

RUTGERS LAW ALUMNI NEWS

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RUTGERS LAW CELEBRATES GRADUATION



Vice Dean Reid Weisbord leads the procession of graduates, followed by Co-deans Michael Cahill and Ronald Chen

During two ceremonies in May, nearly 400 students graduated from both locations of Rutgers Law School.

The commencement ceremony for the Camden location took place on Thursday, May 18 at the BB&T Pavilion in Camden, and the ceremony for the Newark location was held at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center on Friday, May 26. *(Continued on next page.)*

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RUTGERS LAW CELEBRATES GRADUATION, CONT.

The ceremony in Camden started with an introduction by Co-dean Michael Cahill, who told those attending that the Class of 2017 contributed over 70,000 hours of free legal & related services to the community while at the school.

Following Co-dean Cahill's introduction, the Class of 2017 President Kiera McGroarty greeted the graduating class. Next, the student speaker Katrina Xyloportas, president of the Student Bar Association in Camden, addressed the graduates.

The keynote address was delivered by James Sandman, president of Legal Services Corporation, who reminded graduates that "good people finish first." Sandman urged the graduates to value three qualities: integrity, being respectful and kind to everyone, and giving back to the community. "It is also important to find a career where your personal values and work are aligned," he said. "Generosity is not only compatible with professional success, it can promote it."

Following the ceremony, a reception was held for the graduates and their families at the Law School.

In Newark, Co-dean Ronald Chen welcomed the graduates and told them that by having chosen a career in the law they now had a "special responsibility" to make a contribution to their communities. He told the students they are graduating at a time when people are recognizing the importance of lawyers in the fight for social justice. "Keep anchored in your essential humanity," he told them. "What impressed me about this class is your passion."

James Arrabito, who was selected by his classmates as the student speaker, praised the culture at Rutgers Law School, which allowed students to become friends and help each other, "We found we didn't have to always compete, we could work together toward common success."

Professor George Thomas, who was selected by the graduates as the faculty speaker, addressed the students and acknowledged that "many are worried about the state of the republic." He likened current times to the divided times of the Vietnam War and Nixon presidency and reminded the graduates that the country has endured those difficult times along with many others.

"Yet the republic endures," he said, adding that the graduates must help it endure in a better way. He also reminded the students about the frailty of life, "Enjoy your career but don't forget to enjoy your life."

Patty Shwartz a judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, gave a list of advice to Rutgers Law students who graduated at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center on Friday.

From "Be a can do person and problem solver" to "Be selfless and reach beyond yourself in the service of others," Judge Shwartz urged the newly-minted graduates to keep a sense of humor while practicing the law and to guard their reputations.

"Be open to learning, to giving, to participating," she said. "Never become apathetic. Be courageous, devoted and reach beyond yourselves."

After the ceremony at NJPAC, students and their families were invited back to the law school for a short toast.

Enjoy the [flickr photo gallery of commencement](#) in Newark.

SAVE THE DATE: RUTGERS LAW MINORITY STUDENT PROGRAM'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY IN 2018

Rutgers Law School celebrates the 50th anniversary of its pioneering Minority Student Program next April 14. Created in 1968, the MSP is a nationally recognized model for educating and preparing students of color and disadvantaged students of all races for a legal career and for diversifying the legal profession.

Jeffrey Hsi '97, a former MSP night student, now an intellectual property lawyer with Boston's Wolf, Greenfield & Sacks, has made a leadership gift of \$250,000, launching a \$1.5 million campaign to fund first-year summer public interest internships.

RUTGERS LAW SCHOOL GRADUATION IN CAMDEN - 05/18/2017



RUTGERS LAW SCHOOL GRADUATION IN NEWARK - 05/26/2017



TWO RUTGERS LAW STUDENTS WILL HELP LGBTI RIGHTS IN SOUTH AMERICA

Two Rutgers Law School students will spend the summer in South America with nonprofit organizations working for LGBTI rights as part of a new internship program, created by Professor Jorge Contesse and sponsored by the Transnational Legal Initiative, in partnership with Rutgers' Center for Gender, Sexuality, Law and Policy.

