



Legal Aid Society
OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

MAKING JUSTICE REAL



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2013 ANNUAL REPORT

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT & EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Friend of Legal Aid:

This has been an exciting year at Legal Aid. We established a new community office in Southwest D.C.; a new housing project focused on improving conditions for D.C.'s low-income tenants; a new holistic legal services project serving domestic violence survivors that expands our services to clients in crisis; and much more.

But even with our expansions – Legal Aid is, by significant measure, the largest general civil legal services program in the District – the need far outstrips our capacity. National estimates indicate that 80% of the civil legal needs of persons living in poverty go unmet. D.C. is no different. Moreover, when persons living in poverty interact with the legal system, the stakes are higher than they are for people of means. Legal Aid representation can keep a family from homelessness or provide desperately-needed personal or economic security. On a daily basis, Legal Aid attorneys *make justice real* – in individual and systemic ways – for our client community.

In this report, you will see the photographs and read the stories of clients with whom we have worked this past year – clients like domestic violence survivor Melissa Summerour, pictured on the next page with her children, Kennedy, DJ, and Gabby. Their stories demonstrate what it means to *make justice real* for those who need it most. By reading about our clients' struggles and the often life-changing impact of our representation, we hope you will better understand Legal Aid and the importance of our work.

The individuals and families we feature here are just a few examples of the thousands of D.C. residents who benefit from Legal Aid's work every year. When we help clients with their family/domestic violence, public benefits, housing, or consumer law matters, we work to solve problems with respect to the most fundamental issues in our clients' lives. As you will read, we also work to change the legal systems affecting our clients – knowing that sometimes an appellate ruling, or a regulatory or legislative change, can help hundreds, if not thousands, of individuals in profound and far-reaching ways.

We cannot do this without your support. Most of our budget comes from private donations. Your financial support is indispensable to our ability to continue *making justice real* for our clients.

Thank you,



Deanne M. Ottaviano
President, Board of Trustees
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Eric S. Angel
Executive Director
Legal Aid Society of
the District of Columbia

MAKING JUSTICE REAL

Over the last year, Legal Aid has continued *making justice real* – in all of our practice areas – for those living in poverty in the District. 2013 was a difficult year for many D.C. residents, with poverty and unemployment rates remaining stubbornly high. Indeed, the unemployment rate for single parents with children rose to almost 25% last year – twice what it was in 2006. In light of this overwhelming need, Legal Aid is particularly proud that, during a recent 12-month period, we were able to provide full representation to clients in 875 matters resulting in millions of dollars in financial benefits.

In many ways, however, these numbers significantly understate the impact and value of our work. By providing high-quality representation to a low-income D.C. resident, we send a powerful message about the value we place on equal access to justice. Moreover, our representation can be life-changing for our clients – whether it is a tenant fighting for better housing conditions, a mother and child trying to escape domestic violence, or a veteran who has been subjected to abusive debt collection practices.

In this year's annual report, we proudly share the work we have accomplished over the last year, and introduce some of the new projects we will be launching as a result of the support and contributions from our donors, volunteers, organizational partners, staff, and Board.

Visit our blog, "MakingJusticeReal.org," to keep up with us throughout the year.



“ It helps to have an experienced lawyer on your side. My lawyer went above and beyond to truly help me and my family.”

**MELISSA, KENNEDY, DJ,
AND GABBY SUMMEROUR**

HOLISTIC LEGAL SERVICES

Legal Aid clients often come to us facing a multitude of issues: a survivor of domestic violence who needs help obtaining a protection order may also be threatened with eviction, or an elderly person who needs help with her prescription drug plan may also be threatened by abusive debt collectors. With 36 lawyers on staff, five loaned associates on rotation from area law firms, and countless volunteer and pro bono attorneys, Legal Aid endeavors to provide holistic services to all of our clients.



“ Without Legal Aid, I would probably be homeless.”

