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Over 1 million raised by NYCLA Foundation

James B. Kobak Jr., President of the NYCLA Foundation, announced that Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP has made a major donation to the NYCLA Foundation Capital Campaign. According to Robert C. Sheehan, Executive Partner of Skadden, Arps, the gift was made in support of NYCLA’s leadership in the profession. The gift of $250,000 over five years represents the largest single gift to date to the Campaign. Skadden’s generosity has brought the total funds donated or pledged in the first year of the campaign to over $1,000,000. “We are very grateful to Skadden for its support of our Campaign and its recognition of the unique role NYCLA plays in the New York community,” acknowledged Mr. Kobak. “Ken Kenyon is tireless in its efforts to promote an inclusive legal profession and a catalyst in the vital struggle for equal access to justice. Skadden, Arps is proud to support NYCLA’s Centennial Capital Campaign and we look forward to many years of continued partnership with this great organization.”

Major gifts have also been received from several other firms, including Cravath Swaine & Moore LLP, Sidley Austin LLP, Sullivan & Cromwell LLP and Weil Gotshal & Manges LLP. Moreover, members of the Boards of both NYCLA and the Foundation, as well as past presidents of NYCLA, have contributed more than $437,000. During the coming year, the campaign expects contributions from a number of other major firms and will be reaching out to small and mid-sized firms and individual members.

In addition to Mr. Kobak, Foundation Board officers are: M. Robert Goldstein, Chair; John J. Kenney, Vice President and Steering Committee Chair; Ann B. Lesk, Treasurer; and Klaus Eppler, Secretary. Marilyn J. Flood serves as the Foundation’s Executive Director.

Donors can contribute to the Foundation by logging on to NYCLA’s website at www.nycla.org and clicking on Foundation.

Task Force on Ethics Reform studies first round of Rules changes following State Bar action

New York State is one step closer to scrapping the Code of Professional Responsibility in favor of a completely overhauled Rules of Professional Conduct (Proposed Rules). On April 1, the House of Delegates of the New York State Bar Association adopted the recommendation of the Committee on Standards of Attorney Conduct (COSAC) to bring New York in line with the rest of the country by adopting the ABA Model Rules format. The State Bar now begins a two-year process of considering the text of each proposed rule.

When the process is complete, the entire proposal will be submitted to the Administrative Conference of the Unified Court System, which has ultimate authority over the rules governing attorney conduct.

To guide NYCLA in this process and in form NYCLA’s delegation to the State Bar’s House of Delegates, NYCLA President Norman L. Reimer established the Task Force on Ethics Reform in November 2005, whose mission is to analyze COSAC’s proposed changes and make recommendations. Co-chaired by Martin Minkowitz, partner in Stroock & Stroock & Lavan, LLP and Chair of the NYCLA Professional Ethics Committee, and Lewis F. Tesser, partner in Segal & Manges LLP and Co-Chair of the NYCLA Professional Discipline Committee, the Task Force comprises private and public sector attorneys.

Following an initial period of study and consultation, the Task Force issued a report, which was adopted by NYCLA’s Board of Directors, endorsing COSAC’s proposal recommending adoption in New York State of the ABA Model Rules of Professional Conduct format. The Task Force also proposed a resolution to fully fund educational fora throughout the State, at no cost to attendees, to foster understanding of the proposed changes. Led by NYCLA’s delegation and with strong support from delegates throughout the State, the House of Delegates approved this resolution.

NYCLA President Norma L. Reimer indicated that he and members of COSAC are prepared to travel throughout the State to discuss the proposed rules.

Now that the basic format change has been approved, the process of adopting each rule has begun. In June, at its Cooperstown meeting, the House of Delegates will consider rules relating to myriad issues involving the attorney-client relationship, including competence, diligence, communication, scope of representation and allocation of authority between client and lawyer. Additionally, rules regarding the following matters will also be debated: meritorious claims and contentions, delay in litigation, impartiality of judges and jurors, trial publicity, advocacy in nonadjudicative proceedings, truthfulness in bar admission matters, special responsibilities of prosecutors, and conduct toward judicial officers and judicial office candidates, as well as rules defining misconduct and the reporting of professional misconduct. To simply the arduous process of reviewing the Proposed Rules, NYCLA’s 18-member Task Force has established subcommittees charged with reviewing specific rules and preparing commentary. The Task Force recommendations concerning the initial rules changes will be considered by the Board of Directors at its meeting of May 8 to comply with the State Bar’s firm comment schedule.

The adoption of the Proposed Rules will proceed in accordance with the following schedule:

- June 24, 2006: Rules 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4, 3.1, 3.2, 3.5, 3.6, 3.7, 3.8, 3.9, 8.1, 8.2, 8.3, 8.4
- November 4, 2006: Rules 1.15, 1.17, 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 7.1, 7.2, 7.3, 7.4, 7.5, 7.6
- January 26, 2007: Rules 1.11, 1.12, 2.1, 2.3, 2.4, 4.2, 4.3, 4.4, 6.1, 6.2, 6.3, 6.4, 6.5
- March 31, 2007: Rules 5.1, 1.4, 5.4, 5.5, 5.6, 5.7, 5.8, 8.5
- June 23, 2007: Rules 1.7, 1.8, 1.9, 1.10
- November 3, 2007: Rules 1.6, 1.13, 1.16, 1.18, 3.3, 3.4, 4.1, 1.10, Preamble, Scope

The Task Force and NYCLA’s Board will be considering these rules on a schedule that will afford NYCLA a full opportunity to propose modifications in accordance with the special scheduling order adopted by the House of Delegates.

