

STUDENT CONVENTION 2013



Gideon v. Wainwright at 50

MARCH 1 & 2, 2013 Stanford Law School

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, March 1st

1-7pm	Registration	Cooley Courtyard
4-5:15pm	Executive Session for Next Generation Leaders and Student Chapter Board Members Featuring Mariano-Florentino Cuéllar	Room 180
5:30-6:30pm	Welcome Reception Featuring ACS President Caroline Fredrickson and Stanford Law Dean M. Elizabeth Magill	Paul Brest Hall (PBH) East Courtyard
6:30-8pm	Keynote Dinner featuring Stephen Bright Introduction by Judge Robert Pratt (S.D. Iowa)	Paul Brest Hall
Saturday, Ma	rch 2nd	
7:30-8:45am	Continental Breakfast with Breakout Sessions	Student Lounge
	Breakout Session A: How to Build a Strong Student Chapter	Room 180
	Breakout Session B: Networking, Networking, Networking: ACS and Your Career	Room 190
9-10:30am	PANEL: Gideon at 50: The Future of Indigent Representation A forward-looking discussion about the direction of indigent representation.	Room 290
	Speakers: Jeff Adachi, James Brosnahan, Elisabeth Semel, and Sejal Zota Moderator: Justice Michael Cherry (Nev.)	
10:30-10:50am	Break	Student Lounge
11am-12:30pm	PANEL: Beyond Legal Aid This panel explores innovative practices that directly impact and aid poor and underrepresented communities. Speakers: Rosa Bay, Camille Pannu, Colin Parent, Marc Philpart	Room 290
	Moderator: Peter Edelman	

12:30-1:50pm	Lunch Keynote Featuring Jo-Ann Wallace	Paul Brest Hall
2-3:05pm	PANEL: Students as Advocates This panel highlights initiatives undertaken students that engage and empower local communities.	Room 290 a by law
	Speakers: Kathleen Clyde, Angela McCray Adam Morfeld Moderator: Meredith Gallen, ACS UCLA Ch Co-President	apter
3:15-4pm	Breakout Session C: ACS in Action: How do move an issue forward? Small groups of students will participate in facilitated discussion to learn how law stud strategically change a particular law or poli	a ents can
4-4:20pm	Break	Student Lounge
4:30-5:30pm	Keynote Remarks Featuring Justice Goodwin Liu (Cal.) and Pamela Karlan	Room 290
5:45-6:45pm	A Conversation with Federal Judges Federal judges discuss their inspiring legal and experience on the bench.	Room 290 careers
	Speakers: Judge Ann Aiken (D. Ore.), Judge Marsha Berzon (9th Cir Judge Edward Chen (N.D. Cal. Judge Lucy Koh (N.D. Cal.)	
	Moderator: Fred Smith	
6:45-8:30pm	Closing Reception	Paul Brest Hall

SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES



Jeff Adachi, Public Defender, City and County of San Francisco; Member, Board of Advisors, ACS Bay Area Lawyer Chapter

Jeff Adachi is the elected Public Defender of the City and County of San Francisco. The office provides a panoply of innovative programs to its clients, including Drug Court, expungement services and a full-service juvenile division. Mr. Adachi has served on the American Bar Association's Standing Committee on Legal Aid and Indigents and is a member of the National Board of Trial Advocacy. He currently sits on the board of the California Public Defenders Association and is a past board member of California Attorneys for Criminal Justice and the San Francisco Bar Association. In 2006, Mr. Adachi received the American Bar Association's Dorsey Award for excellence in public defense.

In 2007, Mr. Adachi was the recipient of the prestigious *California Lawyer* Attorney of the Year award for his work in the field of prisoner reentry. In April 2009, Mr. Adachi received a second California Public Defenders Association Program of the Year Award for the office's innovative Children of Incarcerated Parents program. In May 2010, Mr. Adachi was honored with the 2009 Defender of the Year award from the California Public Defenders Association. In December 2012, Mr. Adachi received the National Legal Aid & Defender Association's Reginald Heber Smith Award for outstanding achievement and dedicated service. Adachi is a graduate of the University of California, Berkeley and Hastings College of the Law.