COLUMBUS KEEMER

When 53-year-old Columbus Keemer came to a Legal Aid courthouse office, he was facing a multitude of challenges. Recently homeless, he was struggling with physical disabilities and depression. A Legal Aid housing attorney concluded that Mr. Keemer had been wrongfully terminated from the Section 8 voucher program. She represented him before the D.C. Housing Authority. Many hearings later, Mr. Keemer's voucher was restored. Meanwhile, Mr. Keemer told us that he had filed for disability years before. A Legal Aid public benefits attorney worked with Mr. Keemer to supplement the record and file a brief. After a Social Security Administration hearing, an Administrative Law Judge ruled in Mr. Keemer's favor, finding him eligible for SSI benefits amounting to \$718 a month, as well as back benefits totaling \$13,000. Homeless when he met us, Mr. Keemer now lives in dignity and stability in historic Anacostia.

FAMILY LAW

Legal Aid's **Family Law Unit** has continued to grow over the past year. We now have offices at both the Northwest and Southeast Domestic Violence Intake Centers. In addition, this year, with significant funding from the **U.S. Department of Justice's Office on Violence Against Women**, we established the **Domestic Violence Survivors Holistic Representation Project**, designed to ensure that clients receive legal assistance in addition to representation in obtaining protection orders, including: child support and custody, unemployment compensation, safety net benefits, consumer matters, housing, and – in an expansion for Legal Aid – immigration issues. In addition, with renewed support from **Access to Justice Funding**, our **Child Support Community Legal Services Project** (now in its third year), continues to provide same-day legal services to D.C. parents, and helps hundreds of residents through our systemic work to improve the child support system.



“My Legal Aid lawyer really had my back. She truly cares.”

BRITTANY & BRICE AGNEW

When Brittany Agnew* found out she was pregnant, the child's father told her that he would be there for their child. But he never kept this promise. After missing the birth of his son, the father outright abandoned both mother and child. A year later, Ms. Agnew sought support for her son Brice. A man of significant means, the father nevertheless claimed poverty and demanded a DNA test, though he had never questioned paternity before.

Ms. Agnew came to Legal Aid's child support courthouse office for help. With a lawyer by her side, paternity was established once and for all. Moreover, with the help of expert testimony, Ms. Agnew was able to establish the father's substantial (more than six figure) earning capacity, resulting in a significant on-going child support order. Although Ms. Agnew is now glad to be employed, the child support is critical to her ability to provide a safe, secure, and nurturing environment for her 2-year-old son.

**Some names in the report have been changed to protect client confidentiality.*

HOUSING LAW

Ensuring safe and affordable housing for D.C.'s poor and low-income residents remains a major priority area for our clients – and for Legal Aid. Legal Aid's **Housing Law Unit** is our largest practice area. These cases can be life-changing. By getting the heat turned on in winter or by ameliorating other health-threatening housing conditions, we can ensure that families sleep soundly in their homes. By preventing an unnecessary eviction, we promote family happiness and stability – or keep a child in his local public school.

In 2013, our housing practice focused primarily on three areas: (1) providing same-day representation through our **Landlord Tenant Court-Based Legal Services Project** to those facing eviction; (2) providing representation for clients interacting with the District's housing authority; and (3) bringing affirmative conditions suits through an innovative new project funded by the **Skadden Foundation**.

LORETTA SANCHEZ



My Legal Aid lawyer helped me understand how I could defend myself.”

Loretta Sanchez,* a single working mother of two small children, came to the United States for the opportunities she hoped it would give her children. For four years, she lived in a shared house, faithfully paying her rent every month. But when the person collecting her rent suddenly announced arbitrary rent increases, Ms. Sanchez thought something was amiss. She attempted to pay the amount she had agreed on, but her payments were refused. When she was sued for eviction, Ms. Sanchez came to Legal Aid's courthouse office hoping to find a way to keep her family in their home. Eventually, Legal Aid discovered that something was indeed amiss: the rent collector was not legally authorized to bring the case at all. Legal Aid got the case dismissed, freeing the way for Ms. Sanchez to negotiate a proper lease with her rightful landlord. Ms. Sanchez and her two children, Esau and Rocio, are now happily living in their home – no longer harassed by the “rent collector.”

