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IN THE LAW

FIFTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE
FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2013
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NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW
9:00 AM  REGISTRATION, NETWORKING & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

9:20 AM  WELCOME

Dean Jeremy Paul with conference co-chairs
Kelly Douglas ’92 and Rachael Rollins ’97

9:30-10:30 AM  KEYNOTE ADDRESS: VIEW FROM THE BENCH

The Honorable Victoria Roberts ’76, a federal judge for the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, began her public service career as a research attorney for the Michigan Court of Appeals and served as an assistant US attorney for the Eastern District of Michigan from 1985 to 1988. In 1998, President Bill Clinton appointed Roberts to her current position, with the unanimous advice and consent of the United States Senate.

10:45–11:45 AM  PANEL 1  BARRIER BREAKERS: INSPIRATIONAL STORIES OF FIRSTS

MODERATOR:
Professor Rashmi Dyal-Chand ’94, Northeastern University School of Law

PANELISTS:
Jaclyn Kugell ’92, Partner, Morgan Brown & Joy
Carol Pope ’78, Former Chairman, Federal Labor Relations Authority (reconfirmation pending)
Cynthia Reed ’80, President and CEO, LTR Holdings, LLC
L. Tracee Whitley ’97, Chief Operating Officer, Bingham McCutchen

11:45 AM–1:00 PM  Dockser Commons
LUNCH & NETWORKING

1:00–2:00 PM  PANEL 2  DRIVING YOUR OWN CAREER: INSPIRATION FOR GOING THE DISTANCE

MODERATOR:
Rachael Rollins ’97, General Counsel, Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority and Massachusetts Department of Transportation

PANELISTS:
Andrea Cabral, Secretary, Massachusetts Executive Office, Public Safety and Security
Lynn Girton ’79, Chief Counsel, Volunteer Lawyers Project of the Boston Bar Association
Jennifer Hoenig ’04, Senior Associate, West Hill Technology Counsel
Christina Miller ’98, Chief, District Courts, Suffolk County District Attorney’s Office

2:15–3:15 PM  BREAKOUT SESSIONS AND SPEED MENTORING (CONCURRENT)

ENGINEERING OUR OWN BREAKTHROUGHS  40 Dockser
Jennifer Hoenig ’04, Senior Associate, West Hill Technology Counsel
Lauren Stiller Rikleen, President, Rikleen Institute for Strategic Leadership; Executive-in-Residence, Boston College Center for Work & Family

WHO’S THE BOSS NOW?  42 Dockser
Navjeet Bal ’89, Counsel, Nixon Peabody
Jaclyn Kugell ’92, Partner, Morgan Brown & Joy

VIEW FROM THE CUBE  44 Dockser
Kelly Douglas ’92, Senior Employment Counsel, Draeger Medical Systems
Stacey Constas ’92, Senior Corporate Attorney, Standex International Corporation

SPEED MENTORING  46 Dockser
Drop by for a quick career tune up — 15-minute blocks — where mentors will help guide you in making decisions about where you are now, where you want to go next and how to get there. Speed Mentors include:
Vanessa Candela ’00, Associate General Counsel, EMC Corporation
Courtney Feeley Karp ’02, Associate, Prince Lobel
Gina Perini ’01, Chief Administrative Officer and General Counsel, SMS/800, Inc
Carol Pope ’78, Former Chairman, Federal Labor Relations Authority (reconfirmation pending)
Rachael Rollins ’97, General Counsel, Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority and Massachusetts Department of Transportation
Cynthia Reed ’80, President and CEO, LTR Holdings, LLC
Amanda Wright ’05, Senior Professional Development Advisor, Northeastern University

3:30–4:30 PM  Lounge outside of 240 Dockser
NETWORKING RECEPTION WITH COCKTAILS AND HORS D’OEUVRES

We gratefully acknowledge the efforts of our Women in the Law Conference Steering Committee:
Navjeet Bal ’89
Kelly Bonnevie ’92
Professor Emerita Judith Brown
Vanessa Candela ’00
Kelly Douglas ’92
Kathy Morris ’75
Gina Perini ’01
Cynthia Reed ’80

2013 Conference Co-Chairs:
Kelly Douglas ’92
Rachael Rollins ’97
NAVJEET BAL ’89

Navjeet Bal is a member of Nixon Peabody’s Public Finance group and has extensive experience serving as bond counsel, underwriter’s counsel and borrower’s counsel in publicly and privately placed debt financings for governmental, quasi-public and nonprofit borrowers. She is a 1989 graduate of Northeastern University School of Law, and is a member of the Steering Committee for the Women in the Law Conference, after having co-chaired the conference in 2012.