Honorable Ann Aiken, Chief Judge, United States District Court for the District of Oregon

Ann Aiken was confirmed as a United States District Court Judge for the District of Oregon on February 5, 1998 and became Chief Judge of the District of Oregon on February 2, 2009. Prior to her federal appointment, Chief Judge Aiken served as a state District and Circuit Court Judge for ten years in Lane County, Oregon. Before then, Chief Judge Aiken practiced law in Lane County and also served as the Chief Clerk to the Oregon House of Representatives. Chief Judge Aiken has presided over numerous complex civil and criminal jury trials in her 21 years on the bench, including cases involving the USA PATRIOT Act, water rights, environmental and natural resources, intellectual

property, and employment discrimination. Chief Judge Aiken currently serves as a member of the 9th Circuit Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee chaired by Senior Judge Dorothy Nelson. Chief Judge Aiken has far-reaching experience as a settlement judge and a longstanding commitment to alternative dispute resolution. Chief Judge Aiken is also committed to reentry programs that facilitate criminal offender reentry into the community and supervises the District of Oregon Reentry Court program in Eugene. Recently, Chief Judge Aiken was instrumental in the creation of the Eugene Courthouse Garden Project, a collaborative project involving all levels of government. The Garden will serve as a learning and work experience for reentry program clients while providing fresh produce for low income and underserved communities.

Chief Judge Aiken has served on numerous boards, such as the University of Oregon Law School Dean's Advisory Board, and committees in furtherance of her commitment to children, including The Relief Nursery, Child Advocacy Center of Lane County and the National Children's Alliance. Chief Judge Aiken has received numerous awards in recognition of her public service, including the 2005 Oregon Women Lawyers' Justice Betty Roberts Award for her outstanding contribution to promoting women in the legal profession and in the community, the Wallace P. Carson, Jr. Award for Judicial Excellence, presented by the Oregon State Bar, the Eugene Rotary Club Schafer-Hult Humanitarian Award in 2009, the March of Dimes White Rose Woman of Achievement Award in 1995, and the State of Oregon Commission for Women, Woman of Achievement Award in 1993. A second-generation Oregonian, Chief Judge Aiken has five sons, ages 18 to 29.



Rosa Bay, Staff Attorney and Clinical Instructor, Health Practice, East Bay Community Law Center

Rosa Bay joined the Health Practice at the East Bay Community Law Center in 2010 to launch free legal clinics at five middle schools in Oakland as part of the Elev8 program, a national initiative dedicated to improving the health and educational outcomes of middle school youth in underserved communities by providing students and their families with a coordinated array of services and supports at school. Before returning to EBCLC where she interned while in law school, Rosa practiced litigation in San Francisco at Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP. During law school, Rosa volunteered for the Boston College Immigration Asylum Project and at Greater Boston Legal Services, where she

helped develop a series of legal workshops for immigrant survivors of domestic violence as part of the Latina Know Your Rights Project. Rosa was also an active member of the Boston College Latin American Law Student Association and served on its executive board. In 2009 and 2010, she served on the board of the San Francisco La Raza Lawyers Association. Prior to law school, Rosa was a vocational rehabilitation counselor in Oakland for several years.



Honorable Marsha Berzon, *Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit*

Judge Marsha S. Berzon is a graduate of Radcliffe College and the University of California at Berkeley (Boalt Hall) Law School. She served as a law clerk to Justice William J. Brennan, Jr., of the United States Supreme Court and for Judge James R. Browning of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. Before joining the United States Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, Judge Berzon worked as an appellate and Supreme Court advocate at Altshuler, Berzon, Nussbaum, Rubin & Demain. She filed briefs in dozens of cases in the United States Supreme Court, appearing four times as an oral advocate before the Court. Among the cases in which she participated were many setting

important precedents in the fields of labor and employment law, environmental, women's rights, and free speech. While in practice, Judge Berzon served as Associate General Counsel of the AFL-CIO.

Judge Berzon has held teaching positions at Cornell Law School, Indiana University Law School, and at the Paul F. Hebert Law Center of Louisiana State University. She has received the Faye Stender Award from the California Women Lawyers' Association for her contribution to establishing the legal rights of women; the Alumna of the Year award from the California Law Review; the American Jewish Committee's Learned Hand Award; and the American Bar Association's Margaret Brent Award. Judge Berzon gave the Madison Lecture at New York University Law School in 2008. Judge Berzon was confirmed as a judge of the Ninth Circuit on March 9, 2000. Judge Berzon is currently a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation, a member of the American Law Institute, and an Advisor to the American Law Institute Restatement of Employment Law.