NYLCA members and others are encouraged to forward comments to Mr. Minkowitz at mminkowitz@stroock.com or Mr. Tesser at ltesser@s-tlaw.com. COSAC proposals are available online at: http://www.nysba.org/Content/Content Groups/COSAC_Report/COSAC_Proposed_Rules_of_Professional_Conduct.htm.
This fall will mark the dawn of a new era for Touro College’s Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center, with the opening of its state-of-the-art 180,000 square-foot building in Central Islip, New York. Strategically located adjacent to a state and a federal courthouse, the high-tech law campus will feature an innovative curriculum that will provide an unparalleled balance of theoretical, ethical and practical training.

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Professor Johnson will speak about the need for and challenges to restoring peace and achieving justice in the aftermath of civil war, genocide and other human rights abuses, with particular focus on what the arrest of Charles Taylor means to Liberian and Sierra Leonian societies with references to Rwanda and Darfur.

Professor Johnson
Professor Johnson has an extensive background as a scholar/activist, especially in the area of the experiences of people of color within the criminal justice system in the United States. Her latest writing is the book, Inner Lives: Voices of African American Women in Prison (NYU Press 2003). She has also spoken extensively on matters of race, gender, sexuality and criminal law in academic arenas, local and national media, and community forums. She co-chaired Syracuse University’s Brown v. Board of Education 50th Year Commemoration Committee, served on the university’s Senate Committee on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) Concerns and co-chaired Sistaprof, an organization of Africana professors. She is also a freelance photographer.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 15 – 6:00 PM**
**NYCLA HOME OF LAW – 14 VESEY STREET**

Refreshments will be served.

RSVP: Email Lois Davis at ldavis@nycla.org.

Events are free and open to the public.

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### NYCLA’s Pro Bono Program

**Mentors needed**

The Pro Bono Legal Counseling Project, which is a pro se, appointment-only consultation clinic, is seeking mentors. The clinic’s volunteer attorneys have received training in the areas of landlord/tenant, consumer bankruptcy, labor/employment and family law and provide free consultations at evening clinics held from October through June at the Home of Law. Mentors are needed for the volunteer attorneys who may have quick questions that need to be addressed while they are counseling clients. Mentors may come to the clinics or be available by phone from 6:00 – 8:30 PM; they are not required to do research or represent clients.

If you have expertise in landlord/tenant, consumer bankruptcy, labor/employment or family law and would like to serve as a mentor, please contact Lois Davis, Director of Pro Bono Programs, at ldavis@nycla.org.

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### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**MAY**

**PUBLIC FORUM: THE CHALLENGES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN IMPLEMENTING THE ONE NATION - TWO SYSTEMS MODEL: A HONG KONG, CHINA PERSPECTIVE**

**Thursday, May 11**

6:00 PM

**Place:** NYCLA Home of Law – 14 Vesey Street

FREE

**Speaker:** Hon. Elsie Leung, former Secretary for Justice, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region; Norman Lau Kee, Chairman Emeritus, US-Asia Institute; Liu Sun, Chair, China Law Subcommittee of Foreign and International Law Committee

**Sponsor:** Foreign and International Law Committee and US-Asia Institute

**RSVP to:** dlamb@nycla.org, Subject: May 11 event

**NYCLA ANNUAL MEETING & RECEPTION**

**Thursday, May 25**

5:30 PM

**Place:** NYCLA Home of Law – 14 Vesey Street

FREE

**Please refer to page 5 for more information and a proxy.**

**JUNE**

**PUBLIC FORUM: CARING FOR AGING PARENTS – LEGAL ISSUES CONFRONTING ADOLESCENT CHILDREN**

**Thursday, June 1**

6:00 PM

**Place:** NYCLA Home of Law – 14 Vesey Street

FREE

**Speaker:** Clifford Meisowitz, Chair, Elder Law Committee

Powers of attorney, living wills, health care proxies, guardianships and Medicaid planning will be discussed.

**SPECIAL EVENT: NANETTE DEMBITZ LECTURE**

**Monday, June 19**

6:00 PM

**Place:** NYCLA Home of Law – 14 Vesey Street

FREE

**Lecturers:** Richard Wester, Executive Director, National Coalition for Child Protection Reform; and Andrew White, Editor, Child Welfare Watch, and Director, Center for New York City Affairs

**Topic:** How the Media Covers Child Welfare Issues

**Sponsor:** Family Court and Child Welfare Committee

**RSVP to:** dlamb@nycla.org, Subject: June 19 event

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**NEW YORK COUNTY LAWYERS’ ASSOCIATION**

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**Lecturer**

Professor Paula C. Johnson, College of Law, Syracuse University

**Topic**

Attaining Peace and Justice in the Aftermath of Human Rights Abuses in African Contexts

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Member Profile

Name: Paul Green
Residence: New York, New York
Status: Founding partner, Green & Ettinger
Admitted to the Bar: 1944
Education: New York Law School

NYCLA Member since 1944

Q. What do you enjoy most about practicing law?
A. Having been in practice for nearly 62 years, I cannot imagine my life other than as a lawyer. While attending law school, I helped my father in acquiring and managing income-producing real estate in New York City. As a result, I became familiar with aspects of real estate law such as examination of contracts, closing of title and landlord/tenant issues. I spent two years working at a law firm that represented the Real Estate Board of New York, which had many successful real estate owners and developers among its clients.

