



FRIDAY

NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY TRACKS

11:45 a.m. - 11:50 a.m. **Welcome Remarks**

11:50 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. **From Albany, Georgia to Albany, New York: Talking Voting Rights and Election Law**

CLE: NY Professional Practice (1.0); NJ General (1.0)

Speakers: **Sen. Alessandra Biaggi '12**, Senator, New York State Senator; **John Owens Jr. '04**, Counsel/Adjunct Professor of Law, Justice of the Supreme Court, New York County, Commercial Division/Fordham Law School

12:45 - 2 p.m. **RGC: 2022 Challenges for In-House Counsel**

CLE: NY Ethics (1.5); NJ Ethics (1.5)

Speakers: **Giancarlo Stanton '14**, Chief Operating Officer, Cover Whale; **Alex Zozos '14**, Senior Counsel Product, Coinbase; **Jennifer Prevete FCRH'12**, Counsel, Litigation, Altice USA, **Emily Weissler '14**, Litigation Counsel, Uber Technologies (moderator)

2- 2:05 p.m. **Break**

2:05 - 2:55 p.m. **Nuts to Bolts to Managing a Firm**

CLE: NY Professional Practice (1.0); NJ Law Firm Management (1.0)

Speakers: **Paola Bettelli '01**, Independent Consultant, Paola Betelli; **Ariana Tadler '92**, Managing Partner, Tadler Law LLP

2:55 - 4:10 p.m. **Understanding Key Contract Concepts and Clauses**

CLE: NY Skills (1.5); NJ General (1.5)

Speakers: **Diana Santos '10**, Senior Attorney, Global Markets, IBM; **Geeta Tewari '05**, Assistant Professor of Law, Widener University Delaware Law School; **Natacha Carbajal-Evangelista '04**, Deputy Director, Regulatory Affairs, New York State Workers' Compensation Board; **Karen Leyva-Drivin '10**, Senior Counsel, Bloomberg LP

4:10 - 4:20 p.m. **Break**

4:20 - 5:35 p.m. **Public Health Law During a Pandemic: Key Legal and Bioethical Issues**

CLE: NY Ethics (1.5); NJ Ethics (1.5)

Speakers: **Wendy Luftig**, Senior Manager/Adjunct Professor of Law, Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corp./Fordham Law School; **Mary Beth Morrissey '82**, Founder and President/Program Director, Collaborative Palliative Care Inc./Aging & Health Workforce Institute, Palliative Care Certificate Program

5:35 - 5:40 p.m. **Closing**

SATURDAY

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8:05 a.m. - 8:10 a.m. **Welcome Remarks**

8:10 - 9 a.m. **Challenges Facing the U.S. Immigration Courts**

CLE: NY Professional Practice (1.0); NJ General (1.0)

Speakers: **Hon. Mimi Tsankov**, President/Adjunct Professor of Law, National Association of Immigration Judges/Fordham Law School; **Annie Chen '09**, Director, SAFE Initiative, Vera Institute for Justice

9 - 9:10 a.m. **Break**

9:10 - 10 a.m. **Negotiation Skills for Life**

CLE: NY Skills (1.0); NJ General (1.0)

Speakers: **Grissel Seijo '06**, Senior Director Counsel, Discovery Communication, Inc.; **Alex Berke '14**, Attorney, Berke-Weiss Law PLLC

10 - 10:50 a.m. **Family & Matrimonial Law**

CLE: NY Professional Practice (1.0); NJ Family Law (1.0)

Speakers: **Amanda Yu '14**, Associate, Lesnevich, Marzano-Lesnevich, O' Cathain & O' Cathain, LLC; **Georgia McKenzie '14**, Associate, Stutman Stutman & Litchenstein, LLP

10:50 - 10:55 a.m. **Break**

10:55 - 12:35 p.m. **Diversity in the Workplace: Beyond Checking the Box** CLE: NY Ethics / Diversity (2.0), NJ Ethics / Diversity (2.0)

Speakers: **Khasim Lockhart '18**, Associate/Adjunct Professor of Law Frankfurt, Kurnit, Klein & Selz/Fordham Law School; **Hon. Grace E. Lee '14**, Administrative Law Judge, New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance; **Abdul Hafiz '19**, Judicial Law Clerk, U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York