Stephen Bright, President and Senior Counsel, Southern Center for Human Rights; Harvey Karp Visiting Lecturer in Law, Yale Law School

Stephen B. Bright is president and senior counsel of the Southern Center for Human Rights in Atlanta and teaches at Yale and the University of Georgia Law Schools. Subjects of his litigation, teaching, and writing include legal representation for poor people accused of crimes, capital punishment, human rights violations in prisons and jails, and judicial independence. He has argued capital cases before juries and before the United States Supreme Court. The *Fulton Daily Law Report* named him "Newsmaker of the Year" in 2003 for his contribution to bringing about creation of a public defender system in Georgia. He received the American Bar Association's Thurgood Marshall Award in 1998.



James Brosnahan, Senior Partner, Morrison & Foerster LLP

A lion of the trial bar, James J. Brosnahan is one of the most respected and recognized trial lawyers in the United States. Mr. Brosnahan has more than 50 years of expertise in both civil and criminal trial work. He has tried more than 140 cases to verdict, including many high-profile cases involving antitrust and competition law, complex commercial litigation, IP and tent litigation, employment law, product law, product liability, and white-collar criminal has defense. Mr. Brosnahan received numerous awards recognition throughout his distinguished career. In 1996, he was inducted into the State Bar of California's "Trial Lawyers Hall of Fame" and was awarded the Samuel E. Gates Award by the American College of Trial Lawyers in 2000. In

2001, Mr. Brosnahan was named "Trial Lawyer of the Year" by the American Board of Trial Advocates, and the following year, the San Francisco Lawyers' Club honored Mr. Brosnahan with its "Legend of the Law" award. In 2006, he was named one of America's most influential trial lawyers by the *National Law Journal*. In 2007, he received the American Inns of Court Lewis F. Powell Award for Professionalism and Ethics to recognize a "lifetime devoted to the highest standards of ethical practice, competence, and professionalism." In 2011, he received the Judge Learned Hand Award from the American Jewish Committee. He was recently recognized as a 2012 Lifetime Achiever by *The American Lawyer* which recognizes outstanding professional success and a devotion to public service. He was also a National Institute of Trial Advocacy (NITA) Teacher of the Year. Mr. Brosnahan is active in professional activities and is a past president of the Bar Association of San Francisco, whose Volunteer Lawyers Service Program he founded. Mr. Brosnahan authored the "Trial Handbook for California Lawyers."



Honorable Edward Chen, *Judge, United States District Court for the Northern District of California*

Judge Chen earned his bachelor's degree in economics from the University of California at Berkeley. He is a 1979 graduate of the University of California Boalt Hall Law School. He served on the California Law Review and graduated Order of the Coif. After clerking for U.S. District Judge Charles B. Renfrew and U.S. Court of Appeals Chief Judge James R. Browning, he practiced as a litigation associate with the law firm of Coblentz, Cahen, McCabe & Breyer. He joined the legal staff of the ACLU Foundation of Northern California in 1985 where he worked on a wide range of issues including free speech, employee privacy rights, police misconduct, and race and language discrimination. He

worked on the legal team representing Fred Korematsu in successfully overturning his WWII conviction for failing to comply with the Japanese internment order.

Judge Chen left the ACLU to take the bench as a federal magistrate judge for the U.S. District Court in the Northern District of California. He is the first Asian American to serve on that Court's bench in its 150-year history. Following his appointment to the bench, Judge Chen served as an officer of the California Asian American Judges Association, as a Master of the Edward J. McFetridge American Inn of Courts, as a member for the Asian American Bar Association of the Greater Bay Area, and the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association. He was appointed by Chief Judge Schroeder to the Ninth Circuit Task Force on Self-Represented Litigants, and then as the chair of the Ninth Circuit Implementation Committee on Self-Represented Litigants. He was also appointed chair of the Federal Courts Committee on the California Commission on Access to Justice, and as the Northern District of California's liaison judge on pro se matters.