In 1947, I became a single practitioner and in 1951, together with my friend Joseph Ettinger, I founded the firm of Green & Ettinger. I have also been engaged in the ownership and supervision of commercial and residential income-producing real estate throughout the United States, mostly shopping centers, but mixed residential and office buildings as well.

In dealing with real estate, trusts and estates and financial matters, it is gratifying to identify problems and find solutions. In the complexities of modern life, a lawyer’s role combines gathering information with negotiating skills to facilitate results. Most of all, I enjoy the interaction with intelligent, cultured and successful people, which is a continuous byproduct of my activities, whether I am representing a client in the purchase of real estate or assisting a client in the planning of his or her estate.

Q. What brought you to NYCLA?
A. I joined NYCLA in 1944. At the reception for Sustaining Members held recently at the National Arts Club, where all members who had belonged to NYCLA for over 50 years were honored, I learned that my 62 years at NYCLA have made me the second longest-standing member of the Association. I am very proud to have been a member for all of these years. I have been a member of the Real Property Section for 20 years and a member of the Professional Discipline Committee since 1991. I have been the Professional Discipline Committee’s Secretary for more than ten years and have gained greater insight into the critical role lawyers play in our society. Finally, my membership in NYCLA has resulted in many lasting friendships with member attorneys.

The Membership Department welcomes nominations for “Member Profile.” Please call Diana Kosanovich at 212-267-6646, ext. 213 or email dkosanovich@nycla.org if you would like to recommend a NYCLA member.

Lunch with a Judge - 2006 Program for Summer Associates
Hon. Robert Lippmann, Acting Justice of the New York Supreme Court, moderates the programs and co-chairs the series with Jeffrey Kimmel, Esq.

June 7
“The Road Not Taken”
Career Paths
Hon. Denise Cote, United States District Court Judge
Hon. Sheila Abdus-Salaam, Supreme Court

June 14
How to avoid reading about your disbarment in the Law Journal
Ethical Issues for Young Lawyers
Hon. Sidney H. Stein, United States District Court Judge
Hon. Helen Freedman, Justice, Supreme Court

June 21
To ask or not to ask, what is the right question?
Cross Examining a Witness
Hon. Loretta A. Preska, United States District Court Judge
Hon. Jacqueline W. Silbermann, Administrative Judge of the Supreme Court

June 29
Law and the Real Order-T.V. Fiction vs. Reality
Appropriate Courtroom Behavior
Hon. Denny Chin, United States District Court Judge
Hon. Judith J. Gische, Acting Justice, Supreme Court
Hon. Deborah James, Acting Justice, Supreme Court

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For more information, please call Diana Kosanovich at 212-267-6646, ext. 213 or email Diana at dkosanovich@nycla.org.
Final Message From the President

Norman L. Reimer

Lawyers are the spokespersons of righteous causes.

After six years as an officer, the last two as President, my tenure in the leadership ranks of NYCLA is drawing to a close. I have approached the privilege of writing this message with the utmost respect, endeavoring to address candidly matters of importance to the profession and society. I have always sought to strike a note that is consistent with NYCLA’s noble tradition and mission. Over the years I have focused on issues that speak to the preservation of liberty, the elevation of standards of integrity and ethics in the profession and the expansion of access to justice.

I have given a great deal of thought to what I should tackle in this, my final message. How best to put a final punctuation mark on the principles that I have espoused as your President? I conclude that it is now time to answer a question posed several months ago by one of the many outstanding members of our Board of Directors, Professor Bruce Green, Bruce, who has devoted his career to the study and teaching of professional ethics, asked me this basic question: “Why should we encourage law students and young lawyers to devote time to bar association activities?” My answer embraces the myriad issues that I have addressed on these pages and explains my participation at NYCLA: a lawyer’s involvement in the organized bar matters. It matters to the individual lawyer. It matters to the profession. Most importantly, it matters to society.

For the individual, a bar association affords the opportunity to transcend the limits of one’s position, to interact with others from every spectrum of the profession, including bench, bar and academia. It is a forum that promotes the exchange of insights and experience. For the profession, it is a place that generates innovation and reform. It is an incubator of ideas enabling the law to adapt to an evolving society.

During my nearly three decades as a lawyer, I have met many colleagues who have grown weary of practice, frustrated with perceived deficiencies in the legal process and disconnected from the profession. But I seldom discern this dissatisfaction in lawyers who participate in the work of the organized bar. Rather, these lawyers evince enthusiasm and energy. Yes, they are keenly aware of the challenges and deficiencies of our profession, but they confront these challenges individually or collectively through the work of the bar, as they seek and often achieve meaningful reform.

Indeed, in virtually every aspect of our legal system, fundamental change in American law either begins or, in some way, is shaped by the work of the organized bar. The opportunity to participate in this process is the hallmark of a great profession; the willingness to do so is the hallmark of professionalism.

