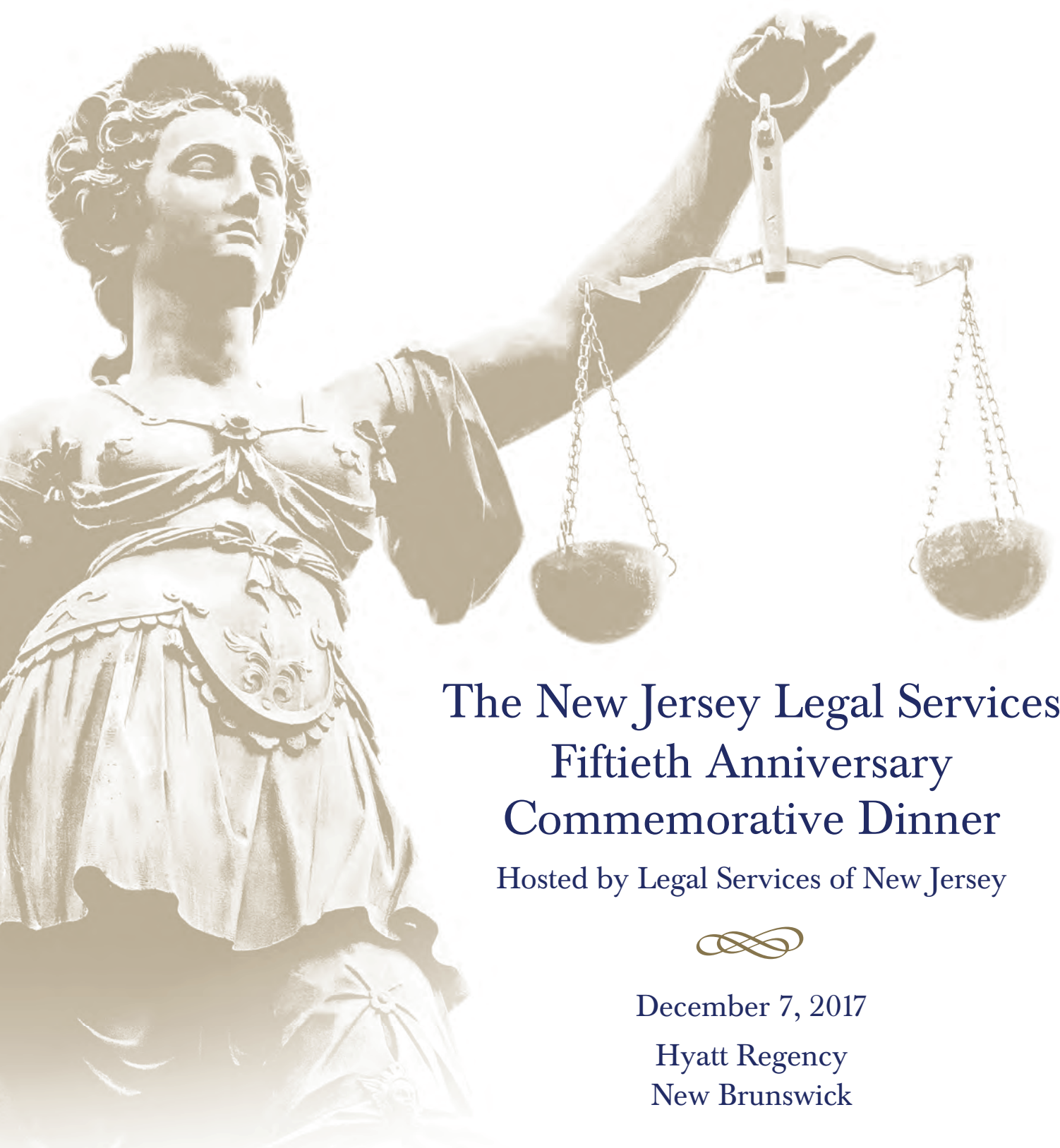


50 Years Advancing Justice



The New Jersey Legal Services
Fiftieth Anniversary
Commemorative Dinner

Hosted by Legal Services of New Jersey



December 7, 2017

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Good evening!