12:35 - 1:05 p.m. **Break**

1:05 - 1:55 p.m. **Bankruptcy Law**

CLE: Professional Practice (1.0); NJ General(1.0)

Speakers: **Hon. Allan Gropper**, Adjunct Professor of Law, U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Southern District of New York (retired)/Fordham Law School; **Jeffrey Hellman**, Senior Vice President and Assistant General Counsel/Adjunct Professor of Law PVH Corp./ Fordham Law School

1:55 - 2 p.m. **Break**

2 - 3:15 p.m. **Criminal Law**

CLE: NY Professional Practice (1.0), Ethics (0.5); NJ General (1.0), Ethics (0.5)

Speakers: **Alexandra Fisher '16**, Senior Staff Attorney, Brooklyn Defender Services; **Edgar de Leon '98**, Attorney, The De Leon Firm, PLLC; **Deborah Mantell '07**, Attorney, Mental Hygiene Legal Service

3:15 - 3:20 p.m. **Closing**

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8:05 - 8:10 a.m. **Welcome Remarks**

8:10 - 9 a.m. **Legal Challenges with Emerging Technology: Blockchain and AI**

CLE: NY Ethics (1.0); NJ Ethics (1.0)

Speakers: **Gregory Xethalis '05**, General Counsel, Multicoon Capital; **Shlomit Yanisky-Ravid**, Visiting Professor of Law/The Head of Fordham Law CLIP IP-AI and Blockchain Project, Fordham Law School

9 - 9:05 a.m. **Break**

9:05 - 9:55 a.m. **Trial and Prep Law**

CLE: NY Skills (1.0); NJ Civil Trial Preparation (1.0)

Speakers: **Norberto Garcia**, Civil Trial Attorney, Blume Forte Fried Zerres & Molonari; **Patty Schwartz**, United States Circuit Judge/Adjunct Professor of Law, Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit/Fordham Law School

9:55 - 11:10 a.m. **Trends in Compliance**

CLE: NY Professional Practice (1.5); NJ General (1.5)

Speakers: **Palmina Fava '97**, Partner/President, Vinson & Elkins LLP/Fordham Law Alumni Association; **William Jannace**, Adjunct Professor of Law, Fordham Law School; **Annabel Nau '97**, Director of Regulatory Compliance, Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corp.

11:10 - 11:40 a.m. **Break**

11:40 a.m. - 12:55 p.m. **RGC: Tips and Skills for Criminal Law Trial Practice**

CLE: NY Skills (1.5); NJ General (1.5)

Speakers: **Alexander Wentworth-Ping '13**, Assistant U.S. Attorney, U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District; **Inessa Abayev '13**, Assistant Deputy Public Defender, Office of the Public Defender; **Kiran Rosenkilde**, Judicial Law Clerk, U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York; **Emily Weissler '14**, Litigation Counsel, Uber Technologies (moderator)

12:55 - 2:10 p.m. **Disability and Elder Law**

CLE: NY Professional Practice (1.5); NJ General (1.5)

Speakers: **Veronica Escobar '03**, Attorney, The Law Offices of Veronica Escobar; **Kate Lang '99**, Senior Staff Attorney, Justice in Aging; **Mary Goodwin-Oquendo (moderator)**, Attorney/Adjunct Professor of Law, Jo Anne Simon, PC/Fordham Law School

2:10 - 3:25 p.m. **Intellectual Property - Brand Licensing**

CLE: NY Professional Practice (1.5); NJ General (1.5)

Speakers: **Angie Byun**, Principal/Adjunct Professor, AB World/Fordham Law School; **Jocelyn Strutt MSL '21**, Vice President of Licensing, Daytona Apparel Group

3:25 - 3:30 p.m. **Break**

3:30 - 4:20 p.m. **Real Estate and Estate Planning at a Glance**

CLE: NY Professional Practice (1.0); NJ Basic Estate Planning (1.0)

Speakers: **Rhonda Eiger**, Partner, Law Offices of Goldzweig, Green, Eiger & Biedzynski, L.L.C.; **Ed Greason '91**, Of Counsel, Dunnington Bartholow & Miller LLP

