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Nan Aron

President, Alliance for Justice and AFJ Action Campaign

Nan Aron is the President of the Alliance for Justice (AFJ), a national association of public interest and consumer rights organizations, and its partner advocacy organization, the Alliance for Justice Action Campaign (AFJAC). Aron founded AFJ in 1979 and continues to guide the organization in its mission to advance the cause of justice for all Americans, strengthen the public interest community's influence on national policy, and foster the next generation of advocates. In 1985, she founded AFJ's Judicial Selection Project, a leading voice in the efforts to achieve a fair and independent judiciary and a regular participant in the often-controversial judicial nominations process. For the last decade, AFJ has produced films to help educate the public about social justice issues and expose students to careers in public interest advocacy; in 2010, "Crude Justice" examined the effects of the Deep Horizon oil spill. Aron is a frequent speaker at universities, law schools, corporations, nonprofits, and foundations, and her writing has appeared in publications such as The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, The Washington Post, USA Today, and Vanity Fair.

Samuel Bagenstos

Deputy Assistant Attorney General, U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division

Samuel Bagenstos is Deputy Assistant Attorney General for the U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division. To do so, Bagenstos has taken a leave from the University of Michigan Law School, where he writes and teaches about the substance and enforcement of civil rights law, both constitutional and statutory. Prior to joining the Michigan Law faculty, Bagenstos was a professor of law, and from 2007 to 2008 and Associate Dean for Research and Faculty Development at Washington University School of Law. He has been on the faculty of Harvard Law School, and was a visiting professor at UCLA School of Law. Bagenstos clerked for Judge Stephen Reinhardt on the Ninth Circuit, then joined the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Department of Justice, and served thereafter as a law clerk for Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg of the U.S. Supreme Court. In 1993, Bagenstos earned his J.D., *magna cum laude*, from Harvard, where he received the Fay Diploma and was Articles Office Co-Chair for the *Harvard Law Review*.

Victor Bolden

Corporation Counsel, City of New Haven

Victor A. Bolden serves as the chief legal advisor of and attorney for the City of New Haven, its officers, and departments. He previously served as the General Counsel for the NAACP Legal Defense & Educational Fund, Inc. (LDF), and practiced with the law firm of Wiggin and Dana LLP. He also worked at the American Civil Liberties Union Foundation's National Legal Department, first as a Marvin Karparkin Fellow and then as a staff attorney from 1989 to 1994. From 1992 to 2000, Bolden was an Adjunct Professor at New York Law School, where he taught a constitutional law seminar on the issues of race and poverty. He also has taught in South Africa and Brazil. Bolden is a Co-Chair of the American Bar Association's Section of Litigation's Amicus Curiae Committee and has served as Co-Chair of that Section's Trial Practice Committee, Appellate Practice Committee, and as a member of its Federal Practice Task Force and Content

Management Committee.. He is also a past Commissioner of the City of New Haven's Commission on Equal Opportunities and a past Chair of the Board of the International Center of New Haven. Bolden is a 1986 graduate of Columbia College , where he was a John Lewis Scholar and the recipient of the Leonard A. Pullman Memorial Prize, the Milch Prize and the Brod Room Prize, and a 1989 graduate of Harvard Law School, where he received the Irving Oberman Memorial Award for legal writing.

Lisa Daugaard

Liman Fellow 1998-99; Deputy Director, The Defender Association; Supervisor, Racial Disparity Project

Lisa Daugaard is Deputy Director of The Defender Association. She supervises the Racial Disparity Project, which works to reduce racial bias in the criminal justice system; she launched the Project as a Liman Fellow in 1998. Since 2001, the project has focused on racial disparity in Seattle drug arrests, and since 2005, it has worked to develop a pre-booking, community-based diversion model for low-level drug suspects, including dealers. Since joining The Defender Association in 1996, Daugaard has represented individuals facing criminal charges and from 2002-2006, she supervised its misdemeanor division. Prior to becoming a public defender, Daugaard was Legal Director of the Coalition for the Homeless and directed a related program at the Urban Justice Center in New York City; and was a fellow at the ACLU National Legal Department, where she helped to coordinate the successful campaign and litigation to shut down the internment camp for HIV+ Haitian refugees at Guantanamo Bay Naval Base. Daugaard graduated from the University of Washington in 1983, Cornell University in 1987 (M.A., Government), and Yale Law School in 1995.