In 2008, after practicing law for nearly 17 years at Mintz Levin, Navjeet was appointed Massachusetts commissioner of revenue by Governor Deval Patrick. As commissioner, she was responsible for overseeing the department’s 2,000 employees across three lines of business: tax administration, child support enforcement and the Division of Local Services. She left that position in 2011 to join Nixon Peabody.

Navjeet was elected to the Boston Bar Association Council for a three-year term in 2011 and serves on the Council’s Executive Committee. She chaired the Boston Bar Association’s Communications Policy working group and served on the association’s 2012 Beacon Award Committee. She was appointed by the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court to the Access to Justice Commission, which is charged with advancing the delivery of legal services in Massachusetts. Navjeet from 1993 to 1994. As the 62nd president of the State Bar of Michigan — a post she held from 1996 to 1997 — she was the first black woman to hold this position in the state of Michigan.

Judge Roberts has shared her knowledge and experience widely, lecturing and serving on the faculties of various institutions including the University of Michigan Law School and the Institute for Continuing Legal Education, Trial Advocacy Workshop of the United States District Court, Eastern District of Michigan. Her pro bono work is varied, and it includes mentoring young people in the Just the Beginning Foundation Summer Legal Institute for High School Students and the Just the Beginning Foundation Robes in the School Program. She has also given time and expertise to international work, including serving as a trial advocacy faculty member on the Lawyers Without Borders Protection of Victims and Witnesses in Sexual Offenses effort in Kenya, in 2009 and 2010, and as a faculty member, with the US Department of Justice’s Criminal Procedure Reform and Plea Bargaining Training, in Belgrade, Serbia, in 2008 and 2009.

Her many honors include being named Michigan Lawyers Weekly’s “Lawyer of the Year” in 1997; receiving the State Bar of Michigan’s Champion of Justice Award in 1999 and Robert P. Hudson Awards in 2001; and receiving several awards from the Wolverine Bar Association, including the Trailblazer Award in 1991 and the Member Service Award in 2007. Last year, she was the recipient of the Women Lawyers Association of Michigan Foundation’s Legacy Award and was also honored by the Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association Foundation, which bestowed her with their Dennis W. Archer Public Service Award.

KELLY BONNEVIE ’92

Kelly Bonnevie is a founding partner of Wilson, Marino & Bonnevie, in Newton, Mass., where she handles real estate and employment matters. In 2006 she was named one of Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly’s “Lawyers of the Year” for her work on a landmark race and sex discrimination case. A member of the board of the Mass LGBTQ Bar Association, she is a graduate of Dartmouth College and Northeastern University School of Law. She previously served on the board of GLSEN/Boston.

JUDITH OLANS BROWN

Judith Olans Brown was a member of the faculty at Northeastern University School of Law for 30 years. She has taught and written extensively about constitutional law, employment discrimination and feminist legal issues. She sat on the boards of several pro bono organizations, such as the Lawyers’ Committee for Civil Rights and the Women’s Bar Association. Now retired, she teaches at Dartmouth and the University of Arizona.
PARTICIPANT BIOGRAPHIES

ANDREA CABRAL
Andrea Cabral is Massachusetts Governor Deval Patrick’s executive secretary for public safety. She oversees 14 statewide public safety agencies, including the Massachusetts State Police, the Massachusetts Department of Correction, the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency, the Massachusetts National Guard and the Massachusetts Parole Board. Prior to her appointment as secretary, she was the twice-elected sheriff of Suffolk County from 2002 to 2013, making her the first black woman in Massachusetts history to hold the position of sheriff. A career public servant in law enforcement, she was also an assistant district attorney in Middlesex and Suffolk Counties for 14 years and an assistant attorney general for three years. She is a published author, Eisenhower Fellow and a graduate of Boston College and Suffolk University Law School.

