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Jerry and Phyllis Rappaport

Established through a gift from the Phyllis & Jerome Lyle Rappaport Foundation, the Rappaport Center at BC Law convenes local, state, and national policy makers and thought leaders to engage in dynamic discussions on critical public policy issues. Through forums, conferences, and symposia, experts from government, business, academia, and the non-profit sector address challenging and complex societal problems. To inspire future public leaders, the Rappaport Center offers a Fellows Program for exceptional law students providing education, mentorship, and funding for summer internships in state and local government.

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A Message from the

MARIANNE D. SHORT, ESQ., DEAN

Dear Phyllis,

I had heard about the Rappaport Center for Law and Public Policy even prior to assuming my tenure as Dean at BC Law in January. Now having arrived, I am delighted to share my great enthusiasm for the Center's compelling events, visiting professors and scholars, and Fellows program. I have seen first-hand the power of Rappaport programming, the profound relevance of the topics, and the caliber of the panelists and moderators. Students enthusiastically attend these programs and gain deeper knowledge about subjects vital to communities and to the construction of a healthy society.

I am thrilled that Jeffery Robinson, a former Rappaport Distinguished Visiting Professor, will return to the role in the Fall of 2023—back by popular demand. I look forward to watching his acclaimed documentary about racism in America, hearing his commentary, and gaining insights from his experiences as a longtime activist lawyer, historian, and scholar.

The values and mission of Boston College are what brought me here and, in these first several months as Dean, I have witnessed the unique combination of intellectual rigor, thoughtfulness, and ethic of service that is the hallmark of this community. The Rappaport Center's commitment to public policy and public interest lawyering is a wonderful example of that mission. I am grateful for the work it has done, and look forward to what is yet to come. Our community benefits enormously from the Center—as does the society at large—and I am so appreciative of the Rappaports for your extraordinary generosity.

Warmest wishes,

Odette Lienau

Marianne D. Short, Esq., Dean

Boston College Law School

RAPPAPORT CENTER

A Message from Executive Director Elisabeth J. Medvedow and Faculty Director Daniel Kanstroom

Dear Phyllis,

The Rappaport Center for Law and Public Policy experienced another impactful year, marked by a series of dynamic programs, an exceptional Rappaport Distinguished Visiting Professor, extremely engaging Senior Fellows in Residence, and—as always—extraordinary Fellows. Our programming reflects our basic mission: to delve into issues that affect communities and individuals from a state and local government perspective while being mindful of the broader context. To that end, this year we tackled a notably wide range of critically important, complex issues, including racism in America, gun control, reparations, affirmative action, affordable home ownership, workers' rights, and more. Panelists and moderators for Rappaport Center programs included esteemed and influential scholars, practitioners, and policymakers from across the United States.

We kicked off our year with a powerful and poignant documentary, "Who We Are: A Chronicle of Racism in America," written by Jeffery Robinson, CEO of The Who We Are Project and the Rappaport Distinguished Visiting Professor for the Fall of 2022. In addition to presenting his film, Robinson also spearheaded and facilitated programs on peremptory challenges, confederate monuments, and reparations. We are thrilled to announce that following rave reviews of his engagement with our programs and students, Jeffery Robinson will return this Fall for another semester with us. You can read more about Jeff's first semester at the Rappaport Center on page 11.

Our Senior Fellows, Chesa Boudin, former District Attorney of San Francisco, and Danielle Kinkel, General Counsel of Massachusetts Housing Partnership, expounded on the challenges, accomplishments, and potential future opportunities for "progressive" prosecutors and affordable housing and home ownership, respectively. Their engagements not only enriched our programs but also sparked vigorous, open, meaningful discussions and insights into these pressing areas of law and policy.

We experienced one significant leadership transition with our longtime Rappaport Center Advisory Board Chair, Scott Harshbarger, stepping down as chair, while graciously agreeing to continue to serve as a valued member of the Board. Our tribute to former Attorney General Harshbarger can be found on page 8. We also added a new member to the Rappaport team, our talented Administrative Assistant Abigail (Abi) Chingo, a 2022 graduate of Boston College.