Fiona Doherty

Liman Senior Fellow in Residence and Clinical Lecturer in Law, Yale Law School

Fiona Doherty is the Liman Senior Fellow in Residence and Clinical Lecturer in Law at Yale Law School. From 2005-2010, she was an Assistant Federal Defender with the Federal Defenders of New York and defended clients in criminal cases ranging from drug conspiracies to immigration fraud to piracy charges. Doherty previously served as Senior Counsel at Human Rights First, where she worked on post-9/11 detention issues, including the detention of U.S. citizens as enemy combatants and the treatment of U.S. detainees in Guantánamo, Afghanistan, and Iraq. Doherty received her J.D. from Yale Law School in 1999 and clerked for the Honorable Martha Craig Daughtrey on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit. She then received a Bernstein Fellowship to work with the Committee on the Administration of Justice in Northern Ireland, where she focused on cases involving the targeting of defense lawyers during the conflict.

Elizabeth Esty

Senior Research Scholar in Law and Elected Official

Elizabeth Esty is a senior research scholar in law at Yale Law School and exploring a run for an open seat in the U.S. Congress for 2012. Esty served from 2008 – 2010 as State Representative for Connecticut's 103rd District and sat on the Appropriations Committee, the Energy and Technology Committee, and the Public Health Committee. She lost a very close re-election bid in 2010 over her support for abolishing the death penalty. Prior to her service in the state House of Representatives she was elected to two terms on the local town council. Esty clerked for Federal District Judge Robert Keeton in Boston, and was an associate at Sidley & Austin in Washington, DC for 4 years, specializing in Supreme Court appellate litigation and representation of medical organizations including the AMA. She has been a guest lecturer at Georgetown University, an adjunct professor at American University, and a consultant with several organizations, including the Carnegie Commission on Science, Technology, and Government, and the Robert Wood Johnson Program at Yale. She received her A.B. in Government from Harvard in 1981, studied at the Institut d'Etudes Politiques as a Rotary International Scholar in 1982, and earned her J.D. from Yale in 1985.

Jamie Fellner

Senior Counsel, U.S. Program of Human Rights Watch

Jamie Fellner is Senior Counsel at the U.S. Program of Human Rights Watch, where, using a human rights framework, she does research and advocacy on U.S. criminal justice issues. Fellner's focus is on conditions of confinement in U.S. prisons – including the treatment of inmates with mental illness, rape in prison, and supermaximum security confinement—and on racial disparities in the U.S. criminal justice system. In 2004, Fellner was appointed as a commissioner on the National Prison Rape Elimination Commission, which published its report and proposed standards in 2009. She has authored numerous reports and articles – such as *Decades of Disparity: Drug Arrests and Race in the United States* (March 2009) and *The Price of Freedom: Bail and Pretrial Detention of Low Income Nonfelony Defendants in New York City* (2010) – addressing human rights problems in the United States. Her work has been covered extensively by U.S. and international media, she has appeared on many television and radio shows, and her op-eds and letters to the editor have been published in the *New York Times*, the *Los Angeles Times*, and *The Huffington Post*, among others.

