

Gross is Sole Candidate for Vice Chancellor

DEBORAH R. GROSS, A PARTNER IN LAW Offices Bernard M. Gross, P.C. and current president of the Philadelphia Bar Foundation, is the lone candidate for Vice Chancellor of the Philadelphia Bar Association in this year's election.

Gross has been the president of the Foundation for the past two years, including this year's 50th Anniversary celebration. She was previously the vice president of the Foundation, chair of its Cy Pres Committee and co-chair of two Andrew Hamilton Benefits. She has been a trustee of the Foundation for 10 years, participating in the Grants Committee, the Finance Committee and the Development Committee.

Gross is also an ex-officio member of the Philadelphia Bar Association's Board of Governors (2013-2014), was chair of the Federal Courts Committee (1999) and vice chair of the Federal Courts Committee responsible for organizing the June 1998 Federal Bench-Bar Conference.

She was also a member of the Third Circuit Judicial Council Bench Bar Relations Committee. She is a member of the Historical Society of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, the Brandeis Law Society, the Temple Inn of Court, the Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association and the Lawyers Club of Philadelphia.

Gross concentrates her practice on plaintiffs' securities fraud, antitrust and consumer class actions litigated throughout the country. She graduated from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania and Boston University School of Law. Since 1998, Gross has frequently been invited to speak and teach at various legal programs and events all over the country, including at the Wharton School, the University of Chicago School of Business, and various Pennsylvania Bar Institute programs.

Gross is also involved in many other nonprofit and educational organizations including Temple Adath Israel, where she

was a member of the Executive Committee and is currently co-chairing its Hineni Capital Campaign. Previously, she was vice president of education, responsible for education at the congregation's preschool and religious school. She has also been head of the education committees of the religious school and preschool as well as a member of the Board of Directors. She has also organized a program to bring the third-grade students from the William Penn Charter School, where her children attended, to the federal courthouse to observe a naturalization ceremony. She co-chaired and raised money for the University of Pennsylvania Class of 1982's 25th reunion that had a record number of attendees and raised a record number of donations. She has supported numerous charitable organizations, both legal and non-legal. She participated in the first Three Day Walk in Philadelphia to raise money for breast cancer. She was a speaker at a JEVS Human Services workshop series "You've Got the Job, What's



Deborah R. Gross

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She is the proud mother of three adult children, Adam, Emily and Zachary. Her husband, Stuart Kurtz, is an attorney and co-founder of Kurtz and Revness, P.C. in Wayne, Pa.

Four Line Office Posts Unopposed

THIS YEAR, THE FOUR CANDIDATES FOR Bar line offices are unopposed. The candidates are Jacqueline G. Segal, secretary; Wesley R. Payne IV, treasurer; Judge A. Michael Snyder (ret.), assistant secretary; and Mary F. Platt, assistant treasurer.

Segal is a partner with Fox Rothschild LLP and a graduate of Temple University School of Law.

Segal currently serves as secretary of the Bar Association (2013-2014). She has held a number of other Bar Association positions including assistant secretary (2011-2013); parliamentarian to the Board of Governors (2010); Cabinet member (2010-); Board of Governors (2007-2009); co-chair, Membership Task Force (2010-2013); chair, Chancellor's Committee for Pandemic/Disaster Planning (2007-2009); Code of Judicial Conduct Task Force (2013); Elections Committee (2008, 2013, 2014); Board Liaison to Minorities in the Profession Committee (2008); Policy Oversight and Long Range Planning Committee (2008); Family Court Construction Committee (2008); Commission on Judi-



Segal

cial Selection and Retention (2006); Section Chairs Committee (2006). In addition, Segal has been active in the Bar Association's Family Law Section including chair (2006); chair-elect (2005); treasurer (2004); secretary (2003); executive committee (1997-2011); co-chair, Child Support Legislation Committee (2004); co-chair, Divorce and Equitable Distribution Committee (1997-2002); co-chair, Domestic Violence Committee (1994-1996).

Segal was an officer, executive committee member and founding member of Philadelphia's Nicholas A. Cipriani Family Law American Inn of Court (2006-2007); member, Doris Jonas Freed American Inn of Court (1998-present); member, University of Pennsylvania Law School American Inn of Court (1994-1996); member, American Bar Association, Family Law



Payne

Section; Philadelphia Bar Foundation Hamilton Gala Benefit Host Committee (2014); Individual Giving Campaign (2011-2013); Women's Resource Center, Advisory Board (2014-2015).

Payne, the current treasurer, is a partner with White and Williams, LLP and a graduate of the University of Maryland School of Law. He is a former chair of the Military Affairs Committee and co-chair of the Insurance Programs Committee. He is a member of the Minorities in the Profession Committee, Diversity Committee and an Advancing Civics Education program team leader in 2008 through 2013.

Payne serves as a judge pro tem, Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas and is a co-president of the Philadelphia Diversity Law Group, Inc.; immediate past-president of the Philadelphia Association of Defense Counsel; co-chair of the Rules Committee of the Pennsylvania



Snyder

Defense Institute; diversity governor at large of the Pennsylvania Bar Association; and, a member of the Barristers' Association of Philadelphia. He is also a certified arbitration panelist in both Philadelphia County and federal court.

