

# Kerr, Ladov Seek Vice Chancellor's Post

## Alexander Kerr

### Professional Background:

Managing Partner, McCarter & English, LLP; University of Pennsylvania Law School.

### Association Activities:

Board member, Philadelphia Bar Foundation, 2005 – present; chair, Endowment Committee, Philadelphia Bar Foundation, 2005 – present; member, Grants Committee, Philadelphia Bar Foundation, 2004 – present; co-chair, Andrew Hamilton Ball, 2004; member, Committee to Develop Criteria for Philadelphia Bar Association Pro Bono Awards, 2002; member, Federal Courts Committee, 1976 – present; chair, Federal Courts Committee, 1991; chair, Federal Courts Committee Bench-Bar Conference, 1990; executive committee, Philadelphia Bar Association Trial Advocacy Project, 1989 – 1994; member, Board of Governors, 1988 – 1990; member, executive committee, Philadelphia Bar Association Trial Techniques Project, 1987; lecturer and member of Planning Committee, presentation of Federal Courts Committee on Emerging Law of Sanctions, Quests '86, 1986; co-chair, Eastern District Continuing Legal Education Committee, 1986; chair, Complex Litigation Subcommittee of Federal Courts Committee, 1984 – 1986; member, Complex Litigation Subcommittee of Federal Courts Committee, 1980 – 1988.

### Other Activities:

Fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers; member, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and American Bar Association; member, Antitrust and Litigation Sections of the American Bar Association; member, Supreme Court Historical Society; member, Third Circuit Historical Society; member, Eastern District Historical Society; master, Temple American Inn of Court; judge pro tem, Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas; mediator, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania; co-chair, Committee on Local Bankruptcy Rules, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania; faculty member, Academy of Trial Advocacy, now associated with Temple University; member, Board of Directors, Philadelphia Volunteers for the Indigent Program, 2006; member, Annual Fund-raising Committee, Community Legal Services, 2005 – present; member, Board of Trustees, Free Library of Philadelphia, 1992 – 2006; member, Board of Directors, Foundation of Free Library of Philadelphia, 1994 – 2004, 2006 – present; chair, Board of Trustees, Free Library of Philadelphia, 1997 – 2002; member, Library Committee, Board of Trustees, Free Library of Philadelphia, 1992 – present; past board member, Public Interest Law Center;



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Multiple Sclerosis Society of Southeastern Pennsylvania; East Mount Airy Neighbors; Northwest Interfaith Movement; Greater Germantown Appeal; past chair, Police Community Relations Committee, EMAN; past president, William Draper Associates, University of Pennsylvania Law School; past vestry member, St. Martins in the Fields; past chair, Every Member Canvass, St. Martins in the Fields.

### Candidate's Statement:

It's a matter of leadership.

We practice in a time when attorneys are bashed and judges are attacked by misinformed, hostile criticism. If elected, I will be an effective champion of judicial independence, monitoring and responding to improvident attacks.

We must improve the bar's standing in the community by fostering standards of professionalism and ensuring all residents have equal access to the judicial system. The Raising the Bar campaign has been wonderfully successful; I am committed to building on that success.

We are a significant economic factor in the local economy. While we must ensure that local government is responsive to our needs, we must also give back by coordinating with civil groups and Bar Associations to attract new businesses to Philadelphia and stem the tide of suburban flight.

I would be honored to serve this diverse, vibrant Association. If elected, I will listen; I will empower; I will lead.

## Sayde J. Ladov

### Professional Background:

Shareholder, Abrahams, Loewenstein & Bushman, P.C.; Fordham University School Of Law.

### Association Activities:

Secretary, Board of Governors, 2002–



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2004; Assistant Secretary, Board of Governors, 1999–2001; member, Board of Governors, 1996–1998; co-chair, Bench-Bar Conference, 2005; chair, Lawyer Referral & Information Service, 1996–1999, 2005–2006; co-chair, Lawyer Referral & Information Service, 2001–2002; chair, Women in the Profession Committee 2004, co-chair, Sandra Day O'Connor Award Committee; chair, State Civil Judicial Procedures Committee, 2000; co-chair, Compulsory Arbitration Committee, 1995–1996; vice chair, Compulsory Arbitration Committee, 1994; member, Legislative Liaison Committee, 1995 to present; Insurance Programs Committee, 2004 to present; Pro Bono Task Force; Family Law Section; State Civil Section; Public Interest Section; trustee, Philadelphia Bar Foundation, 1999–2003; Philadelphia Bar Foundation Advisory Board, 2005 to present; chair, Andrew Hamilton Ball, 1999; chair, Andrew Hamilton Ball Souvenir Program Book, 1998.