VANESSA CANDELA ’00
Vanessa Candela an associate general counsel for EMC Corporation, where her work places a primary focus on mergers and acquisitions, strategic investments and other corporate transactions. Since joining EMC in 2007, she has been lead counsel for EMC on approximately $2 billion in acquisitions and strategic investments, and has counseled EMC and RSA — the Security Division of EMC — in a variety of other corporate matters. Before joining EMC, she was an attorney at Foley Hoag in Boston, where she counseled a variety of public and private clients on a broad range of matters including mergers and acquisitions, debt and equity financings and other general business matters. Vanessa co-chairs the Communications Committee of the Business Transactions and Financial Services Sections of the Boston Bar Association. She is a graduate of Boston College and of Northeastern University School of law.

STACY CONSTAS ’92
Stacy Constan is senior corporate attorney, corporate governance officer and assistant secretary for Standex International Corporation, a global diversified manufacturer trading on the New York Stock Exchange. Standex manufactures commercial food service equipment and industrial machinery and components. Stacy performs a wide variety of corporate functions, including conducting acquisitions and divestitures; negotiating joint ventures, leases and contracts; drafting securities filings; and assisting divisions with a broad range of commercial and legal issues. Further, she manages all employment practices liability and product liability litigation. She ensures environmental compliance for all US divisions, and negotiates with agencies in connection with legacy issues. She also drafts and implements all corporate governance programs. Prior to joining Standex in 1998, she litigated insurance defense suits at Boyle, Shaughnessy & Campo in Boston. Prior to that, she was an associate at Mendes & Mount in New York, representing the Lloyd’s of London underwriting market.

KELLY DOUGLAS ’92
Kelly Douglas is senior employment counsel, North America, for Draeger Medical Systems, Inc., a $3 billion global medical and safety device company located in Andover, Mass., where she is responsible for advising the company on US federal and state and Canadian employment laws and litigation, as well as regarding data privacy matters. Previously, she was vice president and general counsel of Vinfen Corporation, a $100 million nonprofit human services organization based in Cambridge, Mass., which provides support services to people with psychiatric and cognitive disabilities. Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly and New England In-House Counsel named her “In-House Leader of the Law 2009.” She is a member of the Massachusetts LBGTQ Bar Association.

RASHMI DYAL-CHAND ’94
Rashmi Dyal-Chand, a member of the School of Law’s faculty, focuses her research and teaching on property law, poverty, economic development and consumer law. Her article “Human Worth as Collateral” won the 2006 Association of American Law Schools scholarly papers competition for new law teachers. Her work has appeared in many journals, including the Cardozo Law Review, Fordham Law Review and Stanford Journal of International Law. She is also an editor of Northeastern University School of Law’s SSRN online publication, Human Rights and the Global Economy. Prior to joining the law school faculty in 2002, she served as an associate general counsel of The Community Builders, Inc., a nonprofit affordable housing developer. Following law school, she served as a law clerk to the Honorable Warren J. Ferguson of the US Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit and was a public interest fellow at the law firm of Hall & Associates in Los Angeles. She also practiced in the business department of the Boston law firm of Foley Hoag, where she specialized in transactions involving intellectual property licensing and transfer.

LYNN GIRTON ’79
Lynn Girton is chief counsel of the Volunteer Lawyers Project. She holds a bachelor’s degree from the University of Michigan; a master’s degree in education from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, and a law degree from Northeastern University School of Law. Previously, she was the senior managing attorney of the Employment Unit of Greater Boston Legal Services.

Lynn has taught many courses and has published numerous articles. She recently received the John G. Brooks Legal Services Lawyer Award presented by the Boston Bar Association. She received the John Minor Wisdom Public Interest and Professionalism Award given by the Litigation Section of the American Bar Association. And she is also the recipient of the 2009 Women of Justice Award and the Massachusetts Bar Association Pro Bono Legal Services Award. She has served on the board of directors of the Massachusetts Appleseed Center, and was a founding board member of the community organization Raising Our Children’s Children and the Fair Employment Project. She also serves as a member of the Public Service Oversight Committee of the Boston Bar Association and has served as the co-chair of the Delivery of Legal Services Section of the Boston Bar Association. She was selected to be a mentor in the Leadership Institute sponsored by the Center for Legal Aid Education, and was named a commissioner on the Commission on the Status of Grandparents Raising Grandchildren. She lives with her partner and their two daughters.
**JENNIFER HOENIG ’04**

Jennifer Hoenig is a senior corporate associate at West Hill Technology Counsel, a boutique law firm advising businesses that create and use new and emerging technologies. She works with for-profit and nonprofit businesses from their organization, debt financing and growth, and — for some with a particular exit strategy — through their end sales. Prior to joining West Hill Technology Counsel in 2012, Jennifer was affiliated with Lawrence B. Morse & Associates in Danvers, Mass., providing her legal expertise to startups and small businesses in regard to their business, tax and employment needs. From 2004 through 2006, she was an associate at Bingham McCutchen in Boston, where her practice focused on representing leading financial institutions and corporate borrowers in a variety of domestic and international finance transactions.