Judge Snyder is a distinguished neutral with The Dispute Resolution Institute and a graduate of Temple University School of Law.

Judge Snyder has served as chair/co-chair of Bar Academy (2010-present); Bench-Bar Planning Committee (2011, 2012); co-chair Law School Outreach Initiative (2014-present); Board of Governors, Workers' Compensation Section representative (2001, 2009-2014); co-chair, Workers' Compensation Section (2000, 2009); Executive Committee, Workers' Compensation Section (1999-2002, 2008-present); member, Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee;

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7 Running for 5 Seats on Board of Governors



Maureen M. Farrell



Steve Harvey



Kathleen Kirkpatrick



Ira S. Lefton



Kevin Mincey



Jeffrey N. Rosenthal



Julia Swain

Maureen M. Farrell

Professional Profile: Principal, The Law Offices of Maureen M. Farrell; Widener University School of Law.

Association Activities: Chair of Women in the Profession Newsletter Committee and Editor-in-Chief of Women in Profession Newsletter (2011-2012); Women in the Profession Organizer of Launch Party celebrating the Inaugural WIP Newsletter (2012); course planner and faculty member at 2013 Bench-Bar Conference for “Creating and Managing Law Firm Budgets, Managing Office Space, Clients and Loans;” member, Bar Run Charity Committee (2010-2011, 2013); recognized as a fundraising leader for The Bar Run benefitting The Support Center for Child Advocates (2010); speed networking event creator of joint program with Widener Women’s Network and the Women in the Profession Committee (2007); networking presenter for Women in Profession Committee (2008); creator and moderator of joint event with the Brehon Law Society/Solo and Small Firm Committee/Justinian Law Society (2013); member, Green Ribbon Committee (2011-2013); member, Family Law Section (2012-2014); member, Business Law Section (2012-2014); member, Solo and Small firm committee (2007 to present); member, LGBT Rights Committee (2011-2014); member, Probate and Trust Law Section (2008 to present).

Other Activities: Brehon Law Society Executive Board member (2014); Brehon Law Society Women in the Brehons chair (2012-2014); presentations with the Philadelphia Bar Association/Women in Brehons (2012-2014); Brehon Membership Committee (2012-2014); Fundraiser and Promotional Event Organizer for Community Legal Services Justice for All 5K Run (2013); Justice for All 5K Run Committee (2012); Bryn Mawr Running Club, Executive Committee member (1999 to present); Widener Women’s Alumni Network (2007 to present); Women’s Way Unsung Heroine Awards Committee (2011-2012); Washington Square West Civic Association; Barristers’ Association of Philadelphia; The Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association; The

Justinian Law Society; The Brehon Law Society; volunteer, Philadelphia Volunteer for the Indigent Program.

Candidate’s Statement: I respectfully seek your support in my candidacy this year for The Board of Governors of the Philadelphia Bar Association. Since my law school graduation, my active involvement in The Philadelphia Bar Association has proved to be invaluable in enhancing my career as a lawyer. I am grateful to the Philadelphia Bar Association for providing me with numerous opportunities to join and participate in many of its different Sections and Committees. I encourage every lawyer to become involved in the Philadelphia Bar Association because it will become an indispensable resource for you.

As a member of the Board of Governors, I will work to increase membership and participation of our existing members by using my skills of follow-through and attention to detail that have led to creating very well-attended, successful programs. For example, I have created programs working with the Brehon Law Society, the Justinian Law Society, Widener Law alumni and the Philadelphia Bar Association.

If elected, I plan to represent the Bar Association with the same vigor and enthusiasm that I have shown with my dedicated, active participation in the Bar Association by way of its many varied capacities.

Steve Harvey

Professional Profile: Principal, Steve Harvey Law LLC; Villanova University School of Law.

Association Activities: Member since 1996; participated in panel presentation “Making the Private Practice Leap,” sponsored by the Philadelphia Bar Association on June 4, 2014, as part of its Law Firm Laboratory series; presented a resolution on climate change to Board of Governors in June 2014; assisted with Chancellor’s Forum “Understanding the Science of Climate Change” scheduled for Nov. 6, 2014; and scheduled as a participant on Dec. 3, 2014, in another panel presentation as part of the Law Firm Laboratory

Bar to Elect Officers, Board Members

The Philadelphia Bar Association’s Annual Election of officers and members of the Board of Governors will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 9 from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. on the Ballroom Level of the Park Hyatt Philadelphia at the Bellevue, Broad and Walnut streets. Officers to be elected are vice chancellor, secretary, treasurer, assistant secretary, assistant treasurer and five members of the Board of Governors for three-year terms.

