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2014 MARY PHILBROOK
PUBLIC INTEREST AWARDS

to

Tiffany L. Palmer CLAW’98
Social Justice Activist and Shareholder, Jerner & Palmer, P.C.

And join in remembrance of

David M. Rosenblum
Former Legal Director, Mazzoni Center

October 1, 2014
PROGRAM

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Louis S. Rulli ’74
Philbrook Honoree 1998
Practice Professor of Law and Clinical Director
University of Pennsylvania Law School

Remembrance of David M. Rosenblum

Nurit Shein
Chief Executive Officer
Mazzoni Center, Philadelphia

Professor Jason Cohen
Director of Lawyering Programs

Graham Staton, Class of 2016
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Introductions of Honoree and Presentation of Award

Professor Leonore F. Carpenter
Temple University
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Carla Zappi, Class of 2015
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Honoree’s Remarks

Tiffany L. Palmer ’98
Founder and Shareholder, Jerner & Palmer P.C.

Closing

Professor Ann E. Freedman
Philbrook Advisor and Co-Founder
Tiffany L. Palmer has dedicated her legal career to the achievement of social justice and equality in the field of family law. Her work has helped create major advances in the legal rights of LGBT families in Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

In 1998, Ms. Palmer graduated from Rutgers School of Law–Camden, with a joint degree in law and public policy through Rutgers’ Eagleton Institute of Politics. She received the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers Award for outstanding academic achievement in the field of family law. As the first Rutgers University–Camden law graduate to receive a prestigious Equal Justice Works public interest fellowship, Ms. Palmer created a legal department at a new Philadelphia nonprofit (the Center for Lesbian and Gay Civil Rights, then Equality Advocates Pennsylvania). Ms. Palmer launched the Family Rights Project to provide direct legal services to low-income LGBT Pennsylvanians to mitigate the consequences of the legal non-recognition of their relationships. In February 2000, she received the Philadelphia Gay News Lambda Award as an Emerging Leader in the LGBT Community.

Ms. Palmer’s legal department and its innovative direct service model eventually housed three attorneys and officially partnered with the law schools at Temple University, Rutgers University-Camden, the University of Pennsylvania, and Drexel University. Ms. Palmer co-counseled several cases that secured important legal rights for LGBT parents in Pennsylvania, including one of the only cases nationally to recognize the child support obligations of non-biological intended parents (LSK v. HAN). She also represented numerous LGBT parents in custody proceedings, second parent adoptions, estate planning, and domestic violence cases.

In 2009, the legal department that Ms. Palmer’s vision created was absorbed into Mazzoni Center, a large Philadelphia-based nonprofit that provides medical, legal, and behavioral health services. Ms. Palmer continues to volunteer with Mazzoni as a member of its Legal Advisory Board.

In 2003, Ms. Palmer left the Center and with Benjamin Jerner co-founded Jerner & Palmer, P.C., with offices in Philadelphia and Marlton, New Jersey. The firm is a national leader in the area of LGBT family law, estate planning, and assisted reproductive technology law. Ms. Palmer is one of only 10 attorneys in Pennsylvania to be admitted as a fellow to the American Academy of Assisted Reproductive Technology Attorneys (AAARTA). She is also a skilled advocate for gay and transgender parents in maintaining custodial relationships with their children.

Ms. Palmer’s and Mr. Jerner’s strong commitment to pro bono service to the LGBT community is reflected in the many nationally significant cases they have handled. They were co-counsel in Cozen O’Conner v. Tobits, in which a federal judge held that a woman could not be denied her female spouse’s retirement benefits when her spouse’s parents tried to claim them. Ms. Palmer and Mr. Jerner were co-counsel on two of six challenges to Pennsylvania’s discriminatory laws barring same-sex marriage (In Re: Estate of Burgi-Rios and Palladino...
v. Corbett), both resolved successfully, after a federal judge struck down Pennsylvania’s same-sex marriage ban. Most recently, Ms. Palmer and her associate Rebecca Levin were co-counsel on K.A.F. v. D.L.M., a New Jersey Appellate Division psychological parent case expanding the rights of stepparents to seek custody of the children they raise.

Ms. Palmer is a regular presenter at the Lavender Law Conference of the National LGBT Bar Association. In 2002, Ms. Palmer and David Rosenblum founded the annual Lavender Law career fair, now the largest annual minority group career fair in the country.


Ms. Palmer is a member of the National Center for Lesbian Rights Family Law Advisory Council and has served on the Board of Directors of Philadelphia Family Pride. She has co-chaired the Philadelphia Bar Association’s LGBT Rights Committee and currently serves as co-chair of the Legal Rights of Contemporary Families Committee.

In 2004, Ms. Palmer received Equality Advocates Pennsylvania’s Distinguished Service Award. In 2011, she was named one of the nation’s “Best LGBT Lawyers Under 40” by the National LGBT Bar Association. She has also been named as a “Pennsylvania Rising Star: The Top Young Lawyers in Pennsylvania.”

Ms. Palmer regularly returns to the Rutgers School of Law–Camden to discuss her work and career with students, and she also serves as a resource for faculty teaching courses related to her practice. She also teaches “Sexual Orientation and the Law” at Earle Mack School of Law at Drexel University.