Jennifer graduated from Bowdoin College with a BA, magna cum laude, in 1999, and from Northeastern University School of Law, where she received her JD in 2004. While in law school, she interned with the Honorable Reginald C. Lindsay in the US District Court for the District of Massachusetts; Greater Boston Legal Services, Employment Unit; and the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. She currently divides her time between her law work and raising two young sons.

**COURTNEY FEELEY KARP ’02**

Courtney Feeley Karp focuses her practice at Prince Lobel Tye on energy and clean technology, specifically in the areas of regulatory, administrative and municipal law. Specializing in renewable energy, she uses her expertise to guide clients through complex state and federal incentive and regulatory programs, while clearly outlining the financial and environmental benefits of clients’ projects. In addition, her practice offers expertise on commercial real estate leasing, real estate financing and development and environmental permitting and compliance matters.

She also serves as director of policy and regulatory affairs for Prince Lobel Renewables, where she counsels developers, businesses and municipalities on existing legislative and regulatory initiatives. She has worked for the Massachusetts Senate Committee on Ways and Means and more recently for the Department of Energy Resources, serving as counsel for their Renewable Energy and Green Communities divisions. This experience working within Massachusetts state government on energy issues informs the insights and counsel that she provides to help her clients maximize policy-compliant outcomes for their projects. Courtney serves on the Alumni/ae Council of Phillips Academy in Andover, Mass., and on the board of the Jamaica Plain Tuesday Club. She is also a steward of the historic Loring-Greenough House in Jamaica Plain, Mass.

**JACLYN KUGELL ’92**

Jaclyn Kugell is a member of the management committee of Morgan, Brown & Joy. Since 1992, Jackie has represented employers regarding employment litigation matters, in the Massachusetts courts; US District Courts, including those in Georgia, Kentucky, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Ohio and Rhode Island; and the US Court of Appeals for the 1st and 11th Circuits.

Jackie has represented employers at state and federal agencies, including the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination, Rhode Island Human Rights Commission, New Hampshire Human Rights Commission, Vermont Attorney General’s Office, Massachusetts Labor Relations Commission, National Labor Relations Board and the Civil Service Commission. She also represents employers at arbitration hearings and negotiates collective bargaining agreements.

She graduated cum laude from Brandeis University and then attended Northeastern University School of Law.

**CHRISTINA MILLER ’98**

Christina Miller is chief of district courts and community prosecutions for the Suffolk County District Attorney’s Office, where she oversees the office’s operations in the Boston municipal and district courts, manages training and hiring of assistant district attorneys, and supervises hate crime prosecutions. She also prosecutes child pornography cases. A graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University and Northeastern University School of Law, she began her career working as a law clerk in the Massachusetts Superior Court. She went on to serve the Norfolk and Essex County district attorneys by representing the commonwealth in the Quincy District Court and in the appellate courts. Next, she served as an assistant district attorney representing the Suffolk District Attorney in both the trial and appellate courts. She has served as co-chair of the Criminal Law Section of the Boston Bar Association and as co-chair of the Massachusetts LGBTQ Bar Association. Currently, she is co-chair of the Diversity and Inclusion Section and is a Council member of the Boston Bar Association.

**KATHY MORRIS ’75**

Kathy Morris has handled appeals and tried cases in courtrooms from Hawaii to Massachusetts. In 1985, she became the director of placement and career counseling for Northwestern University School of Law, where she also taught for many years, and has enjoyed decades of experience guiding law students, lawyers and law firms through Under Advisement, Ltd., the practice she founded in 1988. The following decade and beyond, she expanded her work with the profession by focusing on attorney training and professional development in law firms — most recently as a chief officer for Sidney Austin — by creating the Chicago Law Firm Training Consortium, and by serving as a charter board member of the national Professional Development Consortium. In 2000, she created and directed the ABA Career Resource Center, having been director, then senior advisor, to the ABA’s Center for Continuing Legal Education. Her monthly column, “Career Question,” ran in the Chicago Daily Law Bulletin for more than 15 years. She is also the author of many published articles and three lawyer career and job search manuals — Ask the Career Counselor, Direct Examination and Objection Overruled — and remains an active public speaker at attorney career programs nationwide. She graduated from the Northeastern University School of Law in 1975.
Jeremy Paul joined the Northeastern University School of Law faculty as dean in 2012. He teaches Constitutional Law, Property and Jurisprudence. A 1978 graduate of Princeton University, he received his law degree from Harvard in 1981. Before coming to Northeastern, Dean Paul served for 23 years on the faculty of the University of Connecticut School of Law, where he was Dean and Thomas F. Gallivan, Jr. Professor of Real Property Law from 2007 until 2012.