According to Article IV, Section 406, Paragraph B, “The election shall be by (1) secret mailed ballot and (2) paper ballot or voting machine. In addition, members may vote electronically over the Internet to the extent permitted by law pursuant to procedures established by the Board to preserve the confidentiality of the Member’s vote and the integrity of the voting process. Voting machines, if available, shall be preferred for in-person voting, unless there is an election at which there is no contest. The position of the nominee on the ballot shall be determined by lot. The drawing of lots shall be conducted by the Judge of Elections not less than 25 days before the Annual Meeting in the presence of the nominees and/or their representatives. The form of the ballot shall be prescribed by the Board. A ballot shall be sent by the Association by mail to every Association member eligible to vote at least two weeks prior to the date set for the Annual Meeting. A mailed ballot shall not be counted unless it has been received at the office of the Association no later than 10 a.m. three business days prior to the date set for the Annual Meeting and in such manner as to preserve the confidentiality of the member’s vote. The Judge of Elections shall count the mailed ballots after the polls have been closed.”

Ballots are to be mailed Nov. 20 and are due by Dec. 4 at 10 a.m.

Candidates for Office

Vice Chancellor

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Secretary

Jacqueline G. Segal

Treasurer

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Board of Governors (elect five)

Maureen M. Farrell

Steve Harvey

Kathleen Kirkpatrick

Ira S. Lefton

Kevin Mincey

Jeffrey N. Rosenthal

Julia Swain

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Other Activities: Past president and current board member of the Homeless Advocacy Project; member of the Temple American Inn of Court; member of American Bar Association, Section of Business and Section of Litigation; member of the legal advisory committee of the National Center for Science Education; cooperating counsel and member American Civil Liberties Union of Pennsylvania; judge pro tempore for the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas.

Candidate’s Statement: Since December 2013, I have been running my firm,

Steve Harvey Law LLC. Before that I practiced law at Pepper Hamilton since 1995. I graduated from Villanova Law School in 1989, clerked for a federal judge and served as a trial attorney in the U.S. Department of Justice.

Our greatest calling as lawyers is to give back. I have tried to live up to this by doing government service early in my career and since then by taking pro bono cases and supporting our many excellent public interest organizations. I have served for many years on the board of the Homeless Advocacy Project. I have also

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been active in environmental causes. I recently worked on a resolution passed by the Board of Governors seeking action on climate change, an issue I believe is critically important and deserves the attention of the legal community.

If elected, I will work to advance the interest of the Association, its members and the larger community. This will include further work on climate change. I am also interested in building public confidence in the legal system, encouraging diversity in the profession, and supporting the Philadelphia legal community as a positive economic and social force.

Kathleen Kirkpatrick

Professional Profile: Associate, Tucker Law Group, LLC; Temple University James E. Beasley School of Law.

Association Activities: Labor & Employment Law Committee, co-chair (2013, 2014); Women in the Profession Committee, member and meeting planner, moderator (2012 – present); State Civil Litigation Section, member (2012 – present); moderator, “The Equal Pay Act and Gender Discrimination,” Women’s Rights Committee and Labor and Employment Committee (2013); Moderator, “How To Effectively Deal With The Obstreperous Lawyer,” Women in the Profession Committee (2012).

Other Activities: Lawyers’ Club, Board of Directors (2014); Brehon Society, member; Justinian Society, member; Brandeis Law Society, member; Panelist, “Perceptions, Stereotypes of Women in Law,” Brehon Law Society (2014); The Old City Special Services District, Board of Directors (2012); Guest Speaker, University of Pennsylvania School of Law, “Trying the Employment Discrimination Case” (2012); Zoeza Institute, Advisory Board of Directors (2008-09); First Judicial District of Pennsylvania Pro Bono Roll of Honor (2006); Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association, member.

Candidate’s Statement: I am seeking a position on the Board of Governors because I wish to continue my current involvement with the Bar Association and actively participate in the shaping of policies that impact both our Association’s members and the community at large. The Bar Association serves a vital function as the face of the Philadelphia legal community and it is important that our leadership fully reflect the diversity of the Bar and our city. My personal experience of practicing in a multicultural firm has given me genuine insight into the benefits of inclusion and diversity of thought.

My diverse personal and professional

life allows me to bring a unique perspective to the Bar Association and the issues facing membership and greater participation from all corners of the Bar.

As co-chair of the Labor & Employment Law Committee, and as an attorney for both plaintiffs and defendants, I have had the opportunity to address the effects of laws on all stakeholders, including laws related to equal pay and sexual orientation discrimination. I was also instrumental with community outreach and in presenting panel discussions with the Women in the Profession Committee, and am a member of the State Civil Litigation Section.

Ira S. Lefton

Professional Background: Partner, Reed Smith LLP (Chair of Firmwide Pro Bono Committee); University of North Carolina Law School.

Association Activities: Member, Public Interest Section, Civil Gideon and Access to Justice Task Force, Law Firm Pro Bono Committee, LGBT Rights Committee; past participant, Philadelphia Bar Association 5-K Race.