Judge Chen was first nominated by President Obama to the U.S. District Court on August 6, 2009 and was confirmed by the Senate as a United States District Judge on May 10, 2011.



Honorable Michael Cherry, Associate Justice, Nevada Supreme Court

Justice Michael A. Cherry has been an attorney in Nevada since 1970 and was elected to the Nevada Supreme Court in 2006. While he has had a long career in private practice, he always seemed to have involved himself in some public service within the legal community. He began his career as a Deputy Clark County Public Defender before becoming a partner in the law firms of Manos & Cherry and later Cherry, Bailus & Kelesis. In 1981 Chief Justice Cherry was named as Special Master of the MGM Grand Hotel Fire Litigation and in 1983 he assumed the duties of Special Master of the Las Vegas Hilton Fire Litigation. As Special Master, Judge Cherry served as liaison between plaintiffs' attorneys, defense attorneys and the court during these multi-million dollar cases.

His work as Special Master gained him nationwide recognition and the procedures he established are now a part of most mass disaster litigation. Justice Cherry served as an Alternate Municipal Judge for the cities of Las Vegas and Henderson, as well as Justice of the Peace Pro Tem and Small Claims Referee for Clark County. In 1994 he became an instructor for the University of Phoenix, teaching business law and history. Then in 1997 Justice Cherry was named to lead the newly created Clark County Special Public Defender's Office to handle major homicide cases and conflict cases from the county public defender's office. He led a staff of six attorneys and served in that capacity until being elected to Department 17 of the Eighth Judicial District Court in November 1998. Justice Cherry chairs the Indigent Defense Commission that is examining how the justice system deals with criminal defendants who cannot hire their own attorneys. He also is the supervising justice over the Senior Justice and Judge Program.

Justice Cherry earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Missouri in 1966 and a juris doctorate degree from Washington University School of Law in 1969. A native of St. Louis, he is the father of two and grandfather of two. Justice Cherry ran unopposed for a second term in November of 2012. His new 6-year term will end in January 2019.



Kathleen Clyde, State Representative, 75th District, Ohio House of Representatives

Kathleen Clyde is the State Representative for the 75th Ohio House district in Northeast Ohio. She serves as Ranking Member on the Ohio House State & Local Government Committee and is also a member of the Ohio House Finance & Appropriations Committee and its Subcommittee on Higher Education, the Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee, the Policy & Legislative Oversight Committee, the Redistricting Reform Task Force, and the Ohio Constitutional Modernization Commission. Kathleen graduated from The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law as a Public Service Fellow with the Dean's Highest Honors. While at OSU, Kathleen was on the board of the ACS

Student Chapter, an editor of the law review, president of the Public Interest Law Foundation, and a student researcher and analyst at OSU's Election Law Center. She also served as a law clerk for the Ohio Secretary of State and the Ohio Senate and earned a summer fellowship at the Brennan Center for Justice at New York University for the study of election law. After OSU, she became Deputy Legal Counsel to the Speaker of the Ohio House of Representatives where she worked on legal issues ranging from access to the courts to voting rights.

Kathleen is currently an associate in the Kent, Ohio, law firm of Williams, Welser, Kratcoski & Can. She is a noted expert in election law and has spoken on election law issues at the Ohio State, Capital University, and Harvard Law Schools.



Mariano-Florentino Cuéllar, Stanley Morrison Professor of Law, Stanford Law School; Co-Director, Stanford Center for International Security and Cooperation; Director, Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies, Stanford University; Member, Board of Directors, American Constitution Society

Mariano-Florentino Cuéllar works at the intersection of law, public policy, and political science. A member of the Stanford Law School faculty since 2001, he is currently the Stanley Morrison Professor of Law at Stanford Law School, Professor (by courtesy) of Political Science, and the Co-Director of Stanford's Center for International Security and Cooperation. His research and teaching focus on administrative law, executive power, and how organizations

implement regulatory responsibilities involving public health and safety, migration, and international security in a changing world. In July 2010, the President appointed him to the Council of the Administrative Conference of the United States, an independent agency charged with improving the efficiency and fairness of federal regulatory programs. He also serves on the Department of Education's National Commission on Educational Equity and Excellence, and the Department of State's Advisory Sub-Committee on Economic Sanctions.

