

**Notice of Annual Meeting & Reception**  
**New York County Lawyers Association**  
**May 23, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.**  
**NYCLA Home of Law, 14 Vesey Street, New York, NY**

**Annual Report of the President**  
**Installation of new President**  
**Treasurer's Report**  
**Election of Officers and Directors**  
**Election of Committee on Nominations**

**Proxy:**

Included on page 2 is a proxy for your use if you cannot attend the Annual Meeting. Please send your completed proxy to Anthe Maria Bova by e-mail to [abova@nycla.org](mailto:abova@nycla.org); or by mail, Attention: Anthe Maria Bova, New York County Lawyers Association, 14 Vesey Street, New York, NY 10007, so it is received no later than **May 21, 2019**.

Pursuant to Article 3, Section 2 of the Bylaws:

Stephen C. Lessard will be installed as *President* for a one-year term, and Vincent T. Chang will be installed as *President-Elect* for a one-year term.

**Election of Officers, Directors and Nominating Committee Members**

On February 25, 2019, the following members were nominated as Officers of the Association by the Committee on Nominations:

**Officers:**

Adrienne B. Koch, *Vice President*  
Richard Swanson, *Treasurer*  
Jai Chandrasekhar, *Secretary*

On March 7, 2019, the following were nominated by the Committee on Nominations as Directors to the **Class of 2022:**

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| Arthur Aufses             | Hon. Joseph Kevin McKay |
| Hon. Lucy Billings        | Andrew Melnick          |
| Collin Bull               | Michael Siris           |
| Richard Friedman          | Asha Smith              |
| Hon. Sherry Klein Heitler | Jeffrey Wang            |

The following individuals have been nominated as Directors of the Association, to complete the remainder of the following Class vacancies: Class of 2021—Peta Gordon.

In accordance with Article 15, Section 1 of the Bylaws, the President has nominated the following to serve as the Class of 2022 on the Committee on Nominations:

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| Catherine Christian      | Susan Lindenauer |
| Megan Davis              | Michael Miller   |
| Hon. Margaret J. Finerty |                  |

**For Annual Meeting of Members of the**

**New York County Lawyers Association**

**To be held May 23, 2019**

Know all people by these presents: That the undersigned Member of New York County Lawyers Association hereby constitutes and appoints the President of the New York County Lawyers Association, or his/her designee, as the proxy of the undersigned, for and in the name, place and stead of the undersigned, to attend the Annual Meeting of Members of the New York County Lawyers Association, to be held at the New York County Lawyers Association, 14 Vesey Street on May 23, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

This Proxy will expire by its own operation at the adjournment of the aforementioned Annual Meeting, unless said meeting is properly postponed.

Please mark boxes below in blue or black ink.

1. The undersigned Member has read the proposed slate of nominees of Officers, Directors and members of the Nominating Committee, and the undersigned member hereby directs and authorizes its proxy to vote:

**FOR** all nominees listed in the proposed slate for the Annual Meeting (except as marked to the contrary below, if any)

**WITHHOLD AUTHORITY** to vote for all nominees listed below

Instruction: To withhold authority to vote for any individual nominee, write that nominee's name(s) in the space provided below.

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2. The undersigned Member hereby directs and authorizes its proxy to vote in their discretion, on any other matters that may properly come before the Annual Meeting.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed name: \_\_\_\_\_

(Honorary and law student members may not vote)

## **Nominees for Officers:**

*Adrienne Koch:* Ms. Koch has been a member of NYCLA since 2011 and currently serves as the Association's Treasurer. She previously served as Chair of the Committee on Membership and Committee on Communications. She is a Partner at Katsky Korins LLP.

*Richard P. Swanson:* Mr. Swanson has been a member of NYCLA since 1981 and currently serves on the Board and as the Chair of the Board's Investments Committee. He previously served as Chair of the Supreme Court Committee. He is the General Counsel of York Capital Management.

*Jai Chandrasekhar:* Mr. Chandrasekhar has been a member of NYCLA since 1991. He currently serves on the Board and is a member of the Board's Audit Committee and Executive Committee. He is Senior Counsel at Bernstein Litowitz Berger & Grossmann LLP.