Other Activities: Member, Gay and Lesbian Lawyers of Philadelphia; pro bono counsel for Amnesty International U.S.A., the Partnership Community Development Corporation (sponsoring community development in West Philadelphia), the American Women’s Heritage Society (operating the Historic Belmont Mansion and the Underground Railway Museum), Philadelphia FIGHT (AIDS treatment, prevention and research) and the Philadelphia LGBT Elder Initiative; board officer and pro bono counsel for Citizens for the Arts in Pennsylvania (advocating for the arts and for funding for the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts); board officer and pro bono counsel for Dance Affiliates (co-presenter of the “Dance Celebration Series” at the Annenberg Center, University of Pennsylvania); participant/mentor in the “Beyond School Walls” program of Big Brothers, Big Sisters (partnering with the Fell Elementary School in South Philadelphia).

Candidate’s Statement: As the leader of my firm’s global pro bono efforts who has devoted significant time to nonprofits in Philadelphia and beyond, I can offer my experience and a fresh perspective to support what the Association already does for the public interest community and to strengthen our commitment to meet their legal needs (such as via the Civil Gideon Task Force).

Because I also serve on my firm’s Diversity and Inclusion Committee, I offer that experience to further the efforts of our Association to embrace all the diverse constituents in our legal community. In addition, I will work to strengthen the

commitment of the city’s larger firms to our Association and increase involvement of their lawyers in our activities, including pro bono.

Having worked on recruitment and training of new lawyers, I will bolster our Association’s efforts to address the challenges in finding meaningful employment opportunities for younger lawyers and in working with law schools to focus more on practical training.

Finally, I will work with our colleagues to ensure that our judicial system is held to even higher regard and that all of our courts shine as a beacon of integrity for those who seek swift, effective and even-handed justice.

Kevin Mincey

Professional Profile: Partner, Mincey & Fitzpatrick, LLC; Howard University School of Law.

Association Activities: Special advisor to the Chancellor (2014); chair, Diversity in the Profession Committee (2013-Present); member, Diversity in the Profession Committee (2011-2013); Criminal Justice Section representative to the Board of Governors (2013); chair, Criminal Justice Section (2012); chair-elect, Criminal Justice Section (2011); member, Executive Committee, Criminal Justice Section (2010); member, Commission on Judicial Selection and Retention (2011-2012).

Other Activities: President, Barristers’ Association of Philadelphia (2011-2012); member, Barristers’ Association of Philadelphia (2008-present); Chair, Barristers’ Association of Philadelphia Expungement Clinic (2011-Present); Regional Director, National Bar Association (2007-2008); member, National Bar Association (2005-present).

Candidate’s Statement: If elected to the Board of Governors, I will continue my work to enhance the effectiveness of the Philadelphia Bar Association in the profession and community. As chair of the Criminal Justice Section, I stood up for public interest lawyers and protected the rights of indigent defendants. As chair of the Diversity in the Profession Committee, I successfully advanced a resolution for additional minority appointments to the Board of Governors to ensure adequate and continuous representation for minority attorneys, and helped improve our Statement of Diversity Principles.

This year, while serving as special advisor to the Chancellor, it was deeply enriching to assist Chancellor Fedullo as he took on the funding challenges facing the Philadelphia School District. His work in this area helped shine a light on the breadth of the Association’s reach, and I believe that the work of the Association uniquely positions us to impact the

Philadelphia community on a much larger scale.

Going forward, we should work harder to serve the voting public, through avenues like enhanced judicial evaluations, and influence lawyers who are not members to become active in the Association. With your support, I will continue to serve the Association with vigor and help push it even farther.

Jeffrey N. Rosenthal

Professional Profile: Associate, Blank Rome LLP; Syracuse University College of Law.

Association Activities: Financial secretary to the Executive Committee of the Young Lawyers Division (YLD)(2012-2013); member, Young Lawyers Division Executive Committee (2011-present); member, Public Interest Section Law School Outreach Committee (2014-present); liaison, State Civil Litigation Section (2010-2011), firm-wide organizer, Harvest for the Homeless program (2014); co-chair, Legal Advice Live! event (2012); event chair, A Night of Comedy That Cares Annual Fundraiser Committee (2013); participant, Law Star Game Annual Fundraiser (2014); member, Casino Night Annual Fundraiser Committee (2011) organizer and volunteer, LegalLine (2012-present); moderator and organizer, YLD Bootcamp - panel on Interview Skills (2013-Present); volunteer judge, John S. Bradway Mock Trial Competition (2014); member, Attorney Career Development Committee (2009).

Other Activities: Chair, Blank Rome’s Martin Luther King Jr. Living Will Day Planning Committee (2012-2013); volunteer, Philadelphia Volunteers for the Indigent Program; volunteer, Homeless Advocacy Project; volunteer, SeniorLaw Center; volunteer, Community Legal Services; volunteer, People’s Emergency Center; volunteer, The Housing Alliance of Pennsylvania; volunteer, Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia; member, Golden Slipper Club & Charities – Human Needs And Services Committee; member, Louis D. Brandeis Law Society; member, Blank Rome United Way Associates Committee.

Candidate’s Statement: Relevance and membership: two things the Philadelphia Bar Association must focus on to ensure the greatest impact on the legal community and the community at-large.