As occurs each year, the Rappaport Center awarded fellowships to 12 outstanding students from law schools across the Commonwealth. These public-interest-minded law students were provided with a summer placement in a state or local government office, accompanied by a generous stipend, mentors, and weekly experiential learning opportunities. The Fellows, as always, were passionate, thoughtful, smart, and personable. They had a meaningful summer working in myriad offices throughout Boston, including the Attorney General's Office, the Department of Children and Families, the Massachusetts Health Policy Commission, State Senate Counsel's Office, and the Suffolk District Attorney's Office.

One of our Fellows, Samantha Perlman, received a Rappaport Center grant to write a paper, with consultation from Daniel Kanstroom, on a topic gleaned from her summer internship in Boston Mayor Michelle Wu's Office. The excellent paper, entitled "Power to the People: Securing Noncitizen Voting in Boston," explains and extols the importance of expanding civic principles of democracy to immigrants in the City of Boston as it considers pathways to accomplishing that goal. Samantha is planning to share the paper with her supervisor in the Mayor's Office and we hope (and expect) it will have a positive influence on policy.

We very much look forward to continuing to educate the BC Law community and the community at large about compelling public policy questions and the intersections of law and public policy, as we also endeavor to inspire and support the next generation of public service lawyers and policymakers.

Kind regards,

Elisabeth J. Medvedaw

Elisabeth J. Medvedow Executive Director

Daniel Kanstroom Professor, Faculty Director



A TRIBUTE TO SCOTT HARSHBARGER

In 2001, when the Rappaport Center for Law and Public Policy was first established, Jerry Rappaport chaired the board. As we all remember, Jerry's passion, vision, curiosity, determination, savviness, caring, and diplomacy captured the essence of his being. He poured his heart and soul into the Rappaport Center and our sister organization, the Rappaport Institute for Greater Boston.

After many years, Jerry decided that he should pass the torch of serving as chair of the Rappaport Center Advisory Board and there was one obvious choice—Scott Harshbarger, former Attorney General of the Commonwealth and former District Attorney for Middlesex County. Scott's tenure as a longtime public servant, tenacity, policy and political acumen, and innate ability to connect and engage with people, rendered him the perfect Board Chair. Scott's visionary prowess comported with Jerry and Phyllis Rappaport's long-range plans to ensure that law students had opportunities to experience the rewards and challenges of public policy and public service.

Scott served through the transition to Boston College Law School in 2015 and beyond until the Fall of 2022. He collaborated with the Rappaport Center's inaugural Faculty Director, R. Michael Cassidy, to establish the Center's foundational roots at Boston College Law School. Scott provided consistent counsel and guidance to ensure that the Rappaport Center would seamlessly integrate into the Boston College Law School environment. He participated in programs, mentored Rappaport Fellows, interviewed prospective Rappaport Fellows, and shared his wisdom and passion for public service with all of us. He has been—and will continue to be—instrumental in the success of the Rappaport Center for Law and Public Policy.



At the September, 2022, Rappaport Center Advisory Board Meeting, Scott's last meeting as Chair, he received thunderous applause, a crystal gavel, and numerous individual tributes. Phyllis Rappaport shared that Scott "has been an incredible partner with her, Jerry, and the Rappaport Foundation over the years." Mike Cassidy thanked Scott for "generating ideas for the next generation of public leaders. Scott Harshbarger has been the person who has done that. Scott has been a role model for me and everyone here."



(L-R): Left to right: Don Stern, former U.S. Attorney, District of Massachusetts and Scott Harshbarger, at a Rappaport Center program

Barbara Anthony, a former longtime Rappaport Center Advisory Board member, wrote "With your departure as our fearless chair, who will gently chide the tardy, the absent, those who haven't produced their work on time, and those who are trying to fade unseen into the world work? Who will, at the same time, lavish praise on those same folks for their thoughtful, steadfast work to advance our shared mission to advance introspection into public policy and promote service in the public interest? Who will cut through the fog of policy banter and help steer us to real programmatic solutions?" Additional Board Members, including Faculty Director Dan Kanstroom, BC Law Professor Patricia McCoy, and Massachusetts Deputy State Solicitor Julie Kobick, as well as Executive Director Lissy Medvedow, thanked Scott for his remarkable service and shared personal anecdotes about Scott's inspirational spirit and work.