4:20 - 4:25 p.m. **Closing**

CLE CREDITS

NEW YORK CLE CREDIT

Newly admitted and experienced attorneys (transitional and nontransitional) may earn a total of 23.5 credits as detailed below:

- Day 1: 1.0 professional practice, 1.5 skills, 3.0 ethics, 1.0 law practice management credits
- Day 2: 1.0 skills, 4.0 professional practice, 0.5 Ethics, and 2.0 diversity, inclusion and elimination of bias (diversity, inclusion and elimination of bias for experienced attorneys only, 2.0 professional practice credits for newly admitted attorneys)
- Day 3: 2.5 skills, 5.5 professional practice, and 1.0 ethics credits

NEW JERSEY CLE CREDIT

Newly admitted and experienced attorneys may earn a total of 23.5 credits as detailed below:

- Day 1: 1.0 specific, 2.5 general and 3.0 ethics credits
- Day 2: 1.0 specific, 4.0 general, 0.5 Ethics, 2.0 diversity, inclusion and elimination of bias (diversity, inclusion and elimination of bias for experienced attorneys only, 2.0 professional practice credits for newly admitted attorneys)
- Day 3: 2.0 specific, 6.0 general, 1.0 ethics credits

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Questions? Contact Shanelle Holley Associate Director, Conference Services at 212-636-7885 or sholley@fordham.edu.

Speaker Bios

Inessa Abayev

Assistant Deputy Public Defender

Office of Public Defender

Inessa Abayev is an Assistant Deputy Public Defender at the Office of the Public Defender, Hudson Trial Region, in New Jersey where she has worked the past five years. She defends and represents indigent adults charged with felony allegations ranging from theft to homicide. Prior to joining her office she worked in civil litigation at the Port Authority, and before that, she served as a law clerk to the Hon. J. Randall Corman, J.S.C., in Middlesex County. Inessa is a native New Yorker and graduated from Fordham Law School in 2013 where she was a member of the Stein Scholars for Public Interest and a PIRC regular.

Alex Berke

Attorney

Berke-Weiss Law PLLC

Alex Berke is an employment lawyer and provides advice and counsel on sexual harassment and discrimination cases, including pregnancy, disability, race and gender as well as religious discrimination. Ms. Berke drafts, reviews and negotiates employment and severance agreements, including non-competition provisions. Ms. Berke also provides advice and counsel regarding employer policies, health insurance and COBRA eligibility for employees and employers. She also spearheads Berke-Weiss Law's Pregnancy Project, providing pregnant women and families with the necessary tools to exercise their rights during and after pregnancy. Learn more about Ms. Berke's speaking engagements and publications below. Ms. Berke can be reached by email at alex@berkeweisslaw.com.

Senator Alessandra Biaggi

New York State

Alessandra Biaggi is the Democratic New York State Senator in her home district (Bronx/Westchester), and Chair of the revived Ethics and Internal Governance Committee. The granddaughter of Italian immigrants who lived in Hunts Point, she is the fourth generation of her

family to live in District 34.

Within her first two months in office, Senator Biaggi chaired the first public hearings in 27 years on sexual harassment in the workplace, and led the charge in New York to pass legislation that strengthens protections for survivors and holds employers accountable for addressing sexual misconduct. In a joint effort with her colleagues in the Democratic conference, the Senator worked to pass transformational legislation including tenant-centered housing reforms, bold climate-change initiatives, unprecedented criminal justice reform, comprehensive workplace protections, and expansive legislation making it easier to vote. Before launching her campaign, she served in Governor Andrew Cuomo's Counsel's Office focusing on the New York State's women's policy agenda, advocating for passage of the Reproductive Health Act and the Comprehensive Contraceptive Coverage Act. During the historic 2016 election, Alessandra was the Deputy National Operations Director for Hillary Clinton's presidential campaign, overseeing a budget of \$500 million, 38 state directors and 45 associated staff.