Ms. Palmer earned a bachelor’s degree in journalism from Northern Arizona University, where she was editor-in-chief of the campus newspaper. Ms. Palmer and her spouse, Leonore Carpenter, met at work in 1999, and since then have engaged in a number of non-legal collaborations, including a wedding and a wonderful 7-year-old daughter named Eleanor. They live in the Mt. Airy neighborhood of Philadelphia and enjoy hiking in Wissahickon Park with their dog Charlie, traveling, snorkeling, and ghost walks.
David Rosenblum, a civil rights attorney and leader in the gay rights movement in Philadelphia and nationally, was an outstanding advocate for social justice and LGBT equality and opportunity. Known for his quick wit, his outgoing nature, and his love for pop culture and musical theater, as well as his legal and organizational acumen, Mr. Rosenblum played a critical role in the recently successful fight for marriage equality in Pennsylvania.

Since 2011, Mr. Rosenblum had been the Legal Director of the Mazzoni Center in Philadelphia, a nonprofit organization that serves as the health care and wellness center for the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) community. Under his direction, the Legal Department, founded in 1998 with Mr. Rosenblum’s assistance by Philbrook honoree Tiffany Palmer, represented LGBT individuals in matters ranging from employment rights to estate planning. Mr. Rosenblum oversaw a staff of attorneys, legal clinic advocates, law student interns, and pro bono attorneys. He also served as an adjunct professor for Temple University Beasley School of Law’s Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Law Clinic and worked with Rutgers School of Law—Camden Clinical Professor Jason Cohen, supervising Rutgers law students providing legal assistance on LGBT issues to Mazzoni Center clients.

In 2013–14, when six (ultimately successful) lawsuits were pending in state and federal courts challenging various aspects of Pennsylvania’s ban on same sex marriage, Mr. Rosenblum convened a working group of attorneys involved in those cases to share information and coordinate strategy.

Before Mazzoni, Mr. Rosenblum worked for the State of New Jersey for 11 years, first as a deputy attorney general in the Employment Counseling Unit, and later as the Equal Employment Opportunity Officer in the Department of Labor. These posts followed eight years as a trial attorney with the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, where Mr. Rosenblum also held an internship during law school.

William P. Fedullo, chancellor of the Philadelphia Bar Association, said of Mr. Rosenblum: “David was a passionate advocate for the legal rights of the LGBT community and a beacon of our public interest community. He was instrumental in the creation of the Philadelphia Bar Association’s Committee on the Legal Rights of Lesbians and Gay Men in 1997 (now the LGBT Rights Committee). He was a warm and charismatic person with an enduring devotion to civil rights work and a willingness to help all. He will be greatly missed.”

Mr. Rosenblum was Chair of Gay and Lesbian Lawyers of Philadelphia (GALLOP) from 1995 to 1998 and served on the GALLOP Board from 1994 to 2002. He was also a member of the National LGBT Bar Association and chaired its annual conference, Lavender Law, in 2002, when it was held in Philadelphia. That year, with Tiffany Palmer, Mr. Rosenblum founded the annual Lavender Law career fair, now the largest annual minority group career fair in the country with more than 450 law students and 150 law firms, nonprofits, and corporations participating.
Through the Philadelphia Bar Association, Mr. Rosenblum worked on a broader range of civil rights issues with the Delivery of Legal Services Committee, the Public Interest Section, the LGBT Committee, the Diversity Committee, the Civil Rights Committee, and the Minorities in the Profession Committee.

Mr. Rosenblum was recognized many times for his work combatting discrimination, including the 2013 Diversity Award from Drexel University’s School of Law, for extraordinary advocacy for diversity in the legal profession. Most recently, in August 2014, the National LGBT Bar Association awarded Mr. Rosenblum an honorary Dan Bradley Award, the organization’s highest honor, recognizing “the efforts of a member of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender legal community whose work, like Attorney Dan Bradley, has led the way in our struggle for equality under the law.” Dan Bradley was the first chair of the American Bar Association Section of Individual Rights and Responsibility’s Committee on the Rights of Gay People, now known as the Committee for Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity.

Beginning in high school, Mr. Rosenblum was involved in music and musical theater. At Brandeis University, where he earned a bachelor’s degree in philosophy in 1988, he was musical director for several productions. At Villanova University School of Law, from which he graduated in 1991, Mr. Rosenblum was a member of Court Jesters, a theater group, serving as both musical director and chair. He was also a founding member of the Public Interest Law Society. The year he graduated, the Villanova Law Review published his student paper, “Custody Rights of Gay and Lesbian Parents.”

Between 1999 and 2007, Mr. Rosenblum was in the cast for eight shows performed by the Savoy Company, America’s oldest Gilbert and Sullivan Society, and was assistant director for “Yeoman of the Guard” and “HMS Pinafore.” He also served on Savoy’s Board of Directors and on its Nominating Committee. It was through Savoy that Mr. Rosenblum in 2000 met his husband, Stephan Stoeckl, the director of marketing for the Philadelphia Boys Choir and Chorale. The couple was joined in civil union in New Jersey in 2011 and married in New York in August 2013.

Together, Mr. Rosenblum and Mr. Stoeckl worked to restore their Victorian home in Collingswood and in their spare time enjoyed traveling to Tuscany, Amsterdam, Prague, and Stephan’s native Austria. Mr. Rosenblum passed away on May 2, 2014 at the age of 47.
PAST MARY PHILBROOK AWARD RECIPIENTS

1986
The Honorable Betty J. Lester
Superior Court of New Jersey

1987
Professor Nadine Taub
Director, Women’s Rights Litigation Clinic,
Rutgers Law School–Newark

1988
Reverend Russell L. Harrison
Director, Camden Rescue Mission

1989
Kathryn Kolbert
ACLU Reproductive Rights Freedom Project
Diane E. Straus, R.N.
Director, Cherry Hill Women’s Medical Center