So, if you are not already doing so, consider participating in a bar project. I can attest from the most intense, first-hand experience that no bar association affords greater opportunity to advance professionalism and expand the reach of justice than does NYCLA. Our great “democratic” bar association, the first of its kind to open its doors to all lawyers, with its open committee structure and an unyielding willingness to promote innovation, continues to champion reform and guide the arc of justice as it has for the past 98 years. In my installation remarks when I became NYCLA’s president, I observed that one of NYCLA’s founders, Louis Lande, articulated how collective work through a bar association offers a transcendent opportunity to serve society. Now, two years later, I recall again his words as I complete my answer to Professor Green’s question:

Every New York lawyer has the opportunity to be part of this unique endeavor. Every lawyer has something to offer. Every lawyer matters. That’s what I hope Bruce Green will tell his students.

I will always value the experience of having served as a leader of this remarkable Association. But I consider my time as a bar leader a brief interlude in my permanent mission: to be the best lawyer I can be and an active member of the organized bar doing my part to elevate the legal profession. So, there is no need for any farewell. I will see you around - in the courts and at NYCLA’s magnificent Home of Law on Vesey Street.

Norman L. Reimer
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Jim Kobak receives Boris Kostelanetz President's Medal

NYCLA honored James B. Kobak Jr., a partner at Hughes Hubbard & Reed LLP and President of the NYCLA Foundation, at its March 30 Past Presidents’ Reception by presenting him with the Boris Kostelanetz President’s Medal in recognition of his extraordinary record of dedication to NYCLA and distinguished service to the legal profession. Mr. Kobak is a member of the NYCLA Board and Executive Committee, chairs the Task Force on Professionalism and Library Committee, founded the NYCLA American Inn of Court (and serves as its Secretary) and is a member of several other NYCLA committees.

The President’s Medal was recently named the Boris Kostelanetz President’s Medal in honor of Mr. Kostelanetz, NYCLA’s president from 1969 to 1971, who passed away in January. In his opening remarks, Norman L. Reimer, NYCLA President, described Mr. Kostelanetz. “There is no one who has risen to leadership of this Association in the past two generations who has not come to respect, admire and love Boris Kostelanetz, our 33rd president. His love, respect and support for NYCLA have inspired one who has risen to leadership of this Association,” Mr. Reimer concluded. “He is the single most fitting recipient of this inaugural award.” In his acceptance remarks, Mr. Kobak noted, “I am especially proud to receive this because it is the President’s Medal and it has a special resonance for me and members of my firm, a number of whom are here this evening, because both my firm’s founder, Charles Evans Hughes, and his son, Charles Jr., served as presidents of NYCLA and were active in important issues in their day.”

Bari Chase appointed Director of the CLE Institute

The CLE Institute announced the promotion of Bari Chase, Esq. to the position of Director effective April 1. Bari joined NYCLA in December 2005 as a Program Attorney. She has over 20 years of experience in the legal information and technology industries, including 14 years in the Editorial Department of Matthew Bender and Company, where she was responsible for such product lines as State and Federal Practice and Procedure, Admiralty, Immigration and Education Law. For the next ten years, she held various marketing positions at both Matthew Bender, a Times Mirror Company, and LexisNexis, including Director of Product Planning and Development, Director of Business Development and Director of New Product Development. In 1997, she was a recipient of the prestigious Times Mirror Innovation Award for the development of Interactive Practice Specific Electronic Toolsets, a new product line combining primary and secondary legal sources with time-saving legal software. After leaving Lexis, Bari was involved in residential and commercial real estate, and served as an Adjunct Assistant Professor in the Business Law Department of the Peter J. Tobin School of Business at St. John’s University. She is a graduate of Hofstra University, where she earned a B.A. degree, magna cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa, and received a J.D. from Hofstra University School of Law.

Bari Chase, Esq.

On April 4, the Law and Literature Committee presented the third NYCLA Law and Literature Award to Lawrence Joseph, a law professor at St. John’s University School of Law and award-winning writer of poems, prose, essays and criticism. Professor Joseph is the first poet to receive the award, which recognizes a lawyer’s contributions to the fields of law and literature. Following remarks by Norman L. Reimer, NYCLA President, Daniel J. Korinstein, Chair, Law and Literature Committee, and Mary C. Daly, Dean of St. John’s University School of Law, Professor Joseph accepted the award. According to Mr. Korinstein, “Lawrence Joseph has been rightly called ‘the most important lawyer-poet of our era.’ He is part of a long and wonderful tradition of the double life of law and literature and embodies the mysteries of the creative process.”

In his acceptance speech, Professor Joseph explained how his life as a writer and as a lawyer intersect: “The most common bond between being a writer and being a lawyer, for me, is language. As a writer, I have needed to immerse myself (or be immersed) in the act of forming language (poetry being language expressed in its most compressed form). As a lawyer, I have needed to immerse myself (or be immersed) in the variously complex languages of law. Law’s language – especially in the United States – is profoundly a part of our social reality. It is a language that has never ceased to fascinate me, which I’ve been learning since the time that I began law school and am still learning. It is a language integral to my imagination – a language that I imaginatively have sought to bring into my poems and writings.”