Her run for office was preceded by a decade of advocacy and service to the people of New York. She interned for the Kings County D.A.'s Office, the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York, and was a legal fellow for New York State Homes and Community Renewal, working to ensure that families across New York State had access to affordable housing. She served as Assistant General Counsel for Governor Cuomo's Office of Storm Recovery, working with small businesses and municipalities to rebuild New York after Hurricane Sandy. She was a 2015 New Leaders Council (NLC) fellow, and sat on NLC's Advisory Board. Alessandra attended Pelham public schools and holds degrees from New York University and Fordham Law School. She is also a graduate of the Women's Campaign School at Yale University.

Paola Bettelli

Independent Consultant

Adjunct Professor of Law, Fordham Law School

Ms. Bettelli is an attorney admitted to practice in New York, New Jersey and Colombia, South America. She has more than 20 years of

experience in the fields of international law, environmental law and sustainable development. Working as a diplomat, she was the lead negotiator for the Colombian government in multilateral climate change, biodiversity and the movement of hazardous wastes negotiations. She headed the Climate Change Office of the Colombian Ministry of the Environment and was responsible for setting national policies on climate change and representing the Colombian government in climate change meetings. She also worked for the United Nations as Senior Economic Affairs Officer in the New York Office of the UN Regional Commissions. In that capacity she actively participated in high-level UN task forces on climate change and on the implementation of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). More recently, she provided strategic guidance to the UN Regional Commissions on their positioning in the context of the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda. Ms. Bettelli also has experience working for the private sector as Environmental Markets Director for ICAP Securities in Colombia, as an analyst and consultant for the Andean Center for Environmental Economics (CAEMA), and as an ENB writer and Outreach and Fund Development Officer for the International Institute of Sustainable Development (IISD). She has published articles on sustainable development in Colombia and in publications of the New York Bar association. Ms. Bettelli also taught International Environmental Law at Universidad de los Andes' Law School.

Ms. Bettelli currently works as an independent consultant in the fields of international law, environmental law and sustainable development. She is an attorney admitted to practice in New York, New Jersey and Colombia and currently teaches legal writing for non-J.D. students as adjunct professor at Fordham Law School.

Natacha Carbajal-Evangelista

Deputy Director

NYS Workers' Compensation Board

Natacha Carbajal-Evangelista serves as Deputy Director for the NYS Workers' Compensation Board, directly overseeing several of the Board's program areas and advising the Chair and Executive Director on policy and operation

matters.

Prior, Natacha served as the Assistant Secretary for Labor and Workforce for New York State, providing daily strategic leadership to seven dynamic labor and workforce-related agencies and boards, with budgets of more than \$5 billion impacting operations and policy for over 9.6 million working New Yorkers, including more than 170,000 New York State employees. She led the Statewide implementation of groundbreaking initiatives, including New York's Paid Family Leave. Natacha started her state service as Special Counsel for Ethics, Risk and Compliance, focusing on the New York State Department of Labor. Before joining State government, Natacha was a senior associate at Baker & Hostetler LLP., where she focused her practice on bankruptcy litigation and advised the Securities Investor Protection Act (SIPA) Trustee for the liquidation of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC. Natacha served as a Judicial Law Clerk serving the Hon. Elizabeth S. Stong of the U.S.

Bankruptcy Court E.D.N.Y. and the Hon. Arthur J. Gonzalez (retired), former Chief Judge of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court S.D.N.Y.

Natacha is a proud graduate of Fordham Law School and Cornell University's School of Industrial and Labor Relations and active member of the American Bar Association (Business Law Section), Hispanic National Bar Association, Cafecito Network and Hudson Valley Hispanic Bar Association.

Angie Byun

CEO, AB World, LLC

Adjunct Professor of Law, Fordham Law School

Angie Byun is the CEO of AB WORLD, LLC – a global consultancy representing leading U.S., Asian and international media, entertainment and luxury companies seeking to monetize their IP and lifestyle brands on new digital and social media platforms, expand their influence and reach new consumers through strategic cross-border business opportunities.

