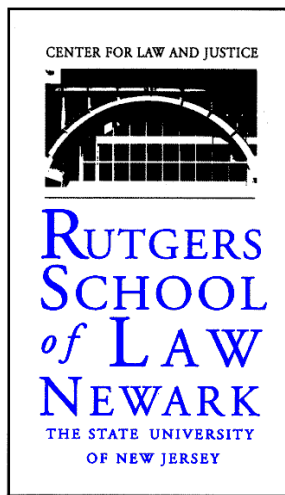


RUTGERS LAW SCHOOL NEWS

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Elizabeth Antonakakis Appointed Director of Career Services

Elizabeth Antonakakis has joined Rutgers School of Law-Newark as Director of Career Services.

Antonakakis graduated *summa cum laude* from Syracuse University with a B.A. in anthropology and psychology. She earned her J.D. from Emory University School of Law in 1998, where she was a Dean's Research and Writing Teaching Fellow; director-in-chief of the Moot Court Society; winner of the James C. Pratt Memorial Award for Most Outstanding Moot Court Society member; and winner of the Association of Women Lawyers Award for Outstanding Woman Law Graduate. After graduation, she practiced law for two years at Nixon Peabody LLP, New York. Antonakakis joined the staff of Emory Law

School in 2000 as Assistant Dean for Student Affairs and was promoted to Executive Assistant Dean for Student Affairs after one year.

In announcing the appointment, Stuart L. Deutsch, Dean and Professor of Law, said: "Despite an increasingly competitive job market, Rutgers students continue to be recruited for top judicial clerkships, private practice jobs and careers in public interest. We're confident that Elizabeth and her hard-working staff in the Office of Career Services will develop even more effective strategies for assisting our students in developing career goals and finding employment." Her appointment was reported in the Jan. 20 *New Jersey Lawyer* and the Jan. 24 *Star-Ledger*.



Elizabeth Antonakakis

Catherine Hanssens Joins Women and AIDS Clinic

Catherine Hanssens, a nationally-recognized expert on legal issues related to AIDS and HIV infection, has been appointed a Visiting Assistant Clinical Professor and the New Jersey Bar Foundation Fellow in the Women and AIDS Clinic for the spring semester. A graduate of Northeastern Law School, Hanssens has her own consulting business working primarily with AIDS legal projects. From 1994 until September of last year, she headed the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund AIDS project. She also has been a staff attorney with the Pennsylvania AIDS Law Project, an attorney with a small law firm, Acting Executive Director of the National Abortion Rights Action League in New Jersey, and a staff attorney in the Office of Inmate Advocacy of the New Jersey Public Advocate.

FACULTY NOTES

Professor Frank Askin was a panelist for the Jan. 14 ICLE program on "Election Law and the Election Process," held at the New Jersey Law Center in New Brunswick.

A paper entitled "The Populism of Justice Byron R. White: Media Cases and Beyond" was presented by **Professor Bernard Bell** at the 10th Ira C. Rothberger, Jr. Conference. The conference, "Justice White and the Exercise of Judicial Power," was sponsored by the Byron R.

White Center for the Study of American Constitutional Law at the University of Colorado Law School on Jan. 24.

Assistant Professor Karima Bennoune has been appointed to the advisory board of the Center for the Study of Terrorism, an interdisciplinary endeavor of three Rutgers-Newark units: The School of Law, the School of Criminal Justice, and the Center for Global Change and Governance. The Center for the Study of Terrorism is sponsoring a Feb. 13-14 conference on “Technology and Terrorism: Preparation and Response.” Bennoune’s presentation on “Terrorism and Human Rights: In the Wake of September 11” has been published in the just-released fall 2001 Michigan State University-Detroit College of Law *Journal of International Law* symposium on terrorism. Bennoune spoke at a Jan. 11-12 student/community-organized conference at the University of Michigan Law School entitled “Stop the War: Understanding and Confronting America’s Conflict With Iraq.”

