

## Dean's Message: The Road Ahead



In a letter to the BLS community, Dean Nick Allard takes stock of the past year, addresses changes underway, and sets specific goals to help strengthen the Law School. The message is the first of regular communications to discuss opportunities and challenges facing the Law School. [Read more.](#)



Have a safe and happy Independence Day! See you in September!

## Law School News

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### Dionne Shuler '14 Awarded NYSBA Minority Summer Internship in Health Law

Dionne Shuler '14 was awarded the New York State Bar Association Minority Summer Internship in Health Law. Shuler will intern for eight weeks in the General Counsel's office at Continuum Health Partners, practicing in the areas of health and corporate law. [Read more.](#)



### BLS Alumni Steven S. Elbaum '74 and Michael D. Grohman '83 Honored for Giving Back

Brooklyn Law School has a long and proud tradition of giving back to the community. Two prominent alumni, Steven S. Elbaum '74 and Michael D. Grohman '83, were recently honored by high-profile public service organizations for their distinguished service and leadership. [Read more.](#)



### Youth Represent, Led by Adjunct Professor Laurie Parise '04, Wins NYC Innovative Nonprofit Award

Every week, dozens of underrepresented youth affected by the criminal justice system receive legal help through Youth Represent, a nonprofit organization founded and directed by Laurie Parise '04. For its inspiring work, Youth Represent has been named an inaugural NYC Innovative Nonprofit Award recipient. [Read more.](#)

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## Faculty in the News:

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[Prof. Cynthia Godsoe](#) on Placement of Children with Gay and Lesbian Parents in *Huffington Post* Op-Ed

[Prof. Roberta Karmel](#) Describes Challenges Facing New SEC



### Two 2013 Graduates Named Among Presidential Management Fellows Finalists

Benjamin Kaser '13 and Hang Liu '13 have been selected as finalists in the Presidential Management Fellowship program. Created by the federal government in 1977, the prestigious program helps government agencies meet their needs for leadership continuity. [Read more.](#)



### Rising Star Eric Eingold '15 Charts a Steady Course in Public Service

Eric Eingold '15 is already charting an impressive course as a public service lawyer. Eingold, an Edward V. Sparer Public Interest Law Fellow, was recently awarded an Ella Baker Summer Internship and will work at the Community Justice Project of Florida Legal Services in Miami. [Read more.](#)



### Jeet Gulati '13 Awarded Coveted NYC HPD/HDC Housing Fellowship

After a national search of accomplished master's and law graduates, Jeet Gulati '13 has been awarded the HPD/HDC Housing Fellowship. The fellowship offers exposure to the inner workings of NYC government and to the field of affordable housing. BLS graduate Moira Skeados was awarded the same fellowship in 2009. [Read more.](#)

## Upcoming Academic Events

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Please save the dates for these fall programs on campus:

**Abraham L. Pomerantz Lecture:** Hillary Sale, Walter D. Coles Professor of Law and Professor of Management, Washington University School of Law Sponsored by the [Center for the Study of Business Law and Regulatory Issues](#) and the [Brooklyn Law Review](#)  
Thursday, September 26

**Conference: What Law Governs Institutional Contracts?**  
Sponsored by the [Dennis J. Block Center for the Study of International Business Law](#) and the [Brooklyn Journal of International Law](#)  
Friday, October 18

## Faculty Spotlight: Minor Myers

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The stockholder's appraisal remedy has never been the most glamorous facet of shareholder litigation. But **Professor Minor Myers's** new take on the topic is not only upending assumptions, but also winning acclaim. He and co-author Charles Korsmo, a former Visiting Associate Professor at BLS, recently presented at the 2013 Harvard/Stanford/Yale Junior Faculty Forum at Yale University. Their paper, "The Law and Economics of Merger Litigation: Do the Merits Matter in

Leadership in *New York Law Journal* Column

**Prof. David Reiss** Comments on Beltway's "Top Complainers" Status in *Baltimore Sun*

**Prof. Jonathan Askin** Comments on Concerns About NSA's PRISM Program on TheLaw.tv

## View the Media Gallery:



[View photos](#) from the Spring Recent Graduate Reception.

**Have questions?  
We have answers.**

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Shareholder Appraisal?," offers surprising new insight into shareholder litigation. [Read more.](#)

## Recent Class Notes

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**Gerald L. Shargel '69** closed his criminal defense law practice that he ran for almost 40 years and joined the New York office of Winston & Strawn LLP as a partner. Shargel is the Practitioner-in-Residence at Brooklyn Law School, where he teaches a number of courses in criminal law, evidence and trial advocacy.

**Irene Chang-Cimino '91** is serving as Lead Counsel on the staff of President Obama's Hurricane Sandy Rebuilding Task Force, splitting her time between the affected region and in Washington, D.C. Chang-Cimino was previously general counsel of Seedco, a federally certified Community Development Financial Institution.

**Jaime A. Siegel '92**, previously Vice President, Senior IP Counsel of Sony Corporation of America and its Representative to Taiwan, joined the management team of Acacia Research Group LLC as Senior Vice President.

**Joseph Lynch '02** became the managing partner of the New York City office of Nixon Peabody LLP. Lynch is a partner in the firm's Affordable Housing Group representing for-profit and not-for-profit developers, owners, and managers in complex real estate transactions involving tax-exempt bonds, low-income housing tax credits, and new markets.

**Grace C. Bonilla '04** was appointed Deputy Commissioner of the Office of Community Affairs and Immigrant Services for the NYC Department of Social Services/Human Resources Administration. Bonilla oversees the agencies' call center and works directly with the public and community leaders to address issues facing HRA's three million clients.

[Read more Class Notes.](#)