Prior to starting AB WORLD, Angie was at Condé Nast for 13 years and held various executive level positions in new business development, sales and international licensing for brands like VOGUE, GQ, WIRED, and GOLF DIGEST – successfully

launching and managing new international editions, digital products, experiences, global advertising buys and over 100+ brand extensions in 30+ markets worldwide. As one of the most senior Asian American businesswomen in media, she is also actively involved in Diversity, Equity and Inclusion initiatives and has a strong track record of leading diverse teams and bringing emerging brands and multicultural talent into the forefront of the media, entertainment, luxury and sports industry.

Angela received her J.D. from the University of Wisconsin-Madison Law School, B.A. in Political Science and History from the University of California at Berkeley, and has also studied Politics, Philosophy and Economics (PPE) at Oxford University.

Annie Chen

Program Director

SAFE Initiative at Vera's Center on Immigration and Justice

Annie Chen is the program director for the Safety and Fairness for Everyone (SAFE) Initiative at Vera's Center on Immigration and Justice.

Launched in 2017, SAFE is a unique collaboration among local governments, immigration legal service providers, and advocates working together to build a movement for universal representation—a public defender system for all immigrants facing deportation. Annie has worked nationally to advance universal representation for immigrants since joining Vera in 2013.

Previously, Annie was in private practice where she dedicated herself to the pro bono representation of immigrants. She also worked at the Legal Aid Society's Immigration Law Unit, where she represented immigrants in detention facing deportation. She holds a BA from Columbia College and a JD from Fordham Law School. Before law school, Annie worked at the Brennan Center for Justice. Annie is a Coro Immigrant Civic Leadership Program alum and lives in Brooklyn with her family.

Edgar De Leon

Attorney

The De Leon Firm, PLLC

Edgar De Leon is a graduate of the Fordham

University School of Law (J.D.) and Hunter College (M.S. & B.A.). He has worked as a Detective-Sergeant and an attorney for the New York City Police Department ("NYPD"). His investigative assignments included investigating hate motivated crimes for the Chief of Department and allegations of corruption and serious misconduct by members of the service for the Deputy Commissioner of Internal Affairs and the Chief of Detectives. While assigned to the NYPD Legal Bureau, Mr. De Leon litigated both criminal and civil matters on behalf of the Police Department. He conducted legal research on matters concerning police litigation and initiatives and advised members of the department on matters relating to the performance of their official duties. Mr. De Leon has counseled NYPD executives and law enforcement and community-based organizations domestically and internationally, concerning policy and procedure development in police related subjects including cultural diversity. In 2005, Mr. De Leon was part of an international team that traveled to Spain and Hungary. Working under the auspices of the Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights ("ODIHR"), a subdivision of the Organization for Cooperation and Strategy in Europe ("OCSE"), the team drafted a curriculum and implemented the first ever training program for police officers in the European Union concerning the handling and investigation of Hate Crimes.

In January of 1999, Mr. De Leon retired from the NYPD with the rank of "Sergeant S.A." (Special Assignment) and began his private law practice. In 2003, he was one of the founding partners of De Leon & Martin, PLLC, now known as The De Leon Firm, PLLC. The firm practices in the areas of criminal defense, matrimonial/family law, employment litigation and general litigation matters. Mr. De Leon has also worked on a per diem basis representing members of the NYPD Patrolman's Benevolent Association. Mr. De Leon serves as Impartial Hearing Officer for the New York State Department of Education, whereby he adjudicates claims arising under the Individuals with Disabilities in Education Act ("IDEA"). He has on many occasions trained newly appointed Impartial Hearing Officers and has been a speaker for the New York State Bar Association's continuing legal education class on special

education law. Mr. De Leon has also served as a Trial Officer for the New York City Housing Authority where he adjudicated cases concerning employee discipline pursuant to the New York Civil Service Law § 75, and currently serves as a Hearing Officer for the City of New York - Office of Administrative Trials & Hearings ("OATH"). OATH is the City's central independent administrative law court, that is responsible for holding hearings on summonses issued by a variety of City agencies.