From early 2009 through the summer of 2010, he served as Special Assistant to the President for Justice and Regulatory Policy at the White House. In this capacity, he led the Domestic Policy Council's work on criminal justice and drug policy, public health and food safety, regulatory reform, borders and immigration, civil rights, and rural and agricultural policy. Among other issues, Cuéllar worked on stricter food safety standards, the FDA's regulatory science initiative, expanding support for local law enforcement and community-based crime prevention, strengthening border coordination and immigrant integration, and the Quadrennial Homeland Security Review. Before working at the White House, he co-chaired the Obama-Biden Transition's Immigration Policy Working Group. During the second term of the Clinton Administration, he worked at the U.S. Department of the Treasury as Senior Advisor to the Under Secretary for Enforcement, where he focused on countering financial crime, improving border coordination, and enhancing anti-corruption measures. He is on the Board of Directors of ACS and The Constitution Project. He clerked for Chief Judge Mary M. Schroeder of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.



Peter Edelman, Professor of Law; Co-Director, Joint Degree in Law and Public Policy; Faculty Director, Center on Poverty, Inequality, and Public Policy, Georgetown University Law Center; Chair, Board of Directors, American Constitution Society

Peter Edelman is a Professor of Law at Georgetown Law Center. On the faculty since 1982, he has also served in all three branches of government. During President Clinton's first term he was Counselor to HHS Secretary Donna Shalala and then Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation. Earlier in his career he was a Legislative Assistant to Senator Robert F. Kennedy, Issues Director for Senator Edward Kennedy's 1980 Presidential campaign, and Law Clerk to Second Circuit Judge Henry Friendly and

Supreme Court Justice Arthur J. Goldberg. Mr. Edelman is Chair of the Board of Directors of the American Constitution Society and Chair of the District of Columbia Access to Justice Commission. His new book, *So Rich, So Poor: Why It's So Hard to End Poverty in America,* was published by The New Press in the spring of 2012.



Pamela S. Karlan, Kenneth and Harle Montgomery Professor of Public Interest Law; Co-Director, Supreme Court Litigation Clinic, Stanford Law School; Member, Board of Directors, American Constitution Society

Pam Karlan is the Kenneth & Harle Montgomery Professor of Public Interest Law at Stanford Law School, where she also co-directs the Supreme Court Litigation Clinic. During her career, Karlan has worked on more than seventy merits cases, arguing seven. Karlan was educated at Yale. She clerked for Judge Abraham Sofaer (S.D.N.Y.) and then Justice Harry Blackmun. She has worked with the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund as an assistant counsel and cooperating attorney. Karlan is co-author of leading casebooks, including Constitutional Law (with Stone, Seidman, Sunstein, and Tushnet),

The Law of Democracy: Legal Structure of the Political Process (with Issacharoff and Pildes), and Civil Rights Actions: Enforcing the Constitution (with Low, Jeffries, and Rutherglen). She also co-wrote *Keeping Faith With The Constitution* (with Liu and Schroeder). *Keeping Faith* responds to proponents of "originalism" and "strict construction" by arguing instead for fidelity to the principles of liberty, equality, opportunity, and responsive government inscribed in the Constitution, and by showing how those principles have been given meaning by courts and the political process. Karlan has been elected to the American Law Institute and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. A prizewinning teacher, she was selected by graduating classes of the University of Virginia, Yale, and Stanford (twice) to speak at commencement. Early in her career, the American Lawyer named her one of its "Public Sector 45" – a group of lawyers "actively using their law degrees to change lives."



Honorable Lucy Haeran Koh, Judge, United States District Court for the Northern District of California

President Obama appointed Judge Lucy Haeran Koh to the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California in June 2010. Governor Schwarzenegger appointed Judge Koh to the California Superior Court for the County of Santa Clara in January 2008. Prior to joining the bench, Judge Koh was a partner at McDermott Will & Emery, where her colleagues and she litigated the *In re Seagate Technology* case, in which the Federal Circuit overturned the 24 year old standard for willful patent infringement. Before joining the private sector, Judge Koh served as an Assistant U.S. Attorney in the Major Frauds Section of the U.S. Attorney's Office in Los Angeles. A jury instruction from one of her

trials is a Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals Model Criminal Jury instruction. She received an award from then FBI Director Louis J. Freeh for prosecuting a \$54 million securities fraud case. Judge Koh also served as Special Assistant to the U.S. Deputy Attorney General at the U.S. Department of Justice in Washington, D.C. Judge Koh began her legal career as a Women's Law and Public Policy Fellow on a Subcommittee of the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee. She received her undergraduate and law degrees from Harvard. She is married and has two children.



