2010-2011 RECIPIENTS OF YLS FELLOWSHIPS:

Arthur Liman Public Interest Fellowship:
Seth Atkinson ’09 - Natural Resources Defense Council, Washington, DC
Ady Barkan ’10 - Make the Road New York, Brooklyn, NY
Monica Bell ’09 - Legal Aid Society of the District of Columbia, Washington, DC
Lindsay Nash ’10 - Immigrant Defense Project and the Katzmann Study Group, New York, NY
Megan Quattlebaum ’10 - Neighborhood Legal Services Association, Pittsburgh, PA
Elizabeth Guild Simpson ’09 - Southern Coalition for Social Justice in Durham, NC
Adrienna Wong ’10 - ACLU of Texas, Austin, TX

Heyman Federal Public Service Fellowship:
Sam Berger ’10 - General Counsel’s Office of the Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC
Anjali Dalal ’10 - White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, Aneesh Chopra, President Obama’s Chief Technology Officer, Washington, DC
Jessica Schumer ’10 - Department of Treasury, Larry Summers, Director of the National Economic Council, Washington, DC

Bernstein Fellows:
Itamar Mann LLM ’10 - Refugee Policy Program, Human Rights Watch, and Open Society Justice Initiative, New York, NY
Thomas Stutsman ’10 - Legal Reform in China Program, Vera Institute of Justice, New York, NY

Robina Fellows:
Terra Gearhart-Serna ’10 - Appeals Chamber, International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia, The Hague, Netherlands
Aaron Zelinsky - Office of the Legal Advisor, U.S. Department of State, Washington, DC

San Francisco Affirmative Litigation Project Fellowship:
Kaitlin Ainsworth ’10 - Yale Law School, New Haven, CT

YLS Fellowship at the Permanent Court of Arbitration:
Anna Vinnik ’10 - The Permanent Court of Arbitration, The Hague, Netherlands

YLS International Court of Justice Internship/Clerkship:
Diane Desierto LLM ’09 - International Court of Justice, The Hague, Netherlands

YLS Public Interest Fellowship Program:
Sumon Dantiki ’09 - Department of Justice, National Security Division, Washington, DC
Sara Edelstein ’10 - Santa Clara County Office of the Public Defender, Santa Clara, CA
Ben Gross ’10 - City of New Haven’s Livable Cities Initiative, New Haven, CT
Karen Kudelko ’10 - Lakeshore Legal Aid, Port Huron, MI
Ashley Leonczyk ’10 - Office of the Secretary of Defense as Special Assistant to Ambassador Vicki Huddleston, the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Africa, Washington, DC
Ben Lindy ’10 - District of Columbia Public Schools, Washington, DC
Ana Muñoz ’10 - Bronx Defenders, Bronx, NY

**Fellowships Sponsored by Other Institutions:**

**Bacon Immigration Law and Policy Program Fellowship**
Tomas Lopez ’10 - University of Arizona Law School, Tucson, AZ

**E. Barrett Prettyman Fellowship**
Emily Stirba ’10 - Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, DC

**Echoing Green Fellowship**
Rebecca Heller ’10 - Iraqi Refugee Assistance Project, New York, NY

**Equal Justice Initiative Fellowship**
Jennifer Taylor ’10 - The Equal Justice Initiative, Montgomery, AL

**Presidential Management Fellowship**
Trevor Sutton ’10 – Office of the Secretary of Defense, Arlington, VA

**Skadden Fellowships**
Nicole Hallet ’08 - Urban Justice Center, New York, NY
Rebecca Heller ’10 - Urban Justice Center, New York, NY
Robert Silverman ’10 - Business and Professional People for the Public Interest, Chicago, IL
Michael Tan ’08 - ACLU Immigrants Rights Project, New York, NY

**Soros Justice Advocacy Fellowship**
William Collins ’10 - Louisiana Capital Assistance Center, New Orleans, LA

**Supreme Court Assistance Project Fellowship**
Brian Frazelle ’10 - Public Citizen Litigation Group, Washington, DC
**Arthur Liman Public Interest 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.

Heyman Federal Public Service Fellows

Sam Berger is a member of the Yale Law School class of 2010. He graduated from Swarthmore College with high honors in 2005. Prior to attending law school, he worked as Special Assistant to the Senior Fellows at the Center for American Progress. As a Heyman Fellow, Sam will serve as Special Assistant to Preeta Bansal, General Counsel and Senior Policy Adviser at the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). OMB is responsible for preparing the annual budget of the United States and coordinating the executive branch’s regulatory agenda. Sam will provide assistance in drafting and editing the President’s executive orders and presidential memoranda, analyzing the constitutionality of pending legislation and regulatory actions, and communicating the Administration’s position on significant legal policy issues.