Mr. De Leon has served as a member of the advisory board of the Advanced Systems Technology Corporation ("AST") located in Lawton, Oklahoma and Instructional Systems Incorporated (ISI) located in Hackensack, New Jersey. He counseled both companies in legal and related issues regarding computer-based training in the area of cultural diversity for the law enforcement community and private security industry nationwide. Mr. De Leon also served on the Board of Directors of Loisaída, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation founded in 1979, to address the problem of social and economic disenfranchisement of poor and low-income residents in the Lower East Side of Manhattan. In September of 2003, Mr. De Leon was appointed by the Mayor of the City of New York, Michael R. Bloomberg, to serve on the Mayor's Committee on City Marshals. He served on the committee until the end of the Mayor's term in office in 2013. Mr. De Leon also served as the President of the Puerto Rican Bar Association ("PRBA") from June 1, 2004 to June 1, 2005. All PRBA Presidents serve a one-year term. In June of 2012, Mr. De Leon was appointed to the Board of Directors of Equal Justice USA ("EJUSA") where he served a one-year term. EJUSA is a national, grassroots organization working to build a criminal justice system that is fair, effective, and humane, starting with repeal of the death penalty and increased services to families of homicide victims. Mr. De Leon has served as a legal analyst and frequent guest on Court TV and the WWRL Radio show, Legally Speaking.

Mr. De Leon currently sits as an executive board member of the New York State Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers as the association's Secretary. He has at various times been a member

of the American Bar Association, the New York State Bar Association (Criminal and Family Law Section Member), the Association of the Bar of the City of New York, the New York County Lawyers Association (Civil Rights and Small Firm Committee Member), the Hispanic Bar Association of New Jersey, the Puerto Rican Bar Association and the Dominican Bar Association. He is a recipient of the Network for Woman's Services Commitment to Justice Award in 2000, the Borough of Manhattan Community College's Latino Honor Society Award for 2001, the Fordham University School of Law LALSA Alumni Award for 2004 and the El Diario - Most Notable and Outstanding Latinos Award in 2012. Mr. De Leon is admitted to practice law in the state and federal courts of New York and New Jersey.

Rhonda J. Eiger

Partner

Goldzweig, Green, Eiger & Biedzynski

Rhonda J. Eiger concentrates her practice on residential real estate, municipal court, and wills, trusts and estates at Goldzweig, Green, Eiger & Biedzynski, LLC. Mrs. Eiger is a member of the Monmouth County Bar Association and the New Jersey State Bar Association. Ms. Eiger is a past president of the Marlboro Jewish Center. She received her B.A. from Brandeis University and her J.D. from The American University Washington College of Law. Mrs. Eiger served as a judicial clerk to the Honorable Samuel P. Supnick. She also has served as a mock trial judge, a New Jersey Bar Association Ethics Committee Fee Arbitration Chairperson, and NJ Bar Association faculty for ICLE, Lawline, Fordham Law School, CLE and the New York City Bar Association.

Veronica Escobar

Attorney

The Law Office of Veronica Escobar

Veronica Escobar Attorney, The Law Office of Veronica Escobar Native New Yorker Veronica Escobar has been practicing law in her home state for very close to eighteen years. For the past ten years, she has been the Principal and Founder of The Law Offices of Veronica Escobar, a practice focusing exclusively in the areas of Elder Law, Special Needs Planning, and Trusts and Estates. She has two offices, one in her home borough of

Queens and the other on the island of Manhattan. What she likes most about her practice is being able to connect to individuals and families during what can be difficult life moments and creating solutions through careful and considered planning. As she often says, "I like leaving my clients in a better place than when she I encountered them." Naturally, she extends this into her experience as a writer and lecturer to lawyers and the public on issues in elder and special needs law and estate planning. She also produces and hosts her own podcast named "Aging Wisely" where she centers the aging and disabled communities, their issues and brings them to the microphone. Veronica is admitted to practice in the state of New York. She is also admitted to practice before the U.S. District Courts for the Eastern and Southern Districts of New York and the United States Supreme Court. She graduated summa cum laude from Fordham College at Rose Hill, Fordham University, where was also elected to Phi Beta Kappa, with a degree in American Studies and a minor in Latin American/Latino Studies. Veronica also received her law degree from Fordham, where she was a Notes and Articles Editor of the Fordham International Law Journal. She is a member of NYSBA and the New York City Bar. She is also a chair of the Solo and Small Firm Affinity Group and the AAC Solo and Small Firm Subcommittee at Fordham Law.

