

**Legal Services Corporation
Meeting of the
Delivery of Legal Services Committee**

Open Session

Sunday, October 5, 2014

Co-Chair Father Pius Pietrzyk convened an open session meeting of the Legal Services Corporation's ("LSC") Delivery of Legal Services Committee ("the Committee") at 5:39 p.m. on Sunday, October 5, 2014. The meeting was held at the Hilton Albany, 40 Lodge Street, Albany, New York 12207.

The following Committee members were present:

Father Pius Pietrzyk, Co-Chair
Gloria Valencia-Weber, Co-Chair
Victor Maddox
Julie A. Reiskin
John G. Levi, *ex officio*

Other Board members present:

Robert Grey
Charles N.W. Keckler
Harry J.F. Korrell, III
Laurie I. Mikva

Also attending were:

James J. Sandman	President
Lynn Jennings	Vice President for Grants Management
Ronald S. Flagg	Vice President for Legal Affairs, General Counsel & Corporate Secretary
Stefanie Davis	Assistant General Counsel, Office of Legal Affairs
Wendy Rhein	Chief Development Officer
David Richardson	Comptroller/Treasurer, Office of Financial and Administrative Services
Jeffrey Schanz	Inspector General
Carol Bergman	Director, Office of Government Relations and Public Affairs (GRPA)
Carol Rauscher	Director of Media Relations, Office of Government Relations and Public Affairs (GRPA)

Wendy Long	Executive Assistant Office of Government Relations and Public Affairs (GRPA)
Lora M. Rath	Director, Office of Compliance and Enforcement (OCE)
Julia Kramer	Program Counsel, Office of Compliance and Enforcement (OCE), Executive Office
Janet LaBella	Director, Office of Program Performance (OPP)
Cheryl Nolan	Office of Program Performance (OPP)
Bernie Brady	Travel Coordinator
Herbert Garten	Non-Director Member, Institutional Advancement Committee
Marcos Navarro	Office of Government Relations and Public Affairs (GRPA)
William J. Hawkes	Executive Director, Neighborhood Legal Services
C. Kenneth Perri	Executive Director, Legal Assistance of Western New York
Paul J. Lupia	Executive Director, Legal Aid Society of Mid-New York
Barbara Finkelstein	Executive Director, Legal Services of the Hudson Valley
Jeff Seigel	Nassau/Suffolk Law Services
Lillian M. Moy	Executive Director, Legal Aid Society of Northeastern New York
Michele Sleight	Legal Aid Society of Northeastern New York
Wendy Wahlberg	Legal Aid Society of Northeastern New York
Deb Collura	Legal Aid Society of Northeastern New York
Anne Malak	Legal Aid Society of Northeastern New York
Deanne Grimaldi	Legal Aid Society of Northeastern New York
Robert Romaker	Legal Aid Society of Northeastern New York
Robert Magee	Legal Aid Society of Northeastern New York
Peter Racette	Legal Aid Society of Northeastern New York
Don Saunders	National Legal Aid and Defenders Association (NLADA)
Robin C. Murphy	National Legal Aid and Defenders Association (NLADA)
Lisa Wood	American Bar Association Standing Committee on Legal Aid and Indigent Defendants (SCLAID)

The following summarizes actions taken by, and presentations made to, the Committee:

Committee Co-Chairman Father Pius called the meeting to order.

MOTION

Ms. Reiskin moved to approve the agenda. Committee Co-Chair Valencia-Weber seconded the motion.

VOTE

The motion passed by voice vote.

MOTION

Committee Co-Chair Valencia-Weber moved to approve the minutes of the Committee's meeting of July 21, 2014. Ms. Reiskin seconded the motion.

VOTE

The motion passed by voice vote.

Ms. Nolan panel moderator, introduced the panelists: Lillian M. Moy, Executive Director, Legal Aid Society of Northeastern, New York; William J. Hawkes, Executive Director, Neighborhood Legal Services; C. Kenneth Perri, Executive Director, Legal Assistance of Western New York; Paul J. Lupia, Executive Director, Legal Aid Society of Mid-New York; and Barbara Finkelstein, Executive Director, Legal Services of Hudson Valley. The panelists briefed the Committee on the difference in leadership the judiciary makes, and how the New York State Task Force is increasing access to justice and what its effects are on legal services across New York. Mr. Perri described the difference the Office of Court Administrations' Judiciary Civil Legal Services (JCLS) funding has made in expansion of access to the civil legal services across New York State. He stated this success is also due to the work of Chief Judge Lippman's civil legal services funding initiatives and the work of the New York State Task Force. Mr. Perri briefed the Committee on the success of his program serving veterans with the use of JCLS funding. Mr. Lupia discussed the success of his program's intake system. Ms. Finkelstein explained how JCLS funding has allowed her program to expand intake services and hire housing attorneys; Mr. Hawkes discussed how JCLS funding preserved services at his program that otherwise would have been lost due to cut backs in LSC funding. Ms. Moy spoke of JCLS funding supporting staff initiatives and program projects; and gave an overview of the benefit, impact and guidance of the Task Force hearings.

Mr. Lupia, Mr. Hawkes and Mr. Perri also briefed the Committee on special programs initiated by Chief Judge Lippman. The programs, Disability Advocacy Project (DAP), Home Ownership Protection Program (HOPP), and State wide Technology, have all expanded access to justice in the state of New York. Mr. Perri and the panelists answered Committee members' questions.

Committee Co-Chair Father Pius invited public comment and receive none.

Ms. Reiskin wanted to know if the Committee would be continuing its discussion on the subject of performance criteria. Committee Co-Chairman Father Pius stated the Committee would take up the discussion before the January 2015 meeting. There was no other new business to consider.

MOTION

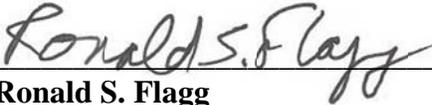
Committee Co-Chair Valencia-Weber moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Maddox seconded the motion.

VOTE

The motion passed by voice vote.

The Committee meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the minutes adopted by the Legal Services Corporation's Delivery of Legal Services Committee on January 23, 2015.



Ronald S. Flagg
Vice President for Legal Affairs,
General Counsel & Corporate Secretary