Christopher Bustamante Osorio '18, who attends Rutgers Law in Camden, and Maria Jose Padilla '17, who recently graduated from the law school's Newark location, will be spending part of the summer in Santiago, Chile, and Bogotá, Colombia, respectively.

Osorio will be working with Fundación Iguales, a leading non-governmental organization that has lobbied for the

adoption of anti-discrimination and civil union laws in Chile. Padilla, who just graduated and hopes to become a civil rights attorney, will be working with Colombia Diversa, an organization involved in strategic litigation on LGBTI rights.

Professor Contesse said the students will work under the supervision of attorneys, doing legal research, drafting memos, and helping in the multiple projects being undertaken by their respective organizations.

"Latin America has been taking impressive steps in the global fight over LGBTI rights," said Contesse, whose scholarship focuses on international human rights. "I believe that we need to provide our students with as many opportunities as possible to engage in transnational legal work."

Rutgers Law's Transnational Legal Initiative will provide students with stipends to cover transportation, housing and living expenses. The Initiative is supported by a seed grant from Rutgers University-Newark Chancellor, Nancy Cantor. To take part in the internship, students must agree to spend at least four weeks at the organizations and, upon their return, submit a report on their experience.

Padilla said it is her passion and experience in defending the rights of the underserved and marginalized that made her want to do the internship. "I am excited to be a part of an interdisciplinary team at Colombia Diversa and further develop my practical legal skills in an international context," she said. "I also look forward to providing direct legal services at this organization and utilizing my native Spanish skills."

While at Rutgers, Padilla interned at LatinoJustice, where she assisted undocumented clients with housing and employment issues. She also interned at Urban Justice Center, helping people with disabilities obtain public benefits, and spent two semesters working the International Human Rights Clinic as a Kinoy/Stavis Fellow.

Osorio, a Seattle native, is the vice president of the Women's Law Caucus and has worked as a Spanish interpreter for the law school's clinic program in Camden. He will be working with the law school's Domestic Violence Clinic in the fall and said he wants to do public interest work. "I want the experience of younger and new LGBTQ persons to be easier," he said. "I am hoping that I will get to work on any policy work while I am there that will push to making the lives of the LGBTQ persons easier."

Contesse expects the students to flourish in this summer opportunity, "Rutgers Law's commitment to social justice and publicly-engaged scholarship makes our students a perfect fit for this type of work. Our students work hard. Many of them come from immigrant families, and so being interested in, and exposed to, foreign legal cultures seems like a natural step to them. I hope they will see how international human rights work occurs on the ground as well as how important it is for a lawyer to be able to engage with other legal cultures." ■



Christopher Bustamante Osorio '18 and Maria Jose Padilla '17

MAIDA FELLOW TO ADVOCATE FOR DISABLED CHILDREN ATTENDING CHARTER SCHOOLS



Deanna Christian '17 has just been named a Maida Public Interest Fellow.

For Deanna Christian, earning a Maida Post-Graduate Public Interest Fellowship that will allow her to advocate for children with disabilities, is a deeply personal accomplishment. Christian said she was inspired to go to law school after learning to advocate for her son, who was diagnosed with a disability at the age of 5. She said she shared her knowledge about navigating the school system with low-income families in her community who also needed advocacy for their children.

"I did not grow up wanting to be an attorney," she wrote in her fellowship application essay. "It was the road of adversity that led me to this calling and my choice to pursue a career in public interest law." Thanks to the generosity of James and Dr. Sharon Maida, Christian will provide direct representation, impact advocacy and community education around the rights of children with disabilities in charter schools during her year-long fellowship. She was chosen by a committee of professors, alumni and former Maida fellows.

According to Jill Friedman, associate dean for pro bono and public interest, the Maida Public Interest Fellowships Program was established to acknowledge, support and sustain public

interest legal work by students and graduates of Rutgers Law School. "Our fellowship students help the most vulnerable people in our society, while the Maidas have advanced an already outstanding program into the very top echelon of public law schools for support of public interest lawyering."

