Judge Howe and her professional staff cannot be derived from any textbook. Most importantly, I enjoyed it – so much that, in conjunction with the SUNY Buffalo Law School, I arranged for an intensive judicial clerkship this fall with Judge Howe. I will spend 196 hours with the Court over a twelve week period to earn credit hours toward my law school graduation requirements.

I am excited to continue to work with Judge Howe and the personnel at the Erie County Surrogate Court and am grateful to The New York Bar Foundation and the Trusts and Estates Law Section of the New York State Bar Association for making this Fellowship possible.

I hope in my future practice to pay it forward and to bring a level of professionalism to estates and trust practice in New York that reflects the high standards I was exposed to this summer."



Marie Villefranche of Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law: the chambers of Judge Gigante: "My experience

interning in the chambers of the Honorable Robert J. Gigante, Surrogate's Court of Richmond County, was simply amazing. Judge Gigante and his staff made me feel welcomed and a valued member of the team. Prior to interning in Surrogate's Court of Richmond County, I was considering a career in estate law. My experience gave me the exposure needed to know how to prepare for such a career and has greatly exposed me to the inner workings of the field. I feel more certain of my career trajectory and look forward to starting my career in estate law."

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.



The 2015 recipients were **Chelsea Breakstone**, City University of New York Law School and **Vanessa Cavallaro**, Touro Law Center.



"I am very honored and grateful to receive the 2015 Honorable Joel K. Asarch Elder Law and Special Needs Section Scholarship. I have heard what a special person Judge Asarch was within the Touro Law Center and greater legal community, and I am honored to continue my advocacy work for the aging population in the name of someone so esteemed.

Receiving this award is a major highlight of my law school career and one I will remember fondly. This scholarship has enabled me to focus on schoolwork instead of the financial constraints of tuition." **Vanessa Cavallaro**

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 2015 recipient was **Rafaqat Cheema**, Hofstra University School of Law: "America

is indeed the land of opportunities for those willing to work hard. It is the ability to pursue experiences like this fellowship and the support of the people who offer that possibility that make the hard work worthwhile. Thank you to The Bar Foundation and all those involved for assisting law students in gaining direct legal experience."

Foundation Recognized for Governance in 2015

The Foundation was recognized by VCG Governance Matters as one of five finalists for the Brooke W. Mahoney Award for Outstanding Board Leadership. The Foundation competed with non-profit organizations of all sizes from the tri-state communities of New York, New Jersey and Connecticut for the award.

This recognition demonstrates that we treat donor money carefully and respectfully, and invest and spend it wisely. The leadership works hard at governance and supporting the responsible management of the organization, so that we may do the greatest good with our grants.

In an era of enhanced attention to the quality of nonprofit governance and leadership, this announcement reaffirms the high quality of the board and the work of The Foundation.

Being recognized for what a foundation does—taking care of people's money efficiently and spending it responsibly—demonstrates that The New York Bar Foundation is a first-rate nonprofit organization.



Chairman of VCG Governance Matters, David S. Birdsall with Vice President of The Foundation, Lesley Rosenthal and then Chair of The Foundation's Governance Committee, Robert L. Haig.

Young Lawyer Friends of The Foundation Giving Group Established

2015 brought a new partnership between The Foundation and the Young Lawyers Section in creating the new giving group, the Young Lawyer Friends of The Foundation.

The mission of the Young Lawyer Friends of the Foundation is to engage and inspire young lawyers to understand and promote the goals of The New York Bar Foundation. Members will act as ambassadors for The Foundation, promoting its mission, while assisting in raising additional resources to support legal services through The Foundation's grant program. The group encompasses anyone within the New York State Bar Association in practice ten years or less.

The discussion of establishing the new group began during The Foundation's strategic planning process. "Engaging young and new attorneys seemed like the practical next step," explains James R. Barnes, member of The Foundation's Board of Directors. "While evaluating The Foundation's needs and ways to increase our visibility, we recognized that we were missing a connection to young attorneys. This passionate group wants to have a positive impact in their communities and within their profession; but as they begin their careers and often a family, recognize they don't have the financial means to contribute at a major donor level. Their dedication to the profession and passion parallel that of The Foundations. Starting this group is a way to align both in a meaningful way."

A member of the Young Lawyer Friends of the Foundation will make an annual financial contribution of at least \$30 to The New York Bar Foundation. They will be listed on The Foundation's website and in the annual report for the year they committed.

Congratulations and thank you to the inaugural members of the group for 2015:

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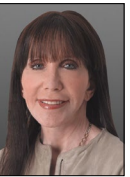
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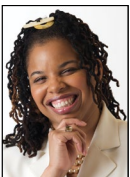
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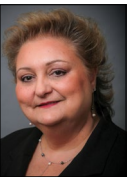
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Accounts receivable	93,874
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	7,546,318

FIXED ASSETS AT COST:

Land	766,731
Building	9,655,174
Furniture, fixtures and library	158,636
	10,580,541
Less accumulated depreciation	5,566,955
NET FIXED ASSETS	5,013,586

TOTAL ASSETS \$12,559,904

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

CURRENT LIABILITIES:

Deferred Fellows Dinner Income	16,049
Accounts Payable	48,602
TOTAL LIABILITIES	64,651

BOARD DESIGNATED FOR:

Endowed Assets	\$ 709,572
Restricted Assets	168,176
Cy Pres Net Assets	1,202,504
Undesignated	10,415,001

NET ASSETS 12,495,253

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS \$12,559,904

Statement of Activities

For the year ended December 31, 2015
(Before Audit)

REVENUES:

Contributions received:

Unrestricted	\$ 156,662
Restricted	92,023
Cy Pres	1,202,503
	<u>1,451,188</u>

Rent	282,500
Interest on investments	131,023
Fellows net income	123,473
	<u>536,996</u>

TOTAL REVENUES 1,988,184

GRANTS AND EXPENSES:

Grants:

Unrestricted	427,608
From restricted contributions	26,400
Cy Pres	73,435
	<u>527,443</u>

Expenses:

Distributions from Restricted Funds	67,500
Auditing	8,000
Salaries & fringe	160,168
Depreciation	151,730
General and administrative	93,843
	<u>481,241</u>

TOTAL GRANTS AND EXPENSES 1,008,684

**EXCESS REVENUE OVER GRANTS
AND EXPENSES** \$ 979,500



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