“U.S. Taxation of Shipping: Anchored to a Flawed Policy” by **Professor Cynthia Blum** was published in the October 2002 issue of the *Journal of Maritime Law and Commerce*.

“The Reality of Intentional Job Discrimination in Metropolitan America – 1999,” authored by **Professor Emeritus Al Blumrosen** and **Adjunct Professor Ruth Blumrosen** and funded by the Ford Foundation, was the subject of a presentation by the Blumrosens at the NAACP annual meeting. The study, which found that intentional employment discrimination against women and minorities remains widespread, is available at <http://law.newark.rutgers.edu/blumrosen-eeo.html>. Recent media coverage of the study includes the Dec. 22 *Commercial Appeal*.

Dean Stuart L. Deutsch is co-chair of the annual Dean’s Workshop sponsored by the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar of the American Bar Association, which will be held in Seattle in early February during the ABA midyear meeting. Deutsch also is scheduled to speak in March at “Bricks, Bytes and Continuous Renovation,” the ABA Law School Facilities Conference that will take place at Suffolk University Law School.

“The Casebook and Beyond: Incorporating Pluralistic Visions of Trusts and Estates” was the title of a Jan. 5 program chaired by **Professor Tanya Hernandez** at the AALS annual meeting. Hernandez is chair of the Section on Donative Transfers. Hernandez has scheduled the following speaking engagements: March 2, paper presentation on “Sociology and Anti-Discrimination Litigation: Can Lessons From the U.S. Experience be Applied to the Issue of Racial Exclusion in Latin America?” at the Eastern Sociological Society meeting in Philadelphia; March 14, panel commentator for the *Louisiana State University Law Review* Civil Rights Symposium; March 19, paper presentation “Cross-Cultural Approaches to Death and Inheritance” at the University of Puerto Rico; March 24, paper presentation on “The Intersectionality of Lived Experience and Anti-Discrimination Empirical Research” at the American Bar Foundation conference “Rights and Realities: Legal and Social Scientific Approaches to Employment Discrimination,” to be held at Stanford Law School; March 28, paper presentation on “The Influence of Race Ideology on Anti-Discrimination Litigation” at the Latin American Studies Association Annual Conference in Dallas.

Professor Jonathan Hyman participated in the day-long Workshop on Dispute Resolution held during the AALS annual meeting earlier this month. He was a panelist on “Teaching the Law in ADR Courses.” Hyman is chair of a committee of the Dispute Resolution Section of the New Jersey State Bar Association that has been studying the proposed Uniform Mediation Act. The committee has prepared a report endorsing adoption of the Act, with some minor changes.

Clinical Professors Robert Holmes and **Randi Mandelbaum** are scheduled to speak at the conference “Promoting Justice Through Interdisciplinary Teaching, Practice, and Scholarship,” to be held at Washington University School of Law on March 13-15. Holmes, Director of the Community Law Clinic and Deputy Director of the Clinical Program, will participate in the plenary session on “Existing Models of Interdisciplinary Teaching and Practice.” Mandelbaum, Director of the Child Advocacy Clinic, will discuss “Designing an Interdisciplinary Program.”

Professor Yzacheslav Yablokov from the legal clinic at Russia’s Samara State University is spending the spring semester working with **Clinical Professor** and **Eric Neisser Public Interest Program Director Marcia Levy** in the **Urban Legal Clinic**. The visit is part of the Neisser Program’s international exchange with three “sister” schools in Samara. Levy was elected treasurer of the AALS Section on Pro Bono and Public Service Opportunities.

The impact of the USA Patriot Act on academic institutions was discussed by **Associate Dean Carol Roehrenbeck** at the Jan. 16 panel conference in Old Bridge on “Privacy in Libraries: Library Records Post 9/11” sponsored by the New Jersey Library Association. Ann Beeson of the ACLU’s Technology and Liberty Program was the featured speaker. Other panelists included Rutgers Law School alums Grayson Barber ’91 and Lynn Miller ’90.

