

*The Arthur Liman Public Interest Program is awarding seven Liman Fellowships for 2010-11; all of the fellows are focused on communities in need. Projects address issues relating to immigration, the environment, poverty, labor law, and the experience of prisoners during and after incarceration.*

## 2010-2011 LIMAN PUBLIC INTEREST LAW FELLOWS

**Seth Atkinson** is a 2009 graduate of Yale Law School, and is currently clerking for the Honorable J. Garvan Murtha of the District of Vermont. Seth earned a Master's degree in Environmental Management from the Yale School of Forestry & Environmental Studies, and graduated *summa cum laude* from Amherst College. As a Liman Fellow based at the **Natural Resources Defense Council** in Washington, D.C., Seth will work toward ocean sustainability. In particular, he will explore methods to enforce the 2006 amendments to the Magnuson-Stevens Act, which mandates an end to overfishing in American waters. Seth will also advocate for implementation of the Obama Administration's proposed national ocean policy.

**Ady Barkan** is a member of the Yale Law School class of 2010. He graduated *cum laude* from Columbia University. Ady will spend his Liman Fellowship year with **Make the Road New York**, a community organization and workers' center with offices in Brooklyn and Queens. Ady will work with Make the Road's members, organizers, and allies to enforce wage and hour laws on behalf of employees of restaurants. One focus will be legislative advocacy in New York City and Albany to reform labor laws to provide paid sick leave for employees of the food industry. Following his fellowship, Ady will clerk for the Honorable Shira Scheindlin in the Southern District of New York.

**Monica Bell** is a 2009 graduate of Yale Law School; she is currently clerking for the Honorable Cameron McGowan Currie in the District of South Carolina. Monica graduated *magna cum laude* from Furman University, where she became a Harry S. Truman Scholar. She also received a Master's degree as a George J. Mitchell Scholar at University College Dublin's Equality Studies Centre. Before and during law school, Monica was active in South Carolina politics. As a Liman Fellow, Monica will join the **Legal Aid Society of the District of Columbia** and coordinate a support center to help civil legal services providers throughout the District provide structural responses to poverty. Priorities include improving the notice system for recipients of federal benefits and making appeals processes more accessible to self-represented litigants.

**Lindsay Nash** is a member of the Yale Law School class of 2010. She graduated *magna cum laude* from American University, and studied at the Facultad de Ciencias Sociales in Havana, Cuba. Before coming to law school, Lindsay was a paralegal in the public benefits and housing units of the Legal Aid Society of New York. As a Liman Fellow, Lindsay will work with the **Immigrant Defense Project** and the **Katzmann Study Group** in New York City to address the problems that immigrant detainees face when transferred from criminal incarceration to immigration detention. Lindsay's goals include assisting detainees in obtaining prompt information about their cases, improving access of lawyers and family members to detainees, facilitating pro bono representation of them, and pursuing policy-related reforms to the transfer process.

**Megan Quattlebaum** is a member of the Yale Law School class of 2010. Following her graduation from Sarah Lawrence College, she worked as the Associate Director of Common Cause/NY, a nonprofit organization focused on making government more open and accountable. Megan will spend her Liman Fellowship year at the **Neighborhood Legal Services Association** in Pittsburgh, PA, where she will develop and implement a model program of comprehensive civil legal services for formerly incarcerated individuals. A focus is to facilitate successful reintegration of those released from prison and assist them in rejoining their families and communities and finding work.

**Elizabeth Guild Simpson** is a 2009 graduate of Yale Law School. She is currently clerking for the Honorable Denny Chin in the Southern District of New York. Elizabeth graduated with high distinction from the University of Virginia. Before law school, Elizabeth was part of a Catholic Worker community serving new immigrants in Houston, Texas; thereafter she joined the community organizing group ACORN in its efforts related to the Little Havana neighborhood of Miami, Florida. During her fellowship year, Elizabeth will be at the **Southern Coalition for Social Justice** in Durham, North Carolina, where she will focus on the effects of the partnerships between local sheriffs and Immigration and Customs Enforcement. She will represent detained immigrants and work to limit discriminatory practices related to immigrant communities.

**Adrienna Wong** is a member of the Yale Law School class of 2010. She graduated with highest honors from the University of California, Berkeley. As a Liman Fellow, Adrienna will work with the **ACLU of Texas** to ensure humane conditions of confinement for immigrants incarcerated for federal crimes in remote private prisons such as the Reeves County Detention Center near Pecos, Texas. Because of the location of such facilities, those detained have little access to families, lawyers, and services. Adrienna will focus on improving inmate access to essential medical care.