Anjali Dalal is a member of the Yale Law School class of 2010. She graduated magna cum laude with a B.A. in philosophy and a B.S. in economics from the University of Pennsylvania. Throughout her three years at law school, Anjali has focused on a number of digital civil liberties and access to knowledge issues. As a Heyman Fellow, Anjali will serve as Special Assistant to Aneesh Chopra, Chief Technology Officer of the United States of America, spearheading the implementation of the soon-to-be-released National Broadband Plan. She will work collaboratively with senior officials in the National Telecommunications and Information Administration, the President’s principal adviser on telecommunications and information policy, as well as other relevant agencies such as the Departments of Energy, Homeland Security, and Health and Human Services.

Jessica Schumer is a member of the Yale Law School class of 2010. She graduated cum laude with an A.B. in social studies from Harvard College in 2006. Before law school, Jessica worked
as a Communications and Policy Associate at the Brennan Center for Justice at New York University School of Law. As a Heyman Fellow, Jessica will work at both the National Economic Council and the Department of Treasury, serving as Special Assistant to the Director of the National Economic Council Lawrence Summers. Mr. Summers is President Obama’s top adviser on national economic policy. Jessica will assist Mr. Summers with his work by providing research, analysis, and briefings, with a special focus on the reconciliation of political realities with sound economic policies.

**Robert L. Bernstein Fellows in International Human Rights**

**Itamar Mann-Kanowitz** is a 2010 graduate of the Yale Law School LLM program. He graduated in 2008 from the Tel Aviv University Faculty of Law, and from the University’s Interdisciplinary Honors Program, where he studied philosophy. As a lawyer in Tel Aviv, he practiced and published in the area of human rights law. Itamar will work with Human Rights Watch and with the Open Society Institute on refugee rights in the European Union. He will write a report on the implications of EU-level asylum regulations, and will work on related litigation.

**Thomas Stutsman** is a member of the Class of 2010. He earned a B.A. from Minnesota State University and an LL.M. from Sichuan University prior to attending Yale Law School. Thomas has a longstanding interest in Chinese law. He has spent five of the past ten years living in Chengdu, China, where he attained professional proficiency in Mandarin Chinese and studied Chinese criminal law and procedure. Thomas will spend his fellowship year working on Chinese legal reform at the Vera Institute of Justice in New York City. He will collaborate with Chinese scholars and practitioners to design and implement empirically-based criminal justice reforms aimed at advancing human rights and the rule of law.

**Robina Foundation Fellows**

**Terra L. Gearhart-Serna** is a 2010 graduate of Yale Law School. She graduated *summa cum laude* from the University of Pennsylvania in 2007, with dual majors in Political Science and English and a minor in Hispanic Studies. Her primary interests lie in international human rights law and international criminal law. Terra will work as an intern in the Appeals Chamber of the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia (ICTY), which hears cases arising from war crimes, crimes against humanity, and genocide committed in the former Yugoslavia since 1991. She will assist with legal research and drafting for cases pending before the Appeals Chamber.

**Jason Pielemeier** is a member of the Yale Law School class of 2007. Before law school, Jason served as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Northern Guatemala where he later managed a path-breaking land titling and conservation project. Since graduating, Jason has clerked for the Honorable Raymond J. Dearie, Chief Judge of the Eastern District of New York, served as Voter Protection Coordinator for the Georgia Campaign for Change, and worked as an associate at Debevoise & Plimpton, LLP. As a Robina fellow, Jason will be a Special Assistant to Assistant Secretary of State Michael Posner at the Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, where he will focus on human rights issues related to national security policy and corporate governance.
Aaron Zelinsky is a 2010 graduate of Yale Law School. He graduated magna cum laude from Yale University. As a Robina Fellow, Aaron will work as a special assistant to State Department Legal Adviser Harold Koh, focusing on international human rights issues. Following his fellowship, Aaron will clerk for Judge Thomas Griffith in the D.C. Circuit.

San Francisco Affirmative Litigation Project Fellowship

Kaitlin Ainsworth is a member of the Yale Law School class of 2010. She graduated magna cum laude from Northwestern University. Kaitlin will be the San Francisco Affirmative Litigation Fellow, splitting her time between New Haven and San Francisco. The Project pairs Yale Law students with the San Francisco City Attorney’s Office to bring affirmative public interest cases. During the semester, Kaitlin will help run the Project and will co-teach the accompanying class, Local Government in Action, with Heather Gerken. During the winter and summer breaks, she will focus on helping litigate those cases from San Francisco.

YLS Fellow at the Permanent Court of Arbitration

Anna Vinnik graduated from Yale Law School in 2010, and completed her undergraduate studies at the University of Chicago. At Yale, Anna was a Director of the Lowenstein Project and an Articles and Symposium Editor for the Human Rights and Development Journal. Next year she will be on the staff of the Permanent Court of Arbitration in the Hague, Netherlands.