Honorable Goodwin Liu, Associate Justice, California Supreme Court

Goodwin Liu is an Associate Justice of the California Supreme Court. Before joining the state's highest court, Justice Liu was Professor of Law at the UC Berkeley School of Law. He went to Stanford University and earned a bachelor's degree in biology in 1991. He attended Oxford University on a Rhodes Scholarship and earned a master's degree in philosophy and physiology. Justice Liu graduated from Yale Law School in 1998. He clerked for Judge David Tatel on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit and then worked as Special Assistant to the Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of Education, where he developed and coordinated K-12 education policy. He went on to clerk at the U.S. Supreme Court for Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg. In

2001, he joined the appellate litigation practice of O'Melveny & Myers in Washington, D.C.

Justice Liu has published articles on constitutional law and education policy in the *California Law Review, Michigan Law Review, NYU Law Review, Stanford Law Review*, and *Yale Law Journal*, among others. His 2006 article, "Education, Equality, and National Citizenship," won the Steven S. Goldberg Award for Distinguished Scholarship in Education Law, conferred by the Education Law Association. He earned tenure at UC Berkeley in 2008 and was promoted to Associate Dean. Justice Liu serves on the Board of Trustees of Stanford University. He has previously served on the Board of Directors of the Alliance for Excellent Education, the American Constitution Society, the National Women's Law Center, and the Public Welfare Foundation. In 2008, he was elected to the American Law Institute. He has also served as a faculty advisor to the California College Prep Academy, a public charter school co-founded by UC Berkeley and Aspire Public Schools.



Angela McCray, Founder, Project ReMADE

Angela McCray, the founder of Project ReMADE, is a third-year student at Stanford Law School. She comes from a family of entrepreneurs, and her own passion for economic development has inspired her to work with formerly incarcerated clients to develop their business skills and entrepreneurial ventures. Prior to law school, Angela worked at PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP for almost five years. She holds a degree in Accounting and an MBA from the University of Louisiana at Monroe and is a Certified Public Accountant. After law school she will work at a corporate law firm in New York and plans to continue pursuing volunteer opportunities in the area of economic justice.



Adam Morfeld, Executive Director & Founder, Nebraskans for Civic Reform; Co-Founder, ACS Nebraska Lawyer Chapter; ACS Next Generation Leader

Adam Morfeld founded Nebraskans for Civic Reform in 2008 to protect voting rights, create more accessible elections and strengthen K-12 civic education. His goal is to create a modern, informed and accountable democracy that all Nebraskans can be proud of. Since then Nebraskans for Civic Reform has become the only public interest organization in Nebraska dedicated to creating uniquely Nebraskan civic education programs and conducting Nebraska specific election administration policy research. Adam graduated from the University of Nebraska Lincoln with a BA in Political Science and a minor in Economics. He graduated from the Nebraska College of Law and was

President of the ACS Student Chapter, a member of the Nebraska Law Review, Robert Van Pelt Inn of Court, University of Nebraska College of Law Young Alumni Council, Innocents Society Alumni Council, and Chairman of the Daily Nebraskan Publications Board. His scholarly research focuses on state legislatures and Nebraska election administration.



Camille Pannu, Staff Attorney, Sustainable Economies Law Center

Camille is an Equal Justice Works Fellow and Staff Attorney (sponsored by Hewlett-Packard and Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP) at the Sustainable Economies Law Center. Based in California's rural San Joaquin Valley, she partners with rural and farm worker communities to create community-owned projects that improve health, build residents' capacity, and support sustainable local economic development. Raised in Richmond, California, Camille graduated with a BA and JD from UC Berkeley (Boalt Hall), where she developed programs and university-community partnerships to address persistent inequality in California's rural and urban low-income communities of color. In addition to her work with Valley communities, Camille serves on the

boards of, and advises, several local and statewide community organizations focused on economic, environmental, and food justice.