Scott passed his torch as board chair to fellow longtime Board Member, Michael Caljouw, Vice President of Government and Regulatory Affairs for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts.

From the top:

(L-R): Daniel F. Conley, former Suffolk County
District Attorney; Carol Starkey, Partner, Conn
Kavanaugh, and Scott Harshbarger at a
Rappaport Center conference
(L-R): Scott Harshbarger and his mentee, Daniel
Ordorica, Associate, Heisler, Feldman &
McCormick; 2018 Rappaport Fellow, at the 2018
Celebration of Fellows dinner
(L-R): Lissy Medvedow and Scott Harshbarger













Clockwise from top right

(L-R): Scott Harshbarger and Chloe Sugino, Immigrant Justice Corps Fellow, Capital Area Immigrants' Rights; 2019 Rappaport Fellow, at a Rappaport Center program (L-R): Will Brownsberger, Massachusetts State Senator; R. Michael Cassidy, BC Law Professor, former Faculty Director, Rappaport Center; the late Ralph Gants, former Massachusetts SJC Chief Justice; Scott Harshbarger; and Lissy Medvedow at a Rappaport Center conference

RAPPAPORT CENTER DISTINGUISHED VISITING PROFESSOR, FALL 2022

Jeffery Robinson, CEO & Founder of The Who We Are Project



Jeffery Robinson, CEO and Founder of The Who We Are Project, an anti-racism nonprofit organization, served as the Rappaport Distinguished Visiting Professor in the Fall of 2022. Prior to launching The Who We Are Project, Robinson was a deputy legal director at the ACLU, Director of the ACLU Trone Center for Justice and Equality, and a longtime private practitioner, working on criminal justice reform advocating for systemic change to eradicate structural racism in criminal courts. Based in Seattle, Robinson was instrumental in the enactment of General Rule 37, which radically changed the landscape of jury selection by prohibiting race-based peremptory challenges—intentional, implicit, institutional, and unconscious—during jury selection in all trials, civil and criminal, in the State of Washington.

To kick off the academic year, the Rappaport Center showed "Who We Are: A Chronicle of Racism in America," a documentary written, produced, and narrated by Robinson about his experiences as a Black man growing up in Memphis, Tennessee, and the Black experience in America from the arrival of enslaved individuals in 1619 in America to the present day. In a crowded room of students, community members, and Rappaport Center Advisory Board Members, replete with popcorn and candy, Robinson transfixed the audience during his commentary at the conclusion of the film. People laughed and cried and learned about American history, elections, racism, and relationships. In a 2022 review by The Boston Globe, Globe correspondent Peter Keough called Robinson a "powerful, impassioned, and laceratingly lucid speaker" and remarked that "Robinson himself expresses shock that despite receiving degrees from Marquette University and Harvard Law School he himself had not known some of these facts until he looked into them recently."

During the semester, Robinson taught a seminar: "Orwell's Nightmare: United States Law and the Support of Anti-Black Racism." The class explored topics including housing, voting, peremptory challenges, education, policing, the death penalty, reparations, and affirmative action. His students raved about the course, shared personal stories, and engaged in lively, often controversial and difficult, discussions throughout the semester.

Robinson also delivered a community address entitled "What Heritage Are You Talking About: Confederate Monuments in the United States," and in a later program, joined his colleague from Seattle, Lila Silverstein, Staff Attorney with the Washington Appellate Project and the lawyer with whom he collaborated to write General Rule 37, for a program on "Peremptory Challenges: Exploring Court Efforts Nationwide to Combat Racial Bias." The Honorable David Lowy, Associate Justice of the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court; Honorable Pamela Gates, Maricopa County Superior Court, Arizona and chair, Task Force on Jury Data Collection, Practices, and Policies; and Steven Van Dyke, Staff Attorney at the Committee for Public Counsel Services in Massachusetts, also participated as panelists.