With the expansion of charter schools throughout the state, significant concerns have arisen regarding their compliance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)," Christian said. "There is a critical shortage of free legal representation for low-income parents in New Jersey special education matters overall. During my fellowship year, I will provide free legal representation, community education and policy advocacy for low-income families of children with disabilities who attend charter schools in Newark and the surrounding areas. And, in fact, we are exploring ways to expand some of the work throughout the state."

For the past 1 ½ years, she worked with the H.E.A.L. Collaborative, a medical-legal-social work partnership with Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences Outpatient Pediatrics Department and Rutgers Law School's Education and Health Law Clinic. HEAL brings together the disciplines of law, medicine and social work and aims to reduce poverty's adverse impacts on the health and wellbeing of Newark's children and their families. Professor Jennifer Rosen Valverde is the legal director of HEAL and will continue to supervise Christian during her fellowship.

"Ms. Christian is both 'book smart' and 'street smart' and this enables her to see the people and situations behind the legal and social issues, giving her a greater and more holistic understanding of and insight into her clients and the communities in which they live," said Rosen Valverde. "She is an excellent writer and a passionate oral advocate. Her commitment to social justice and creating positive change for underserved, at-risk communities is unwavering." Christian, a top academic performer, served as a summer intern in the chambers of New Jersey Chief Justice Stuart Rabner, while attending law school part-time. She also was a teaching assistant for Professor Steve Gold's Administrative Law Class.

Christian grew up in Monmouth County and graduated from Rutgers University in New Brunswick. She is a wife and mother of two boys, and during her first year of law school belonged to the Christian Legal Society. "I believe that all children should be given the resources that they need to be successful and reach their potential. When we invest in the life of a child, we make a lasting impact on society as a whole." ■

James Maida '90 and his wife Sharon O'Mara Maida, established the Maida Public Interest Scholars Program through their \$1M gift. If you would like to join the Maidas in making a significant gift to Rutgers Law School, either now, over the course of the next five years, or as part of your estate plan, please contact Robin Todd (Camden), 856.225.6682 or robin.todd@law.rutgers.edu or Robert Steinbaum (Newark), 973.353.3063, or robert.steinbaum@law.rutgers.edu.

PROFESSOR SPOTLIGHT: KATIE EYER

A LEADER IN EXPANDING LGBT EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION RIGHTS

As an attorney, Katie Eyer litigated and won precedent-setting court cases protecting the legal rights of LGBT and disabled employees. Now, the associate professor at Rutgers Law School's Camden location has taken a leading role in advocating for greater coverage of LGBT employees in Pennsylvania under sex discrimination provisions.

Eyer is the author of a letter to the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission in response to the commission's request for public comments about their proposed guidance on the extent to which the sex discrimination provisions of state law should be construed to include LGBT discrimination claims.

Eyer, and the scholars who joined her in signing the letter, argue that sex discrimination provisions do, categorically, reach LGBT discrimination claims. "If Jane is fired for having a picture of Mary, her wife, on her desk, had Jane been a man the same thing would not have happened to her, right?," said Eyer, explaining that sexual orientation discrimination is necessarily sex discrimination. "In the gender identity context, the courts have said that is discrimination because somebody doesn't conform to your stereotypes of what a man and a woman should be." Prior case law by the Supreme Court establishes that such "gender stereotyping" is sex discrimination.

Eyer says that in both cases, the discrimination does necessarily involve the person's sex, so it should be categorically covered under sex discrimination. In the letter, Eyer suggests that the commission follow the federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's approach that in every case of sexual orientation discrimination and gender identity discrimination, the EEOC processes it as it is a sex discrimination case.