Colin Parent, Policy Director, San Diego Housing Commission; ACS Next Generation Leader

Colin Parent currently serves as the Policy Director for the San Diego Housing Commission, the public housing authority for the City of San Diego. He is responsible for developing the Commission's affordable housing policy agenda with state and local decision-makers. Prior to his work with the Commission, Colin was appointed by California Governor Jerry Brown as the Director for External Affairs for the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD). At HCD, Colin led the Administration's regulatory reform of the State Enterprise Zone Program.

Colin graduated from NYU Law School in 2007, where he served as the head of the American Constitution Society student chapter. After graduation he worked for three years as a commercial litigation associate at DLA Piper US LLP. He founded and remains on the board of the San Diego Lawyer Chapter of the American Constitution Society. Colin also is the founder and co-director of the San Diego Leadership Alliance, an organization that promotes progressive leadership and hosts the San Diego chapter of the New Leaders Council.



Marc Philpart, Senior Program Associate, PolicyLink

Marc Philpart, Senior Program Associate at PolicyLink, works with the boys and men of color and black male achievement teams by supporting and developing networks that advance policy and practice to strengthen the field and further race and gender equity. Prior to joining PolicyLink, Philpart worked in the president's office at PATH, a non-profit global health organization. He holds masters degrees in public affairs and public health from the University of Washington in Seattle and earned his BA in History from Xavier University of Louisiana.



Honorable Robert Pratt, Judge, United States District Court for the Southern District of Iowa

A native Iowan, Judge Robert W. Pratt has served as District Judge for the Southern District of Iowa since 1997 and was Chief Judge from 2006 to 2011. Judge Pratt took Senior Status on July 1, 2012. He received a BA degree in Political Science from Loras College and received a Juris Doctor degree from Creighton University. Prior to his appointment to the bench, Judge Pratt worked for the Polk County (Des Moines) Iowa Legal Aid Society and also worked in private practice. While in practice as a legal aid lawyer, he represented low income clients in consumer, housing, and civil rights areas. While he continued to represent low income clients in his private practice, he also represented

labor unions and plaintiffs in personal injury claims, workers compensation claims, and Social Security disability claims. Judge Pratt also served as a court-appointed attorney for indigent criminal defendants.

In his role as Judge, Judge Pratt has confronted sentencing with an attention to detail over thousands of cases, one defendant at a time. The most well-known demonstration of this was Judge Pratt's decision in *United States v. Gall*, which eventually rose to the U.S. Supreme Court. The Court noted, "In addition to making a lengthy statement on the record, [Judge Pratt] filed a detailed sentencing memorandum explaining his decision, and provided [a quoted statement of reasons]." Thus, the Court reversed the Court of Appeals decision, deeming it "incorrect and fail[ing] to demonstrate the requisite deference to [Judge Pratt's] decision." The case allowed the U.S. Supreme Court to restore the role of judges as envisioned when the sentencing guidelines were initially established.



Elisabeth Semel, Clinical Professor of Law; Director, Death Penalty Clinic, University of California Berkeley School of Law

Professor Semel joined the Berkeley Law faculty in 2001 as the first director of the Death Penalty Clinic. In that capacity, Semel represents clients under sentence of death in California and in the South and engages in related litigation in capital cases. Professor Semel and her students have prepared amicus curiae briefs that were filed in the U.S. Supreme Court in several death penalty cases, including Miller-El v. Cockrell, Miller-El v. Dretke, and Snyder v. Louisiana (all dealing with race discrimination in jury selection) and Baze v. Rees (dealing with lethal injection). Semel has defended criminal cases in the state and federal courts with an emphasis on representation at the trial level.

including homicides and capital cases. Professor Semel is also admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court, the Fifth and Ninth Circuit Courts of Appeals and several United States District Courts. She is certified by the State Bar of California as a specialist in criminal law. After graduating Order of the Coif from UC Davis School of Law in 1975, Elisabeth Semel became a deputy public defender in Solano County. In 1979, she became a staff attorney at Defenders, Inc. in San Diego. In 1980, she entered private practice in San Diego, and, in 1983, formed the firm of Semel & Feldman. In 1997, Semel left private practice to serve as the director of the American Bar Association Death Penalty Representation Project in Washington, D.C.