Thank you for joining us tonight to commemorate Legal Services' remarkable first fifty years in New Jersey: Well over 2.4 million cases handled, on behalf of some 8 million clients; 800 reported judicial decisions; major positive changes in every area of law that impacts financially disadvantaged people.

To our staff: Thank you for dedicating your professional lives to securing justice.

To our supporters: We are so grateful for your help, be it as board members, financial contributors, advocates on our behalf, or all of the above.

To everyone here tonight, sharing a commitment to achieving justice for all: We know you recognize and value Legal Services' major role in that quest. Thank you.

Looking ahead, our shared challenge remains enormous. Together we must draw on occasions such as tonight to rededicate ourselves to this pursuit of justice, renew our spirit, and find the strength to resume our successful work.

We live in times when some of the loudest voices emphasize otherness instead of commonality, and seek to separate, denigrate and push away those they deem different. Speaking against these voices, and resisting the actions they pursue, defines the great civil rights struggle of our time. Know that Legal Services, drawing upon the law and legal processes, shall be a deliberate and significant partner in that struggle.

Melville D. Miller, Jr.
President
Legal Services of New Jersey
Edison
December 7, 2017

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This Evening's Proceedings

- 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. **Reception**
- 7:00 to 7:15 p.m. **Transition** into the Ballroom for dinner, and welcome
- 8:00 p.m. (approximate) **Evening program**

Video—*Our Journey*

Opening Thoughts

The Honorable James H. Coleman, *Former LSNJ Board Chair*

Remarks

The Honorable Stuart Rabner, *Chief Justice of New Jersey*

Video—*Changing Lives*

Remarks

The Honorable Deborah Poritz—*LSNJ Board Chair*

Remarks

Melville D. Miller, Jr., President, *Legal Services of New Jersey*

Concluding Video—*Affirming our Mission*

New Jersey Legal Services Years of Service

All Legal Services staff who have served five years or more are listed below, in successive five year cohorts. We honor and congratulate them on this 50th anniversary commemoration!

*indicates those who have reached a threshold year of service

5 to 9 Years of Service

Maria Arroyo	Alexander Hersonski*
Alayna Berg*	Monique Jasso*
Crystal Braswell	Edna Jordan
Kimberly Burke	Raga Kandimalla
Stacey Bussel	Ruth Kotsalso
Amy M. Cortright	Natasha McLaurin
Elizabeth Duelly	Graham Mowday
Richard Eodice*	Melissa O'Neil
Gayle L. Fagan	Elliston Panton
Benjamin Fidalgo	Anisa Rahim
Harvey C. Fisher*	Lauren Reisner
Maryann Flanigan*	Akil Roper
Geraldine Flynn	Daniel I. Rubin*
Luis Franco	David M. Saltzman
Shoshana Gross	Faith Snyder
Yolanda Hamilton	Andrea L. Strack
Elliot D. Harris	Sonia Tul-Figueroa
Kristal Harris-Green	Christopher Vanette

10 to 14 Years of Service

Elsa Alvarado	Rocio Maza
Angela Arabia-Meyer*	Jean Milfort
Rajesh Ashar	Annie Mok-Rawson
Monica Benitez*	Mitchell Moskovitz
Ronny-Lynn Bracarello	Diane Moxley
Bette Brooks	Vicki Narvaez
Sandra Carbajal	Michelle Nuciglio
Maria Castruita	Gwen Orłowski
Richard Chiumento	Nicole Palmieri
Ashley M. Courtney	Catarina Pedreiro
Michele Curcio	Shivi Prasad
Victor Dave*	Rebecca Pressman
Charles David	Jocelyn Pridgen
Deserae Dixon	Jeyanthi Rajaraman*
Edgar Espinosa	Kellie Rivera*
Esperanza Galarza	Catherine Rivera
Gladys Gil	Suzanne Roach
Abbott Gorin*	Letisia Rodriguez
Rachael M. Grant-Kinnear	Harold Rubenstein*
Monica C. Gural	Claudia Ruiz-Von Briel
Sandra Gutierrez	Giovanna Sasieta
Linda Hampton	Raquel Shucaí
Raquiba Huq*	Tanya Simmon
Sarah Hymowitz	Kathy Smith
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Maria Born	Leslie Montgomery
Noemi Celentano	Marcella Moore
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Jean DeAngelis	Susan D. Picano
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Lisa Fennell	Lizzette Rivera
Sharon Fenton*	Rita Robles
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Jean-Claude Fresnel	Stephanie Setzer
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Leslie E. Chappo
Margarita Clements
Dianna L. Fuller
Douglas E. Gershuny
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Vivian Kale
Catherine McCauley
Nancy Nichols*
Victoria Reiners
Trinna Rodgers
Lisa Rodriguez
Connie Sailey
Maura Sanders
Carlos Santiago
John N. Ukegbu
Angelika O. Williams
Denise Williams