A reception and book signing took place after the award presentation. Professor Joseph is the author of five books of poetry, most recently Into It and Codex, Precepts, Biases, and Taboos: Poems: 1973-1993 (Farrar, Straus and Giroux, September 2005). Previous NYCLA Law and Literature Award recipients have been Louis Auchincloss and Louis Begley.

Professor Lawrence Joseph (left) poses with Daniel J. Korinstein.

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Past Events

Chinese delegation visits NYCLA
On April 18, a delegation from China’s Ministry of Justice attended a breakfast meeting at NYCLA. Members of the delegation comprise a committee that is in the process of revising China’s ten-year-old professional code of ethics for lawyers. Pictured are (seated, second from left): Ian Anderson, Co-Chair, Foreign and International Law Committee; Lisa Sun, member, Foreign and International Law Committee; the group’s translator; Lewis F. Tesser, Co-Chair, Professional Discipline Committee; and Michael J. Yavinsky, Co-Chair, Criminal Justice Section. Standing among the delegation members are Ann B. Lesk, NYCLA Secretary, and Norman L. Reimer, NYCLA President.

The Supreme Court Committee and Criminal Court Judges Association sponsored the April 26 Judicial Reception at the Home of Law honoring Newly Elected, Appointed, Re-elected and Re-appointed State and Federal Judges. The guest speaker was Zachary W. Carter, Esq. (pictured), partner, Trial, Regulatory & Technology Group, Dorsey & Whitney LLP. In his remarks, he lauded the work of judges, saying, “In our society, judges make the decisions we cannot make for ourselves, because of our biases, our prejudices, our stake in the outcome of a particular matter or our lack of objectivity. Judges who render those decisions must have equal measures of ‘head’ and ‘heart.’” Mr. Carter concluded, “A judge who is all head and no heart will seldom be fair. On the other hand, a judge who is all heart and no head will seldom be right.”

Chinese delegation visits NYCLA

Former British diplomat addresses Foreign and International Law Committee
Dr. Ray Raymond (right), a former British diplomat currently teaching U.S. politics and history at the State University of New York and the U.S. Military Academy, addressed the Foreign and International Law Committee on the relationship between the U.S. and the U.K. from an historical, economic and political perspective. Kevin P. McMullen, Co-Chair of the Committee, posed with Dr. Raymond.

Chinese delegation visits NYCLA

Real Property Section hosts reception for Hon. Christine C. Quinn
The Real Property Section held a reception on March 22 for Hon. Christine C. Quinn (left), Speaker, New York City Council. Ms. Quinn, the first woman and openly gay Council Speaker, addressed the standing-room-only audience on a wide range of topics, among them the Council’s support of rent regulation in New York City, and answered questions from the floor. Sylvia E. Di Pietro (right), Chair, Real Property Section, served as moderator. The reception was co-sponsored by the: Asian American Bar Association of New York, Brooklyn Women’s Bar Association, Columbian Lawyers Bar Association - First Department, Dominican Bar Association, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Law Association of Greater New York (LeGaL), NYCLA Women’s Rights Committee, New York Women’s Bar Association, Jewish Lawyers Guild and Puerto Rican Bar Association.

EMIPS presents public forum, “Funding Tinseltown”
“Funding Tinseltown: The Next Generation of Tax-Incentivized Indie Financing,” was the topic of a public forum sponsored by the Entertainment, Media, Intellectual Property & Sports Law Section (EMIPS) on March 22. Panelists discussed the current state of the film industry in the U.S. and abroad (Germany, U.K., Australia, Ireland, Luxembourg and Canada). Pictured (from left to right): Olivera Medenica, Co-Chair of EMIPS and moderator; Stewart McMichael, partner, Bezdek Goz & McMichael LLC; Anton Nel, Global Media Rights Fund; Warren Goz and Bianca Bezdek, partners, Bezdek Goz & McMichael LLC; and Mark Litwak, Law Office of Mark Litwak & Associates.

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NYCLA's Bylaws require the President to report annually on the State of the Association. With enormous pride and pleasure, I can report that the New York County Lawyers Association is as strong, vibrant and forward looking as it has been in many years. As we approach the annual meeting on May 25 at which we will install a new leadership for a year of remarkable achievement, we have remained faithful to our core mission and in each and every aspect of NYCLA's performance, we have surpassed and exceeded our goals.

The year began with the celebration of the diamond jubilee of our esteemed New York Law Journal, our Cass Gilbert-designed Home of Law. We marked the occasion with a splendid gathering of the leaders of our profession who participated in a ceremony at historic St. Paul's Chapel commemorating the May 26, 1930 dedication of the building. A gala reception followed at the Home of Law. The speakers included the brilliant lawyer who will soon become NYCLA's 54th President, Edwin David Robertson, New York State Chief Judge Judith S. Kaye, Chief Judge of the Second Circuit John M. Walker Jr., New York City Corporation Counsel Michael A. Cardozo, and Richard A. Pollock, Partner and MacGill.

Their tributes recognized NYCLA's historic role in our profession and provided an apt prologue to another year of service and dedication to our members and our community. As a prelude to recounting the year's accomplishments and as we rededicate ourselves to our core principles, we can all draw inspiration from these remarks.

