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About the VLP

The mission of the Brooklyn Bar Association Volunteer Lawyers Project (VLP) is to ensure that the legal system is accessible to those who, because of special needs or the overwhelming burdens of poverty, would not otherwise have their rights protected or their voices heard.

Since 1990, the VLP has harnessed the powerful pro bono commitment of the private bar to provide critical civil legal services and equal access to the justice system to thousands of Brooklyn residents. As an essential legal lifeline, the VLP remains uniquely responsive to the evolving legal needs of Brooklyn's overlooked and underserved communities.

The VLP Model & Impact

Last year, the VLP provided direct civil legal services on over 8,800 matters benefiting over 22,000 low-income Brooklyn residents, assisting them to overcome life-altering legal challenges including family breakdowns, devastating debt, immigration status, threatened homelessness, and ongoing predatory practices that overwhelmingly target the poor, the elderly, and individuals with disabilities.

At the core of the VLP's model is the recognition that the pro bono commitment of the private bar can be most effective and efficient for low income people to access justice. In the past year, VLP volunteers including attorneys, law students, and other legal professionals, with the support of the VLP, provided over 15,500 hours of high quality, compassionate direct legal representation, advice and counsel, and community education throughout Brooklyn.

Welcome To The VLP Annual Gala!

Tonight – May 14, 2019 – marks a special night for the Brooklyn Bar Association Volunteer Lawyers Project (VLP) and our community of supporters and friends, as we join in celebration of two extraordinary individuals who have demonstrated an unwavering commitment to serving the public good and equal justice:

Dedication to Justice Award recipient **John S. Kiernan**, Partner, Debevoise & Plimpton LLP and **Tradition of Excellence Award** recipient **Gregory K. Palm**, Senior Advisor, The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.

We are also delighted to present the **Champion of Justice Awards** to the following individuals: **Emmanuel Fashakin, Jr.**, Associate, Debevoise & Plimpton LLP; **Jessica Klein**, Special Counsel – Pro Bono, Sullivan & Cromwell LLP; and **Genevieve Spruill**, Pro Bono Coordinator, The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.

We would like to extend our appreciation to the members of our Co-Chair and Host Committees, for their support and leadership. Your generosity and enthusiasm have made a significant difference in the success of the evening.

On behalf of the VLP board of directors, staff, and clients, many thanks for joining with us tonight. We are truly grateful for your commitment to the advancement of our mission and to the strengthening of the Brooklyn community.

Enjoy the evening!



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Gregory K. Palm is a Senior Advisor to The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc., having served for several decades as its general counsel and a member of its Management Committee until January 2019.

Greg joined Goldman Sachs as a partner and general counsel in 1992. Previously, Greg was a partner at Sullivan & Cromwell LLP. Prior to joining Sullivan & Cromwell, he served as a law clerk to the Hon. Henry J. Friendly, United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit and to Justice Lewis F. Powell, Jr., Supreme Court of the United States.

While at Goldman Sachs, Greg was resident both in its New York and London offices and chaired or was a member of various firm-wide committees, including its Risk, Reputational Risk, Business Practices, Global Control and Compliance, and Operating Committees.

At Sullivan & Cromwell, Greg's practice focused principally on corporate and financial matters, including securities offerings, mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures derivatives and general counseling. For several years he was based in Sullivan & Cromwell's London office.

Greg has been active with respect to a variety of organizations, including serving or having served as a member of the Legal Advisory Board of the New York Stock Exchange and the Federal Regulation Committee of the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association, President of the Board of Trustees of the Skowhegan School of Sculpture and Painting, and a member of the MIT Department of Economics Visiting Committee, the American Law Institute, the Boards of Trustees of the Buckley and Nightingale-Bamford Schools and the Leadership Council of NJ LEEP, the New Jersey Law and Education Empowerment Project.

Greg received a J.D. degree from Harvard Law School, an M.B.A. from Harvard Business School and an B.S. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Gala Honoree



John S. Kiernan has served on Debevoise & Plimpton's Management Committee and as Co-Chair of the firm's Litigation Department (2002–2017) and has been Chair of its Ethics Committee since 1994. His representations have embraced a broad range of commercial disputes and internal investigations.

John is the Board Chair of Prisoners' Legal Services of New York and Co-Chair of the Inner City Scholarship Fund, Lawyers Division. He has previously chaired the Boards of the International Institute for Conflict Prevention & Resolution, Legal Services-New York City, the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, Volunteers of Legal Service, the Justice Resource Center and the New York City Bankruptcy Assistance Project (which he co-founded), and was the Mayor of Pelham Manor, NY from 1999-2001. He has also served as a director or trustee of numerous boards from the City Bar Justice Center to the Pelham Art Center and many other noteworthy organizations.

