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LEGAL AID SOCIETY'S 25TH ANNUAL PRO BONO RECOGNITION EVENING & AUCTION SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2013

ORDER OF THE EVENING

Hallway entertainment provided by students of the Dreyfoos School of the Arts

6:00 pm: Silent Auction, Hors d'Oeuvres, Cash Bar

8:00 pm: Buffet Dinner & Dessert

9:00 pm: Awards Ceremony

Emcees: Mariano Garcia & Michelle Suskauer

10:00 pm: Auction Pickup Begins

Entertainment: Carl Spagnuolo, pianist

Talia Suskauer, soloist

Program Booklet graciously sponsored by Melanie Harris of Douglas Elliman



Co-Chairs: Jennifer & Gary Lesser and Hampton & Joette Keen

Gary Lesser is the Managing Partner in the law firm of Lesser, Lesser, Landy & Smith, PLLC. **Jennifer Lesser** is an attorney and a community philanthropist, serving on many charitable boards, most recently serving as Co-Chair for the No Excuse for Abuse event. Gary and Jennifer are the parents of three daughters. Gary is on the Board of Governors of the Florida Bar, and also serves on the Board of the FAU Foundation, the Jewish Federation of Palm Beach County and the Young Singers of the Palm Beaches Foundation. Jennifer is on the Board of Directors of the Alpert Jewish Family & Children's Service and the Board of the Jewish Federation of Palm Beach County as well as the Federation's Executive Committee for Women's Philanthropy.

Joette Keen is an attorney, artist and historic preservation activist. **Hampton Keen** is a partner in the law firm of Clark, Fountain, LaVista, Prather, Keen & Littky-Rubin LLP. Hampton and Joette have three lovely children. Hampton is on the Board of Directors of the Legal Aid Society and before attending law school worked at an alternative school for troubled teens. Hampton was cited in Florida Trend for his spear fishing expertise. Joette has helped to raise funds for the Historical Society of Palm Beach County and the Palm Beach Public School Orchestral String Foundation. Joette was instrumental in saving The Stambaugh Cottage, the pioneer home of her great grandparents. Both couples are committed to the mission of the Legal Aid Society.

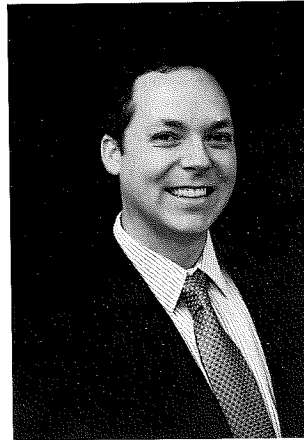
2013 PRO BONO AWARD WINNERS

And Justice For All Award **KAI LI FOUTS, ESQ.**



Kai Li Fouts is a partner in the law firm of Eisenberg & Fouts, P.A. Kai Li practices exclusively in the area of criminal defense. She graduated from the University of Wisconsin Madison with a B.A. Degree and graduated law school at Syracuse University. After graduation from law school, she worked at the Office of the Public Defender in Palm Beach County. Kai Li has served on the Board of the Palm Beach County Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers and as a member of the Palm Beach County Criminal Justice Commission. She has previously served as an Officer of the Craig S. Barnard, American Inn of Court LIV. Currently, she serves as a Florida Bar appointed attorney member of the Fifteenth Circuit Unlicensed Practice of Law Committee. Kai Li was nominated for this award by Alan Johnson for her diligence and hard work in presenting ethics complaints to the Palm Beach County Commission on Ethics (COE). The work involves reviewing investigative reports, determining probable cause, presenting probable cause recommendations, negotiating and presenting settlement agreements, and participating in all aspects of discovery for final hearings. Kai Li handled two high profile cases in 2012 involving elected officials. She is the only volunteer advocate to have handled two cases to date. Both cases involved probable cause determinations and hearings before the COE. Her diligence and outstanding demeanor has garnered much praise by all parties and the commission. In addition to her work with the COE, Kai Li has been on the Pro Bono Panel at Legal Aid for over 10 years and has expended over 150 hours representing numerous children in the delinquency system. For her long standing commitment to pro bono work in Palm Beach County Kai Li is the deserving recipient of the And Justice for All Award.

Bankruptcy Law Award **KALEB BELL, ESQ.**



Kaleb Bell is an associate with Rosen & Winig, P.A. in Palm Beach Gardens. He practices in the areas of bankruptcy and creditors' rights, out-of-court debt restructuring, assignments for the benefit of creditors and business litigation. Kaleb represents debtors and secured and unsecured creditors in all phases of bankruptcy proceedings under chapters 7, 11 and 13 of the Bankruptcy Code. Kaleb is a member of the Palm Beach County Bar Association and serves as a member of the Lawyers for Literacy committee and the Bankruptcy CLE committee. He is also a member of the Bankruptcy Bar Association of the Southern District of Florida. Kaleb earned his undergraduate degree at the University of Florida, where he majored in finance. Kaleb also earned his law degree from the University of Florida, where he volunteered his time at Three Rivers Legal Services and the Law School Mentoring Project. Kaleb is being honored for his representation of the Homeowners Association assisted by the Ciklin firm. Kaleb, with assistance from attorney Eric Rosen, represented the Association which had approximately \$400,000.00 in debt. Kaleb was able to create a bankruptcy plan that was approved by the Bankruptcy Court and which the Association is now making payments on to its creditors. Kaleb expended over 200 hours in representation of the Association in the bankruptcy proceedings. In addition, Kaleb runs the Pro Se Bankruptcy clinic conducted monthly in West Palm Beach by the Bankruptcy Bar Association of the Southern District of Florida. For the dedication of his time and expertise in assisting those in need Kaleb Bell is the worthy recipient of the Bankruptcy Law Award.