1990
The Honorable Paulette Sapp-Peterson
Rutgers ’77
Superior Court of New Jersey

1991
Susan Knispel ’79
Legal Aid Society of Mercer County

1992
Linda J. Wharton ’81
Women’s Law Project, Philadelphia

1993
Deborah Willig
Former Chancellor, Philadelphia Bar Association

1994
The Honorable Mary Ellen Talbott
Superior Court of New Jersey

1995
Joan Pennington ’81
Founder, National Center for Protective Parents in Civil Child Sexual Abuse Cases

1996
Zulima V. Farber
Former New Jersey Public Advocate

1997
The Honorable Marie L. Garibaldi
Justice, Supreme Court of New Jersey

1998
Louis S. Rulli ’74
Former Executive Director, Community Legal Services of Philadelphia

1999
Allison E. Accurso ’85
Assistant Attorney General, New Jersey

2000
The Honorable Lillian Ransom
Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia
Frank P. Cervone
Director, Support Center for Child Advocates, Philadelphia

2001
Renee Steinhagen
Executive Director, Public Interest Law Center, New Jersey
William H. Buckman ’78
Private Practitioner, Morristown, New Jersey

2002
Alba E. Martinez
Former Commissioner, Department of Human Services, Philadelphia
2003
The Honorable Judith H. Wizmur ‘74
United States Bankruptcy Court,
Camden, New Jersey

2004
Judith Bernstein-Baker
HIAS and Council,
Migration Service of Philadelphia

Carole Wood
Immigration Coordinator,
Camden Center for Law and Social Justice

2005
The Honorable
Theodore A. McKee
United States Court of Appeals for the
Third Circuit

2006
Catherine C. Carr
Executive Director, Community Legal
Services of Philadelphia

2007
The Honorable Deborah Poritz
Chief Justice, New Jersey Supreme
Court (Retired)

2008
Carol E. Tracy
Executive Director,
The Women’s Law Project, Philadelphia

2009
Yvonne Smith Segars
Public Defender The State of New Jersey

2010
Drewry Nash Fennell ‘97
Executive Director,
Delaware Criminal Justice Council

2011
Harold B. Garwin ’72
Executive Director,
Community Health Law

2012
Kevin D. Walsh ’99
Associate Director,
Fair Share Housing Center

2013
The Honorable Virginia Long
Former Associate Justice,
New Jersey Supreme Court
PHILBROOK STUDENT HONOREE BIOGRAPHIES

Amanda Follett, Class of 2014
Amanda demonstrated exceptional commitment to pro bono and community service from the moment she started law school. Amanda volunteered over 250 hours with the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Project, the Mediation Project, the Pro Bono Research Project, the 501(c)(3) Project, the Voters’ Rights Project, and the Bankruptcy Pro Bono Project. During her 3L year, Amanda served as the leader of VITA, which prepared 387 tax returns for a total of $464,623 in refunds to South Jersey filers. Outside of Rutgers, every Saturday during the Fall and Spring for the last three years, Amanda has shared her love of soccer with Camden Youth Soccer Club children and has taught them about working together as a team. Even while devoting so much time and energy to pro bono service, Amanda graduated with the highest GPA in the class of 2014. Amanda’s exemplary dedication and the pleasure she takes in reaching out continues to inspire others to commit their talents to community service.

Kathleen Kelliher, Class of 2014
Kathleen’s public interest career began before she came to Rutgers. She majored in Human Rights as an undergraduate and focused on both international and domestic concerns while working with Human Rights Watch and various nonprofit organizations in New York City. Kathleen traveled to Guatemala to work with women widowed by civil war and volunteered with the Rutgers Domestic Violence Pro Bono Project starting in the spring of her first year of law school. As a third year clinic student, she and her partner represented a domestic violence client in a highly contested custody battle. Under the supervision of Professors Beth Stephens and Sarah Ricks, she researched issues relating to sexual violence in Latin America, and civil rights issues. Kathleen willingness to extend herself to provide effective help to others was also evident in her work during her 2L year with the Federal Prisoner Reentry Pro Bono Project, interviewing potential clients onsite at the prison and working on civil legal issues on behalf of a prisoner. Kathleen plans to continue her social justice work through a career in the public sector.

Justin Kozinn, Class of 2015
Justin has engaged in numerous public interest projects at Rutgers – Camden. In his first year, Justin participated in the Street Law Pro Bono activities and then went on to intern for the Honorable Deborah Silverman Katz in the New Jersey Superior Court. During his second year, with co-honoree Steve Salinger, Justin founded a Youth Court at Urban Promise Academy, as an extension of the Street Law Pro Bono Project. Youth Courts are restorative justice programs aimed at staunching the school-to-prison pipeline and helping young people learn to become active participants in democratic society. Adjudicating school disciplinary issues, students learn to analyze problems critically, develop effective questioning techniques, and fashion restorative, rather than punitive solutions. While continuing his work with the Youth Court, Justin spent his second summer as an intern with the Federal Public Defender in Trenton, where he assisted in legal representation of indigent clients in federal court. As a 3L, he is co-running the second year of the Youth Court and actively participating in the Children’s Justice Clinic. An aspiring public defender, Justin embodies the spirit of public service, as is evident in his impressive contributions to children of the Camden community.
Matthew Lewis, Class of 2015
Matt has committed most of his public service energies to the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program. Matt was first introduced to the program as an Americorps VISTA volunteer for the City of Boston’s Earned Income Tax Credit campaign. VITA has allowed him to interact one-on-one with low-income individuals and families who, without volunteer assistance, would otherwise have difficulty obtaining their tax refunds. Matt’s deep passion for and involvement with VITA played a large role in his decision to attend law school. In law school, Matt has found his greatest satisfaction in continuing as a student leader for the Rutgers VITA project, which was recognized with a Chancellor’s Award for Student Civic Engagement in 2014. As student leader, Matt provides direct service, reviews the work of other students; manages logistics for the Project; and teaches new volunteers. In addition, Matt has participated in the South Jersey Educational Reentry Project (re-integration for children returning to school), Citizenship Rutgers (naturalization), and the Marshall-Brennan Constitutional Literacy Project, for which Matt served as a Fellow and now is a Michael Young Scholar. Matt recently discovered a new service opportunity: he polishes brass on the U.S.S. New Jersey. As he moves toward a career as a public defender, Matt is remarkable for his service to others and his ability to inspire his peers to do the same.