Robert Sarmiento and Ingrid Benitez were good tenants. The happily married couple paid their rent dutifully even when the conditions in their apartment were appalling – including flooding, mold, and bedbugs. That is why they were stunned when the landlord sued to evict them based on billing mix-ups. Fortunately, the Sarmiento/Benitez family found Legal Aid.

After meeting with Legal Aid, the couple was informed that, given the appalling conditions in the apartment, they were likely owed money by the landlord – not the other way around. That is indeed how things played out. Sued for \$840, they ended up being owed almost \$5,000. When they had gotten married seven years before, they had no money for a celebration. Now, with a portion of the proceeds from the suit, they had their long dreamed-of but deferred wedding celebration – this time with their children Katherin and Robert, Jr., in attendance!

THE SARMIENTO/ BENITEZ FAMILY



CONSUMER LAW

2013 marked the fifth anniversary of Legal Aid's **Consumer Law Unit**. In January, our consumer unit received a \$40,000 *cy pres* award as a result of a lawsuit brought by **Philip Friedman**, of Friedman Law Offices, and **Legal Counsel for the Elderly** against a debt buyer. These funds helped our consumer unit further two significant goals: keeping families threatened with foreclosure in their homes, and helping D.C. residents combat abusive debt collection practices. Legal Aid's **Consumer Court-Based Legal Services Project** (launched last year) is already helping to transform how the small claims and debt collection calendars operate, improving access to justice and helping to *make justice real* for low-income consumers in D.C.



BRIAN PRATT

“ Having Legal Aid on my side gave me more confidence in myself to be able to stand on my feet and pave the way for other veterans who may have similar problems.”

Brian Pratt, a Navy veteran who deployed twice to Iraq, came to Legal Aid's consumer courthouse office after he was sued on an old credit card debt. His Legal Aid lawyer saw that the debt was time barred – and also knew that filing a complaint to collect on time-barred debts violates consumer protection laws. Legal Aid brought a counterclaim against the debt collector based on misrepresentation. Instead of owing money, Brian received a modest cash settlement – funds he was able to use to pay for IT job training.

ACCESS TO CRITICAL SAFETY NET BENEFITS

This past year, our **Public Benefits Unit** placed particular emphasis on expanding our representation of individuals seeking unemployment insurance benefits, as well as on our health care access work. We also worked hard to advocate for systemic changes – knowing that in times of economic instability, it is imperative that our clients have access to the benefits to which they are legally entitled and which they so desperately need. In addition, each December, our public benefits attorneys organize clinics to help low-income beneficiaries navigate the Medicare Part D drug benefit program – helping to ensure the health and stability of more than 150 individuals every year.



ANTONIO WATSON

PAULINE BAKER

“ Because I came to Legal Aid, I was able to change things not only for me and my son but for others too.”

Pauline Baker, a single mother, came to Legal Aid after she received a notice terminating her family's TANF benefits, for which she qualified based on her son's eligibility. The notice said that her son was about to age out of the program. What the D.C. Department of Human Services (DHS) did not consider, however, was that her son, Antonio, had significant learning disabilities such that he would not be able to complete his high school education by the time he turned 18.

Legal Aid alleged that, by terminating Ms. Baker's benefits, DHS violated the ADA and DHS's own non-discrimination policy. In the end, Legal Aid negotiated a settlement that not only helped Ms. Baker, but also resulted in a modification of the student eligibility rule itself. These important changes now allow DHS to consider a child's disabilities in determining whether families have aged out of TANF eligibility, providing much-needed relief to some of D.C.'s most vulnerable families.

PRO BONO PROGRAM

Legal Aid integrates pro bono into almost every aspect of our program. We receive expert ethics advice from Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP's Julia Judish, extraordinary appellate assistance from Zuckerman Spaeder LLP's David Reiser, and hundreds of hours from our loaned associates who are embedded at Legal Aid for rotations, as well as the lawyers who come to Legal Aid to conduct initial applicant interviews. Last year, Legal Aid's pro bono attorneys provided more than 34,000 hours of service, valued at more than \$16 million dollars. The bulk of the pro bono hours are from lawyers, like Mansoor Bharmal and Daniel Friedman, pictured here, at D.C. firms who take on individual cases for persons living in poverty.



