



**GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 2024 9:00 a.m.
TRIANON BALLROOM, THIRD FLOOR
NEW YORK HILTON MIDTOWN**

AGENDA

THE NEW YORK BAR FOUNDATION ANNUAL MEETING **9:00 a.m.**
(The members of the House of Delegates also serve as members of The New York Bar Foundation)

Carla M. Palumbo, Esq.
President, presiding

1. Approval of the minutes of the January 22, 2023, Annual Meeting
2. Report of the officers, and ratification and confirmation of the actions of the Board of Directors since the 2023 Annual Meeting – Carla M. Palumbo, Esq.
3. Report of the Nominating Committee –Hon. Cheryl E. Chambers
4. CCS Foundation Report—Thomas Kissane, Vice Chair CCS Fundraising
5. Adjournment

**The New York Bar Foundation
Annual Meeting
MINUTES**

**January 20, 2023
New York City**

PRESENT: Ahn; Aidala; Alcott; Alomar; Arenson; Baum; Beecher; Beltran; Berman; Block; Braverman; Brown; Bucki; Buholtz; Campbell; Chandrasekhar; Chang; Christian; B. Cohen; D. Cohen; O. Cohen; Cohn; Davidoff; Degnan; Doyle; Dubowski; Effman; Feal; Fernandez; Fogel; French; Gerstman; Gilmartin; Gold, Grays; Gross; Haig; Harper; Heath; Jackson; Jacobson; Jaglom; James; Jamieson; Jones; Kamins; Karson; Kenney; Kiernan; Klass; Kobak; Koch; Kohlmann; LaMancuso; Lara-Garduno; LaRose; Lathrop; Lau-Kee; Leber; Lenci; Lessard; Levin Wallach; Lewis; Lisi; Loyola; Lustbader; Lynn; Madigan; Marinaccio; Markowitz; Maroney; Martin; Matthews; May; McCann; McGinn; McKeegan; McNamara; C. Miller; M. Miller; Minkoff; Moretti; Morrissey; Muller; Mulry; Napoletano; Nowotarski; Petterchak; Quaye; Riano; J. Richardson; Richter; Riedel; Rothberg; Russell; Santiago; Sargente; Seiden; Sen; Sharkey; Silkenat; Simon; Skidelsky; Sonberg; Stephenson; Sunshine; Swanson; Sweet; Tambasco; Vaughn; Wesson; Westlake; Wolff; Woodley; Yeung-Ha; Younger

President Carla M. Palumbo called the meeting to order.

Approval of minutes: On a motion duly made and carried, the minutes of the Annual Meeting of the New York Bar Foundation of January 22, 2022, were accepted.

Report of Officers: President Carla M. Palumbo noted the distribution of the 2022 Annual Report of the New York Bar Foundation, included with the House of Delegates materials. The Annual Report sets forth in detail the operations and activities of the Foundation during 2022. Ms. Palumbo shared highlights including:

- Honored John D. Feerick, dean emeritus and professor, Fordham Law School with the Foundation's Lifetime Achievement Award during the upcoming virtual Annual Assembly of the Fellows.
- Presented more than \$189,000 in fellowships and scholarships to 98 students in a multitude of legal practice areas.
- Allocated more than \$601,000 in grants to 97 programs. These grants served 1,291,404 people and impacted more than 2.7 million vulnerable individuals and families throughout New York State.
- Partnered with the Young Lawyers Section for our seventh year to raise funds to support the Foundation's grant program with a special focus on Veteran's legal services projects. This on-line campaign raised more than \$23,000 from donations by lawyers, their families, and friends from throughout New York State, as well as Connecticut, Colorado, Florida, Hawaii, Illinois, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, and Virginia.

- Welcomed thirty-eight new Fellows from across New York State. The Fellows are invaluable partners in the success of the Foundation, exemplifying and demonstrating that the practice of law is a helping profession. Fellows are distinguished members of the bench and bar who are recognized for outstanding professional achievement and dedication to the legal profession.

Ms. Palumbo reported on the Foundation's first on-line and live auction and thanked the NYSBA and President Sherry Levin Wallach for the opportunity for the Foundation to be part of the Presidential Gala.

She invited Fellows to move into higher circles of giving and annual meeting attendees to donate to the Foundation in honor of annual meeting award recipients or section chairs. Ms. Palumbo closed her report reminding everyone that the Annual Meeting and Assembly of the Fellows will be held on January 27, 2023, and will honor Susan Lindenauer on receiving the Foundation's Lifetime Achievement Award, and Michael Getnick on receiving the Foundation's President's Award.

Ratification and confirmation of actions of the Board: A motion was made and adopted ratifying, confirming, and approving the actions of the Board of Directors since the 2022 Annual Meeting.

Report of Nominating Committee: Reporting on behalf of the Nominating Committee, Justice Cheryl Chambers placed in nomination the following slate of nominees presented by the Committee for the position of Director for terms commencing June 1, 2023, and concluding May 31, 2026:

- June Castellano, Rochester
- James Kobak, New York City
- Ellis Mirsky, Nanuet
- William T. Russell, New York City
- Mirna Santiago, Pawling

A motion was made and adopted electing said Directors.

Adjournment: There being no further business, the Annual Meeting of the Foundation was thereupon adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela McDevitt

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Secretary



TO: Members of The New York Bar Foundation

FROM: Nominating Committee of The New York Bar Foundation
Gioia Gensini, Chair
Hon. Cheryl E. Chambers
John Gross
David Schraver
Lucia Whisenand

DATE: January 19, 2024

RE: Report of the Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee of The New York Bar Foundation is pleased to submit the following slate of incumbent Directors of The Foundation Board of Directors as recommended by the Nominating Committee to begin their next 3-year term:

Directors to begin their second term to commence June 1, 2024, concluding May 31, 2027

- Vincent Doyle, Buffalo
- Lauren Sharkey, Schenectady

Directors to begin their third term to commence June 1, 2024, concluding May 31, 2027

- Gioia Gensini, Syracuse
- Ellen Makofsky, Garden City