### Other Activities:

Member, Board of Directors, Philadelphia Volunteers for the

Indigent Program; 1999–2002; member, Chancellor's Award Committee, Philadelphia VIP, 1998; Board of Directors, Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association, 1996–2002; Board of Governors, Pennsylvania Trial Lawyers Association, 1994–1996; chancellor, Tau Epsilon Rho Law Society, 1998–2000; co-vice chancellor, 1996–1998; executive committee, 1995–2003; executive committee, Louis Brandeis Law Society, 2004 to present; Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas, judge pro tem, 1999 to present; Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas, settlement master, 1994 to present; Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas, mediator, 1995 to present; Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas, arbitrator, 1990 to present.

### Candidate's Statement:


What does it mean to be Chancellor of the Philadelphia Bar Association?

It is the opportunity to serve the needs of our diverse professional family and contribute to the growth of this organization. I have the experience and ability to do so.

I have practiced in every division of the First Judicial District, worked with our judges on issues of mutual concern and will continue working with them to maintain judicial independence.

The Association's future must be made certain through new and retained membership. Association access and service must be expanded through technology, but to do so the Association must remain financially solid. I know the importance of non-dues revenue and my experience can ensure its continuation and expansion.

Legal services must be provided to all society's members. I will lobby for institutionalized legal services funding at the highest levels of government. We must also change Philadelphia's wage and business tax structure. A vibrant, expanding business community provides ongoing business for lawyers and will make our city more attractive to the young associates who are the future of both our Association and profession.



**PHILADELPHIA  
BAR ASSOCIATION**

**Annual Meeting and Election**  
**Tuesday, Dec. 5, 2006**  
**Park Hyatt Philadelphia**  
**at the Bellevue**

# Eight Seek 5 Seats on Board of Governors



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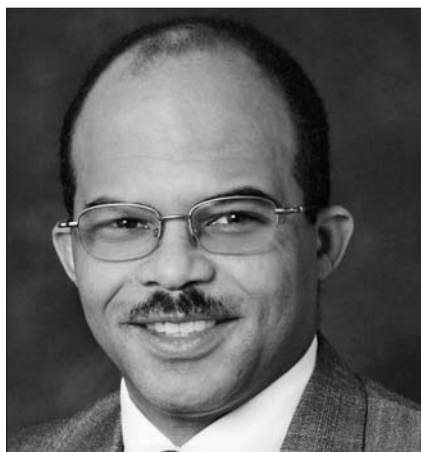
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## Gaetan J. Alfano

### Professional Background:

Founding shareholder, Miller, Alfano & Raspanti, P.C.; Villanova University School of Law, J.D. 1980.

### Association Activities:

Member, Business Law Section, State Civil Litigation Section, Appellate Courts Committee, Rules and Procedures Committee.

### Other Activities:

Board of Governors, The Justinian Society; former chancellor, treasurer, The Justinian Society; director, The Justinian Foundation; former secretary-treasurer, The Justinian Foundation; former treasurer, the Lawyers Club; member, Hearing Committee of Disciplinary Board of Supreme Court of Pennsylvania; member, Delaware Joint Toll Bridge Commission; member, International Association of Insurance Receivers; member, American Arbitration Association Panel of Neutrals.

### Candidate's Statement:

I started my own law firm, Miller, Alfano & Raspanti, 17 years ago. It has become the largest minority-owned firm in Philadelphia, and we remain committed to diversity in every aspect of our business and our practice.

I served as the chancellor of the Justinian Society from 2004-2006, and I am heavily involved in community service through the Justinian Foundation. I assisted in raising a treasury of \$500,000, which has been used to award law school scholarships. I previ-



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ously served as treasurer of the Lawyers Club. I was just appointed last year by Gov. Rendell to serve as a Commissioner on the Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission.

I am someone who brings vision, hard work, and a high degree of organization to every endeavor. I believe I would be an asset to the Board of Governors and would consider it an honor to be elected.

## Karen L. Detamore

### Professional Background:

Executive Director, Friends of Farmworkers, Pennsylvania Farmworker Legal Services Program; Rutgers University School of Law, Camden, N.J.