As an active bar member, I have seen the positive effects our concerted efforts have on the community. The Association is a wonderful platform for taking collective positions on significant issues, providing members networking and practice growth opportunities and encouraging volunteer service. But it needs a steady

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stream of new players to function. And those new players can only come from young lawyers who recognize the benefits of bar membership and its place in the Philadelphia landscape.

I was fortunate to serve as financial secretary to the YLD Executive Committee. In that role, I managed and directed the activities of the YLD's more than 2,900 members, raising both money and awareness. I currently serve on the Law School Outreach Committee, which connects me to the concerns of students and newly-minted attorneys looking for a place to belong.

As my term on the YLD's Executive Committee ends, I want to bring my energy and experience to the Board of Governors to ensure young lawyer's voices are heard. I appreciate your support.

Julia Swain

Professional Profile: Partner, Fox Rothschild LLP; Widener University School of Law.

Association Activities: Chair, Sponsorships, Bench-

Bar Committee (2014); co-chair, Bench-Bar Committee (2013); chair, Family Law Section (2011); associate editor, *Philadelphia Bar Reporter* (2009 to present); co-chair, Bench Bar Conference Planning Committee, Family Law Section (2009 to present); voting member, Commission on Judicial Selection and Retention (2009 to present); voting member, Board of Governors (2011); member, Civil Gideon Task Force, Family Law Working Group (2010); vice chair, Family Law Section (2010); co-chair, Program Committee, Family Law Section (2005 to 2010); treasurer, Family Law Section (2009); investigator, Commission on Judicial Selection and Retention (2009 to 2011); CLE coordinator, Family Law Section (2007 to 2010); secretary, Family Law Section (2008); co-chair Membership Committee, Family Law Section (2001 to 2004); YLD liaison, Family Law Section (2001, 2002).

Other Activities: Fellow, American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, PA Chapter, Board of Managers; member, Family Court Initiative, Federal Court Supervision to Aid Reentry Program; The Matrimonial Strategist, Editorial Board; president, Ridgeway Estates Homeowners Association; member, Family Law Advisory Panel, Philadelphia Volunteers for the Indigent Program (2008 to present); board member, Hebrew Immigrant Aid Service

(2008 to 2013).

Candidate's Statement: Through many years of my commitment to the Philadelphia Bar Association, I have strived to support its mission of serving the profession and the public by promoting justice, professional excellence and respect for the law. I seek the opportunity to continue my involvement with the Association by serving on the Board of Governors.

My prior leadership experience through the Family Law Section has provided a strong background to understand the needs of the Philadelphia legal community. As chair of the Family Law Section, I had the opportunity to serve on the Board of Governors and the Commission on Judicial Selection and Retention. I also regularly meet with other section chairs and worked with members of our judiciary to develop meaningful CLE programs. These roles have provided me with valuable insight into the collective experience of our legal community including lawyers in small, medium and large firms, representing a broad range of practice groups. I hope you will support my candidacy for a position on the Board of Governors and allow me to devote my skills and energy to promote our legal community and to help ensure that our Bar Association maintains its position as a preeminent legal professional organization.

10 Seek 7 Seats on YLD Executive Committee

Ryan Briskin

Professional Background: Solomon, Sherman & Gabay; Widener University School of Law.

Activities: Member, Pennsylvania Association for Justice.

Candidate's Statement: My qualifications to serve as a member of the Young Lawyers Division Executive Committee are grounded in my past experiences as a young lawyer. I have tried numerous cases to verdict in front of juries and arbitration panels. In addition, I devote a portion of my practice to doing pro bono work through the Democratic City Committee. This experience has given me a unique perspective on challenges facing citizens of Philadelphia. In the past I have participated in numerous Young Lawyers Division events where I was fortunate to meet many young lawyers in the area who I expect to grow with professionally throughout our careers.

Mario D'Adamo III

Professional Background: Assistant City Solicitor, Philadelphia Law Department; Widener University School of Law.

Activities: Member, Sons of Italy, Knights of Columbus; Board member, Tolentine Community Center.

Candidate's Statement: While attending evening division law school, I worked as a probation officer for the First Judicial District. In that capacity, I appeared countless times at the bar of the court, where I developed lasting relationships with esteemed members of the bar and the judiciary. Those experiences in



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conjunction with my work ethic and dedication will help the young lawyers to network within the court system. Recently, I accepted an offer as an assistant city solicitor and will represent the City of Philadelphia. This will enable me to continue to foster such relations and further benefit the YLD.

Caitlin M. Donnelly

Professional Background: Associate, KML Law Group, PC; Drexel University Law School.

Activities: Member, Temple Inn of Court and Drexel Law School Alumni Council.

Candidate's Statement: I am interested in a YLD Executive Committee position because I'd like to help build

our community of young Philadelphia lawyers and increase our involvement in the greater legal community. I believe I have the time to dedicate and have had many other experiences working with organizations in the past that are directly relevant to what I hope to accomplish working with the Executive Committee. My goal is to see the YLD really flourish as an organization that helps build lasting professional connections and contributes effectively to the Philadelphia legal community by offering fun, useful and informative events.