As a result of student entreaties, we invited Robinson to return for a second semester in the Fall of 2023 giving another cohort of students, and all of us in the wider community, the opportunity to continue to learn from Jeffery Robinson.



L to R: Lila Silverstein, Staff Attorney, Washington Appellate Project; Hon. David A. Lowy, Associate Justice, Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court; and Steven Van Dyke, Staff Attorney, Public Defender Division of CPCS

Jeffery Robinson and his students

SENIOR FELLOWS IN RESIDENCE



CHESA BOUDIN

January 2023

Chesa Boudin, former District Attorney (DA) for San Francisco, joined the Rappaport Center in January 2022, as our Senior Fellow in Residence. Boudin kicked off the second semester by delivering a rousing community address on "Criminal Justice Reform: The Role of the Progressive Prosecutor" to a standing-room only filled audience. Boudin, who had been a public defender, ran for DA on a platform of progressive prosecution. He discussed the election, the first in more than 100 years that an incumbent was not on the ballot for District Attorney in San Francisco. He talked about the failures of the criminal justice system and recounted his personal experiences as a child visiting his parents in prison alongside mostly Black and brown families. He shared three significant promises he made to the public if elected: 1) ending mass incarceration; 2) infusing victim services with resources; and 3) equal enforcement of the law.

During his tenure as DA, Boudin nearly eliminated cash bail, he convinced the Sheriff to stop collaborating with ICE on immigration matters, and he never charged a juvenile as an adult. Under Boudin's leadership, the reduction in jail and prison population was staggering. Juvenile detention decreased by 75%; adults in pre-trial detention decreased by 40%; and adults in state prisons decreased by 25%. Yet, despite his achievements, Boudin was recalled in 2022, two and a half years into his four-year term.

While at BC Law, Boudin also participated as a panelist in a program entitled "The Future of Progressive Prosecution," moderated by BC Law Professor R. Michael Cassidy (Rappaport Center Advisory Board Member). The other panelists were Kevin Hayden, Suffolk County District Attorney, and Donna Patalano, former General Counsel for the Suffolk DA's Office and current appellate attorney for innocence claims. This program, too, was widely attended and generated thoughtful discussion.

Boudin met with numerous students during his time at BC Law, both in person and via Zoom, and guest lectured in Professor Dan Kanstroom's seminar. Faculty and staff were able to engage with Boudin, as well.

Boudin was recently named founding Executive Director of the University of California Berkeley Law School's new Criminal Law & Justice Center.

SENIOR FELLOWS IN RESIDENCE



DANIELLE KINKEL

March 2023

The Rappaport Center welcomed a second Senior Fellow in Residence in March of 2023, Danielle Kinkel, General Counsel of Massachusetts
Housing Partnership, a quasi-state agency working to provide affordable housing throughout the Commonwealth. Kinkel's Community Address, "Undoing Past Policies: Building Equitable Access to Homeownership," launched BC Law's Property and Housing Week. In her talk, Kinkel delved into historic discrimination and the dearth of affordable housing in Massachusetts. She pointed to statistics demonstrating a defection from the Commonwealth and emphasized that such a "new kind of affordability brain drain threatens our economy and affects who we can hire, who teaches our children, and who contributes to the taxpayer base."

Kinkel addressed the reality that housing discrimination impacts communities of color most severely and particularly Black Americans. "The only way to heal these disparities is to intentionally make racebased and class-based policies." During Kinkel's remarks, she shared a personal story of her upbringing in Grosse Pointe, Michigan, and the law school class where her professor pointed to Grosse Pointe as a prime example of profound housing discrimination. She discussed potential solutions and emphasized the importance of collaborative efforts among multiple agencies, state, local, and federal.