### Association Activities:

Member of the Board of Governors (Public Interest Section Representative) 2005-2006; co-chair, Committee on the Legal Rights of Persons with Disabilities, 2006; chair, Public Interest Section, 2004; secretary, Public Interest Section, 2005; executive committee, Public Interest Section, 1999-2006; co-chair, Committee on the Legal Rights of Lesbians and Gay Men, 2006; Ruth Bader Ginsburg Essay Contest judge; current member of Delivery of Legal Services Committee, Civil Rights Committee, Bar-News Media Committee, Minorities in the Profession Committee, Women in the Profession Committee, Women's Rights Committee, Language Access Task Force; representative of Public Interest Section to the Legislative Liaison Committee; Planning Committee for



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### Other Activities:

President, Pennsylvania Project Directors Corporation; member, Pennsylvania Bar Association Rights Committee, Legal Services to the Public Committee, Agricultural Law Committee; member, Hispanic Bar Association of Pennsylvania; member, Brehon Law Society; member, National Legal Aid and Defender Association, past chair of Farmworker Law Section; past president of Farmworker Project Group; member, National Lawyers Guild; United States Commission on Civil Rights, member of Pennsylvania Advisory Committee, 1997-2001; planner and faculty for numerous CLEs; previously in private practice representing primarily military service members and veterans in matters relating to their military service; Masterman Home and School Association, member.

### Candidate's Statement:

I have worked successfully with different segments of the bar: those in large and small firms, in government and public service, professors and students, and the judiciary. I have worked to promote fairness and inclusion for women and all racial and ethnic groups in our society, as well as those with disabilities. I have worked to end discrimination based on sexual orientation. I understand the importance of the Association's support of the business needs of its members. For example, the cost of health insurance coverage has become exorbitant for firms and public interest organizations. The



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crushing burden of law school debt for new attorneys is a serious concern for us all. The Association must also take a stand to preserve fundamental legal rights, such as the right to counsel and the separation of powers. I hope you will permit me to represent you in the governance of the Association.

## Michael B. Hayes

### Professional Experience:

Associate, Montgomery, McCracken, Walker & Rhoads, LLP; Temple University James E. Beasley School of Law.

### Association Activities:

Chair, Executive Committee of the Young Lawyers Division, 2006; member, Executive Committee of the Young Lawyers Division, 2002-present; investigator, Commission for Judicial Selection and Retention, 2005-present; committee co-chair, organizer and participant in the following Young Lawyers Division public service programs from 2002-present: Law Week, Legal Line, Mock Trial Camp, Harvest for the Homeless, Champions of Caring, Ronald McDonald House Volunteer Breakfasts, and the Michael K. Smith Oratorical Contest; successfully sought unanimous passage by the YLD Executive Committee of internal resolutions creating the YLD Minority Bar Association Scholarship program and an annual online certification program for young lawyers performing substantial pro bono legal service; inaugural member of the Young Lawyers Division

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Hamilton Circle.

### Other Activities:

Homeless Advocacy Project Clinic Volunteer Coordinator for Montgomery, McCracken, Walker & Rhoads, LLP, 2003–present; attorney-coach for Saint Hubert's High School in the John S. Bradway Philadelphia High School Mock Trial Competition, 2000–present; Philadelphia Reads program tutor, 2001–present; pro bono representations for Philadelphia Volunteers for the Indigent Program and Support Center for Child Advocates.

### Candidate's Statement:

I care deeply about our profession and our city. As a member and, most recently, chair of the Young Lawyers Division, I helped create and coordinate programs designed to advance young lawyers, educate the public, and benefit the most vulnerable in our society. This past year, I worked to create a groundbreaking YLD scholarship program for minority law students, as well as an online certification program for young lawyers performing significant pro bono legal service. Through the years, I have done my best to "walk the walk," maintaining a continuous stream of pro bono representations while serving as an attorney-coach in the Philadelphia high school mock trial competition. I would be honored to have your support as I seek election to the Board of Governors, where I will continue to do my utmost to elevate our profession and the community we serve.

## Natalie Klyashtorny

### Professional Background:

Of counsel, Nochumson, P.C.; Temple University Beasley School of Law.

### Association Activities:

Chair, Young Lawyers Division, 2005; chair-elect, 2004, treasurer, 2003, executive committee member, 2002–present; co-Chaired Mock Trial, Social and Law Week Committees; YLD representative to Board of Governors, 2004–2005; Cabinet, 2005; created YLD "Philadelphia 2020" initiative, Commission on Judicial Selection and Retention, 2005; Commission on Judicial Selection and Retention, Investigative Division, 2005–present; 2005 Bench-Bar Conference Committee; course planner, 2005 Bench-Bar Conference, 2005 Chancellor's Retreat Committee; 2005 Sandra Day O'Connor Award Committee; City Policy Committee, 2005–present; Women In the Profession Committee

### Other Activities:

Louis D. Brandeis Law Society Executive Committee, 2004–present; Temple Law School Alumni Association Executive Committee, 2004–2006; Pennsylvania Bar Association Young Lawyers Division Executive Council, zone chairperson at-large, 2003–2004; American

Bar Association Pennsylvania Delegate to Young Lawyers Division Assembly, 2003 Mid-Year and Annual Meetings, 2004 Annual Meeting, 2005 Mid-Year and Annual Meetings; Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association; Pennsylvania Trial Lawyers Association; Association of the Trial Lawyers of America; Lawyers Club of Philadelphia; Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia Leadership Development Program; Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation; Golden Slipper Charity.