Dave Robertson noted that William Nelson Cromwell chiseled Vesey Street for the Home of Law “as a place and as an inspiration to remain faithful to our charter just as the members of the first Congress - who gathered at St. Paul's following President Washington's inauguration - were faithful to the charter of the new republic.” Mr. Robertson observed that the Association's founders “pledged to advance the science of jurisprudence and elevate the standards of integrity, honor and courtesy in the legal profession, all to the end that we may serve the public interest and promote the public good.”

Chief Judge Kaye, a longtime NYCLA member, reminded the gathering that the Home of Law is “the meeting ground of law and lawyers, and a symbol of the independence of the bar in its efforts to serve the public interest.”

Chief Judge Walker praised NYCLA’s stalwart defense of the independence of the judiciary and congratulated the Association for “advancing, as you have always done, to the highest angels of our profession and for tirelessly working for the impartial administration of justice.”

Robert MacCracken specifically commended NYCLA for its “proud role as one of the first bar associations in the nation to eliminate all barriers to membership based on race or gender.” He concluded the program by declaring, “I am proud to be a member of NYCLA and salute the Association’s enduring commitment to what are for me the core values of the American legal profession and the independence of the judiciary.

Internally and externally, service to member, profession, and community, NYCLA’s performance during the past year has comported with the traditions of excellence that have been so thoroughly and laudably epitomized by these leaders of our profession.

Governance and Service to Members and Community

NYCLA has fully implemented the Strategic Plan articulated by the Task Force on the Future. Tangible results are evident in every aspect of NYCLA’s operation. In 2005, the NYCLA CLE Institute continued to support attorneys in their professional development by offering “Quality CLE at a Reasonable Price.” Over 100 live programs were presented, including 35 that qualified for credits in ethics and professionalism. The Institute carefully designed and expanded CLE programs to offer an array of discounted courses that enhance professional skills, keep practitioners updated on legislative changes and offer tailored programs for recently graduates and newly admitted attorneys. NYCLA’s CLE programs draw an audience from law firms of all sizes, corporations, government agencies and solo practitioners. The Institute also offered more than 60 CLE courses in DVD/CD audio format, triple the number NYCLA’s 240 Sustaining Members are the backbone of the Association and its strength as an organization.

NYCLA’s Membership Department continues its dedication to identifying and servicing the needs of our membership. With a firm commitment to increasing the value of membership, NYCLA provides an array of services and benefits. The retail benefit program offers many discounts and group ticket sales afford members an opportunity to attend numerous cultural and sporting events at reduced prices. In furtherance of NYCLA’s commitment to recognizing the loyalty of its members and expanding networking opportunities, the Association sponsored anniversary celebrations to recognize five- and ten-year members, as well as Meet & Greet events for new NYCLA members and an Exam Inn following the summer bar exam. Professional development remains a key as the Association continues its sponsorship of an array of innovative programs, including Five Judges and a Film; Best Practices of Personal Marketing for Attorneys; Deconstructing the Bar Exam and Lunch with a Judge; a longstanding program to integrate summer associates into the profession. NYCLA is also celebrating new relationships with law schools throughout the metropolis in an effort to develop collaborative programming bringing law students into the organized bar.

The Elder Law Project, a noteworthy program is the following:

• The Eldercare Project: currently in development, will provide legal counseling to street vendors and micro-entrepreneurs who require assistance with business formations, employment, immigration and family law matters.

NYCLA’s Pro Bono Department continues to administer the expanding Joint Program on Fee Disputes and Conciliation for the First Department. This program, founded by NYCLA as a voluntary project many years ago, is now officially sanctioned and supported by the Unified Court System. It affords a low-cost and efficient forum for resolving attorney-client fee disputes through arbitration or mediation. NYCLA gratefully acknowledges the dedicated volunteers whose services are indispensable to the success of the program.

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Research and Technology

The NYCLA Library experienced significant growth, solidified its position as an invaluable member benefit and continues to thrive within the New York legal community as it continues to evolve into a modern center for research and technology. Library attendance increased by 24 percent over the previous year, with a significant surge in computer usage. The Library’s 200 electronic research CLE courses, an increase of 39 percent over the previous year, averaged 1,254 simultaneous users, representing an increase of 300 percent from 2004. In addition, a new feature called Courtroom Connect and 20 hard-wired ports were installed, offering laptop users access to electronic resources.

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T. Buckley, Presiding Justice, Appellate Division, First Department, made remarks.

Pro Bono

The expansion of NYCLA’s pro bono commitment is one of the Association’s highest priorities. The Pro Bono Department has tripled the number of pro bono programs it offers in order to provide greater opportunities for members interested in serving the public by pursuing pro bono legal needs through direct service and collaboration with various organizations. Among the noteworthy programs are the following:

• The Legal Counseling Project and advice to clients in the areas of family law, employment law, consumer bankruptcy and landlord-tenant law.

• The Elder Law Project provides senior populations in Manhattan and the Bronx with basic estate-planning services.

• The Matrimonial Law Project provides legal counseling and services to clients of three organizations – Women for Afghan Women, DWA Farm and Steps to End Family Violence – in matters relating to domestic violence, child custody, financial support, divorce and immigration. NYCLA’s Pro Bono Committee collaborated with the NYCLA Matrimonial Law Section and Immigration and Nationality Law Committee on this project.