Two dozen law professors who specialize in employment discrimination, LGBT rights, or antidiscrimination law signed Eyer's letter to the PHRC including Rutgers colleagues Jason Cohen, Ann Freedman, Phil Harvey, Suzanne Kim, and Sarah Ricks and faculty from Dickinson, Seton Hall, Temple, University of Pennsylvania, University of Pittsburgh, Drexel, Penn State, and Villanova law schools.

Like many states, Pennsylvania does not have explicit protections for sexual orientation and gender identity in its laws, although many localities have enacted local anti-discrimination ordinances. New Jersey state anti-discrimination laws do clearly cover sexual orientation and gender identity. Federal law also does not have explicit categories to protect against sexual orientation or gender identity discrimination in most contexts. For this reason, Eyer says it is especially important to be able to offer safeguards through court and agency interpretations of sex discrimination law. "I think it's one of the most important things in people's lives to be able to go to work and know that they're not going to be fired or harassed simply because of who they are," Eyer said.

While attending Yale Law School in the early 2000s, Eyer knew she wanted to work in LGBT advocacy. At one time, she was interested in working in family law, but she became interested in employment discrimination because of its impact on people's day-to-day lives. In addition to earning a living, a job informs a person's sense of identity.

In 2009, when Eyer was a practicing attorney, she and Pittsburgh attorney Timothy O'Brien litigated and won the case *Prowel vs. Wise Business Forms*. Eyer and O'Brien represented Brian Prowel, a gay employee who sued the company under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 for harassment he had experienced as an employee. When he reported the harassment, he was fired. The case was one of the first in the country to allow a claim of a gay employee to go forward under Title VII's sex discrimination provisions.

"One of the wonderful things about being an academic is that I get to look at and work on these types of issues from a variety of perspectives," said Eyer, who teaches a course called "Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, and the Law." In addition to her practice-oriented work and scholarship, Eyer enjoys the opportunity to train future lawyers to be able to unpack the issues underlying the sex discrimination argument for LGBT rights as well as other sets of arguments that can be made on behalf of LGBT rights. ■



Associate Professor Katie Eyer

NEWARK CLINIC STUDENTS ASSIST POLICE REVIEW BOARD



Professor Charles Auffant

Last fall, students in Rutgers Law School's Community and Transactional Lawyering Clinic in Newark started researching police department Civilian Complaint Review Boards (CCRB's) all over the United States. Their mission was to determine best practices, policies, procedures, codes of conduct, and the efficacy of CCRB's across the nation in order to assist the newly-formed Civilian Complaint Review Board (CCRB) of the City of Newark – the first one in the city's history. The clinic students divided the categories and worked as teams, with certain members serving as "team leaders."

"The Civilian Complaint Review Board is a huge milestone for the Newark community, and it's very important that the board gets off to a strong start, and fosters good will and trust in the community," said Christina Stripp, a team leader and May 2017 law school graduate. "We felt honored to be asked to participate in its formation and guidance."

Under the guidance of Professor Charles Auffant, who is also a member of the CCRB, students in his clinic researched and reviewed documents, then drafted reports and presentations detailing best practices and drafting a code of conduct to present to Newark's Board.

Mark Makar, another team leader, said clinic students analyzed over 100 civilian complaint review boards in order to compile a list of best practices for complaint form, by-laws, standards of conduct, handling of matters relating to confidentiality, complaint process, process for appointing members, and unique practices.

The clinic also created a code of conduct for the new Board. "The goal of the code of conduct that the clinic created was to establish a set of guidelines that govern the conduct of the members of the Board, to ensure trustworthiness, confidentiality, integrity, and impartiality of all Board members and in all matters before the Newark Board," Makar said.

Once the clinic students finished their research and drafting, they brought the proposals with accompanying Power Point presentations to the CCRB this spring. Vanessa Martinez, another May 2017 graduate and Newark native, said the experience was invaluable, "Presenting our research and findings to the board members was both rewarding and insightful. It was rewarding because the members were really engaged. It was great to hear how much they appreciated the research we have done and how helpful it was for them as they move forward with the implementation of the Newark CCRB."