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Basmati Adams
Hilda Agosto
Timothy R. Block
Elizabeth Cunningham
Michael S. Gildenberg*
Alisa Grossman
Mildred Kwozko
Samir Lone
Lillian Melendez*
Dawn K. Miller
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Luz P. Mutis
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Nilda Sharma
Lawrence E. Sindoni*
Abigail Sullivan
Mark W. Welsh*
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30 to 34 Years of Service

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35 to 39 Years of Service

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Susan J. Knispel
Miriam Martinez
Mary Charlene Miller
Lillian Castillo Ocasio
Nydia Sanchez
Diane K. Smith
Maya Weintraub

40 to 44 Years of Service

Nila Alonso
June Baker
Edward B. Brinkmann
Olga Cardona
Felipe Chavana
Gregory Diebold
Alfred N. Donnarumma
Neil Fogarty*
Russell Gale
Sandra Hobbs-Austin
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Jean Rodriguez
Myriam Rosario
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Thomas Wuersig

45 to 49 Years of Service

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Gail Chester
Lorraine Garretson
Bernice Lewis
Gladys McLean
Melville D. Miller, Jr.
Willie Norman
Wendy Bryant Robinson
Willie Mae Smith*

In Memoriam

This 50th anniversary night, we honor and remember with love those with whom we have made common cause for a substantial period, but who have since followed a different path. The list, inevitably partial because of the limitations of records and memories, includes staff colleagues, board members, and some key supporters. Since the unity of our mission seeking justice outweighs lesser distinctions in precise role or years of service, we present them without such differentiations. We are a band of sisters and brothers. They are grouped by the last program with which they were associated.

Essex Newark Legal Services

Ida Axelrod
Fannie Bear Besser
James Bigelow
Sandra Black
Evangeline Cary
Keith Davis
Lori Fleming
Louise Halper
Evelyn Hatcher
Yvonne Jackson
Charles Ormond
Barbara Patterson
Iris Rivera
Claudia Taylor
Dottie Perry
Herbert Thomas

Legal Services of Northwest Jersey

Edward V. Gannon
Webb R. Leonard
Thomas J. Welchman
James B. Ventantonio
Barbara Persi
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Marianne Schwartz
Winona Talmadge
John B. Finegan
Patricia Abolt
Jack Cain
Paul Amitrani
Gina Knight
Jacqueline Stevens
Mary Anne Wright

Central Jersey Legal Services

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Dolores Turchin
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Richard W. Bennett
Mary Dryer
Edith Edelson
Florine Magee
Roosevelt Moses
Arthur Miller
Marcia Ordyngeu
Ada Rodriguez
Jack Wysoker
E. Ronald Wright
Irma Young
Ann Mufson
Patricia Breuninger
Mrs. Feinswog
Olga Szewczyk
Renee Anthony
Scott Fairman
Linda Ball
Jane McHugh
Jacalyn Anthony
C. Tiffinie Smith
Mercedes Moore
J. Stewart Husid
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Northeast New Jersey Legal Services

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Lois Burke
Adrian Castellanos
David Morris
Paul Becker
Delores Mooney

Legal Services of New Jersey

Mike Cole
Harris David
Robert Del Tufo
David Gallagher
Bill Hardin
Ed Mitchell
Andrea Sabat
Kathryn Stoppello
Louisa West
Paul Wilson

South Jersey Legal Services

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Richard Alten
Maryanne Kane
Earlene Thompson
Charles Russell
Sabine Schipper
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