John is the immediate past President of the New York City Bar Association, where he served on the Executive Committee. He has also chaired several committees of the Litigation Section of the American Bar Association and the Federal Bar Council. He is the Chair of the New York Chief Judge's Advisory Committee on Alternative Methods of Dispute Resolution, and a member of the New York State Permanent Commission on Access to Justice and the Legal Services Corporation's Disaster Task Force, and has served as Co-Chair of the New York Chief Judge's Task Force on Hurricane Disaster Relief and a member of Chief Judge's Committee on Non-Lawyers and the Justice Gap and has been an Adjunct Professor at New York University Law School.

John joined Debevoise & Plimpton in 1981 and became a partner in 1988. He received his B.A. in 1976 *magna cum laude* from Harvard and his J.D. in 1980 *magna cum laude* from Harvard Law School, where he was an Editor of the *Harvard Law Review*. From 1980–1981, John served as a law clerk to the Hon. Walter R. Mansfield, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit.

Award Presenter



John Mead joined Sullivan & Cromwell LLP in 1977 and has been a partner of the firm since 1984. He has extensive experience in representing corporate clients in a wide variety of transactions, including mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures and capital markets transactions. John serves as outside counsel to The Goldman Sachs Group Inc. and represented the investment banking firm in connection with its 1999 initial public offering and in a variety of matters since that time.

John serves as lead outside counsel to The Madison Square Garden Company, the New York Knicks NBA franchise, the New York Rangers NHL franchise, and Radio City Music Hall. He is also lead outside counsel to MSG Networks Inc. and AMC Networks Inc. Other clients include Sotheby's and Revlon. John previously served as the principal outside counsel to Cablevision Systems Corporation for over 30 years until its sale in 2016.

Other corporate engagements have covered various industries, including CIT Group Inc. (finance), Microsoft (computer software), Intelsat (satellite telephony), AT&T Capital (lease finance), Kaiser Aluminum (integrated aluminum production), Commonwealth Industries (aluminum production), First Fidelity Bancorporation (commercial banking), and Univision Communications Inc. (television and radio).

John was the managing partner of Sullivan & Cromwell's General Practice Group – including the firm's securities, corporate, mergers & acquisitions, project finance, real estate and banking practice areas – from 1992 through 2000. Additionally, John served on the firm's management committee for 22 years and was the partner responsible for the firm's financial affairs for 10 years.

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Shannon Rose Selden is a litigation partner and member of Debevoise & Plimpton LLP's Commercial Litigation and Private Equity Groups. Shannon has a broad practice with a particular focus on the investment management industry. She represents hedge fund and private equity clients, as plaintiffs and defendants, in complex, high-stakes litigation of all kinds, including securities, contract, corporate governance, fiduciary, financing and debt restructuring disputes. Shannon has significant experience as lead counsel in state and federal courts and in advising on contested commercial matters.

She is recommended by *The Legal 500 US* (2017) and is recognized as a Law360 "MVP" for Asset Management (2016) and a "Litigation Star" and as one of the "Top 250 Women in Litigation" by *Benchmark Litigation* (2017).

Shannon joined Debevoise & Plimpton in 2001 and became a partner in 2011. From January 2003 to January 2004, she clerked for the Hon. Denise Cote, United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. Shannon received her J.D. from Yale Law School in 2001 where she was the co-editor-in-chief of the *Yale Journal of Law & the Humanities* and a director of the Morris Tyler Moot Court Competition. She received a B.A. *summa cum laude* from Amherst College in 1998, where she was a member of Phi Beta Kappa and winner of the Densmore Barry Collins Prize in Political Science.

In 2004 and 2005, Shannon was an Assistant Professor of Law at the University of Toledo, where she taught Constitutional Law, Civil Procedure, and Criminal Law. Her research focused on securities law, in particular, on interdisciplinary analysis of the adequacy of laws designed to prevent and prosecute malfeasance in the financial markets.

Shannon is admitted to appear before the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York, the U.S. Courts of Appeals for the Second, Fifth and Eighth Circuits, and the United States Supreme Court. She has served as a member of the Federal Practice Task Force of the American Bar Association Section of Litigation, and as Co-Chair of the Section's 2010 Annual Conference, and as a member of the Book Publishing Board of the ABA Section of Litigation and is a member of the Board of Directors of the National Center for Law and Economic Justice. Shannon was featured in a documentary on the *New York Times* website, "Great Expectations for Female Lawyers" (2013), a follow-up from a 2001 *New York Times Magazine* article in which 21 women lawyers at Debevoise & Plimpton were profiled and interviewed about the career prospects for women in law firms.

Champion of Justice Awardees



Emmanuel Fashakin, Jr. is a litigation associate at Debevoise & Plimpton LLP whose practice focuses on white collar and regulatory defense, internal investigations, and complex civil litigation. Manny joined Debevoise in 2014. From 2015 to 2016, he clerked for the Hon. Ramon E. Reyes, Jr. of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York.

Manny has thrown himself into pro bono work with the same zeal that he brings to his commercial work, and the range of his pro bono matters reflects his

wide interests, and his willingness to jump in when someone needs help.