Melanie J. Foreman

Professional Background: Law clerk, Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas; University of Pennsylvania Law School.

Activities: Member, Friends of the Israeli Defense Forces, Temple American Inn of Court.

Candidate's Statement: Serving on the YLD Executive Committee would be a unique opportunity that would allow me not only to become further involved in the Philadelphia legal community, but also to help shape the goals of the YLD. I have already become involved in the YLD's outreach initiatives by participating in Legal Line Live in West Philadelphia and by assisting in the annual Goldilocks Program. I also volunteered at the Law Star Game. My participation shows that I am dependable and committed to the YLD. I furthermore have experience serving on the board of various nonprofits, both during and after law school.

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Dana Gittleman

Professional Background: Associate, Marshall Dennehey Warner Coleman & Goggin, P.C.; Villanova University School of Law.

Activities: Member, Brandeis Law Society.

Candidate's Statement: I believe that my experience in leadership capacities and involvement in the Philadelphia community make me an excellent candidate for the YLD Executive Committee. Throughout my undergraduate and law school careers, I assumed leadership positions that enabled me to hone my skills in organizing peers and mobilizing support for volunteer projects and attendance at social events. I am from Philadelphia and have strong ties to the area, both in the legal and nonlegal community, which could assist with cross-disciplinary programming and networking. Furthermore, I have employment experience in marketing, business development and communications that could assist with outreach and attendance.

Lindsay H. Schoonmaker

Professional Background: Associate, Pepper Hamilton LLP; Temple University Beasley School of Law.

Activities: Member, Women's Initiative Network at Pepper Hamilton LLP and Pepper Hamilton Summer Associate Social Committee. Member, American Bar Association.

Candidate's Statement: As a member of the Young Lawyers Division Executive Committee, I will be committed to helping the Philadelphia Bar Association community, the Philadelphia legal community and the Philadelphia community in general as the mission of the YLD Executive Committee intends. I have taken a leadership role in the groups to which I have belonged my whole life. I have always volunteered and been committed to my communities and would like to take the same kind of role as a new lawyer and as a member of the YLD.

Ashley K. Shea

Professional Background: Associate, Griesing Law, LLC; Villanova University School of Law.

Activities: Business Law Section liaison to Young Lawyers Division Executive Committee; member American Bar Association, Brehon Law Society, Junior League of Philadelphia, Young Professionals Network, Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce; Volunteer for Ronald

McDonald House, YLD Law Star Game Fundraiser and John S. Bradway High School Mock Trial Competition.

Candidate's Statement: As the Business Law Section liaison to the Executive Committee the past two years, I co-chaired the 2013 Legal Advice Live! Program and the 2014 Harvest for the Homeless drive and created programming for young lawyers to gain mentorship opportunities from seasoned attorneys through a Practicing Business Law Panel, a Business Development Speed Networking Event, and a Reverse Mentoring Program. I am running for the Executive Committee because I believe in the importance of serving the community and of relationship-building from the outset of our careers. The YLD is a valuable vehicle for both, and I ask for your vote so that I may continue to diligently support its mission.

Franklin R. Strokoff

Professional Background: Associate, The Rothenberg Law Firm, LLP; Widener University School of Law.

Activities: Member, American Bar Association, Pennsylvania Bar Association, New Jersey Bar Association, Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association, Pennsylvania Association for Justice, New Jersey Association for Justice, American Association for Justice.

Personal Statement: Throughout my life, I have been active in the community and have spent time volunteering with organizations such as Habitat For Humanity, Downtown Daily Bread and Stop Hunger Now. In addition, I have held many important leadership positions in both athletics and academics. As a member of the Young Lawyers Division Executive Committee, I will rely on past experiences to continue to serve the Philadelphia legal community and community

Election Notice

Candidates For YLD Executive Committee

Balloting for members of the Young Lawyers Division Executive Committee will take place on Tuesday, Dec. 9, from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. on the Ballroom Level of the Hyatt at The Bellevue, Broad and Walnut streets. This year, 10 candidates are seeking election to seven seats available on the YLD Executive Committee. Committee members serve three-year terms.

Candidates for Office

Ryan Briskin
Mario D'Adamo III
Caitlin M. Donnelly
Melanie J. Foreman
Dana Gittleman

Lindsay H. Schoonmaker
Ashley K. Shea
Franklin R. Strokoff
Thomas J. Szymanski
Anna B. Will

Note: Only members in good standing of the Association's Young Lawyers Division may cast votes in this election. Attorneys are members of the Division if (1) they have not yet reached or reached the age of 37, or (2) they have not yet reached or reached the third anniversary of their first admission to the bar of any state.

as a whole. I am eager and excited to give back to the community and continue to strengthen the ties between the citizens of Philadelphia and the Philadelphia Bar Association.

Thomas J. Szymanski

Professional Background: Associate, Marshall Dennehey Warner Coleman & Goggin, P.C.; Rutgers University School of Law.