BEATRICE HARDY

“ If he wasn't the kind of lawyer that he is, I may have been sitting in the street right now.”

Beatrice Hardy, the caregiver of two special needs children, was living in appalling conditions when her case was first referred to **Vinson & Elkins LLP's Mansoor Bharmal**. There was rat infestation, serious plumbing problems, a lack of heat, and more. When Ms. Hardy could not get the landlord to fix her problems, she withheld her rent – causing her to be sued for eviction. With a lawyer on her side, Ms. Hardy was able to obtain a favorable settlement – giving her the resources to move to a new apartment. Now, Ms. Hardy and her children are happy in their new home.



“ I was a little scared because this was my first time in court. The result was amazing.”

JANAY DAVENPORT

Janay Davenport was fired from her job when an injury kept her from janitorial duties. Even though she gave her employer two doctor's notes, the employer not only fired her but tried to claim that her 'misconduct' precluded the receipt of unemployment benefits. That's when **Arnold & Porter LLP's Daniel Friedman** stepped in, taking the case from Legal Aid's new unemployment insurance project. With a lawyer by her side, Ms. Davenport prevailed before an Administrative Law Judge, who ruled that she was entitled to safety net benefits, giving Ms. Davenport some breathing space as she recovered from her injury. Ms. Davenport is now studying at Everest College to be a Medical Assistant.

APPELLATE AND SYSTEMIC ADVOCACY

Legal Aid is committed to *making justice real* in individual and systemic ways. This past year, the National Legal Aid & Defender Association conducted a site visit of Legal Aid because it considers us a model for the successful integration of systemic change work into our everyday practice. In each of our practice areas, our lawyers are on the lookout for an appropriate court reform, or legislative or regulatory change, that will have a lasting impact on our client community. In the past year, for instance, our **Public Benefits Law Unit** has been working to ensure that the Affordable Care Act is implemented humanely and sensibly in the District, our **Consumer Law Unit** helped work on critical amendments to the D.C. foreclosure mediation statute, and our **Family Law Unit** is an active participant in the District's revitalized domestic violence victim assistance network. We are also heavily involved in the **Access to Justice Commission** and numerous court and other committees.

Our signature systemic effort, however, remains the **Barbara McDowell Appellate Advocacy Project**, which pursues an affirmative poverty law agenda before the District's highest court. Named in memory of its founding director, renowned appellate advocate **Barbara McDowell**, the project has been nationally recognized as a "model of excellence." Under the direction of **Jack Keeney**, a former partner at **Hogan Lovells US LLP** and past president of the **D.C. Bar**, the project has obtained significant victories, including precedent-changing rulings, in Legal Aid's issue areas. The project will be celebrating its 10th anniversary in 2014.

To keep up with our appellate and systemic work, subscribe to our blog: MakingJusticeReal.org.

EXPANSION INTO SOUTHWEST

In April 2013, Legal Aid opened a new intake center in Southwest D.C., at **Friendship Baptist Church (FBC)**. This new center was made possible due to the extraordinary, multi-year commitment of **Kirkland & Ellis LLP**. In addition to providing financial support to Legal Aid, Kirkland's attorneys conduct initial applicant interviews at the new intake location and provide pro bono representation to clients referred through **Legal Aid's Pro Bono Program**. This was an ideal opportunity for Legal Aid to expand our services to an area of great need: the census tract containing the church has a child poverty rate of 88%. **FBC's Reverend J. Michael Little**, pictured below with **Kirkland & Ellis LLP Partner** and **Legal Aid Board Member Jennifer Levy**, were instrumental in the creation of the site.



We are so pleased to partner with Kirkland and Legal Aid to help make justice a reality for residents of Southwest D.C.”