### Candidate's Statement:

Having previously served a two-year term on the Board of Governors in my capacity as chair of the Young Lawyers Division, I now seek to serve you again as an elected member of the Board.

I bring a unique voice in that I am the sole candidate who represents the younger, female attorney in a small firm.

Although young lawyers are the future of the profession, our numbers in the Bar Association have declined over the past two decades. Increasing the number of young lawyers in the Association's membership and leadership ranks is a necessity, both for its fiscal survival and the future of our profession. Diversity must also be a priority. Our Association needs to be a leader in encouraging proactive, specific steps to increase leadership opportunities for women and minorities. Additionally, we must augment and diversify our member services, especially for solo practitioners and small to medium-sized firms.

## Wesley R. Payne

### Professional Background:

Partner, White and Williams, LLP; University of Maryland School of Law.

### Association Activities:

Member, Minority Bar Committee; panelist – Racial Diversity and the Law, Philadelphia Bar Association Speakers' Series, 2006.

### Other Activities:

Judge Pro Tem, Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas; Board of Directors, Philadelphia Diversity Law Group, Inc.; Philadelphia Association of Defense Counsel; Pennsylvania Defense Institute, director, North East Region and chair, Rules Committee; Barristers' Association of Philadelphia; Pennsylvania Bar Association, Minority Bar and Judicial Administration Committees; Defense Research Institute, Diversity and Toxic Tort & Environmental Law Committees; co-chair Homeless Advocacy Project Practice Group; Volunteer for the Indigent Program, case volunteer and Tangled Title Practice Group; Washington and Lee University, Alumni Admissions Program.

### Candidate's Statement:

I ask for your vote for a seat on the Board of Governors. I stand committed to the diversification of the practice

## Bar to Elect Officers, Board Members

The Philadelphia Bar Association's Annual Election of officers and members of the Board of Governors will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 5, from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. on the Ballroom Level of the Park Hyatt Philadelphia at the Bellevue, Broad and Walnut streets. Officers to be elected are Vice Chancellor, secretary, assistant secretary, treasurer, assistant treasurer and five members of the Board of Governors for three-year terms.

According to Article IV, Section 406, Paragraph B, "The election shall be by (1) secret mailed ballot and (2) paper ballot or voting machine. In addition, Members may vote electronically over the Internet to the extent permitted by law pursuant to procedures established by the Board to preserve the confidentiality of the Member's vote and the integrity of the voting process. Voting machines, if available, shall be preferred for in-person voting, unless there is an election at which there is no contest. The position of the nominee on the ballot shall be determined by lot. The drawing of lots shall be conducted by the Judge of Elections not less than 25 days before the Annual Meeting in the presence of the nominees and/or their representatives. The form of the ballot shall be prescribed by the Board. A ballot shall be sent by the Association by mail to every Association member eligible to vote at least two weeks prior to the date set for the Annual Meeting. A mailed ballot shall not be counted unless it has been received at the office of the Association no later than 10 a.m. three business days prior to the date set for the Annual Meeting and in such manner as to preserve the confidentiality of the Member's vote. The Judge of Elections shall count the mailed ballots after the polls have been closed."

### Candidates for Office

#### Vice Chancellor

Alexander Kerr  
Sayde J. Ladov

#### Secretary

John E. Savoth

#### Treasurer

Scott F. Cooper

#### Assistant Secretary

Kathleen D. Wilkinson

#### Assistant Treasurer

Jeffrey M. Lindy

#### Board of Governors

(elect five)

Gaetan J. Alfano  
Karen L. Detamore  
Natalie Klyashtorny  
Michael B. Hayes  
Wesley R. Payne  
Rosemary Pinto  
Jacqueline G. Segal  
Shelley R. Smith

and public service. Over the last 18 years, my career has afforded me practical, significant leadership, mentoring and pro bono experiences, including:

- Managing an in-house litigation office and a legal clinic;
- Mentoring attorneys; and,
- Chairing the firm's Diversity Committee and co-chairing the HAP practice group.

My experiences as a judge pro tem and handling pro bono cases have reinforced for me the importance of incorporating service to the legal community in one's practice. I seek to put these experiences to use and to contribute my ideas, energy and hard work to continue the Philadelphia Bar Association's efforts to further enrich the organization through the inclusion of attorneys of diverse backgrounds, while continuing its efforts assisting those among us who wouldn't otherwise have full and equal access to the courts.