## **Nominees for Directors:**

*Arthur Aufses:* Mr. Aufses has been a member of NYCLA since 1990 and serves as the Co-Chair of the Committee on the Federal Courts. Mr. Aufses is a Partner at Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel LLP.

*Hon. Lucy Billings:* Justice Billings has been a member of NYCLA since 1999. She has previously served as Vice-Chair of the Association's Judicial Section and Co-Chair of the Committee on Civil Rights. Justice Billings serves on the Supreme Court, Civil Branch, New York County.

*Collin Bull:* Mr. Bull has been a member of NYCLA since 1978 and currently serves as the volunteer Coordinator of NYCLA's Pro Bono Project Restore. He is a solo practitioner, formerly Attorney-in-Charge of the Harlem Office (civil) of The Legal Aid Society and a Major Crimes Bureau prosecutor in the Queens DA's Office.

*Richard Friedman:* Mr. Friedman has been a member of NYCLA since 2011. He has previously served on the Board of Directors and as Co-Chair of the In-House/Outside Counsel Committee. He is a name partner at Richard Friedman PLLC.

*Hon. Sherry Klein Heitler:* Judge Heitler has been a member of NYCLA since 1977. She has previously served on the Board of Directors and as Co-Chair of the Committee on Continuing Legal Education. She is the Chief of Policy and Planning at the New York State Unified Court System.

*Hon. Joseph Kevin McKay:* Judge McKay has been a member of NYCLA since 1974. He is the Co-Chair of the Association's Justice Center and has previously served on the Board of Directors and as Co-Chair of the Committee on the Federal Courts. Judge McKay is retired from the bench and has served as Special Master, NYS Appellate Division, First and Second Departments.

*Andrew Melnick:* Mr. Wang was nominated by current Board member Scott Berman. Mr. Melnick is a Shareholder at Murphy & McGonigle P.C. and previously served as Chief Litigation Counsel at RCS Capital Corporation and Deputy General Counsel at UBS Financial Services.

*Michael Siris:* Mr. Siris has been a member of NYCLA since 1975. He currently serves on the Board of Directors and is Chair of the Committee on Senior Lawyers. He is Of Counsel at Solomon and Siris, P.C.

*Asha S. Smith:* Ms. Smith has been a member of NYCLA since 2006 and currently serves as the Association's Secretary, Interim Co-Chair of NYCLA's Criminal Justice Section and Member of the Justice Center Advisory Board. She is the Principal Law Clerk to the Honorable Michele Rodney.

*Jeffrey Wang:* Mr. Wang was nominated by current Board member Scott Berman. Mr. Wang is a Litigation partner at the law firm of Friedman Kaplan Seiler & Adelman LLP and is a member of the firm's Management Committee.

## **Nominees for the Nominations Committee:**

*Catherine Christian:* Ms. Christian has been a member of NYCLA since 1990 and is a Past President. She is the Chair of the Committee on Public Service Awards and serves on the Committee on Pro Bono. She is a Special Assistant District Attorney for External Affairs and Chief of the New York County District Attorney's Office Elder Abuse.

*Megan Davis:* Ms. Davis has been a member of NYCLA since 2008. She currently serves on the Board of Directors, has served as the Association's Secretary and Co-Chair of the Committee on Committees. She is Senior Regional Counsel at FINRA.

*Hon. Margaret J. Finerty:* Judge Finerty has been a member of NYCLA since 1979. She served as Co-Chair of the Task Force on Judicial Selection and Task Force on Administrative Law Reform and currently serves on the Board of Directors. She is retired from the bench and is a Partner at Getnick & Getnick LLP.

*Susan Lindenauer:* Ms. Lindenauer has been a member of NYCLA since 1965 and currently serves on the Board of Directors. She has served on a number of different Committees and Task Forces, including Co-Chair of the Task Force on the Constitutional Convention and Task Force on Administrative Law Reform. She is the retired General Counsel of the Legal Aid Society.

*Michael Miller:* Mr. Miller has been a member of NYCLA since 1984, is a Past President and serves as the Chair of the Committee on Nominations. He is a solo practitioner who is currently President of the New York State Bar Association.