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Norman L. Reimer, NYCLA President

Speakers at the 75th Anniversary of the Home of Law and NYCLA’s 2005 Annual Meeting were from (left to right): Norman L. Reimer, NYCLA President; John M. Walker Jr., Chief Judge of the Second Circuit; Hon. Judith S. Kaye, Chief Judge of the State of New York; Hon. Michael A. Cardozo, New York City Corporation Counsel; and Robert MacCracken, Senior Counsel at Sullivan & Cromwell. Not pictured is Paul Goldberger, architecture critic for The New Yorker.
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To enhance access to print offerings, the Library launched its online catalog in September, 2005, available through this link on the Library Association of Greater New York’s website: http://www.allnet.org/capture/miriam_liseman.cgi. NYCLA’s research services are complemented by the innovative NYCLA Express component of the newly designed website (NYCLA’s forum is discussed below in the section on Communications.)

NYCLA salutes James B. Kobak Jr., who, in addition to serving as President of the NYCLA Foundation, has long chaired NYCLA’s Library Committee and has overseen the transformation of the Library into a modern, user-friendly resource for members and for the greater New York legal community.

Communications

During the past year, NYCLA has completely transformed its communications capability. Fulfilling the challenge outlined by the Task Force on the Future, NYCLA’s ability to communicate both internally – to and among its membership – and externally – through local, regional, national and consumer publications – from front-page coverage of the New York Times, the Tribeca Tribune and Gotham Gazette, to Tribeca Tribune and other local media. In addition, journalists interviewed NYCLA leaders and the Letters to the Editor appeared in the New York Times and the New York Law Journal.

Finally, in September, 2005, NYCLA launched a re-designed website, which offers easier, faster and more intuitive navigability. It features two-click access to nearly all content: a search engine and, throughout the website, a comprehensive and user-friendly database of contact information, member benefits and other resources.


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NYCLA issued a report based on conference findings. Subsequently, a Task Force on the Housing Court was created, co-chaired by Hon. Marcia Bernstein Varnadoe, New York State Supreme Court, and Paula Galowitz, Clinical Professor of Law, New York University School of Law, to review the report’s recommendations and develop a plan of action to increase the Court’s effectiveness in administering justice for the people of New York City.

- **The State of the Death Penalty in America**

The Justice Center co-sponsored a special event with Holland & Knight LLP, “Election in America – The State of the Death Penalty in 2006.” Speakers were Sister Helen Prejean, author of Dead Man Walking, An Eyewitness Account of the Death Penalty in the United States, and George H. Kendall, Senior Counsel, Holland & Knight, who has once again sponsored the New York City High School Essay Contest, in which students prepare essays based on a legal question posed by the Committee. This project helps fulfill the Justice Center’s mission to expand education concerning the legal system. The winners will receive cash prizes and recognition at a special reception at NYCLA on June 7.

- **Youth Law Education Project**

This Justice Center-sponsored project will include publication of a revised and vastly expanded Urban Youth Law Manual (originally published in 1996) and training for teachers and students in the 100 New York City high schools with law-related curricula so that young people can understand their rights and responsibilities under our system of justice. The program is supported by grants from Con Edison, the J. Aron Charitable Foundation, the New York Community Trust and the New York Women’s Bar Foundation. In addition, a reported owner of the law firm of Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP, under the leadership of NYCLA’s Justice Resource Center, a non-profit working in partnership with the Department of Education, and the NYCLA Justice Center have mapped out an ambitious educational strategy for the Project that will significantly increase utilization of the Manual and allow more students, teachers and administrators to learn about important aspects of the law affecting young people.

- **Family Court Conference**

Building on the success of the Criminal Courts and Housing Court Conferences, the Justice Center has assembled a planning group for an in-depth, two-day Conference on the Family Court in the fall of 2006. The group is chaired by Columbia University School of Law Professor Jane Spinik and includes leading academics, practitioners and representatives of legal service entities operating in the Family Court system.

- **Task Force on Ethics Reform**

This year, the New York State Bar Association’s Committee on Standards of Professional Conduct issued a comprehensive report urging reform of New York State’s Code of Professional Conduct and adoption of a modernized version of the ABA’s Model Rules of Professional Conduct. In response to this profoundly important effort, the Committee on Professional Responsibility, New York State Supreme Court, and the Committee on Professional Responsibility, New York County Supreme Court, have extended over the next two years, the House of Delegates and the Board of Directors authorized the submission of an amicus brief to the Second Circuit Court of Appeals supporting the District Court decision. Separate subcommittees are providing recommendations dealing with each of the principal possible selection modes: a qualification-based appointment system, a revised convention system and a primary-based, open-election system. The Task Force will present a comprehensive report for consideration by the Board of Directors articulating how best to achieve a high-quality, independent judiciary under each of these selection modalities.

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- **Voter Education Initiative**

NYCLA convened a meeting with the New York City Bar and the Fund for Modern Courts to explore ways to better inform voters about judicial candidates and elections and to develop measures designed to improve voter education, including voter guides, community outreach programs and school-based initiatives. In May, the New York State Judicial Institute will convene a day-long symposium, co-sponsored by NYCLA and other organizations, where state and national leaders from the judiciary, executive and legislative branches will discuss these issues.