Professor George Thomas will present a paper at the Feb 21 symposium, “The Permissibility of Race or Ethnicity as a Factor in Assessing the Reasonableness of a Search or Seizure,” sponsored by the National Center for Justice and the Rule of Law, University of Mississippi School of Law.

Clinical Professor Penny Venetis has been named chair of the Litigation Group of the U.S. Human Rights Network. On Jan. 31, Venetis will make a presentation at Columbia Law School’s Human Rights Institute on international human rights litigation in U.S. courts. On Feb. 22, she will speak about using international human rights law in U.S. courts at the Yale Law School Rebellious Lawyering Conference. The Impact Fund, a foundation that funds impact litigation, has awarded Venetis a grant to cover traveling expenses related to a nationwide class-action international human rights lawsuit.

STAFF & STUDENT NEWS

Assistant Dean Kenneth Padilla ’95 was endorsed by the Bronx (NY) Democratic Party organization for a vacant seat on the New York City Council. Padilla is a Democratic district leader in the South Bronx. The *New York Times* (Jan. 6) covered the upcoming special election for the City Council seat.

RUTGERS-NEWARK LAW IN THE NEWS

Dean Stuart L. Deutsch was quoted in a front-page *New York Times* (Dec. 16) article about Rutgers' participation in the Consortium of Community Legal Resource Networks, a group of law schools that is trying to help alumni develop economically successful small and solo community-based law practices that serve low and moderate income clients. A January 2003 *ABA Journal* article about the consortium notes Rutgers' membership.

Dean Deutsch's comments on the structuring of admissions policies to achieve diversity were featured in the Jan. 24 *ABA Journal eReport*.

The Jan. 13 *Record* carried a front-page article on the law school's admissions policy. **Dean Stuart L. Deutsch, Professor Paul Tractenberg**, and first-year students **Oris Bryant** and **Regina Stefanelli** were quoted. The article ran on the Knight-Ridder Tribune newswire as well.

The *Courier News* (Dec. 22) interviewed **Professor Frank Askin** concerning the display of religious displays on public property. The *Record* (Jan. 5) included an Askin comment on a lawsuit against the state police by one of the defendants whose cases were dismissed because their arrests involved racial profiling. Askin was interviewed extensively on New Jersey radio and by the *Daily Targum* (Jan. 23) in connection with the 30th anniversary of the *Roe v. Wade* decision. Askin and his wife **Adjunct Professor Marilyn Askin** are profiled as one of New Jersey's "power couples" in the February 2003 issue of *New Jersey Monthly*, which is online at <http://www.njmonthly.com/issues/Feb03/power.html>.

The Associated Press (Dec. 25) reported that the New Jersey Supreme Court agreed to hear the **Environmental Law Clinic's** challenge to regulations that allow the expansion of commercial cranberry growing operations in the Pinelands. The Clinic will argue the case on behalf of 10 state and national environmental groups. The Dec. 26 *New York Times* carried an article about the lawsuit. **Acting Clinic Director Tom Borden** was quoted: in a Jan. 5 *Courier News* article about the impact of a special master's findings in a civil suit that a proposed housing development; in the *Star-Ledger* (Jan. 13) on Clinic plans to respond to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's request for suggested waterways to receive Category I protection; and in the *Asbury Park Press* (Jan. 16) on Governor McGreevey's proposal to allow towns to impose one-year building moratoriums. The *Star-Ledger* (Jan. 9) quoted **Visiting Assistant Clinical Professor Carter Strickland Jr.** in an article about action taken by federal prosecutors against a New Jersey beach town that has failed to protect a threatened species. The *Asbury Park Press* talked to **Visiting Assistant Clinical Professor Judith Weinstock** about environmentalists' concerns with remediation efforts at a former coal plant site.

A Jan. 20 *New Jersey Law Journal* article on the job prospects for 2003 graduates featured comments by **Associate Dean Fran Bouchoux '87**.

Associate Dean Ronald Chen '83 participated in a discussion on NJN's "Due Process" show about the 9th Circuit Court finding that the "under God" line in the Pledge of Allegiance is unconstitutional. The show aired Jan. 15 and 19.