Professor Semel has served on the Board of Directors of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (NACDL) and is a past president of the California Attorneys for Criminal Justice (CACJ), the statewide association of criminal defense lawyers. She has testified before committees of the United States Congress and the California legislature and has lectured at legal education seminars throughout the country on a variety of subjects related to the defense of criminal cases, including capital representation. Professor Semel also frequently provides commentary in the mainstream media on issues relating to the rights of individuals accused of crime, particularly those facing the death penalty.



Fred Smith, Assistant Professor of Law, University of California Berkeley School of Law; ACS Faculty Advisor

Fred Smith, Jr. is a scholar of the judiciary and constitutional law. His current research focuses on sovereignty in the American political system, particularly popular sovereignty, state sovereign immunity and the principle of equal sovereignty. Prior to joining Berkeley Law School's faculty in 2010, Smith clerked for Hon. Barrington D. Parker, Jr. of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit in Manhattan and Judge Myron Thompson of the Middle District of Alabama in Montgomery. He also worked as a fellow for a litigation boutique--Bondurant, Mixson & Elmore LLP in Atlanta--and is an inactive member of the Georgia Bar.

A 2007 graduate of Stanford Law School, Smith has published two pieces in Stanford Law Review. The publications are entitled "Gendered Justice: Do Male and Female Judges Rule Differently on Questions of Gay Rights" (2005) and "Crawford's Aftershock: Aligning the Regulation of Non-Testimonial Hearsay with the History and Purposes of the Confrontation Clause" (2008). The first piece has been cited, among other places, in a leading textbook in the field of Gender and the Law. At Stanford, Smith was a member of the Supreme Court Litigation Clinic; served as Articles Editor for the Stanford Law and Policy Review; served as President of the Black Law Students Association; was a finalist in the annual Kirkwood Moot Court Competition; and was a finalist in the American Constitution Society's national Moot Court Competition. In 2004, he received his BA with Honors from Harvard College; his thesis was awarded Magna Cum Laude.



Jo-Ann Wallace, President and Chief Executive Officer, National Legal Aid & Defender Association

Jo-Ann Wallace is the President and CEO of the National Legal Aid & Defender Association (NLADA). She was previously NLADA's Senior Vice President for Programs, responsible for oversight of both the Civil Legal Aid and Indigent Defense Program agendas. From 1994-2000, Ms. Wallace served as Director of the Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia (PDS), widely regarded as the nation's model defender agency. Before her appointment to Director, Ms. Wallace served the agency in a number of capacities: Deputy Chief of the Appellate Division; Coordinator of the Juvenile Services Program; and as a staff attorney representing both juvenile and adults in trial and

appellate litigation. Ms. Wallace chaired the National Blue Ribbon Advisory Panel on Defender Services, a joint project with the United States Department of Justice, 1995-96. She is a founder of the American Council of Chief Defenders, a leadership council of the top defender executives from across the United States, and the District of Columbia Appellate Practice Institute.

Her extensive experience lecturing includes serving as a member of the visiting faculty for the Trial Advocacy Workshop at Harvard Law School. Ms. Wallace has served as a member of the American Bar Association Criminal Justice Standards Committee. She has significant experience as an expert on criminal justice and indigent defense issues, including serving as a consultant to the United States Department of Justice, local government entities and indigent defense programs. Ms. Wallace recently received recognition from the White House as a "Champion of Change." She is a graduate of New York University School of Law.

Sejal Zota, Staff Attorney, National Immigration Project, National Lawyers Guild

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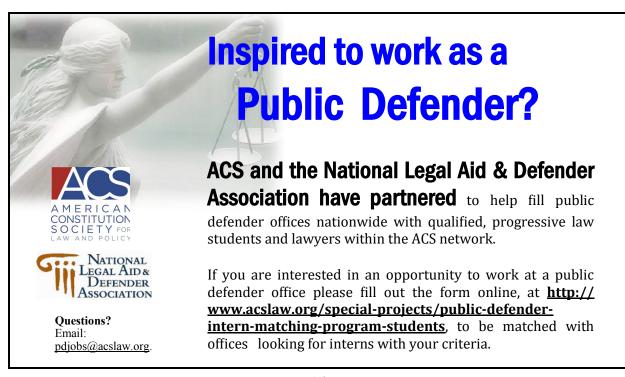
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