Palmina Fava

Partner, Vinson & Elkins, LLP

President, Fordham Law Alumni Association

Palmina Fava is a partner at Vinson & Elkins, LLP based in New York office. With over 20 years of experience, Palmina represents clients in internal and government investigations, litigation, and corporate governance counseling, with a principal focus on matters involving the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA), international anti-corruption, anti-money laundering and anti-bribery laws, accounting irregularities, bid rigging and unfair trade practices, off-label pharmaceutical marketing, misappropriation of trade secrets, fraud, cybersecurity, and data privacy.

Palmina regularly represents companies in matters before the United States Department of Justice (DOJ), the Securities and Exchange

Commission (SEC), other federal and state agencies, and international regulatory bodies. She leads teams in investigations in Latin America, throughout Western and Eastern Europe, Asia, Africa, and the Middle East. Relying on her extensive language skills, she is capable of assisting clients in Spanish, Portuguese, Italian, and English.

Palmina also designs and implements comprehensive, practical, and user-friendly corporate compliance programs tailored to a client's particular risks and growth strategies. She provides employee and third-party training; conducts proactive reviews of a client's high-risk business areas; structures commercial arrangements to protect against compliance risks; and handles due diligence of agents, joint venture partners, and targets in mergers and acquisitions or other investment transactions.

Palmina's litigation practice focuses on commercial, business tort, and intellectual property disputes. She has served as lead litigation and trial counsel in matters involving breaches of fiduciary duty, breaches of contract, fraud, negligence, misappropriation of trade secrets, and insurance coverage. She has tried and defended cases in federal and state courts (including the US Supreme Court), and before arbitration panels, and has represented clients in appellate arguments, mediations, and negotiations.

Alexandra Fisher

Senior Staff Attorney

Brooklyn Defenders Services

Alexandra (Sasha) Fisher has been a public defense attorney at Brooklyn Defender Services for 5 years. She represents clients from arrest to trial on both misdemeanor and felony charges. She received her J.D. from Fordham University School of Law in 2016.

Noberto A. Garcia

Civil Trial Attorney

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Noberto A. Garcia is a civil trial attorney with offices at 1 Main Street in Chatham, New Jersey, 26 Journal Square in Jersey City, New Jersey and 7300 Bergenline Avenue in North Bergen, New Jersey. He is a partner at Blume Forte Fried Zeres & Molinari. He is on the New Jersey Association

of Justice Board of Governors and a trustee of the New Jersey Association for Justice Education Foundation. He is the secretary of the executive board of the New Jersey State Bar Association where he has been a trustee since 2019. He was the president of the Hudson County Bar Association from 2012-2013 and has been a trustee of the Hudson County Bar Foundation since 2010. He is the immediate past president of the New Jersey State Bar Foundation. He was the co-chair of the New Jersey State Bar Diversity Committee and is a member of the executive committee of the New Jersey State Bar Civil Trial Section. He is a member of the State of New Jersey Bar Examination Committee on Character. He is a trustee of the New Jersey Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection. Mr. Garcia has been certified by the New Jersey Supreme Court as a civil trial attorney since 2001. He has been active in the Hudson County Inns of Court program since 1996 and is currently a master in the program. He served as president of the North Hudson Lawyers Club in 2003. He has been co-chairperson of the Hudson County Civil Practice Committee since 2003. He served on the Office of Attorney Ethics of the Supreme Court, District VI, Fee Arbitration Committee from 2004 through 2009, becoming its chairperson in 2009. From 2005 through 2008 he served on the Supreme Court Committee on Minority Affairs. He has been a member of the American Board of Trial Advocates since 2004. He has a B.A. cum laude in history from Seton Hall University and graduated from the University of Pennsylvania Law School. He has been admitted to the bars of New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania. Mr. Garcia resides in Kinnelon, New Jersey with his wife and two sons.