The Jan. 10-16 issue of *Gay City News* profiled **Assistant Professor Suzanne Goldberg** and the argument presented in her paper “Equality Without Tiers,” which was recently honored by the Association of American Law Schools as the Best Scholarly Paper. Goldberg, who is director of the **Women’s Rights Litigation Clinic**, presented the highlights of her paper on Jan. 4 during the AALS annual meeting in Washington, DC. She was quoted in a Jan. 22 *Asbury Park Press* article about *Roe v. Wade* and the current judicial climate.

The *Star-Ledger* (Jan. 24) quoted **Professor Jonathan Hyman** about a judge’s decision to overrule an arbitrator’s award in an insurance fraud case.

A Dec. 23 *New Jersey Law Journal* article on the report of the New Jersey Supreme Court Commission on the Rules of Professional Conduct featured comments by Commission member **Professor John Leubsdorf** regarding proposed revisions to restrictions on attorney advertising and public comment.

The winter 2003 issue of *Rutgers Magazine* devotes four pages to a profile of the work of **Clinical Professor Randi Mandelbaum** and the **Child Advocacy Clinic**. The online version of the article can be found at <http://ur.rutgers.edu/magazine/stand.html>.

Comments by **Professor George Thomas** were included in a *Record* (Jan. 8) article about an appellate court’s decision to reverse a jury’s guilty verdict in a drug case.

Professor Paul Tractenberg was quoted in a Jan. 16 *Record* article about the Bush administration’s challenge to the University of Michigan’s admissions policy.

EVENTS

The **Eric Neisser Public Interest Program** presented several programs for Rutgers students during the week of Jan. 20:

- Alma Yee ’79 of the Community Health Law Project talked about her work in the area of health care law.
- Merim Japarova, a law student in Kyrgyzstan, presented her ABA CEELI award-winning paper, “Democracy, Violation of Rural Women’s Human Rights and Revival of Old Traditions.” The presentation was followed by a discussion on the role of the rule of law in addressing gender-based discrimination in emerging democracies of Central/Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union. The event was co-sponsored by the *Women’s Rights Law Reporter*. During her visit to Rutgers, Japarova also attended classes and court proceedings.
 - In the first “afternoon tea” designed to expose students to the public interest activities of faculty, **Professor Alan Hyde** discussed Association for Union Democracy litigation. Hyde is an AUD board member.
 - The Association of Latin American Law Students held the sixth annual Fiesta Con Sabor.

The **Association of Black Law Students** will hold “Jazz for Justice” on Thursday, Feb. 20, at the Van Vleck House & Gardens, Montclair.



Pnina Lahav

On Friday, Feb. 21, the law school will present **Professor Pnina Lahav, Boston University School of Law**, in a lecture cosponsored by the Allen and Joan Bildner Center for the Study of Jewish Life. Her topic is “Democracy in the Balance: Security and Justice in the Israeli Courts.” Professor Lahav, who teaches constitutional law, political and civil liberties, and comparative law, is the author of numerous journal articles and books, including the award-winning book “Judgment in Jerusalem: Chief Justice Simon Agranat and the Zionist Century.”

The annual auction sponsored by the student-run **Public Interest Law Foundation (PILF)** to help defray costs for Rutgers law students who work in summer public interest jobs will be held on Thursday, March 6.

The **Minority Student Program** will celebrate its 35th anniversary on Thursday, April 10, with a dinner at Mayfair Farms, West Orange. For more information, contact Assistant Dean Ken Padilla at 973-353-5644 or kpadilla@kinoy.rutgers.edu.

The **Honorable Julio M. Fuentes**, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, will deliver the 21st Annual Weintraub Lecture on Thursday, April 24, in the school’s Baker Trial Courtroom. The lecture will be followed by the Alumni Judges Dinner. For more information, contact senior alumni relations officer Evie Task at 973-353-1617 or alumnimail@kinoy.rutgers.edu.