YLS International Court of Justice Internship/Clerkship

Diane A. Desierto is a YLS JSD candidate (2014) and Howard M. Holtzmann Fellow in International Arbitration and Dispute Resolution, and was a member of the YLS LLM class of 2009. She graduated with an economics degree (summa cum laude, class valedictorian) in 2000, and a law degree in 2004 (cum laude, Class Salutatorian) from the University of the Philippines. After admission to the Philippine Bar in 2005, she practiced full-time trial and appellate litigation and arbitration (ACCRALAW) before shifting to part-time public law litigation and serving in her current positions as Law Reform Specialist at the UP Institute of International Legal Studies and Professorial Lecturer at the law faculties of Lyceum of the Philippines (Public International Law and Administrative Law) and UP Law (Legal History, Agency & Partnership). In 2007, she served as International Law Lecturer at the Foreign Service Institute of the Philippines’ Department of Foreign Affairs, and then pursued research interests in international human rights and humanitarian law, ASEAN and dispute resolution, international economic, trade, and investment law during a 2007 Scholarship at the Xiamen Academy of International Law in China, and a 2008 Research Fellowship at the Max Planck Institute of Comparative Public Law and International Law in Heidelberg, Germany. For her fellowship year, she will be clerking at the International Court of Justice at the Hague.
YLS Public Interest Fellows:

Sumon Dantiki is a 2009 graduate of the Yale Law School. He studied international law as a J. William Fulbright Scholar after graduating from the University of Michigan with highest honors in Political Science. As a Yale Public Interest Fellow, Sumon will serve in the National Security Division of the U.S. Department of Justice. In this role, he will assist senior Justice Department officials in the oversight and development of national security operations, policies and laws.

Sara Edelstein is a member of the Yale Law School class of 2010. Following her graduation from Swarthmore College in Sociology & Anthropology, Sara worked as a legal assistant at the Capital Area Immigrants' Rights Coalition, a legal services program serving immigrant detainees in Virginia and Maryland. During her fellowship year, Sara will work at the Santa Clara County Office of the Public Defender, focusing on improving the representation of noncitizen clients in order to mitigate or avoid the immigration consequences of criminal convictions.

Ben Gross is a member of the Yale Law School class of 2010. Ben graduated summa cum laude from Northwestern University with a B.A. in Philosophy. He attended the University of Cambridge as a Gates Scholar, where he received an MPhil in criminology. Ben will spend his fellowship year working with the City of New Haven's Livable Cities Initiative to design and develop a citywide housing data platform that will provide previously unavailable information and analytics to policymakers, advocates, and scholars, as well as the citizens of New Haven. In collaboration with LCI and other local advocacy groups, Ben hopes to develop a system to assist in identifying problems in the New Haven housing market.

Karen Kudelko is a member of the Yale Law School class of 2010. She earned her B.A., magna cum laude, in History and International Relations from Brown University. The fellowship will support Karen's work as a remote attorney for Lakeshore Legal Aid, an organization specializing in family law and domestic violence matters, based in Port Huron, Michigan. Karen will provide holistic civil legal services for survivors of domestic violence in the three counties of Michigan's rural "thumb" area. In addition to counseling clients, she will collaborate with local law enforcement and judicial authorities to tackle systemic obstacles faced by survivors in this rural setting.

Ashley Leonczyk is a member of the Yale Law School class of 2010. She holds a B.A., magna cum laude, and an M.A. in African Studies, both from Yale. During her fellowship year, Ashley will work in the Office of the Secretary of Defense as Special Assistant to Ambassador Vicki Huddleston, the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Africa. In this position, Ashley will assist and advise Ambassador Huddleston and other senior defense officials as they manage U.S. defense relationships with African countries, work to improve peacekeeping and conflict prevention on the continent, and oversee the Defense Department's role in interagency projects relating to African security.

Ben Lindy is a member of the Yale Law School class of 2010. He graduated magna cum laude from Yale College with a major in History. Before coming to law school, Ben taught middle school social studies in rural North Carolina with Teach For America and with the KIPP charter school network. As a Yale Public Interest Fellow, Ben will work with the District of Columbia
Public Schools in their system-wide efforts to improve teaching quality for high-poverty students, particularly the implementation of a new teacher evaluation system utilizing both student performance gains and direct observation of classrooms.

Ana Muñoz is a member of the Yale Law School class of 2010 and a 2008 recipient of the Paul and Daisy Soros Fellowship for New Americans. After receiving her degree, with distinction in History, from Yale College, Ana worked with the Brennan Center for Justice in New York as the field director of a national campaign to end felon disenfranchisement. As a Yale Public Interest Fellow, Ana will work with the Bronx Defenders and a coalition of community groups to address problems with interrogations of immigrants in pre-trial detention in New York City jails. Ana will focus on community education as well as client counseling and representation.