SUPPORT LEGAL AID

Your support will *Make Justice Real* for D.C.'s most vulnerable residents.

Legal Aid attorneys and clients depend on the generosity of our community of individual, law firm, and corporate donors.

Ways To Give

Annual Appeal: Use the enclosed self-addressed envelope or donate online at www.LegalAidDC.org to make a year-end gift.

Bequests: Consider including Legal Aid in your will or designating Legal Aid as a beneficiary of your life insurance policy or charitable trust.

Employer Matching Gifts: Contact your Human Resources Department to see whether your employer will match your charitable contributions.

Generous Associates Campaign: Participate in the 2014 Generous Associates Campaign which kicks off in June.

Servant of Justice Awards Dinner: Join us on April 29, 2014 for our 25th annual celebration.

United Way/Combined Federal Campaign: Designate #8140 (United Way) or #81566 (CFC).

If you have any questions about supporting Legal Aid, please contact Gregg Kelley, Director of Development, at (202) 661-5964 or gkelley@legalaiddc.org.



CAROLYN BLOUNT

“ Thanks to Legal Aid, my son Jamal and I are now in a safe, stable family situation.”

ANNUAL SERVANT OF JUSTICE AWARDS DINNER

On April 18, 2013, Legal Aid held its 24th annual awards dinner during which it honored **John Payton** (posthumously) and **Paul M. Smith**, of **Jenner & Block LLP**, with its highest honor, the **Servant of Justice Award**.

In 2012, we observed a moment of silence in honor of John Payton, a hero of the civil rights movement who cared deeply about access to justice in the District. In 2013, we were honored to have **Elaine R. Jones**, Director Counsel Emeritus of the NAACP Legal Defense Fund, accept the award in person, and to have **Gay McDougall**, John's wife who was away in South Africa on the evening of the Dinner, thank us by video on his behalf. Ms. Jones delivered stirring remarks about how deeply John cared about Legal Aid and about access to justice for the most vulnerable among us.

The **Honorable Donald B. Verrilli, Jr.** presented the second award to Paul Smith. In his moving and heart-felt speech, Mr. Verrilli talked not only about Paul's deep commitment to access to justice for all, but also about the special courage Paul has demonstrated in his personal and professional life.

This year's **Klepper Prize for Volunteer Excellence**, given each year to recognize extraordinary commitment to Legal Aid's mission and substantial support to Legal Aid or to our clients, was given to three individuals: **Warren T. Allen, II**; **Nicole L. Grimm**; and **Luke A. Meisner**, of **Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP**. Warren, Nicole, and Luke were honored for their leadership in implementing Skadden's domestic violence "Impact Project" in conjunction with Legal Aid.

Legal Aid is grateful to our partners in the legal and corporate communities. Legal Aid also thanks the Dinner Steering Committee – Co-Chaired by **Philip Horton**, of **Arnold & Porter LLP**, and **Tangela Richter**, of **Capital One** – for their leadership in helping Legal Aid raise more than \$850,000, the second highest figure in Legal Aid's history.



Paul M. Smith (left), of Jenner & Block LLP, accepted the **Servant of Justice Award** from the Honorable Donald B. Verrilli, Jr.



Elaine R. Jones (pictured with Executive Director Eric Angel and Board President Deanne M. Ottaviano of Arent Fox LLP) accepted the **Servant of Justice Award** bestowed upon John Payton.

**Photos courtesy of Jill James Photography*

GENEROUS ASSOCIATES CAMPAIGN

Despite a shortened Campaign period in 2013, the hard work and commitment of associates from more than 65 area law firms resulted in \$977,000 raised – by far the largest Campaign total on record for Legal Aid – with a record number of individual gifts received. We were also grateful to have **CulinAerie**, a recreational cooking school in D.C., generously host a culinary competition for ten firms randomly selected from those which met key fundraising criteria.