All that hard work appeared to pay off. Auffant said the Newark CCRB adopted the proposed code of conduct, which he called one of the "most rigorous" in the United States. "We believe it's important for (the civilian complaint review) Board members to obtain the trust of both the public and police department," he said.

Students also presented a report on best practices, which members of the review board are still discussing. "The members of the review board asked very insightful and thoughtful questions," said Stripp, who heads to a judicial clerkship after graduation. "You could tell they were giving it their full attention and took it very seriously."

Richard H. Robinson, the chairman of the CCRB, praised the law students and their work, "On behalf of the Newark, NJ Civilian Complaint Review Board, let me first extend the board's thanks to Rutgers Law School of Newark, Professor Charles I. Auffant, Esq., and mostly, your superior law students for providing the CCRB with comprehensive analysis and relevant information, on best practices. . ."

Makar, who also heads to a judicial clerkship said, "I gained valuable insight from the research I conducted for the Newark CCRB regarding the growing problem of police misconduct across the country, and the benefit of having a civilian complaint review board to hold police officers more accountable for their actions than their respective police departments' internal affairs divisions currently do."

The board was created by Newark Mayor Ras Baraka in 2015 and the 11-members were sworn in during March 2016. The board was created after the U.S. Department of Justice issued a report in 2014 that was critical of the way police department complaints were handled. Since its inception, the CCRB has faced opposition from the city's police union.

"We believe that a goal of the CCRB is to help restore the trust of Newark citizens in its police force by providing them with an unbiased, independent review of police conduct," Auffant said. ■

SEVEN RUTGERS STUDENTS AWARDED SCHOLARSHIPS FROM THE HISPANIC BAR ASSOCIATION OF NJ

The Hispanic Bar Association of New Jersey awarded scholarships to seven Rutgers Law School students this spring at its annual gala in May.

This year the association awarded a total of \$74,000 in scholarships to 12 outstanding law students in the New Jersey/New York area and to



two high school students, according to a letter from Hispanic Bar Association President Arlene Quiñones Perez. Perez said, “The Hispanic Bar Association is delighted to award scholarships to these deserving students. We look forward to seeing these students grow and continue to be leaders in their communities.”

Here are the Rutgers Law winners:

Francisco F. Guzman Andrade has been on the dean’s list for multiple semesters and will be a 3L student in Camden this fall. This summer he is working in the Atlantic County Prosecutor’s office and was a law clerk in the City of Philadelphia’s Law Department last summer. He serves as the treasurer of Alianza – the Latino Law Students Association and was a representative in the Student Bar Association.

Roger Castillo will be a 3L student this fall in Newark and is a first-generation college student who was born in Puerto Rico and moved to New Jersey as a child. He has worked as a legal intern with Lambda Legal, and, this summer, is an intern at Weitz & Luxemburg P.C. He was the Co-President of the Association of Latin American Law Students this last school year.

Steven St. Pierre Fernandez is earning a dual degree through Rutgers’ JD/MPA program in Newark and is a member of the Minority Student Program, the Moot Court Board and a recipient of the Eagleton Institute Politics Fellowship. He was an intern for Judge John Michael Vasquez in U.S. District Court.

Eric Macias is the President of the Rutgers Immigration Law Society at the Camden location. He’s made the dean’s list every semester of law school and has worked with the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society, Legal Services of New Jersey, South Jersey Legal Services and Community Legal Services. He is a member of the Immigrant Justice Clinic and is this summer, is an intern with South Jersey Legal Services in Camden. He is a Camden native and hopes to go into politics.

Melanie Morales is a Newark native who attended the University of Chicago as an undergraduate where she was involved in immigration advocacy and multicultural student affairs on campus. She is on the executive board of the Latin American and Asian Pacific American Law Students Associations and is the incoming Co-Editor-in-Chief of the Rutgers Race & the Law Review Journal.

Nicole Roman was born in New Jersey to Colombian immigrants and lived in Colombia for three years before starting high school in the U.S. She is currently the Vice President of Community Affairs for the Association of Latin American Law Students. This summer, she is interning at the Passaic County Prosecutor’s Office.