The Honorable Nancy Gertner

U.S. District Judge, U.S. District Court, District of Connecticut

The Honorable Nancy Gertner has served since 1994 as a federal district judge in Boston. Since 2000, Judge Gertner has co-taught courses on sentencing at Yale Law School and has recently been appointed to join Harvard Law School's faculty in the fall of 2011. Gertner, a graduate of Barnard College (B.A. 1967), of Yale University (M.A. Pol. Science, 1971), and of Yale Law School (J.D. 1971), where she was an editor on *The Yale Law Journal*. She is on the advisory board of the American Bar Association – Central European and Eurasian Law Initiative (ABA - CEELI) and has participated in numerous educational and reform initiatives in the former Soviet Union, Turkey, Israel, China, Cambodia and Liberia. In 2008, Gertner received the Thurgood Marshall Award from the American Bar Association, Section of Individual Rights and Responsibilities, for both her career as a lawyer and as a judge, and has received numerous other awards and honorary degrees. She has published numbers of articles and book chapters on sentencing, discrimination law, forensic evidence, women's rights and the jury system. Her upcoming memoir, "In Defense of Women: Memoirs of an Unrepentant Advocate," will be released in April, 2011.

Lucas Guttentag

Robina Foundation Distinguished Senior Fellow in Residence and Lecturer in Law, Yale Law School

Lucas Guttentag is Robina Foundation Distinguished Senior Fellow in Residence and Lecturer in Law at Yale Law School. He was the founding national Director of the Immigrants' Rights Project of the American Civil Liberties Union Foundation, which he established in 1985 and directed for twenty-five years. Guttentag has litigated class action and constitutional cases to advance the rights of immigrants and refugees in federal courts throughout the United States for more than thirty years. He argued *INS v. St. Cyr* in the Supreme Court to enforce the habeas corpus rights of immigrants facing deportation. Guttentag is a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation and recipient of many litigation and achievement awards from national and community-based organizations. At Yale, Guttentag teaches courses on immigration law, immigrants' rights and constitutional impact litigation. He clerked for federal judge William Wayne Justice in Texas and has taught at the University of California Berkeley (Boalt Hall), Stanford and Columbia law schools. He received his AB with honors from UC Berkeley and his JD *cum laude* from Harvard Law School.

Douglas Kysar

Joseph M. Field '55 Professor of Law, Yale Law School

Douglas Kysar is Joseph M. Field '55 Professor of Law at Yale Law School. His teaching and research areas include torts, environmental law, and risk regulation. He received his B.A. *summa cum laude* from Indiana University in 1995 and his J.D. *magna cum laude* from Harvard Law School in 1998 where he served on the student board of advisors. He has published articles on a wide array of environmental law and tort law topics, and is co-author of a leading casebook, *The Torts Process*, with James A. Henderson, Jr., Richard N. Pearson & John A. Siliciano. His recent book, *Regulating from*

Nowhere: Environmental Law and the Search for Objectivity (YUP 2010), seeks to reinvigorate environmental law and policy by offering novel theoretical insights on cost-benefit analysis, the precautionary principle, and sustainable development.

Sonia Kumar

Liman Fellow 2008-09, ACLU of Maryland

Sonia Kumar is a Liman Fellow at the ACLU of Maryland, where she directs the Juvenile Justice Initiative. She works with incarcerated girls and other advocates to reduce gender disparities in juvenile justice services and programs in Maryland. Working with girls at the Waxter Juvenile Facility, Kumar produced a report, *“When Caged Birds Sing,”* that described gender disparities in the juvenile detention system in the girls’ own words. Kumar has also testified and lobbied for a bill that would provide gender parity as well as alternatives to detention. While at Yale Law School, Kumar worked on issues relating to the rights of incarcerated persons. Kumar clerked for Judge Myron H. Thompson in the District Court for the Middle District of Alabama. She is a graduate of the University of Maryland and Yale Law School.