Activities: Member, Jagiellonian Law Society.

Candidate's Statement: My diverse professional background, organizational skills and determination qualify me to serve on the YLD Executive Committee. I have a wide range of legal experiences, including clerking in federal and state court, working at a major federal agency and working in the private sector. I have also served in several leadership positions in various capacities. Furthermore, I understand the importance of networking

as a vehicle to succeed in our profession, and I will work to make our network of young lawyers stronger. Thank you for the opportunity to serve this community.

Anna B. Will

Professional Background: Attorney, Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority; Temple University Beasley School of Law.

Candidate's Statement: Having served on my law school's student bar association, I am eager to serve on the Philadelphia Bar Association's Young Lawyers Division Executive Committee. I hope to bring my enthusiasm for the profession and interest in community outreach to my role on the Executive Committee. I enjoy working as a member of a team to carry out projects. Additionally, I look forward to learning about the internal governance of the Bar Association with members of other sections and committees.

ANNUAL MEETING LUNCHEON



INTRODUCING
ALBERT S. DANDRIDGE III DEC. 9, 2014
OUR 88TH CHANCELLOR

HYATT AT THE BELLEVUE | 12 P.M.



Incoming Philadelphia Bar Association Chancellor Albert S. Dandridge III will outline his plans for 2015 at the Association's Annual Meeting Luncheon on Tuesday, December 9 at 12 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom of the Hyatt at The Bellevue, Broad and Walnut Streets.

REGISTER AT PHILADELPHIABAR.ORG

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, Nov. 3

Family Law Section: meeting, 12 p.m., 11th Floor Conference Center. Lunch: \$8.

Tuesday, Nov. 4

Committee on the Legal Rights of Persons with Disabilities: meeting, 9 a.m., 11th Floor Committee Room South.
Women's Rights Committee: meeting, 12 p.m., 11th Floor Conference Center. Lunch: \$8.

Wednesday, Nov. 5

Delivery of Legal Services Committee: meeting, 8:30 a.m., 10th Floor Board Room.

International Business Initiative Committee: meeting, 12 p.m., 11th Floor Conference Center. Lunch: \$8.

Family Law Section ADR Committee: meeting, 4 p.m., 10th Floor Board Room.

Thursday, Nov. 6

Chancellor's Forum: 12 p.m., 11th Floor Conference Center. Lunch: \$8.

Philadelphia Bar Academy: Costumes of Downton Abbey, 5:30 p.m., Winterthur Museum, Garden & Library, Winterthur, Del. Register at philadelphiabar.org.

Friday, Nov. 7

Workers' Compensation Section Executive Committee: meeting, 10:30 a.m., 11th Floor Committee Room South.

Workers' Compensation Section: meeting, 12 p.m., 11th Floor Conference Center. Lunch: \$8.

Monday, Nov. 10

Civil Gideon Task Force Housing Work Group: meeting, 8:30 a.m., 11th Floor Committee Room South.

Chancellor's Forum: 12 p.m., 11th Floor Conference Center. Lunch: \$8.

Tuesday, Nov. 11

Cabinet: meeting, 12 p.m., 10th Floor Board Room.

Criminal Justice Section Executive Committee: meeting, 12:30 p.m., 11th Floor Committee Room South.

Wednesday, Nov. 12

X,Y,Zs of Real Estate: meeting, 12 p.m., 11th Floor Conference Center. Lunch: \$8.

Delivery of Legal Services Committee Emeriti Network: meeting, 3 p.m., 10th Floor Board Room.

Thursday, Nov. 13

Legislative Liaison Committee: meeting, 12 p.m., 10th Floor Board Room. Lunch: \$8.

Immigration Law Committee: meeting, 12 p.m., 11th Floor Conference Center. Lunch: \$8.

Friday, Nov. 14

YLD Bootcamp: 12 p.m., 11th Floor Conference Center. Admission: \$10.

The Philadelphia Lawyer magazine Editorial Board: meeting, 12:30 p.m., 11th Floor Committee Room South.

Monday, Nov. 17

Public Interest Section Executive Committee: meeting, 12 p.m., 10th Floor

Board Room.

Tuesday, Nov. 18

Civil Gideon Access to Justice Task Force: meeting, 12 p.m., 10th Floor Board Room.

Employee Benefits Committee: meeting, 12:30 p.m., 11th Floor Committee Room South. Lunch: \$8.

Wednesday, Nov. 19

State Civil Litigation Section: meeting, 12 p.m., 11th Floor Conference Center. Lunch: \$8.

Federal Courts Committee: meeting, 12:30 p.m., 11th Floor Conference Center. Lunch: \$8.

LegalLine: 5 p.m., 11th Floor LRIS offices.

Thursday, Nov. 20

Solo and Small Firm Committee: meeting, 12 p.m., 10th Floor Board Room. Lunch: \$8.

Board of Governors: meeting, 4 p.m., 10th Floor Board Room.

Friday, Nov. 21

Social Security Disability Benefits Committee: meeting, 12 p.m., 11th Floor

Conference Center. Lunch: \$8.