Sara Torres has served as the Vice President of Community Affairs for the Association of Latin American Law Students and is a member of the Minority Student Program. She interned for Judge Alberto Rivas in Superior Court in Middlesex County and this summer, is working as an associate at McElroy, Deutsch, Mulvaney & Carpenter, LLP. ■

RUTGERS TEAM ADDRESSES SECURITY ISSUES IN BRUSSELS

From Paris to Brussels, Copenhagen to Orlando, and most recently in Manchester and London, an explosive surge in violent extremist and terrorist attacks is targeting civil society, public venues and religious groups. The threat of mass casualty attacks has reached unprecedented levels across the globe.

In response to this emergent threat, a team of international experts from Rutgers University has completed the second of two intensive sessions focusing on police-community relations in particularly sensitive districts of Brussels.

"As events this week [June 12] have demonstrated, the time for broad pronouncements and abstract guidance has long passed," said Rutgers Professor John J. Farmer Jr., former New Jersey attorney general and senior counsel to the 9/11 Commission.

"The most effective way forward is to take action at the street level to protect vulnerable populations by strengthening their ties with law enforcement and making our communities more resilient," Farmer said.

Funded through the generosity of Paul Miller, an alumnus of Rutgers University and Rutgers Law School, the Rutgers team has been working in Brussels and elsewhere in Europe and the United States since 2015, attempting to identify and, in this case, develop and implement reliable practices for protecting vulnerable populations. Recognizing the value of the Rutgers team's work, Belgian officials invited the Rutgers team in the wake of the March 2016 attacks to work shoulder-to-shoulder with law enforcement and the Brussels community to develop a program to strengthen the relationship between the community and the police.

"The Rutgers team was here, on the ground, both before and after the attacks," said Belgian Federal Police Commissioner Saad Amrani. "They have combined extraordinary experience and expertise with a commitment to adapt any proposed approaches to our individual circumstances."

"In a word, they listen," said Jonathan Biermann, head of crisis management for the Jewish community in Brussels. "They have come here not to impose a top-down solution, but to learn and adapt. Their credibility in the Brussels community, as a consequence, is peerless."

"The new reality of violent extremism requires an unprecedented level of engagement between police and community," said Sean Griffin, former Europol counterterrorism coordinator, who is serving as a senior adviser for the Rutgers team.

The Rutgers team conducted over 20 hours of videotaped interviews with civilians and law enforcement in the aftermath of last year's terrorist attacks in Brussels. "These interviews are firsthand, primary source evidence of the impact of violent extremism on citizens, communities and police," Farmer said. "They highlight the need for a new form of community policing and a renewed commitment to public education about suspicious activity and self-protection."

The team has built its training curricula around these firsthand accounts and around the results of a "Practitioners' Good Practices Exchange" Rutgers co-sponsored in November 2016 in partnership with The Egmont Royal Institute for International Relations, the Belgian Ministry of Home Affairs and the Union des Anciens Etudiants de l'Université Libre de Bruxelles.

The working sessions were conducted last week in two districts in Brussels: the Sablon, a neighborhood noted for its many shops and the Great Synagogue of Europe and the site of the attack on the Jewish Museum in May 2014, and in Molenbeek, a largely Muslim community that has attracted much unwanted attention after the world learned of the Molenbeek origins and of several attackers in the November 2015 attacks in Paris and the attacks four months later in Brussels.

"The issues we have been confronting in Brussels resonate in communities throughout Europe, the United States and beyond," said Paul Goldenberg, a senior adviser for the Rutgers team who has worked extensively on hate crime prevention in the United States and Europe for over 20 years. "This unprecedented initiative is a best practice that can be adapted to other communities and law enforcement." ■



Rutgers Professor John J. Farmer Jr., former New Jersey attorney general and senior counsel to the 9/11 Commission

ALUMNI UPDATES

Edward Hoffman '97 has been appointed to the New Jersey Superior Court, in the Family Division in Burlington County.