Michelle Ringel, Class of 2014
Michelle’s passion and dedication to the practice of family mediation have helped improve the lives of countless underprivileged families and children in our community. Michelle has already accumulated over 300 hours of mediation experience, and she shows no indications of slowing down. Michelle served as a pre-hearing facilitator in dependency court, and as a custody mediator for the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas, Family Division through the Good Shepard Mediation Program. In addition to her public service work in Philadelphia, Michelle was actively involved with the Rutgers Pro Bono Mediation Project and the Rutgers Family Mediation Clinic, and has dedicated numerous hours to the South Jersey Mediation Center in Cherry Hill, resolving custody and economic disputes that arise out of divorce matters. As a 3L, she also participated in the Thomas S. Forkin Jr. Family Law Inn of Court as a guest of the Inn. Currently, she is a judicial law clerk to the Honorable John L. Call, Jr. in Burlington, New Jersey. Michelle is zealously committed to improving the lives of families and children and is a pillar of student leadership in the mediation community.

Steven Salinger, Class of 2015
Steven’s commitment to community and public interest projects is part of his DNA. After college, Steve taught English in Gwangju, South Korea for over a year. Back in the U.S., he worked at a community center doing geriatric chair-based aerobics and volunteered with the Literacy Center of the Lehigh Valley and the Lehigh County Juvenile Probation Department. While at Rutgers–Camden, Steve has focused on the systemic inequalities at the intersection of urban poverty, criminal justice, and education. In addition to participating in the Mediation and Street Law Pro Bono Projects, and being a founding director of the Rutgers Youth Court Pro Bono Project, Steve also served as a Marshall-Brennan Constitutional Literacy Project Fellow as a 2L, and was selected as a Michael Young Scholar (teach-
Steve is an associate on the Supervision to Aid Reentry (STAR) Prisoner Reentry Program of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, and he has also served on the APIL executive board as Alternative Spring Break Co-Chair (2013-2014) and as President of the Jewish Law Student Association (2013-2014). Now the Vice President of the SBA, Steve has devoted countless hours and unstinting effort to improving the lives of others. Steve plans to pursue a career as a prosecutor.

Amy Sobotka, Class of 2015
Amy has a wholehearted commitment to providing legal representation to those in most need, and natural gifts as a leader. Amy began her public interest work as an undergraduate intern with the Rutgers Bankruptcy Pro Bono Project. Spending time with clients as they shared their hardships and determination ignited in Amy a passion to reach out and support the underrepresented in the community. She continued her involvement with the Bankruptcy Project, serving as a law student volunteer and now as the Project's student leader. Amy also actively pursued opportunities with APIL, joining as a 1L Representative, serving later as an Auction Co-Chair, and currently serving as Vice President. Her energy and enthusiasm for public interest work are contagious. Seeking to expand her relationship with the public sector, Amy spent her summer working with the Rutgers Law Child and Family Advocacy Clinic, representing children in neglect and abuse cases, and is devoting her 3L year to learning as much as she can to prepare her to represent at-risk children, giving voice to the voiceless. Upon graduation, Amy will clerk in Camden with the Honorable Angelo DiCamillo in the New Jersey Superior Court – Family Part.

Jacquelyn Suarez, Class of 2015
Jacquelyn chose Rutgers – Camden because she wanted to attend a school that embraces public service. Over the course of her law school career, Jacquelyn has defended the rights of children in the juvenile system while working in the Children's Justice Clinic and has traveled to New Orleans and Nashville through APIL's Alternative Spring Break Program to offer legal assistance to residents who otherwise would not have been afforded representation. In addition, Jacquelyn has actively participated in the Street Law Pro Bono Project, Hunter Moot Court Competition, and Big Brothers Big Sisters Programs of Burlington, Camden & Gloucester Counties. In her 2L year, she served as the Women's Law Caucus vice president, as a Mary Philbrook co-chair, and as a Marshall Brennan Constitutional Literacy Fellow. Currently, Jacquelyn serves as ALIANZA vice president, Lead Editor of Research, Writing & Communications for the Rutgers Journal of Law and Religion, and as an Eagleton Fellow. Jacquelyn demonstrates outstanding public service contributions and leadership through her activities at Rutgers and the surrounding Camden community and epitomizes the spirit of Mary Philbrook.
Xiomara Uran, Class of 2015

Xiomara (Xio) came to appreciate the importance of a stable judicial system at an early age after her father was assassinated while working as a judge for the Columbian government. At fifteen years old, Xio fled Columbia. Her passion for justice led her to Rutgers law school where she has worked as an interpreter for the Rutgers Clinical Program. Xio also volunteered many pro bono hours under the supervision of Pepper Hamilton LLC in a complex guardianship case involving a severely disabled, Spanish-speaking Camden resident; Xio advocated persistently and effectively in light of the family’s extreme vulnerability, and was recognized for her unusual degree of empathy. During the summer, Xio worked as a legal intern for the Immigrant Justice Clinic (IJC) at Rutgers, representing and advising local immigration clients. With the help of her service dog, Nakan, Xio has been quite successful at earning the trust of her clients. Currently, Xio continues to represent clients in their immigration matters through the IJC. Recognizing an urgent need for legal counsel for unaccompanied minors arriving on the U.S. border, Xio plans to pursue a career in immigration law.