## Rosemary Pinto

### Professional Background:

Partner, Feldman & Pinto, PC; Villanova University Law School.

### Association Activities:

Member, Commission on Judicial Selection and Retention; Executive Committee, Public Interest Section; chair, Womens' Rights Committee;

member, State Civil Litigation Section; member, Medical Legal Committee; participant/sponsor/contributor, Philadelphia Bar Association Young Lawyers Division, Law Week, Spring Gala, Auction, Comedy Night and Zooboolee.

### Other Activities:

Board of Governors, Pennsylvania Trial Lawyers Association, co-chair, Women's Committee, member, Education Committee; Board of Directors, Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association, co-chair, Women's Select Committee; member, American Trial Lawyers Association; member, Justinian Society; member, The Pennsylvania Prison Society; member, Villanova University School of Law, Public Interest Fellowship Committee; judge pro tem for Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas; frequent lecturer for the Philadelphia Bar Institute, Pennsylvania Bar Institute and the Pennsylvania Trial Lawyers Association on product liability, medical malpractice and trial tactics; representation, pro bono of indigent victims for Women Against Abuse.

### Candidate's Statement:

If honored to serve on the Board of Governors I have four goals. First, I would continue to aid the financial and legal support that the Association gives to the Public Interest Section to address discrimination, violence, and

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# Line Offices Uncontested in Bar Election

This year, all candidates for Bar line offices are unopposed. The candidates are **John E. Savoth**, secretary; **Scott F. Cooper**, treasurer; **Kathleen D. Wilkinson**, assistant secretary; and **Jeffrey M. Lindy**, assistant treasurer.

**John E. Savoth** is a partner in the Law Firm of Fedullo & Savoth and a graduate of Widener University School of Law. He is presently secretary of the Association. He was chair of the Board of Governors in 1997 and vice chair in 1996. He is currently a member of the Commission on Judicial Selection and Retention. He served on the Board of Governors from 1995 to 1998 and chaired the Association's Professional Responsibility Committee in 1999.

Savoth was a Philadelphia Bar Foundation trustee from 1994 to 1996 and was chair of the Young Lawyers Division in 1993. He was on the board of directors of the Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association from 1991 to 1996 and the Homeless Advocacy Project from 1991 to 1996. Savoth was a hearing committee member of the Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania from 1991 to 1997. He was chair of the Hearing Committee 1.10 from 1996 to 1997.

**Scott F. Cooper** currently serves as treasurer of the Association and is a partner in the Labor and Employment Department at Blank Rome LLP and is



Savoth



Cooper



Wilkinson



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a 1992 graduate of the Temple University Beasley School of Law. He currently is a member of the Association's Cabinet, chairs the Association's Audit Committee and is a member of the Budget Committee. He has served on the Board of Governors from 2004 to the present and 1998 to 2001. He was a member of the Young Lawyers Division Executive Committee from 1996 to 1998. He was the YLD's treasurer from 1997 to 1998 and financial secretary from 1996 to 1998. He was a member of the Philadelphia Bar Foundation Golf Committee in 1998 and 2001.

Outside the Association, Cooper is a board member of the Temple University Alumni Association, a member of the Pyramid Club Board of Governors, Temple Inn of Court (1995 to 1996) and the Multiple Sclerosis Leadership Class of 1996. He is also a court-certified arbitrator for the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas.

**Kathleen D. Wilkinson**, a partner at Wilson, Elser, Moskowitz, Edelman & Dicker, LLP, is a graduate of

Villanova University School of Law and immediate-past president of the J. Willard O'Brien Inn of Court.

She is currently assistant secretary of the Association. She has served as a member of the Board of Governors (from 2000 to 2003). She was co-chair of the Women in the Profession Committee in 1998 and 1999. She is co-chair of the State Civil Litigation Section and served as the section's secretary in 2005. She was co-chair of the State Civil Rules Committee in 2004.

Wilkinson also participated in forming, and then presenting on behalf of the Association, the first Ruth Bader Ginsburg Legal Writing Competition Award in the presence of Justices Ginsburg and O'Connor in 2003. She continues to serve as co-chair of the committee.

In 2005, Wilkinson was appointed to the Rules of Evidence Committee of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court and to the Interbranch Commission on Gender, Racial and Ethnic Fairness by Gov. Rendell. Wilkinson is an active

member of the Pennsylvania Bar Association and was honored for development of programs for women attorneys. She is a member of the Forum of Executive Women.