- **Task Force on Judicial Selection**

For more than two years, the Task Force on Judicial Selection, co-chaired by NYCLA Past President Rosalind S. Fink and Board Member Susan B. Landesman, has generated a series of NYCLA reports recommending initiatives to enhance public confidence in the integrity of the judiciary. The reports generated over the past year include: Administrative Law Judge Reform Report, Comments on the Proposed Rule Amendments Pursuant to Sections 1063 and 1069 of the New York City Charter, Comments on the Proposal to Establish a New York City Coordinator of Administrative Justice, Report on Non-ResidentAlien-Intention Elections and a letter to the commissioners of the New York State Board of Judicial Conduct on the Evaluation of the Model Code of Judicial Conduct. Of particular note, NYCLA has twice testified before the ABA’s Joint Committee and expects to submit an amendment concerning Canon 5 to the ABA’s House of Delegates when the proposed revision to the Code is made at the ABA’s Annual Meeting in Honolulu this summer. NYCLA’s amendment will address concerns related to ineligibility of incumbent members of the judiciary.

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NYCLA collaborated with the Unified Court System and representatives of the law school community, led by Columbia University School of Law, in the development of a website to enhance awareness, provide discussions and facilitate solutions related to the collateral consequences of criminal charges. The website represents a unique collaboration among the judiciary, practicing bar and law school clinical faculties. NYCLA was proud to sponsor a special four-page insert in the April edition of the New York County Lawyer to publicize the website and recognize the contributions of the many volunteers who made it possible.

- **The “4 C’s” Project – Collateral Consequences of Criminal Charges**

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NYCLA's special events constitute an invaluable way to recognize the contributions of our profession and promote public appreciation for our legal system and an independent judiciary. Some of these events are sponsored by the Association; many others are sponsored by our committees and sections. It is not possible to catalog all the events of the past year, but I want to recognize some of them as representative of a bar association dedicated to the celebration of our profession.

As mentioned earlier, NYCLA's commemoration of the 75th anniversary of its founding included a celebration of inclusiveness and progressive reform. As part of the celebration, the Association's Centennial Capital Campaign was launched. The campaign, which ended in 2008, raised well over $1,000,000 for its capital campaign.

Among the annual dinner guests were (from left to right): Hon. David M. Dinkins, former New York City Mayor; Hon. George Bandy Smith, Jr., Acting Judge of the New York Supreme Court, Appellate Division, 1st Judicial Department; and Hon. Judith S. Kaye, Chief Judge of the State of New York.

NYCLA's Board of Directors, the Committee for the Centennial's Centennial in 2008.

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The program is free and open to all NYCLA members. Pre-registration is required and will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. To register, email cjacobson@nycla.org or fax this page with your name, contact information and indicate the course(s) you want to attend to: (212) 406-9252. Entrance and facilities for people with disabilities are available. A ramp is provided for wheelchaired access, please call (212) 267-6646 at least one day in advance to make arrangements. Programs are subject to change.
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Downtown, by Pete Hamill (Little Brown & Co., 2004). A personal history of Manhattan from Times Square to Battery Park, including notable persons, buildings, saloons, theatres, movie houses and restaurants.


New York Contract Law, by Glen Banks (Thomson West, 2006). Part of West’s New York Practice Series, this title covers all aspects of New York contract law, including formation, defenses to enforce- ment, contractual scope and meaning, performance and breach, and damages.

The Collected ABA and TriBar Opinion Reports, (ABA, 2005). Comprised of collected reports of the TriBar Opinion Committee as published in Business Lawyer. Included are reports on closing opinions, legal opinion principles, opinions in SEC filings and bankruptcy opinions.

The Palgraf Case: Courts Law and Society in 1920s New York, by William H. Manz (LexisNexis, Matthew Bender, 2005). A historical treatment of the landmark Cardozo opinion that provides profiles of all those involved and deals with the many questions that have arisen about the case. Includes photos of Mrs. Palgraf and the East New York station where the accident occurred.

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Seventh Annual Supreme Court Review: October 2004 Term. Included in this volume, which was prepared for the August 2005 program, are chapters discussing Johanns v. Livestock Marketing Association, Smith v. City of Jackson, suspicious dog sniffs, interstate wine shipments and California’s medical marijuana. Other chapters cover the Court’s 1983 litigation and federalism cases. There is also a chapter covering the views of Justices Breyer and Scalia on the use of foreign law in American constitutional interpretation.

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What Lawyers Need to Know About UCC Article 9: Secured Transactions 2005. Contents include an overview of current Article 9, defaults, filing, security agreement drafting, secured lending issues and New York State’s Cooperative Apartment provisions. Originally distributed at a session in January 2006.

NEW UPDATES
New York Titles
New York Examination Before Trial and Other Disclosure Devices (2006 cumulative supplement).

MISCELLANEOUS
Criminal Procedure, 2nd ed. (2006 pocket parts).
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Handling Consumer Credit Cases (2006 supp.).
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Recovery of Damages for Fraud, 3rd ed. (Jan. 2006 cumulative supp.).
Searches & Seizures, Arrests and Confessions, 2nd ed. (Release #7).

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