Mary Goodwin-Oquendo

Attorney, Jo Anne Simon PC

Adjunct Professor of Law, Fordham Law School

Mary J. Goodwin-Oquendo has well over a decade of disability civil rights experience. She has worked at Jo Anne Simon PC since 2008, where she represents individuals with physical, cognitive, and psychiatric disabilities who have experienced discrimination and/or require accommodations from standardized testing and licensing entities and post-secondary and professional educational institutions. She has drafted policy commentary

that has been adopted by the federal agencies that are charged with enforcing the ADA, as well as various professional organizations. She is a member of the New York State Bar Association, and an appointed member of the Committee on Disability Rights, where she has organized CLE programming and sits on a subcommittee that is responsible for editing the organization's Disability Law and Practice treatise. She has been invited to present at professional conferences and private schools, including colleges and law schools. She has served on the executive board of the New York Urban League Young Professionals and the National Urban League Young Professionals Programs Committee and has worked with various other non-profit and professional organizations to fight for equality of opportunity for all.

Edward Greason

Of Counsel

Dunnington, Bartholow & Miller LLP

Edward Greason is Counsel to the firm of Dunnington, Bartholow & Miller LLP where he is a member of the firm's Trust & Estates Department. His practice is concentrated in estate planning, preparing Wills and Trusts, Probate and Administration of decedent's estates, Will contests, Fiduciary accountings, and trust administration. He also handles matters involving notfor-profit entities and charities and has served on the Boards of a number of companies, foundations and trusts. Ed has been called upon to assist in several litigations involving estates of Holocaust victims where family members are attempting to recover art seized by the Nazis. He has been retained by other firms to assist with aspects of valuation of unusual assets and auction house consignment agreements. Ed has lectured on various aspects of trusts and estates before a number of groups on topics of estate planning and probate. Ed is admitted to practice in New York. He is a member of the Trusts and Estates sections of the American Bar Association, the New York State Bar Association, and the New York County Lawyers Association. Ed is a graduate of Lafayette College and Fordham University School of Law.

Honorable Allan L. Gropper

U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Southern District of New York

Adjunct Professor of Law, Fordham Law School

Allan L. Gropper was appointed as a United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Southern District of New York on October 4, 2000 and retired on January 9, 2015. Prior thereto he was a member of the law firm of White & Case, active in bankruptcy and reorganization cases.

Judge Gropper presently serves as a consultant and expert witness in litigated matters and as an arbitrator and mediator. He is an adjunct professor of law at Fordham Law School, a member of the National Bankruptcy Conference and a Fellow of the American College of Bankruptcy. He is a member of the United States delegation to Working Group V (Insolvency Law) of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL). He is also a member of the American Arbitration Association Roster of Neutrals and the INSOL International College of Mediation. He is a graduate of Yale College and Harvard Law School.

Judge Gropper has frequently lectured on bankruptcy-related issues and has participated in educational sessions in several nations. His publications include *The Curious Disappearance of Choice of Law as an Issue in Chapter 15 Cases*, 9 *Brook. J. Corp. Fin. & Com. L.* 57 (2015), and *The Arbitration of Cross-Border Insolvencies*, 86 *Amer. Bankr. L. J.* 201 (2012).

Abdul Hafiz

Law Clerk to Magistrate Judge Katharine H. Parker Southern District of New York

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Prior to assuming an industry role, Ms. Luftig worked in the Office of Science and Research at NYU Langone Medical Center negotiating transactional agreements with pharmaceutical companies, private foundations, and governmental entities, such as the NIH and CDC. Earlier in her career, she practiced as a corporate litigator at several major New York firms, including Dewey Ballantine.

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Previously, Ms. Nau worked for Pfizer and Stryker Corporation, helping them build and enhance their global and US compliance programs to address key risks in the pharmaceutical and medical device industries. Prior to her roles in the life sciences industry, Ms. Nau worked in civil defense litigation for a firm representing major insurance companies, hospitals and physicians. Prior to that, Ms. Nau spent seven years with the Kings County District Attorney's Office as a senior trial lawyer prosecuting felony and misdemeanor cases.

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After the District Attorney's office, Kiran served from 2017-2020 as an Assistant Corporation Counsel and then Senior Counsel in the Special Federal Litigation Division of the New York City Law Department, where he represented the City in federal civil rights litigation brought under 42 U.S.C. § 1983. Kiran defended the City and its officers in several federal trials while at the Law Department.

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Honorable Mimi Tsankov

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