In addition to his long-term career in teaching, Dean Paul served as a law clerk to Judge Irving R. Kaufman of the US Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit; as Professor-in-Residence at the Appellate Staff of the Civil Division of the US Department of Justice; and as assistant to the president of Travelers Group. He has also taught at the University of Miami (as both assistant and associate professor) and at Boston College Law School (as a visiting professor).

Dean Paul is a fellow of the American Bar Foundation and the Connecticut Bar Foundation. He serves as co-editor (with Hannah Arterian) of the SSRN Journal on Legal Education, and as a member of the Curriculum Committee of the Association of American Law Schools.

Cynthia Reed ’80

Cynthia Reed is president and CEO of LTR Holdings LLC, a private investment and consulting firm. She founded the firm in 2001 after a long career as an attorney in private and corporate practice. She began her career as an associate at Edwards & Angell in Providence, R.I., before joining Hasbro, Inc., where she became the company’s senior vice-president, general counsel and chief compliance officer — one of just four women to hold that position in a Fortune 500 company at that time. Through LTR Holdings, she has provided angel investment capital and strategic consulting services to numerous companies both inside and outside of Rhode Island, primarily in the telecommunications, consumer products and biotechnology fields. She is a founding member of the Cherrystone Angel Group and of Social Venture Partners of Rhode Island.

As a community leader in the Rhode Island, Cynthia has served on a number of corporate and not-for-profit boards. She is currently a trustee of the Rhode Island Foundation, where she chairs the foundation’s Finance Committee. She is also a director of Ocean Point Financial Partners, MHC (BankNewport), where she is a member of the Nominating and Governance Committees and the Ocean Point Insurance Agency, Inc. She is a director of Delta Dental of Rhode Island and the Greater Providence Chamber of Commerce, and is a Rhode Island Commodore. Cynthia is also a vice-chair of Women Corporate Directors. She is a past vice-chairwoman and chairwoman of the Compensation Committee of the board of trustees of Women and Infants Hospital.

Cynthia graduated from Wellesley College, where she was named a Wellesley Scholar, and studied as an exchange student at both Dartmouth College and MIT. She is currently a member of the Wellesley Business Leadership Council. She received her JD from Northeastern University School of Law, and was admitted to practice in the commonwealth of Massachusetts and the state of Rhode Island. She is a member of the Rhode Island Bar Association and the Business Law Section of the American Bar Association. She frequently delivers guest lectures on women's leadership and business law topics, at Harvard Law School, Northeastern University, Babson University and elsewhere.

Lauren Stiller Rikleen

Lauren Stiller Rikleen is a nationally recognized expert on developing a thriving, diverse and multi-generational workforce. Lauren launched the Rikleen Institute for Strategic Leadership to help law firms and business organizations create a culture where professionals can advance and flourish. Lauren provides interactive workshops, keynote speeches and
customized consulting on women’s leadership and advancement; unconscious bias; and strengthening intergenerational teams.

Lauren is also the executive-in-residence at the Boston College Center for Work and Family in the Carroll School of Management. The center links academic research and corporate practice to create workplace cultures that support individual and organizational success.

Lauren is a former equity partner at Bouditch & Dewey, where she concentrated her practice on environmental law and mediation. She is a past president of the Boston Bar Association, the first woman chair of the MetroWest Chamber of Commerce, and a recent past member of the American Bar Association Board of Governors. Lauren is actively engaged in her community and in professional organizations, including service as a trustee of the Boston Bar Foundation and a board member of the Massachusetts Women's Political Caucus.

Lauren is the author of Ending the Gauntlet: Removing Barriers to Women’s Success in the Law and Success Strategies for Women Lawyers. She is currently writing a book about millennials in the workplace. Among her awards and honors, Lauren has been selected by her peers to be listed in Best Lawyers in America, Chambers USA America's Leading Business Lawyers and Massachusetts “Super Lawyers.”