Alexi Velez, Class of 2015

Alexi is passionately committed to pursuing social justice nationally and globally. She has labored on behalf of the transgender community in partnership with the Mazzoni Center; migrant farmworkers in Pennsylvania through Friends of Farmworkers; people living with HIV/AIDS; sex workers; and those marginalized by poverty. A New Jersey court-trained mediator, Alexi provides pro bono alternative dispute resolution for Camden residents. This year, she is a member of the Immigrant Justice Clinic, and she has also volunteered as a Street Law Pro Bono Project instructor in Camden. This year she continues to capitalize on her teaching background as a Marshall-Brennan Constitutional Literacy Project Fellow, teaching local high school students about the Bill of Rights. Alexi participated in Alternative Spring Breaks in Edison, New Jersey (Hurricane Sandy work) and New Orleans. In addition, Alexi has held the positions of 1L Representative, Treasurer and now President of APIL. As president, she has inaugurated a new Social Justice series to introduce law students to role models and mentors for progressive and rebellious lawyering. An outstanding leader, Alexi inspires her peers with her commitment and enthusiasm to help the impoverished and underrepresented.
PAST STUDENT AWARD RECIPIENTS
Listed By Law School Graduation Year

Nii Obeng (Sonny) Ankrah, 1999
Jacqueline Caban, 1999
Meredith Schalick, 1999
Kevin Walsh, 1999
Jean Connolly, 2000
Elizabeth Livingstone, 2000
Kay Radwanski, 2000
Robert Wright, 2000
Kelly Coia, 2000
Susanna Gray, 2000
Valarie McPherson, 2000
Karen Francis, 2001
Christine Heer, 2001
Danielle Joseph, 2001
John Price, 2001
Marisa Krause, 2001
James Lubrich, 2001
Zoe McLaughlin, 2001
Michael Schleigh, 2001
Mellany Alio, 2002
Lynne Killmeyer, 2002
Jodina Hoobler-Hicks, 2002
Megan Willoughby, 2002
John Cardwell, 2002
Sharon L. Piccioni, 2002
Lisa Raufer, 2002
Dalia Zaza, 2002
Ellen Bailey, 2003
Matt Burns, 2003
Jared Littman, 2003
Blaise Pittman, 2003
Debra Rainey, 2003
Kimm Tynan, 2003
Rachel Fais Partyka, 2003
Stephanie Sanderson, 2003
Carolyn Buccerone, 2004
Keith Campbell, 2004
Trevor Kwan, 2004
Bill McLaughlin, 2004
Belinda Roberts, 2004
Krista Trani, 2004
Oliver Cleary, 2004
Keith Walsh, 2004
Matthew Abatemarco, 2005
William “Rob” Frantz, 2005
Daniella Gordon, 2005
Shawnda Grady, 2005
Maggie Niebler, 2005
Joseph Turk, 2005
Temperance Williamson, 2005
Kristy Hausinger, 2005
Kyle G. Phillips, 2005
Macavan Baird, 2006
Sam Hoffman, 2006
Amanda M. Lanham, 2006
Robert “Reb” Loucas, 2006
Kristina Rencic, 2006
Jennifer Shamwell, 2006
Dina Wizmur, 2006
Lisa Junghahn, 2006
Kevin Leipow, 2006
Bridget Coyne, 2007
David Gallivan, 2007
Maria Hernandez, 2007
Jeffrey Klamut, 2007
Robert O’Brien, 2007
Matthew Rudolphi, 2007
Sarah Wang, 2007
Lloyd Freeman, 2007
Wesley Huber, 2007
Kimberly Wong, 2007
Marissa Band, 2008
Carrie S. Ford, 2008
Ariel Gornizky, 2008
Esther Huang, 2008
Tiffany Dionne Johnson, 2008
Zorayda J. Moreira-Smith, 2008
Catherine Salansky, 2008
Gregory B. Thomlison, 2008
Joseph A. Venti, 2008
Michelle A. Westcoat, 2008
Lynda Hinkle, 2009
Shana Mattson, 2009
Nhan Tu, 2009
Catherine Williams, 2009
Conor Wilson, 2009
Laura Ann Pontelandolfo, 2009
Melissa Bowe, 2010
Lisa Geis, 2010
Amanda Harber, 2010
Cori Harvey, 2010
Jonathan Klein, 2010
Andrew Linenberg, 2010
Chris Markos, 2010
Noah Marlier, 2010
Melissa Osorio, 2010
Jenna Fliszar, 2010
Suehail Perez, 2010
Beverly Beaver, 2011
Brian Robert Brotman, 2011
Jason Fortenberry, 2011
Jeanette Kwon, 2011
Kate Reilly, 2011
Michael P. Sawka, 2011
Erik L. Solivan, 2011
Michael Christian Younker, 2011
Jocelyn Fowler, 2011
Christine McDevitt, 2011
Theodora Stringham, 2011
Elliott Almanza, 2012
Alysa Castro, 2012
Brandon Croker, 2012
Matt DePasquale, 2012
Elena Fikaris, 2012
Jacquie Huynh-Linenberg, 2012
Wali Rushdan II, 2012
Brisa DeAngulo, 2012
Parker Palmer, 2012
Kayci Petenko, 2012
Abraham Tran, 2012
Kioneiry Csepes, 2013
Amanda Dalton, 2013
Jennifer Kim, 2013
Jennifer Martin, 2013
Colleen McCafferty, 2013
Michael Perez, 2013
Jonathan Sacks, 2013
Ryan Schaffer, 2013
Matan Shmuel, 2013
Maura Burk, 2013
Iveliz Crespo, 2014
Tiara Greene, 2014
Samantha Gross, 2014
Maureen Ingersoll, 2014
Ragner Jaeger, 2014
Stephen Raab, 2014
Mary Philbrook was born in Washington, D.C., on August 6, 1872, the daughter of a feminist mother and lawyer father, and moved to New Jersey when she was six years old. After high school, Philbrook apprenticed with the Hoboken law firm of Russ and Oppenheimer. There she met James Minturn, later a New Jersey Supreme Court justice, who encouraged her interest in the law. On February 20, 1894, he moved her admission to the New Jersey Bar. Although over 300 women were already practicing as attorneys in 30 other states, the New Jersey Supreme Court denied Philbrook admission. Cecilia Gaines, president of the Jersey City Woman's Club, and other New Jersey suffragists successfully lobbied for legislative change and on August 6, 1895, Mary Philbrook was the first woman to be admitted. In 1906, Philbrook also became the first New Jersey woman to be admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court.