**Jeffrey M. Lindy**, principal in the Law Offices of Jeffrey M. Lindy, is former chair of the Association's Board of Governors. He currently serves as assistant treasurer and was a member of the Board of Governors in 1997 and from 2000 to 2003. Lindy is a graduate of Temple University Beasley School of Law.

Lindy was co-chair of the Association's Bench-Bar Conference in 2004 and has been a member of the Public Interest Section, Bar Survey, Civil Rights, Membership/Bar Placement and Nominating Committees.

Outside the Association, Lindy has served as president of the Bala Cynwyd Civic Association and serves on the Boards of the Union Fire Association (Lower Merion Township, Pa.), Philadelphia Research and Education Foundation and The Gateway School.

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poverty issues through effective legal representation. I have been privileged to be in a position to work with other members of the bar in addressing these issues. As a member of the Board, I will be able to increase that participation. Second, I will support the organization's goals of gun control, judicial independence, and preserving the integrity of our judicial system. Third, I will work to continue to improve the ways in which we address all of our members' needs and to encourage greater participation in the resources and educational and social opportunities that this organization offers. Finally, I will work to improve the reputation of lawyers in the community.

Jacqueline G. Segal

### Professional Background:

Associate, Fox Rothschild LLP; Temple University School of Law.

### Association Activities:

Chair, Family Law Section, 2006; Chair, Family Law Section Executive Committee, 2006; member, Committee on Judicial Selection and Retention,

2006; member, Chancellor's Ad Hoc Committee for Pandemic/Disaster Planning, 2006; member, Section Chairs Committee, 2006; Family Law Section: chair-elect, 2005, treasurer, 2004, secretary (2003), member, Executive Committee, 1997-present, chair, Child Support Legislation Committee, 2004; chair, Divorce and Equitable Distribution Committee, 1997-2002; chair, Domestic Violence Committee, 1994-1996).

### Other Activities:

Philadelphia Family Law Inn of Court, Board of Directors, 2006; Doris Jonas Freed American Inn of Court, 1998-present; University of Pennsylvania Law School Chapter of American Inn of Court, 1994-1996; Pennsylvania Society of Family Lawyers; Main Line Business & Professional Women's Organization; American Bar Association; Pennsylvania Bar Association Family Law Section.

### Candidate's Statement:

Establishing official Bar Association policy demands dedication, energy and commitment to its members' ideals and goals. My 12 years of service as Family Law Section chair, Executive Committee member and committee chair, and membership on Chancellor's committees, demonstrate these qualities.

This year, I worked tirelessly making the Family Law Section more responsive to members' needs, doubling Section participation, initiating charitable fund-raising and establishing a Philadelphia Family Law Inn of Court. The Section regularly deals with issues affecting lawyers, judges and clients in light of contemporary social problems and civil rights. I want to bring my experience and perspective as Section chair and member to the broader work of the Board of Governors. If elected, I will solicit and consider the viewpoints of the Association's diverse membership to ensure its policies reflect current prevailing interests. With your support, I will bring my dedication, energy, and commitment to the Board of Governors.

Shelley R. Smith

### Professional Background:

Of Counsel, Ballard Spahr Andrews & Ingersoll, LLP; Villanova University School of Law.

### Association Activities:

Co-Chair, Commission on Judicial Selection and Retention; Member, Federal Courts Committee.

### Other Activities:

Chair, Judicial Commission Investigative Team, 2002-2003; chair, Pennsylvania Disciplinary Board Hearing Panel, 1997-2003; co-chair, Committee for Barristers' Association Scholarship Dinner, 2000-01; member, Barristers' Association, 1992, 2000-01; Barristers' Association representative Young Lawyers' Division, 1992.

### Candidate's Statement:

I have spent most of my 16-year career as a public servant, representing the city and the Mayor's Office in more than 60 federal trials and in policy matters. I have managed units and practice groups within the Law Department and have negotiated and worked with leaders at the highest levels of local government, non-profit organizations and labor organizations. I now continue much of this work in private practice. If elected to the Board of Governors I will bring my perspective and experience as a member of the group of lawyers who serve the citizens of our community as leaders and policymakers, a segment of the legal community that is underrepresented in Bar leadership. I have developed a reputation for intelligence, integrity and professionalism that will serve the Board of Governors well if I am elected.

# 11 Seek 7 Seats on YLD Executive Committee



Burg



Cevallos



Segal Coatsworth



DuFrayne



Suydam Herrington



Koller



Mandale



Ryan



Schiller



Vanderslice



Yampolsky

## Joshua Burg

### Professional Background:

Associate, Feldman & Pinto; Widener University School of Law.

### Activities:

Member, Pennsylvania Bar Association, American Bar Association, Association of Trial Lawyers of America, Pennsylvania Trial Lawyers Association, Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association.