Health Care Law Committee: meeting, 12 p.m., 10th Floor Board Room. Lunch: \$8.50.

Monday, Nov. 24

Young Lawyers Division Executive Committee: meeting, 12 p.m., 10th Floor Board Room.

Tuesday, Nov. 25

Recent Trends in Israeli Law: meeting, 8:30 a.m., 11th Floor Conference Center.

Women in the Profession Committee: meeting, 12 p.m., 10th Floor Board Room. Lunch: \$8.

Criminal Justice Section: meeting, 12 p.m., 11th Floor Conference Center. Lunch: \$8.

Wednesday, Nov. 26

Chancellor's Forum: 12 p.m., 11th Floor Conference Center. Lunch: \$8.

Thursday, Nov. 27

Thanksgiving: Bar offices closed.

Friday, Nov. 28

Thanksgiving: Bar offices closed.

Note: While the following listings have been verified prior to press time, any scheduled event may be subject to change by the committee or section chairs. Lunches are \$8 for members and \$12 for non-members, unless otherwise indicated. Register online for most events at philadelphiabar.org. Unless otherwise specified, all checks for luncheons and programs should be made payable to the Philadelphia Bar Association and mailed to Bar Headquarters, 1101 Market St., 11th fl., Philadelphia, PA 19107-2955. Send Bar Association-related calendar items 30 days in advance to Jeff Lyons, Senior Managing Editor, Philadelphia Bar Reporter, Philadelphia Bar Association, 1101 Market St., Philadelphia, PA 19107-2955. Fax: (215) 238-1159. Email: jlyons@philabar.org.

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member, Arts in the Courts Committee; team teacher, Advancing Civics Education Program (2009-present), Investigative Division member Judicial Selection and Retention Committee (2013-present); member, Workers' Compensation Section; member, Philadelphia Bar Foundation Grants Committee (2009-present). Judge Snyder currently serves as Assistant Secretary of The Philadelphia Bar Association.

He has also served as a member, House of Delegates, Pennsylvania Bar Association (2004-2008); member, Executive Board, member, long-range/strategic planning committee, member, CLE committee, Louis D. Brandeis Law Society; Vice Chancellor Louis D. Brandeis Law Society (2013-present); Executive Board member Louis D. Brandeis Law Society Foundation (2012 – present); founder, Louis D. Brandeis Law Society Foundation; Temple American Inn of Court (2008-present)

team leader (2009-present); founder and president, Judge Alexander F. Barbieri Workers' Compensation Inn of Court (2010-present); member, Workers' Compensation Section, Fall Section Advisory Committee, Pennsylvania Bar Institute (2005-present); member, Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee, Pennsylvania Bar Association; member, Concerned Committee for the Elderly, Center for Social Responsibility (Grants Committee), Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia (2003-2012).

Platt is of counsel to Fineman Krekstein & Harris, P.C., and is a graduate of Georgetown University Law Center and Mount Holyoke College.

She currently serves as assistant treasurer of the Philadelphia Bar Association and has also held the following positions within the Bar Association: Law Practice Management Division representative to Board of Governors (2009-2010); parliamentarian, Board of Governors (2008); Chancellor's Cabinet (2002-2005, 2008, 2013, 2014);

treasurer (2003-2005); assistant treasurer (2002, 2013, 2014); member, Audit Committee (2002-2005, 2013, 2014); elected member, Board of Governors (1999-2001); Law Practice Management Division, co-chair (2009, 2010), vice chair (2008), and treasurer (2007); co-chair, City Policy Committee (2007, 2008); chair, Fidelity Bank (now PNC) Award Committee (2007); chair, Federal Courts Committee (2000), vice chair (1999); chair, Civility Code Task Force (2000); chair, Justice Brennan Distinguished Jurist Award Committee (2003), member (2013); co-chair, Women in the Profession Committee (1997, 1998); co-chair, Sandra Day O'Connor Award Committee (1997, 1998); member (1996, 1999-2001); member, Strategic Planning Committee (2002); member, Nominating Committee (2000); current member, Philadelphia Bar Foundation, Hamilton Circle; current member, Business Law Section, Federal Courts Committee, Women in the Profession Committee, Business Litigation Commit-

tee, City Policy Committee, Professional Responsibility Committee, and Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee.

She is a member of the Brehon Law Society, the Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association, The Justinian Society and The Philadelphia Association of Defense Counsel. She has been a volunteer, Philadelphia VIP (1998-1999, 2001, 2005-2010, 2012-2014); Judge Pro Tem, Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas (1995-2014); volunteer, Women's Business Enterprise Council (2012-2014); team member, Advancing Civics Education Program (2008-2009); trustee, Women's Law Project (1997-2005, 2006-2012); member, University of Pennsylvania Law School American Inn of Court (2000-2002); mediator, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania (1996-2000); member, Pennsylvania Bar Association Commission on Women in the Profession (1993-2009); member, Forum of Executive Women (1994-2005); and director, Philadelphia Bar Education Center (1997).