After working for the Jersey City law firm of Bacot and Record, Philbrook started her own practice, which she later moved to Newark. She volunteered as counsel for the Legal Aid Society, championing such causes as child labor reform, extension of the probation system, a state reformatory for women, and separate juvenile courts. Philbrook participated in investigations into “white slavery,” which contributed to the passage of the Mann Act, and even took street children into her own home until she could find adequate placement for them. Philbrook also helped Mabel Smith Douglass and the College Club of Jersey City to promote the founding of the New Jersey College for Women (now Douglass Residential College at Rutgers University–New Brunswick).

During the suffrage campaign, Philbrook supported the militant activism of Alice Paul and her National Woman's Party. After the 19th Amendment was adopted, Philbrook’s focus became the complete emancipation of women, especially in New Jersey. She resigned from a position for the City of Newark in protest because she was being treated differently than the men, assigned only cases in family law and not given the same desk or office space as other legal assistants in the office. Philbrook organized efforts to amend the state constitution to include an equal rights provision and to reword the preamble to affirm women’s rights. Her last major triumph, during the 1947 New Jersey Constitutional Convention, was the replacement of references to “men” with references to “persons.” This language guarantees equal rights for people in New Jersey without regard to sex or gender.

After prolonged illness, Mary Philbrook passed away on September 2, 1958. We are grateful for her contributions to social justice and equality and for her inspiring example.
ABOUT THE MARY PHILBROOK
AWARD CELEBRATION

The Philbrook Celebration began in 1986, under the leadership of Professor Ann E. Freedman, as the successor event to the Rutgers Women’s Law Caucus’ networking dinner, with the idea of combining a wonderful social occasion with inspiring reflections on lives and careers shaped by dedication to the public interest. The student public interest awards, inaugurated in 1999 at the suggestion of Professor Freedman and 1998 Philbrook Honoree Lou Rulli, have recognized dozens of outstanding students for their dedicated work on behalf of social justice and equality. The Law Alumni Association has co-sponsored the event since 1998, joined in 2000 by the Association for Public Interest Law, and in 2005, by the Camden County Bar Association. Since 2003, the Pro Bono and Public Interest Program has joined Professor Freedman in shaping and executing the event. Former Assistant Dean Eve Biskind Klothen was recognized at the 2013 celebration for her many contributions to Philbrook and her lifelong dedication to public service.

The Mary Philbrook Public Interest Award Celebration has benefited from outstanding leadership on the part of alumni, faculty, staff, and members of the bench and bar, and has served to nurture critical leadership skills in students. While their names are too numerous to list here, we extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who has helped create the distinctive tradition that has now continued for almost 30 years. Visit camlaw.rutgers.edu/philbrook for more information about the event’s history and the people who have helped along the way.
In 1992–1993, the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Students Association, known as Gay Bar, was co-founded by Sharra Greer, ’94, its first president, and Mark Major and Kim Alexander, the other officers. The next year, the first course on Sexual Orientation and the Law was offered. In fall 1995, Rutgers students organized our first Philadelphia AIDS Walk team, with thirty marchers, co-sponsored the next year by BLSA and with a team of sixty. In spring 1999 the group was re-named the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Students Association, to be known as OUTlaws. Several faculty members have served as advisors to the group, including Professors Goldfarb, Foster, Hillman, Cohen and Mutcherson.

For over twenty years, OUTlaws has been an active presence in law school life, in the community and nationally. In 1998-1999, for example, the group held well-attended monthly potlucks for members; with BLSA and the office of student affairs, sponsored a panel on hate crimes (in the context of national activism following the murder of Matthew Shepard); and engaged the university community in responding to federal pressure, pursuant to Solomon Amendments I and II, for the military to use law school facilities for recruiting despite the military’s Don’t Ask Don’t Tell policy. In April 1999, following racist and homophobic speech by law students, the group joined with BLSA to hold a Day of Awareness, dramatizing the effects of hate speech and reaching out to fellow students to support change. Thereafter, for many years before the repeal of Don’t Ask Don’t Tell, the group and members of the faculty and administration organized protests and educational efforts challenging the military’s discriminatory policies, as well as programs about diversity in the legal profession, and against all forms of discrimination.