Michael Lawlor

Undersecretary for Criminal Justice Policy and Planning, State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management

Mike Lawlor became Undersecretary for Criminal Justice Policy and Planning on January 5, 2011. He is on a leave of absence as a tenured Associate Professor of Criminal Justice in the Henry C. Lee College of Criminal Justice and Forensic Sciences at the University of New Haven. Prior to his appointment, Lawlor served twelve terms as a member of the Connecticut House of Representatives and served as chairman of the Judiciary Committee; legislative priorities included gun control laws, domestic violence laws, reforms to the juvenile justice system, racial disparities in the criminal justice system, recidivism, and prison overcrowding. Lawlor is a member of the Board of Directors for the Council of State Governments Justice Center and was chairman of the Criminal Justice/Mental Health Consensus Project, an associate with the State Sentencing and Corrections Program at the Vera Institute of Justice, and a member of The Center for Sex Offender Management National Resource Group of the U.S. Department of Justice. Lawlor has a B.A. from the University of Connecticut, an M.A. from the University of London, and a J.D. from George Washington University School of Law.

Eliza Leighton

Director of Strategic Initiatives, CASA de Maryland

Eliza Leighton is the Director of Strategic Initiatives at CASA de Maryland, Maryland’s largest immigrant rights organization, where she designs and manages organization-wide programs and specializes in a range of policy issues. Prior to joining CASA, Leighton’s work focused on issues affecting children and families. She is the Co-Founder and was the Deputy Director of Stand for Children, a national citizens’ voice for children and originally an affiliate of the Children’s Defense Fund. Additionally, Leighton worked at the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund and Connecticut Voices for Children. She sits on a number of nonprofit and government boards and committees. Leighton is a graduate of Wesleyan University and Yale Law School.

Lewis Liman

Partner, Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP

Lewis Liman’s practice focuses on complex commercial litigation, including securities class action lawsuits and white-collar defense matters. He frequently handles cases in Federal or state court or involving the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, the U.S. Department of Justice, the New York Attorney General or industry self-regulatory organizations. He is a Director of the Legal Aid Society. Liman received a J.D. from Yale Law School in 1987, a M.Sc. in Economics, with distinction, from the London School of Economics in 1983, and an undergraduate degree, *magna cum laude*, from Harvard University in 1983. Liman served as a law clerk to the Honorable Pierre N. Leval, of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York, and to Justice John Paul Stevens of the U.S. Supreme Court. Liman worked

for over five years as an Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of New York, during which time he was appointed Deputy Chief Appellate Attorney.

Joanne Lin

Legislative Counsel, ACLU Washington Legislative Office

Joanne Lin has been a legislative counsel with the American Civil Liberties Union Washington Legislative Office since September 2007. She works with Congress and executive agencies on immigration and human rights issues including racial profiling, state and local immigration enforcement, access to higher education, and immigration detention conditions. Prior to joining the ACLU, Lin directed immigration policy at Legal Momentum's Immigrant Women Program in Washington, D.C. and was a principal drafter and negotiator of the immigration provisions of the Violence Against Women Act of 2005. Prior to that, she practiced immigration law at Van Der Hout, Brigagliano & Nightingale and represented low-income families at Bay Area Legal Aid. Lin clerked for the Honorable Shirley S. Abrahamson, Chief Justice of the Wisconsin Supreme Court. She earned her J.D. from the New York University School of Law, M.A. from the Stanford School of Education and B.A. from Stanford University.

Anita Marton

Vice President, Legal Action Center

Anita R. Marton is Vice President of the Legal Action Center, a public interest law firm specializing in legal and policy issues concerning addiction, AIDS, and the criminal justice system. Since joining the Center in 1988, she has provided training, policy assistance and legal services on subjects such as the collateral consequences for people with criminal convictions and the reform of New York's Rockefeller Drug laws. Marton has lectured nationwide, testified before numerous legislative committees, authored a number of publications, and served on numerous city, state and federal advisory panels. Before joining the Center, Marton was a staff attorney with the Legal Aid Society's Criminal Defense Division and Criminal Appeals Bureau. She has a law degree from Northeastern University and a B.A. from Brandeis University.