Each year, firms compete to earn a top five placement in their size category. The results, in order of amount raised, are as follows:

1 - 50 ATTORNEYS

Gilbert LLP	\$16,790
Boies, Schiller & Flexner LLP	\$3,600
Wiltshire & Grannis LLP	\$3,269
Lewis Baach PLLC	\$2,075
Foley Hoag LLP	\$2,030

51 - 100 ATTORNEYS

Miller & Chevalier Ctd.	\$28,070
Dow Lohnes PLLC	\$20,705
Alston & Bird LLP	\$16,985
Reed Smith LLP	\$15,779
Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP	\$15,534

101 - 150 ATTORNEYS

Mayer Brown LLP	\$20,250
McKenna Long & Aldridge LLP	\$18,562
Baker Botts L.L.P.	\$13,310
BuckleySandler LLP	\$8,655
Baker & McKenzie LLP	\$3,398

151 - 200 ATTORNEYS

Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP	\$40,463
K&L Gates LLP	\$10,735
King & Spalding	\$8,214
DLA Piper	\$8,025
Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP	\$6,122

201 - 250 ATTORNEYS

Kirkland & Ellis LLP	\$35,833
Arent Fox LLP	\$25,664
Venable LLP	\$22,166
Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP	\$15,075
Jones Day	\$14,350

251 - 300 ATTORNEYS

Latham & Watkins LLP	\$84,083
Williams & Connolly LLP	\$57,045
Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP	\$31,655
Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP	\$25,401
Dickstein Shapiro LLP	\$24,045

301+ ATTORNEYS

Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP	\$84,292
Arnold & Porter LLP	\$37,899
Crowell & Moring LLP	\$34,833
Steptoe & Johnson LLP	\$33,693
Hogan Lovells US LLP	\$30,782

Legal Aid would like to thank **Lisa Blatt, of Arnold & Porter LLP**, the Campaign's Honorary Chair.

In addition, the Campaign depends on the extraordinary leadership and dedication of its Co-Chairs:

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The **Leadership Cabinet** annually recognizes organizational donors that support Legal Aid in significant ways. Legal Aid raises the majority of its funding through private donations, so this support is greatly appreciated.

We are proud to recognize members of the Leadership Cabinet for their generosity during the period of 9/1/2012 through 8/31/2013:

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\$20,000 - \$29,999

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If you have any questions regarding Legal Aid's Leadership Cabinet, please contact Gregg Kelley, Director of Development, at (202) 661-5964 or gkelley@legalaidcc.org.

**Represents firms participating in the DC Access to Justice Commission's Raising the Bar in DC Campaign. The Campaign's goal is to substantially increase financial support to the District's legal services community by establishing benchmarks for law firm giving and annually recognizing and celebrating those firms that have donated at benchmark levels. www.dcccesstojustice.org/raising-the-bar*

80 FOR 80 CAMPAIGN

The Legal Aid Society of the District of Columbia is proud to have celebrated 80 years of *Making Justice Real* in the District of Columbia this past year.

In honor of this significant milestone, Legal Aid launched the **80 for 80 Campaign** to compliment the Making Justice Real Giving Circle annual gift recognition program. Whereas the Giving Circle recognizes those individuals who give significantly each year at levels of \$1,000 and above, the goal of the **80 for 80 Campaign** was to encourage at least 80 individuals/couples to give or pledge an anniversary gift of \$2,500 or more during calendar year 2012.

Legal Aid is extremely proud to announce that we exceeded that goal by finishing with 99 participants. We would like to thank the following donors for their generous support:

Anonymous (3)	Jerry Hartman in memory of Barbara McDowell	Carter Phillips and Sue Henry
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If you have any questions regarding Legal Aid's **80 for 80 Campaign** please contact Gregg Kelley, Director of Development, at (202) 661-5964 or gkelley@legalaiddc.org.

MAKING JUSTICE REAL GIVING CIRCLE

Annual Gift Recognition Program

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\$25,000 & above

Jerry Hartman in memory
of Barbara McDowell

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\$10,000 to \$24,999

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Karen Stevens Pierce
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Total Revenue Less Endowment Gifts and Contributed Services	4,041,939

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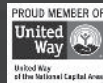
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