Manny's pro bono clients include a veteran who successfully appealed the denial of his VA benefits, three brothers seeking Special Juvenile Immigrant Status, a permanent resident seeking to naturalize, prisoners seeking clemency and discretionary resentencing, and a number of indigent criminal defendants in the Eastern District of New York. Manny has also worked pro bono on civil rights matters, including as counsel for a pro se litigant in the Eastern District in a lawsuit against the City of New York for false arrest, which was settled during discovery.

Manny received his J.D., *cum laude*, from Brooklyn Law School in 2014, where he was an Articles Editor for the *Brooklyn Law Review*, Vice President of the Moot Court Honor Society, President of the Black Law Students Association, and a Dean's Merit Scholarship recipient. During law school, Manny also volunteered with the VLP's Foreclosure Legal Assistance Group (FLAG), providing services to low-income Brooklyn residents at the Kings County Supreme Court. Prior to attending law school, Manny was an investigator with the New York City Civilian Complaint Review Board. Manny received his B.A. from Hunter College in 2005.

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Jessica Klein is the Head of Pro Bono Practice at Sullivan & Cromwell LLP and has led the firm's pro bono program since August 2011. In addition to overseeing the firm's broad array of pro bono matters and initiatives, Jessica maintains an active docket of cases in many areas of public interest law, including asylum, domestic violence, education law and civil rights. Jessica is active in the firm's efforts to expand access to justice and serves as Counsel to The New York State Permanent Commission on Access to Justice.

Prior to leading the firm's pro bono program, Jessica's practice at the firm focused on commercial litigation, including securities, employment, banking and contract disputes. Jessica currently serves on the board of directors of Immigration Equality.

Her work has previously been recognized with the Safe Haven Award from Immigration Equality; the Legal Aid Society's Pro Bono Publico Award and Sanctuary for Families' Above and Beyond Award for Excellence in Pro Bono Advocacy.

Jessica earned her J.D. from New York University School of Law in 2003 and received her B.A. from Brown University in 2000.

Champions of Justice Awardees



Genevieve Spruill has served since 2010 as the Pro Bono Coordinator for the The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. Legal Department Pro Bono Committee, planning and coordinating pro bono events and clinics as well as organizing and developing pro bono partnerships with nonprofits and law firms. During her years as Coordinator, Genevieve has spearheaded several signature pro bono projects, including the creation of the Pro Bono component of the firm's Community Team Works program and the legal clinic program for Goldman Sachs' 10,000 Small Businesses initiative.

In cooperation with 14 community colleges and Babson College, Genevieve has developed the 10,000 Small Businesses legal clinic program from one New York clinic to a nationwide effort across 15 cities with over 75 different law firms volunteering at more than 40 clinics a year.

Genevieve also serves as an Executive Assistant at Goldman Sachs and is a member of the Martin Luther King's Breakfast Committee which hosts a yearly event in her community on Martin Luther King's Birthday to celebrate his message with local residents.

Prior to joining Goldman Sachs, Genevieve worked in the Hospitality Industry for three years as an Assistant Front Office Manager. She also worked as an Executive Assistant supporting Senior Management at several financial firms.

Genevieve attended New York University where she graduated in 1996 with a Bachelors of Science.

Emcee



Adam Shepherd is a Senior Vice President in the Credit Markets Division of Macquarie Group. His team provides financing to private credit funds and direct lenders. Adam started his career at Macquarie in 2012 as an investment banking associate in the US leveraged finance team.

Prior to joining Macquarie, Adam was an environmental lawyer at the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in New York. At UNDP, Adam advised on legal aspects of clean energy projects and climate change policy. His interest in environmental issues began as a child watching far too many Sir David Attenborough documentaries and was converted into a career as an Associate in the Environmental Markets group at Baker & McKenzie, Sydney.

Adam joined the Board of the VLP in 2018 and he is grateful to participate in the VLP's mission to expand access to legal services in Brooklyn. Adam received an M.B.A from Columbia Business School and undergraduate degrees in Law (LLB) and Arts (BA) from Bond University, Australia.

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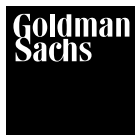
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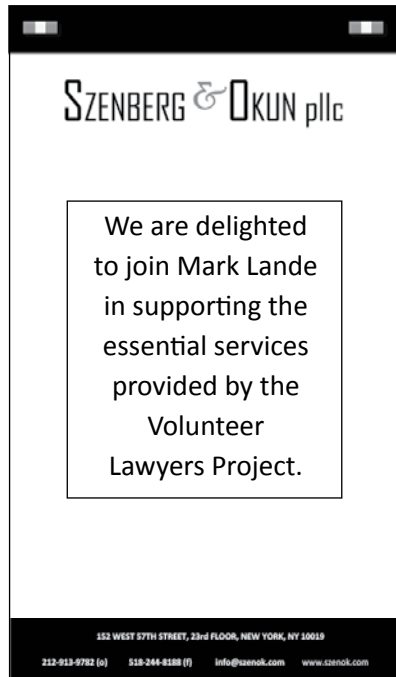
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