Tracey Meares

Deputy Dean and Walton Hale Hamilton Professor of Law

Tracey Meares is Deputy Dean and Walton Hale Hamilton Professor of Law at Yale Law School. She received her B.S. in General Engineering from the University of Illinois and her J.D. from the University of Chicago Law School. Upon graduation, Meares clerked for Judge Harlington Wood, Jr. of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, then served as an Honors Program Trial Attorney in the Antitrust Division in the United States Department of Justice, before joining the University of Chicago law faculty in 1994. Her research and teaching interests center on criminal procedure and criminal law policy, with a particular emphasis on empirical investigation of these subjects.

Hope Metcalf

Director, Liman Public Interest Program and Clinical Lecturer in Law, Yale Law School

Hope Metcalf is Director of the Arthur Liman Public Interest Program. She formerly directed the National Litigation Project of the Allard K. Lowenstein International Human Rights Clinic, formed in 2002 to address the effects of counterterrorism policies on human rights, and co-counsels habeas actions for detainees at Bagram Prison in Afghanistan and damages actions for torture survivors. She now teaches a clinic on prisoners' rights in the United States; current research interests include prisoners' rights (especially solitary confinement), access to courts for torture survivors and other human rights victims, accountability for state actors, and using human rights laws and strategies domestically. Metcalf is a graduate of Yale University and New York University School of Law and clerked for the Honorable Justice Virginia Long of the New Jersey Supreme Court.

Dennis Parker

Director, ACLU Racial Justice Program

Dennis D. Parker is the Director of the ACLU National Office's Racial Justice Program (RJP), which seeks to remove barriers to equal opportunity for communities of color through litigation, public education, community organizing, and legislation. Prior to joining the ACLU, Parker was the Chief of the Civil Rights Bureau of the Office of the New York State Attorney. He also worked for fourteen years at the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund litigating scores of cases involving elementary and secondary education, affirmative action in higher education, and equal educational opportunity. Other positions included work at the employment firm of Vladeck, Waldman, Elias and Engelhardt and at the New York Legal Aid Society, Criminal Defense Division in Brooklyn, New York. He has published a book and numerous chapters and articles on a range of civil rights issues including housing discrimination, educational equity, affirmative action, and testing. Parker lectures extensively on civil rights issues and is an adjunct professor at New York Law School. He is a graduate of Middlebury College and Harvard Law School.

Benjamin Plener

Liman Fellow, 2008-09, Orleans Public Defender

As a Liman Fellow at the Orleans Public Defenders, Benjamin Plener leads the newly-created Pretrial Services Division and coordinates the pretrial track of the office's Special Litigation practice. He works for both institutional and legal reform to strengthen the rights of those arrested in New Orleans, particularly in the areas of pretrial and precharge detention. A 2008 graduate of Yale Law School, Plener studied Engineering, Math & Economics at the University of Toronto, and then International Development as a Commonwealth Scholar at the London School of Economics.

Judith Resnik

Founding Director and Arthur Liman Professor of Law, Yale Law School

Judith Resnik is the Arthur Liman Professor of Law at Yale Law School, where she teaches about federalism, procedure, courts, equality, and citizenship. She has also recently received an appointment for a five-year term as an Honorary Professor, Faculty of Laws, University College London. Recent publications include *Representing Justice: Invention, Controversy, and Rights in City-States and Democratic Courtrooms* (with Dennis Curtis, Yale University Press, 2011); *Detention, the War on Terror, and the Federal Courts* (Columbia Law Review, 2010); and *Migrations and Mobilities: Citizenship, Borders, and Gender* (co-edited with Seyla Benhabib, N.Y.U. Press, 2009). Professor Resnik is an occasional litigator; she recently argued *Mohawk Industries, Inc. v. Carpenter*, decided by the United States Supreme Court in December of 2009. In addition, she has many times testified before congressional and judicial committees. Professor Resnik is a Managerial Trustee of the International Association of Women Judges and has chaired the Sections on Procedure, on Federal Courts, and on Women in Legal Education of the American Association of Law Schools.