OUTlaws alumni and others involved in LGBT civil rights issues often come to the law school to speak, including Tiffany Palmer, the organization’s president in fall 1997, who first returned to speak in January 1999 on the hate crimes panel. Several years later, founding president Sharra Greer, then with the Servicemembers Legal Defense Network in Washington, D.C., came to Professor Elizabeth Hillman’s Military Law course to speak on discrimination in the military. Same sex marriage, domestic partnership and parenting by same sex couples have been popular topics, including a faculty debate in April 1998 and a panel on parenting in spring 2001, in which Ms. Palmer again participated.
Members of OUTlaws have been very active in other law school organizations, especially public interest and pro bono work, and many have been Philbrook Student Public Interest honorees, including Christine Heer, Jim Lubrich, Debra Rainey, Lisa Junghahn, Carrie Ford, Alysa Castro, Iveliz Crespo, Xiomara Uran and Alexi Velez.

The group has strong local and national ties. Its members attend the National LGBT Bar Association’s annual Lavender Law Conference, network at events sponsored by GALLOP, Gay and Lesbian Lawyers Of Philadelphia, and perform legal research for the Legal Department of the Mazzoni Center through Professor Cohen’s Community Based Lawyering hybrid clinic and in cooperation with David Rosenblum before his untimely death.

Tiffany Palmer
We thank you for advancing LGBT rights in family law and for your many achievements as a strong leader and rising star in our LGBT legal community.

David Rosenblum
We thank you and remember you as a great leader in the gay rights movement. Thank you for the inspiration and your shining example as we continue to carry the torch.

Congratulations to OUTLaws members Xiomara Uran & Alexi Velez
2014 Mary Philbrook Student Honorees!
PHILBROOK CELEBRATION PROCEEDS HELP SUPPORT THE ASSOCIATION FOR PUBLIC INTEREST LAW (APIL) SUMMER STIPENDS

The APIL summer stipend program is supported by the spring APIL Auction, which last year raised over $50,000, and by Philbrook proceeds. Stipend recipients assist government and public interest agencies working with under-served populations. In 2014, 27 students were awarded stipends ranging from $1000 to $3000. Employment sites included the Atlantic County (N.J.) Prosecutor’s Office, Cape May County (N.J.) Public Defender’s Office, Office of Attorney General (D.C.), Fair Share Housing Center, Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society (Philadelphia), Pennsylvania Governor’s Office of General Counsel, Philadelphia Legal Assistance, and Prisoners’ Legal Services of New York.

One APIL scholarship recipient wrote, “[The stipend] allowed me to work in an area of law that I am passionate about and that I hope to pursue in the future... I am extremely grateful to APIL for making this learning experience possible and for allowing me to serve the State of New Jersey this summer.” Another commented, “On an interesting note, not one of our clients failed to send our office a Thank You letter. And with that I sincerely thank … APIL for granting me the APIL stipend, which allowed for me to have such a wonderful, memorable, and valuable internship.”

LOAN REPAYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

In 2003, Rutgers law students voted to establish a Loan Repayment Assistance Program (LRAP) to help defray law school debt obligations for law school graduates choosing lower paid public interest and public service careers. More information can be found on the pro bono and public interest page at camlaw.rutgers.edu/probono/fundingpubint.html.
RUTGERS LAW SUPPORTS THE MOVEMENT FOR A CIVIL RIGHT TO COUNSEL

In the landmark case of Gideon v. Wainwright, 372 U.S. 335 (1963), the United States Supreme Court ruled that, in state criminal cases, indigent defendants have a constitutional right to be represented by an attorney, at no charge. There is growing recognition that low income people need similar legal protections in civil proceedings as well. In 2006, the American Bar Association unanimously adopted a resolution urging “federal, state and territorial governments to provide legal counsel as a matter of right at public expense to low income persons in those categories of adversarial proceedings where basic human needs are at stake, such as those involving shelter, sustenance, safety, health or child custody, as determined by each jurisdiction.”

While indigent litigants in a majority of states now enjoy a right to appointed counsel in some types of cases, only a few states provide a right to counsel in the often complex proceedings involving custody, domestic violence, state court proceedings required to obtain special immigrant juvenile status, or sustenance benefits. No state provides a right to counsel in matters involving shelter or health, nor are juveniles, even those under the age of 12, entitled to legal counsel in federal immigration and deportation proceedings; the current crisis of unrepresented, unaccompanied minors fleeing inhumane conditions and seeking refuge in the United States illustrates the urgency of this problem. Moreover, state and federal budget allocations for legal services for underrepresented groups have been cut drastically and repeatedly.

Through our experience of providing pro bono and clinical legal services to a wide range of individuals and groups throughout the region who otherwise would have gone without the help they desperately need, our law school community has come to appreciate the huge unmet need for publicly funded legal services and its consequences. In recent years, professors and students in the Advanced Domestic Violence Clinic filed an amicus brief urging the provision of counsel for both parties in domestic violence cases, and the Children’s Justice Clinic has assisted in legislative reform efforts to protect due process rights, including counsel, for juveniles committed to the New Jersey Juvenile Justice Commission. The organizers of this event invite the students, staff, faculty, alumni and friends who come together to celebrate Mary Philbrook’s legacy and the accomplishments of our honorees to join the cause of expanding the Civil Right to Counsel (CRTC), also known as Civil Gideon.