During her time as our Senior Fellow, Kinkel also organized and moderated a program on "Affordable Homeownership: Barriers and Solutions" with housing leaders in the Greater Boston area, including representatives from Urban Edge, MassHousing, and DVM Consulting, as well as BC Law Professor Lisa Alexander. Students were riveted by the information shared, particularly as regards down payment opportunities for first-time home buyers and mortgages and loans provided to low-income individuals.

Kinkel met with multiple students and kindly agreed to continue her engagement with the Rappaport Center by serving as a mentor for a 2023 Rappaport Fellow.



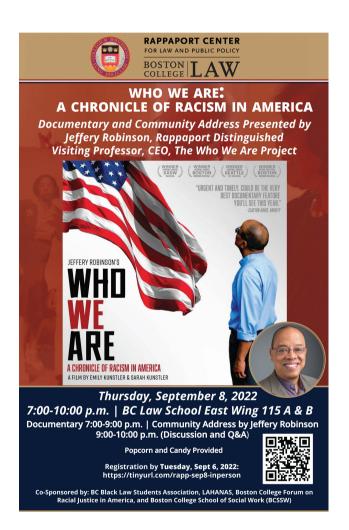
2022-2023 RAPPAPORT CENTER PROGRAMS

Who We Are: A Chronicle of Racism in America

In-Person and Virtual Program | September 8, 2022

 Moderator: Jeffery Robinson, CEO, The Who We Are Project, Rappaport Distinguished Visiting Professor

Co-Sponsored by: BC Black Law Students Association, LAHANAS, Boston College Forum on Racial Justice in America, and Boston College Law School





Jeffery Robinson

Peremptory Challenges: Exploring Court Efforts Nationwide to Combat Racial Bias

In-Person and Virtual Program | September 13, 2022

Moderator:

• Jeffery Robinson, CEO, The Who We Are Project; Rappaport Distinguished Visiting Professor

Panelists:

- Hon. Pamela Gates, Maricopa County Superior Court, Arizona; Chair, Task Force on Jury Data Collection, Practices, and Policies (virtual)
- Hon. David A. Lowy, Associate Justice, Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court
- Lila Silverstein, Staff Attorney, Washington Appellate Project
- Steven Van Dyke, Staff Attorney, Public Defender Division of the Committee for Public Counsel Services (CPCS)



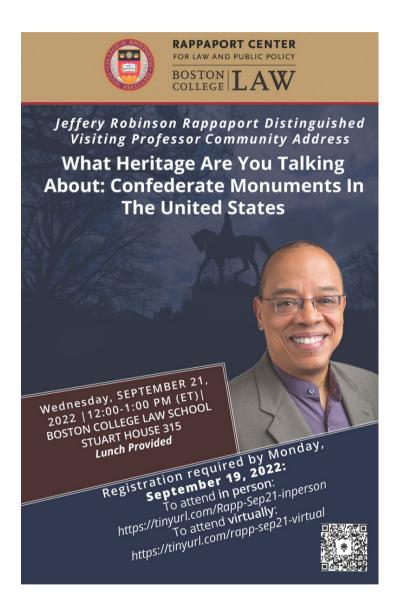


L–R: Jeffery Robinson, Lila Silverstein, Hon. David A. Lowy, and Steven Van Dyke

What Heritage Are You Talking About: Confederate Monuments in the United States

In-Person and Virtual Program | September 21, 2022

• Jeffery Robinson, CEO, The Who We Are Project; Rappaport Distinguished Visiting Professor





L-R: Daniel Kanstroom and Jeffery Robinson

After Bruen: Gun Safety and Gun Laws in Massachusetts and Beyond

Virtual Conference | October 21, 2022



Keynote Address and Q&A

• U.S. Senator Christopher Murphy (D.Conn)



Panel 1: New York State Rifle & Pistol Association v. Bruen: Explanations and Implications Moderator:

• Joseph Blocher, Professor of Law, Duke University School of Law; Co-Director, Duke University School of Law Center for Firearms Law

Panelists:

- Timothy Casey, Chief, Constitutional and Administrative Law Division, Massachusetts Attorney General's Office
- Erin Murphy, Partner, Clement & Murphy