RACHAEL ROLLINS ’97

Rachael Rollins is the general counsel of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation and the MBTA. She is the first woman general counsel in the history of the MBTA and the first person to serve jointly as general counsel for both entities. Immediately prior to her general counsel appointments, Rachael served as an assistant US attorney for the District of Massachusetts. In that role, she investigated and prosecuted both civil and criminal cases, defended the United States and its agencies in a wide array of civil suits brought against the government, brought actions to enforce federal regulatory requirements, recovered damages against those who committed frauds against the government, and investigated and prosecuted federal criminal firearms and drug offenses. She was also a field attorney at the National Labor Relations Board and an associate at Bingham McCutchen and Seyfarth Shaw. Rachael is a graduate of the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, Northeastern University School of Law and Georgetown University Law Center, where she received her LLM in 1999. She is also the president of the Massachusetts Black Lawyers Association.

Rachael received the Boston Junior Chamber of Commerce’s Ten Outstanding Young Leaders Award in 2002, was one of five people selected by Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly as an “Up and Coming Lawyer” in 2004, received the Boston Business Journal’s “40 under 40” Award in 2009 and was named one of the “Top Ten Lawyers in New England” by the Women’s Business Journal in 2010.

L. TRACIE W HITLEY ’97

L. Tracee Whitley is chief operating officer for Bingham McCutchen, a global law firm with more than 1,000 lawyers. She oversees Bingham’s global administrative team, directing the financial, technology, talent management, operations, and marketing and communications functions for the firm’s 14 major offices in the United States, Europe and Asia.

Tracee has worked closely with Bingham’s chairman, Jay Zimmerman, for nearly 10 years. From 2004 to 2006, she worked with him to help develop the firm’s long-range strategic planning and key client and talent management programs, to direct the firm’s internal and external communications functions and to support the firm’s partner leadership with respect to governance matters, in collaboration with the firm’s Office of General Counsel.

From 2006 to 2010, she also led Bingham’s marketing department. Long recognized for being an industry leader in branding and advertising, Bingham’s team won 12 awards in 2008 and four awards in 2009 from national, regional and local chapters of the Legal Marketing Association. The firm also received the Legal Standard for Excellence Award from the Web Marketing Association in 2007 and 2008, as well as a “Webby” award in the law category in 2008, for its innovative website design and function.

Tracee is a member of the firm’s Diversity Committee. She also helps direct the creation of professional development programs and activities for administrative staff and lawyers to help promote the successful performance of Bingham’s workforce and foster the firm’s “best places to work” culture. Bingham has been ranked on Fortune magazine’s “100 Best Companies to Work For” list since 2005. She joined Bingham as a lateral associate in 2001. Her practice included estate planning, fiduciary and trust law, corporate and securities law, employee benefits and executive compensation and advising tax-exempt, nonprofit organizations. As an associate, Tracee participated in the firm’s recruiting and pro bono initiatives and was a member of its Committee on Associates.

In addition to a JD from Northeastern University School of Law, she holds an MBA from Boston University, and an MA and AB from Harvard.

AMANDA WRIGHT ’05

After graduating from law school in 2005, Amanda Wright practiced family law at the Cambridge, Mass., law firm Bowman, Moos, Elder & Noe. In 2010, Amanda returned to her alma mater, Northeastern University School of Law, to become a career advisor in the Office of Career Services. She is currently a senior professional development advisor in the recently formed Center for Co-op and Professional Advancement, where she advises students and graduates of the law school on co-op and post-graduate employment.
Since its founding, Northeastern University School of Law has championed diversity in the legal profession. Today, more than half of our graduates are women, practicing in every conceivable setting — from private practice to public service, from the bench to business — as well as a host of non-legal fields.

In 2005, the School of Law’s Office of Alumni/ae Relations and the Women in the Law Steering Committee decided it was high time to offer programming specifically geared toward alumnae. Together, we developed a platform of activities including an annual conference, brown bag lunches with topical programming, a series of articles on women in the law and networking activities for women lawyers.

Each year, we strive to address topics pertinent to women attorneys, regardless of their area of practice or career stage. Our goal is to offer practical, applicable and relevant information that women can put to use immediately in their careers. We also believe strongly in women supporting women, so we provide forums for networking, including ways to engage younger practitioners and current students.