### Candidate's Statement:

I am dedicated to fostering the growth of the Young Lawyers Division because I believe in it. I myself have benefited from the Bar Association's programs and would be greatly honored to have the opportunity to serve the YLD through an Executive Committee position. I have enjoyed spending time volunteering for Philadelphia Bar Association service programs, such as appearing in more than a dozen custody and protection from abuse cases for the Women's Rights Committee program and volunteering during Law Week. As a YLD Executive Committee member I will be devoted to encouraging the development of new lawyers and improving the quality of our legal system.

## Danny Cevallos

### Professional Background:

Associate, Bochetto & Lentz, P.C.; University of Notre Dame Law School.

### Activities:

Adjunct professor of undergraduate sociology at St. Joseph's University; intern mentor for the undergraduate criminal justice program at LaSalle University; member, Board of Directors of the Center City Residents' Association, Philadelphia Trial Lawyers

Association, Pennsylvania Trial Lawyers Association, Philadelphia Lawyers' Club.

### Candidate's Statement:

I think the YLD can have a greater role in the young lawyer community. As a former associate with law firms of all sizes, from four to nearly 4,000, I understand the differences between the firms, and their respective experience for the young lawyer. The experience of the new associate at a giant firm is very separate from the attorney who joins a solo practitioner right out of law school. Each could lend to the other's experience, but they often don't have the opportunity to make each other's acquaintance. The YLD can unite, as well as positively influence young lawyers in every area of practice, and every size law firm. I believe in using social and other events to make the YLD a unifying presence to new and young lawyers in the area.

## Jennifer Segal Coatsworth

### Professional Background:

Associate, Margolis Edelstein; Temple University Beasley School of Law.

### Activities:

Member, American Bar Association, Pennsylvania Bar Association, Brandeis Law Society; secretary and counsel, Storybook Musical Theatre; president, University of Maryland Alumni Association, Philadelphia Region.

### Candidate's Statement:

I have a strong interest in improving the lives of young lawyers in this city. I would like to help them advance in their careers by helping to plan programs that allow them to network and learn valuable skills that they will need

to advance in this field.

## Abby Y. DuFrayne

### Professional Background:

Staff attorney, Homeless Advocacy Project; Temple University Beasley School of Law.

### Candidate's Statement:

While serving as Public Interest liaison to the YLD Executive Committee during the past year, I have been actively involved in the coordination of events and plan to continue my

involvement. I have worked in both private practice and public interest and can be a strong advocate for the greater YLD membership. If elected to the Executive Committee, I plan to advance the YLD's mission of bringing together young attorneys across practice areas to help promote diversity within the profession and continue to facilitate good relations with the community.

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## About the Candidates

These 11 candidates seek election to seven seats on the Young Lawyers Division (YLD) Executive Committee in the Association's Annual Election on Dec. 6. Committee members serve three-year terms. Those candidates who receive the seven highest vote totals in the election will fill the positions. Published here is information submitted by the candidates, who were invited to outline their professional background and provide a short statement. All candidates are members in good standing of the Philadelphia Bar Association and the YLD.

## Election Notice

### Candidates For YLD Executive Committee

Balloting for members of the Young Lawyers Division Executive Committee will take place on Tuesday, Dec. 5, from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. on the Ballroom Level of the Park Hyatt Philadelphia at the Bellevue, Broad and Walnut streets.

This year, 11 candidates are seeking election to seven seats available on the Young Lawyers Division Executive Committee. Committee members serve three-year terms.

### Candidates for Office

Joshua Burg	Heather A. Suydam	Joshua B. Ryan
Danny Cevallos	Herrington	Abigail R. Schiller
Jennifer S. Coatsworth	David M. Koller	Richard Vanderslice
Abby Y. DuFrayne	Michael Z. Mandale	Henry Yampolsky

*Note:* Only members in good standing of the Association's Young Lawyers Division may cast votes in this election. Attorneys are members of the Division if (1) they have not yet reached or reached in 2006 the age of 37, or (2) they have not yet reached or reached in 2006 the third anniversary of their first admission to the bar of any state.

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### Heather A. Suydam Herrington

#### Professional Background:

Associate, Wilson, Elser, Moskowitz, Edelman & Dicker LLP; Temple University Beasley School of Law.

#### Activities:

Liaison, Women in the Profession Committee, Young Lawyers Division Executive Committee; member, Pennsylvania Bar Association.

#### Candidate's Statement:

I believe the Young Lawyers Division Executive Committee is an outstanding opportunity to give back to the community and network with colleagues. This year, as I have recently experienced a number of positive personal life changes (marriage, a move to a new firm), I also seek to renew my commitment to the Executive Committee in order to promote and fulfill the pro bono resolution, and to address the needs within the community of young lawyers.