Jeffrey Robinson

Associate Director-Counsel, NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund

Jeffrey Robinson is Associate Director-Counsel responsible for the supervision of operations at the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc. (LDF). He also remains active in a range of civil rights matters through legislative and policy advocacy as well as litigation. Prior to joining LDF, Robinson was a founding partner of Baach Robinson & Lewis, PLLC, where his practice included civil litigation, civil rights matters, white collar criminal defense, and public policy advocacy. Among other cases, Robinson was one of the attorneys for Vice President Gore in the litigation over the results of the 2000 presidential election in Florida. From 1992-1996, Robinson served as Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, United States Department of Justice (OLA). Robinson also served as Principal Deputy Corporation Counsel (now "Attorney General") for the District of Columbia and as Minority Chief Counsel, United States Senate Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on the Constitution.

Margo Schlanger

Officer for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, U.S. Department of Homeland Security

Margo Schlanger has led the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties since January 2010. Schlanger is on an extended leave from her appointment as a Professor of Law at the University of Michigan; her research and teaching focus on civil rights, tort, prisons, and equal employment litigation. Schlanger was previously a Professor of Law at Washington University in St. Louis, and an Assistant Professor of Law at Harvard University. She earned her J.D. and her bachelor's degree, *magna cum laude*, from Yale University and then clerked for Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg from 1993 to 1995. A leading authority on prison litigation, she was the reporter for the American Bar Association's new Standards on the Treatment of Prisoners, served on the Vera Institute's Commission on Safety and Abuse in America's Prisons, and worked as an advisor on development of proposed national standards implementing the Prison Rape Elimination Act. As the DHS Officer for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, she has testified before Congress, chairs the Interagency Coordinating Council on Emergency Preparedness and Individuals with Disabilities, served on the first U.S. Delegation to the U.N. Universal Periodic Review, and meets with community leaders and groups across America to ensure that their perspectives regarding civil rights and homeland security are considered in the Department's policy process.

Virginia Sloan

President and Founder, The Constitution Project

Virginia E. Sloan is the President and Founder of The Constitution Project and also serves on its Board of Directors. Sloan previously served as Executive Director of the Task Force on Gender, Race and Ethnic Bias of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia. For 14 years, she was a counsel to the U.S. House Judiciary Committee, including several years as counsel to the Subcommittee on Civil and Constitutional Rights. She was a law clerk to U.S. District Court Judge William Matthew Byrne, and a Deputy Federal Public Defender in Los Angeles. Sloan is a member of the Board of Directors of the Southern Center for Human Rights and of the Mid-Atlantic Innocence Project. She served as a Council member of the ABA's Individual Rights and Responsibilities Section, and then a special counsel, for a total of 12 years, and is now the Section's Constitutional Rights Division Director and a member of the Death Penalty Moratorium Implementation Project Steering Committee. She chaired IRR's Criminal Justice Committee, which co-sponsored the successful 1999 ABA death penalty moratorium resolution. In May, 2008, Sloan was honored by the Legal Times as a "Champion," one of 30 lawyers who have had the greatest impact on the Washington legal community over the last 30 years and whose community and public service has set an example that other D.C. lawyers should follow.

Kate Stith

Lafayette S. Foster Professor of Law, Yale Law School

Kate Stith, Lafayette S. Foster Professor of Law at Yale Law School, teaches and writes in the areas of criminal law, criminal procedure, and constitutional law. Prior to joining the faculty at Yale, Stith served as an economist in the Executive Office of the President, as a special assistant to the head of the Criminal Division at the Department of Justice, and as an Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, where she prosecuted white-collar and organized-crime cases. Her book on the federal sentencing guidelines, *Fear of Judging* (with J.A. Cabranes), was awarded a Certificate of Merit by the ABA in 1999. A graduate of Dartmouth College, the Kennedy School of Government, and Harvard Law School, she clerked for Judge Carl McGowan of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia and for Supreme Court Justice Byron R. White.