Panel 2: Gun Safety through Community Violence Prevention Programs

Moderator:

• Dr. Talib Hudson, Director of Research and Innovation, National Network for Safe Communities; Founder, The New Hood

Panelists:

- Dr. Chana Sacks, Co-Director, Massachusetts General Hospital Gun Violence Prevention Center
- Dr. Chico Tillmon, Executive Director, Heartland Alliance, READI Chicago; Senior Research Fellow, University of Chicago Crime and Education Labs
- JT Timpson, Managing Director, Community Violence Initiatives, Roca Impact Institute



Panel 3: Innovative Approaches to Gun Laws

Moderator:

• Gary Klein, Consultant, Violence Policy Center; former Senior Counsel, Massachusetts Attorney General's Office

Panelists:

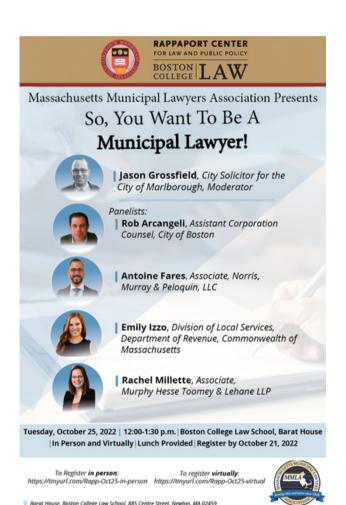
- Josh Koskoff, Koskoff & Bieder
- Alla Lefkowitz, Senior Director, Affirmative Litigation, Everytown Law
- Mayor Sam Liccardo, San José, California



So, You Want To Be A Municipal Lawyer!

In-Person and Virtual Program | October 25, 2022 Moderator:

- Jason Grossfield, City Solicitor for the City of Marlborough Panelists:
 - Rob Arcangeli, Assistant Corporation Counsel, City of Boston
 - Antoine Fares, Associate, Norris, Murray & Peloquin, LLC
 - Emily Izzo, Division of Local Services, Department of Revenue, Commonwealth of Massachusetts
 - Rachel Millette, Associate, Murphy Hesse Toomey & Lehane LLP





L–R: Rob Arcangeli, Rachel Millete, Jason Grossfield, Emily Izzo, and Antoine Fares

Reparations: Current Progress and Controversies

In-Person and Virtual Program | November 9, 2022

- Moderator: Kimberly Atkins Stohr, Senior Opinion Writer, The Boston Globe Panelists:
- Michele Miller, Amherst Town Councilor; Reparations For Amherst, Co-Chair; African Heritage Reparation Assembly Member
- Thomas W. Mitchell, Professor and Robert F. Drinan, S.J. Chair, Boston College Law School
- Kamilah Moore, Chair, California Reparations Task Force
- Jeffery Robinson, CEO, The Who We Are Project; Rappaport Distinguished Visiting Professor

Co-Sponsored by: BC Black Law Students Association





L–R: Thomas W. Mitchell, Michele Miller, Jeffery Robinson, Kimberly Atkins Stohr, and Kamilah Moore

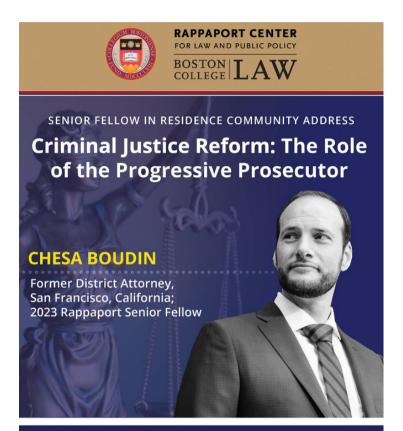


L–R: Thomas W. Mitchell, Kamilah Moore, Jeffery Robinson, Michele Miller, and Kimberly Atkins Stohr

Criminal Justice Reform: The Role of the Progressive Prosecutor

In-Person and Virtual Program | January 30, 2023

• Chesa Boudin, former District Attorney, San Francisco, California; 2023 Rappaport Senior Fellow



MONDAY, JANUARY 30, 2023 | 12:15 p.m.-1:15 p.m. (ET) | SH 315

The program will be held in person at Boston College Law School, Stuart House 315, as well as virtually. Lunch will be provided. Free and open to the public.