### David M. Koller

#### Professional Background:

Associate, Astor Weiss Kaplan & Mandel, LLP; Villanova University School of Law.

#### Activities:

Leadership development program, Jewish Federation of Philadelphia; ambassador, Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce; Board of Advisors, Villanova University School of Law Alumni Association; member, University of Pennsylvania Admission Office Secondary School Committee.

#### Candidate's Statement:

I have been an active member of the Young Lawyers Division of the Philadelphia Bar Association for more than four years. I am confident that I can inspire other young lawyers to recognize the benefits of active involvement in our organization. In the past, I have excelled in leadership positions with various local organizations. I also mentor law students as part of the Lawyering Together Program and served as commencement speaker and Student Bar Association president in law school. I am passionate about our profession and committed to serving the Philadelphia legal community. I am grateful for your support.

### Michael Z. Mandale

#### Professional Background:

Of counsel, Torchia & Kaufmann, LLC; Widener University School of Law.

#### Activities:

Volunteer attorney, Support Center for Child Advocates; honorary trustee, Chapel of Four Chaplains.

#### Candidate's Statement:

"In the confidence derived from the study of what our predecessors have done, we look forward to the younger [members of the Association] to make a like record for the century to come," Chief Justice James T. Mitchell said of the Law Association of Philadelphia at its 1902 centennial celebration. The members of the YLD shape the nucleus of the Association in the 21st century, a time that will surely be as illustrious as its past. It would be an honor to work with you, the present and future of our bar, while preserving the Association's high and noble traditions on the YLD Executive Committee.

### Joshua B. Ryan

#### Professional Background:

Associate, Volpe and Koenig, P.C.; Villanova University School of Law.

#### Activities:

Federal Courts Committee liaison, Young Lawyers Division Executive Committee; member, Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce Young Professionals Network, marketing committee; member, Penn State University Alumni Association.

#### Candidate's Statement:

During the past year, I served as an appointed liaison to the YLD Executive Committee. As a YLD liaison, I have taken an active role – as a planner and participant – in YLD community service events such as Lawyer in the Classroom, Law Fair, the mock trial competition and Ronald McDonald House volunteer breakfasts. I also teamed up with fellow YLD Executive Committee members to re-establish the Michael K. Smith Oratorical Contest. If elected to the YLD Executive Committee, I promise to continue to work hard to promote and expand the YLD's many community service, educational and networking activities.

### Abigail R. Schiller

#### Professional Background:

Associate, Obermayer Rebmann Maxwell & Hippel LLP; New York Law

School.

#### Activities:

Member, Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association, American Trial Lawyers Association, American Constitution Society.

#### Candidate's Statement:

My experience as a summer associate coordinator will aid me in programming YLD events that will assist young lawyers in bridging the gap between law school and the successful practice of law. Through my experience, I have demonstrated leadership skills, knowledge of governmental and private practice and knowledge of life in a large firm. I strive to assist YLD members develop experience, competence, marketing techniques, and confidence as young lawyers on their way to partnership. Leadership experience, creativity and the ability to multitask make me a terrific candidate and addition to the YLD Executive Committee.

### Richard Vanderslice

#### Professional Background:

Petrelli & Vanderslice, P.C.; Vermont Law School.

#### Activities:

Member, Young Democrats.

#### Candidate's Statement:

I am committed to transforming the YLD into an organization that empowers, educates and serves the future of our legal community. Prior to becoming a member of the Philadelphia Bar Association, I practiced in San Francis-

co in the areas of personal injury, real estate, family law and legal malpractice defense. Upon arriving in Philadelphia, I experienced the camaraderie that we share in Philadelphia, which would make it an honor to further our experience in the legal profession by serving as a member of the Executive Committee and bring a new perspective to the Young Lawyers Division.

### Henry Yampolsky

#### Professional Background:

Associate, Galfand Berger, LLP; Temple University Beasley School of Law.

#### Activities:

Member, Young Lawyers Division Executive Committee, Pennsylvania Trial Lawyers Association, American Trial Lawyers Association, Pennsylvania Bar Association, American Bar Association.

#### Candidate's Statement:

I am running for the Executive Committee of the YLD to continue to build a strong community of young professionals that does not only serve its members and the community at large, but also has a strong voice on the issues that affect young lawyers and face the greater legal community. As an immigrant who came to this country 13 years ago without speaking any English, I am not new to overcoming challenges and working hard. If elected, it would be my privilege to continue serving the young lawyers of the Philadelphia Bar Association.

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