Michael Rowe '98 has joined the board of directors of the United Way of Greater Mercer County.

Christina Donato Saler '03 has been appointed to the Pennsylvania Humanities Council Board of Directors.

Wan-Mo Kang '96 received the Professional Achievement Award from the Asian Pacific American Lawyers Association of New Jersey (APALA-NJ).

Jonathan Amira '14 has become an Assistant Prosecutor in the Gloucester County Prosecutor's Office.

Joseph "Jed" Mayk '93 has been named a fellow of the American College of Consumer Financial Services Lawyers

Gigio K. Ninan '11 has been honored as a "New Leader of the Bar" by the *New Jersey Law Journal*.

Geoffrey Rosamond '96 was honored with the Golden Sun Award by the Women Center's Dream Catcher program for his groundbreaking work combatting human trafficking and for arguing the first successful vacatur case for victims in NJ.

Sanu Dev '11, of the firm Capehart Scatchard, was a co-presenter at a seminar titled, "Mental Health, Including Therapeutic Placements: Balancing the Law and Family Support" at the 45th Annual Special Education Law Conference.

Ivo Becica '07, of the firm Obermayer Rebmann Maxwell & Hippel LLP, has been recognized as a "Rising Star in Employment & Labor" in the 2017 *Pennsylvania Super Lawyers*.

Deirdre E. Moore '89 was recently named Office Managing Partner of Fox Rothschild LLP's Roseland and Morristown NJ offices.

Patrick M. Harrington '14 has joined the Litigation department of the firm of Dilworth Paxson LLP, in Philadelphia, PA.

Marc D. Goldstone '94 was appointed President of the Nashville Council of Health Care Attorneys.

Matthew Fernandez Konigsberg '07 was named a Top Lawyer Under 40 by the Hispanic National Bar Association.

Anthony M. Verna III '03 is now the Managing Partner of Verna Law, P.C., in Rye, NY and Ridgewood, NJ.

Eli Granek '13, of the firm Eckert Seamans, has been recognized as a "Rising Star in Civil Litigation" in the 2017 *Pennsylvania Super Lawyers*.

Michael F. Frisbie '96 has been promoted to partner at Weber Kracht and Chellew, in Perkasio, PA.

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New Jersey Residential Real Estate Closing Procedures

Friday, July 14, 2017 | 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM | Newark

CLE: NJ: 4.5 | NY: 4.5 | PA: 3.5

Bridge the Gap: Ethics and Law Practice Management Essentials

Friday, July 21, 2017 | 9:30 AM - 1:45 PM | Newark

CLE: NJ: 4.8 (incl. 3.0 ethics) | NY: 4.5 (incl. 3.0 ethics) | PA: 4.0 (incl. 2.5 ethics)

Governance of Privately-Held Corporations and Limited Liability Companies

Tuesday, September 12, 2017 | 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM | Newark

CLE: NJ: 2.2 | NY: 2.0 | PA: 1.5

Municipal Court Practice in New Jersey

Saturday, October 14, 2017 | 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM | Camden

CLE: NJ: 4.6 | NY: 4.5 | PA: 3.5

Intellectual Property Law Overview: How to Incorporate IP Law Into Your Practice

Monday, October 23, 2017 | 6:00 PM - 8:10 PM | Newark

CLE: NJ: 2.5 | NY: 2.5 | PA: 2.

Un-arrange a Marriage: An Introduction to Family Law with a Focus on Forced Marriage

Friday, November 10, 2017 | 9:00 AM - 4:45 PM | Newark

CLE: NJ: 8.1 (incl. 1.2 ethics) | NY: 8.0 (incl. 1.0 ethics) | PA: 6.5 (incl. 1.0 ethics)

CONFERENCES AT RUTGERS LAW SCHOOL

Here is a recap of some of this year's conferences that were held at Rutgers Law School:

- [Conference Studies Impact of Trauma on School-Aged Children](#)
- [Consumer Protection Conference Discusses Predatory Lending and Consumer Fraud](#)

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