Mark Templeton

Executive Director, Office of Independent Trustees for the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill Trust

Currently serving as Executive Director of the Office of Independent Trustees for the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill Trust, Mark Templeton work is to ensure that the \$20 billion pledged by British Petroleum is available to address the claims of those affected by BP's Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill in the Gulf of Mexico, as well as natural resource damage costs and

government response claims. Immediately prior, Templeton served in the cabinet of Missouri Governor Jay Nixon as Director of the Department of Natural Resources, and led the state's efforts in energy, environmental protection, state parks, and water resources. From 2005 to 2009, Templeton served as associate dean for finance and administration and chief operating officer at Yale Law School. From 2001 to 2005, Templeton worked at McKinsey & Company, a global management consultancy, with clients in the for-profit and nonprofit sectors. Prior to joining McKinsey, Templeton was special assistant and senior adviser to the U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights and Labor Harold Hongju Koh and an adviser to the U.S. Delegation to the U.N. Commission on Human Rights. As a Yale Law School Robert L. Bernstein fellow, he worked at the Human Rights Documentation Center in Bangkok. Templeton is a graduate of Harvard College and Yale Law School.

Ashbel T. Wall, II

Director, Rhode Island Department of Corrections

A.T. Wall is Director of the Rhode Island Department of Corrections, a position he has held since 2000. The Rhode Island Department of Corrections is responsible for operating the state's prisons, jails, and probation and parole supervision services. In his twelfth year as Director, Wall is the longest serving Corrections Director in the nation. He is also the President of the Association of State Correctional Administrators. Wall's career in corrections began in 1976 as a line probation officer. After his graduation from law school, he served as a prosecutor in Manhattan and then became director of a sentencing project for chronic offenders convicted by the New York City Courts. A native of Rhode Island, he returned to his home state, where he was tapped by the Director of Corrections to join the Department in 1987. Wall received a B.A. *summa cum laude* from Yale University and a J.D. from Yale Law School.

Ronald Weich

Assistant Attorney General, U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Legislative Affairs

Ron Weich was nominated by President Obama to serve as the Assistant Attorney General for Legislative Affairs in March 2009. Weich heads the office that represents the Department of Justice before Congress with respect to all legislative issues and oversight matters of concern to the Department. Weich was previously Chief Counsel to Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, whom he advised about judicial nominations, constitutional issues, and legislation concerning the administration of justice, including the Honest Leadership and Open Government Act of 2007 and the FISA Amendments Act of 2008. He earlier served as Chief Counsel to Senator Edward M. Kennedy on the Senate Judiciary Committee and as Counsel to Senator Arlen Specter. Prior to joining Senator Reid's staff in January 2005, Weich was a partner in the law firm of Zuckerman Spaeder LLP where he represented clients before Congress, courts and administrative agencies. He began his legal career as an Assistant District Attorney in New York City and later served as Special Counsel to the United States Sentencing Commission. Weich is a graduate of Columbia University and Yale Law School.

Michael Wishnie

Clinical Professor of Law, Yale Law School

Michael J. Wishnie is Clinical Professor of Law at Yale Law School. Wishnie's teaching, scholarship, and law practice have focused on immigration, labor and employment, habeas corpus, civil rights, and administrative law. For years, Wishnie and his students have represented grassroots organizations in a range of litigation, legislative, media, and community education matters. He is also a Non-Resident Fellow of the Migration Policy Institute and frequently handles cases as a cooperating attorney for the American Civil Liberties Union Immigrants' Rights Project. He is a graduate of Yale College and Yale Law School and served as a law clerk to Judge H. Lee Sarokin of the U.S. District Court of New Jersey and U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit and to Justices Harry A. Blackmun and Stephen G. Breyer of the Supreme Court.