For more information or to get involved:

National Coalition for a Civil Right to Counsel: civilrighttocounsel.org

American Bar Association CRTC toolkit: americanbar.org/groups/legal_aid_indigent_defendants/initiatives/civil_right_to_counsel.html

Philadelphia Bar Association: philadelphiabar.org/page/CivilGideon

“Where We’ve Been, Where We’re Going: a Look at the Status of the Civil Right to Counsel, and Current Efforts” by John Pollock; available at nlada.org/DMS/Documents/1342803913.27
CLINICAL PROGRAMS AND PRO BONO AND PUBLIC INTEREST LAW AT RUTGERS

Under the aegis of our lawyering program, Rutgers School Law–Camden has an exciting range of clinical programs, externships, pro bono projects and public interest activities. Additional information about all of our lawyering programs is available at camlaw.rutgers.edu/lawyering-program.

CLINICS

One semester offerings for credit, which may be followed by an advanced clinic, in which student teams, supervised by clinical faculty members, directly represent low income individuals. These include:

- Child and Family Advocacy Clinic – Professor Meredith Schalick
- Children’s Justice Clinic – Professor Sandra Simkins
- Civil Practice Clinic – Clinical Attorney Traci Overton and Professor Anne Mallgrave
- Domestic Violence Clinic – Professors Victoria Chase and Ruth Anne Robbins
- Immigrant Justice Clinic – Professor Joanne Gottesman

HYBRID CLINICS

One semester offerings for credit in which students, supervised by a faculty member, develop legal writing and lawyering skills while working on client matters in collaboration with government or public interest advocacy organizations or on behalf of individuals or client organizations, in the areas of:

- Advanced Legal Writing: Community Based Practice, with the legal department of the Mazzoni Center in Philadelphia – Professor Jason Cohen
- Families Across Borders, with the Domestic Violence Clinic – Professors Ann Freedman and Jennie Owens
- Human Rights Advocacy & Litigation – Professor Beth Stephens
- Public Interest Research & Writing – Professor Sarah Ricks
- Small Business Counseling – Professor Dennis Talty
THE MARSHALL-BRENNAN CONSTITUTIONAL LITERACY PROJECT FELLOWSHIP

The Marshall-Brennan Constitutional Literacy Project Fellowship, directed by Dean Jill Friedman, prepares gifted second- and third-year law students to teach a course on Constitutional Law in Camden’s high schools. Since the Camden chapter of this national program was established in 2002, fellows have taught hundreds of Camden students about their rights and responsibilities under the Constitution and have served as role models for civic engagement and leadership. Exceptional 2L fellows are selected as Michael Young Scholars and serve as teaching assistants in their 3L years. In spring 2012, a high school member of Rutgers–Camden’s Marshall-Brennan Moot Court Prelaw Club won top honors when named “Best Petitioner” in a national competition in Washington, D.C., where he argued that life without parole for a juvenile violated the Eighth Amendment.

PRACTICE EXTERNSHIP AND JUDICIAL EXTERNSHIP

Law students supervised by Professors Harriet Katz and Patricia Legge receive academic credit while working for various public and private nonprofit agencies in civil and criminal legal setting or in state or federal trial or appellate judicial chambers.

THE PRO BONO AND PUBLIC INTEREST PROGRAM

Led by Dean Jill Friedman and Associate Director Pam Mertsock-Wolfe, the Pro Bono and Public Interest Program supports the Association for Public Interest Law, Alternative Spring Break, and a range of public interest activities. With support from South Jersey Legal Services and other partner agencies and from the bench, committed alumni, and other practitioners, the projects listed below are designed with three goals: 1) to help students develop substantive legal competencies and techniques; 2) to inculcate the pro bono ethic; and 3) to increase access to justice for those with nowhere else to turn.

- 501(c)(3) Project
- Bankruptcy Project
- Domestic Violence Project
- Financial Literacy Project (FLiP)
- Guardianship Project
- Mediation Project
- Planning Estates Project
- Pro Bono Research Project
- Sandy Legal Relief Project
- Street Law Project
- Supervision to Aid Reentry (STAR) Project
- Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)
- Voters’ Rights Project
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With special recognition to the memory and the life’s work of David M. Rosenblum.

And many thanks to the organizers and student committee members dedicated to this important law school tradition.

Acting Dean John Oberdiek
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In the words of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.,
“Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere.”

David Rosenblum and Tiffany Palmer, in their efforts
to champion equality and justice for all people, and particularly
through their many victories for the LGBTQ community,
have been champions of equality and justice for us all.

APIL encourages this new cohort of student honorees to strive
to be leaders in social justice in the spirit of David and Tiffany,
and looks forward to honoring them in their future careers.
We join
in remembrance of

David M. Rosenblum
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All of the 2014 Student Honorees!

We also Join in Remembrance of the Work & Life of the Late David Rosenblum
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The individual/collective accomplishments & commitment to the public interest of all of these individuals is inspiring and well deserving of recognition!

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We remember fondly David M. Rosenblum for his years of advocacy and congratulate the student honorees!

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For their contributions to the vitality of the law school’s public interest community.

We also remember our colleague and friend David Rosenblum with fond affection and deep gratitude.

Jill Friedman, Assistant Dean, Pro Bono and Public Interest Program
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The WOMEN’S LAW CAUCUS

congratulates Philbrook Award Recipient Tiffany Palmer, a Rutgers Camden alum, for her stellar advocacy on behalf of the LGBT community.

We are also deeply grateful to David Rosenblum for his tremendous contributions to the advancement of LGBT rights and social justice.

A special congratulations to Jacquelyn Suarez, former WLC Vice President and 2014 Philbrook Student Honoree.
The Women’s Law Caucus celebrates six years of working with I Dare to Care.

Raising funds, sharing activities and having fun with Camden girls and young women and their mentors. We invite others in the law school and legal community to join and support this work. We Dare to Care!

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Congratulations

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On your outstanding professional achievements and your recognition with the Mary Philbrook Public Interest Award.

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