IN PERSON RSVP: tinyurl.com/Rapp-Jan30-inperson VIRTUAL RSVP: tinyurl.com/Rapp-Jan30-virtual





Chesa Boudin

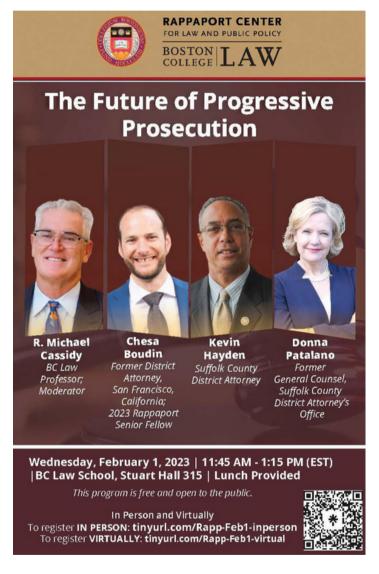


Chesa Boudin

The Future of Progressive Prosecution

In-Person and Virtual Program | February 1, 2023 Moderator:

- R. Michael Cassidy, BC Law Professor, Rappaport Center Advisory Board Member Panelists:
- Chesa Boudin, former District Attorney, San Francisco, California; 2023 Rappaport Senior Fellow
- Kevin Hayden, Suffolk County District Attorney
- Donna Patalano, former General Counsel, Suffolk County District Attorney's Office





L–R: Chesa Boudin, Kevin Hayden, Donna Patalano, and R. Michael Cassidy



Affirmative Action: Where We've Been, Where We're Going

Virtual Program | February 7, 2023

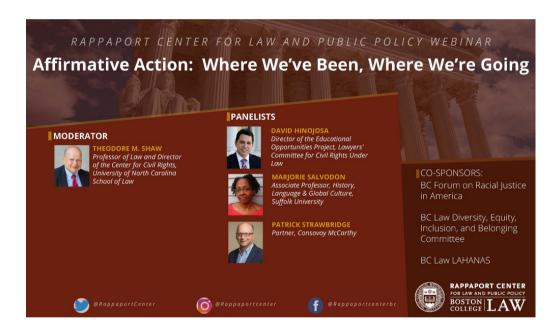
Moderator:

• Theodore M. Shaw, Professor of Law and Director of the Center for Civil Rights, University of North Carolina School of Law

Panelists:

- David Hinojosa, Director of the Educational Opportunities Project, Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law
- Marjorie Salvodon, Associate Professor, History, Language & Global Culture, Suffolk University
- Patrick Strawbridge, Partner, Consovoy McCarthy

Co-Sponsored by: BC Forum on Racial Justice in America; BC Law Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging Committee; and BC Law LAHANAS





Boston Exam Schools: Are the New Admissions Policies Achieving Educational Equity?

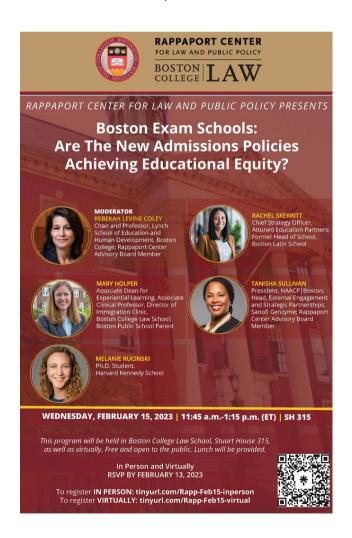
In-Person and Virtual Program | February 15, 2023

Moderator:

Rebekah Levine Coley, Chair and Professor, Lynch School of Education and Human Development,
 Boston College; Rappaport Center Advisory Board Member

Panelists:

- Mary Holper, Associate Dean for Experiential Learning; Associate Clinical Professor; Director of Immigration Clinic; Boston College Law School
- Melanie Rucinski, PhD Student, Harvard Kennedy School
- Rachel Skerritt, Chief Strategy Officer, Attuned Education Partners; former Head of School, Boston Latin School
- Tanisha Sullivan, President, NAACP Boston; Associate General Counsel, Sanofi Genzyme; Rappaport Center Advisory Board Member





L–R: Rebekah Levine Coley, Melanie Rucinski, Tanisha Sullivan, Mary Holper, and Rachel Skerritt



L–R: Lissy Medvedow, Rebekah Levine Coley, Rachel Skerritt, Mary Holper, and Tanisha Sullivan

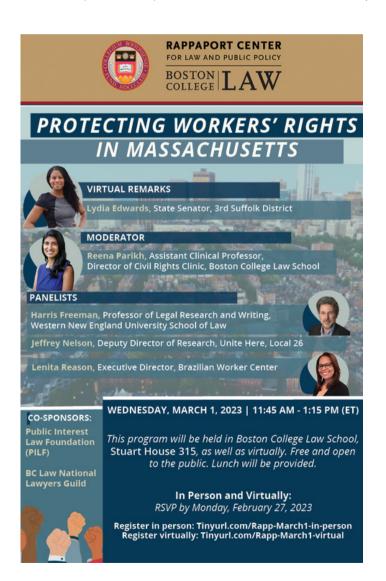
Protecting Workers' Rights in Massachusetts

In-Person and Virtual Program | March 1, 2023

Virtual Remarks:

- Lydia Edwards, State Senator, 3rd Suffolk District Moderator:
- Reena Parikh, Assistant Clinical Professor, Director of Civil Rights Clinic, Boston College Law School Panelists:
- Harris Freeman, Professor of Legal Research and Writing, Western New England University School of Law
- Jeffrey Nelson, Deputy Director of Research, Unite Here, Local 26
- · Lenita Reason, Executive Director, Brazilian Worker Center

Co-Sponsored by: Public Interest Law Foundation (PILF) and BC Law National Lawyers Guild





L–R: Jeffrey Nelson, Lenita Reason, Harris Freeman, and Reena Parikh

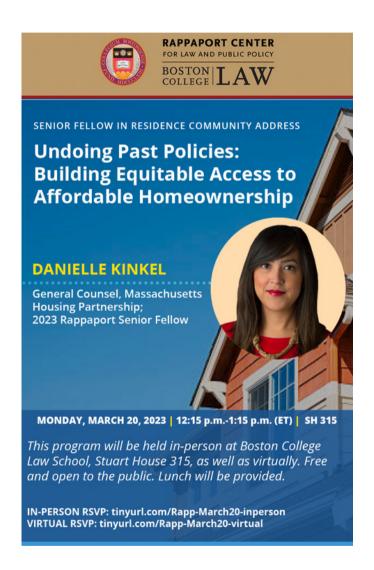


Virtual remarks by State Senator Lydia Edwards

Undoing Past Policies: Building Equitable Access to Affordable Homeownership

In-Person and Virtual Program | March 20, 2023

• Danielle Kinkel, General Counsel, Massachusetts Housing Partnership; 2023 Rappaport Senior Fellow





Danielle Kinkel

Affordable Homeownership: Barriers and Solutions

In-Person and Virtual Program | March 22, 2023 Moderator:

- Danielle Kinkel, General Counsel, Massachusetts Housing Partnership; 2023 Rappaport Senior Fellow Panelists:
 - Lisa Alexander, Professor, Boston College Law School
 - Emilio Dorcely, Chief Executive Officer, Urban Edge
 - Kathleen Evans, Product & Lending Analytics Manager, MassHousing
 - · Dariela Villón-Maga, President, DVM Consulting





L–R: Kathleen Evans, Lisa Alexander, Danielle Kinkel, Emilio Dorcely, and Dariela Villón-Maga



L–R: Danielle Kinkel, Lisa Alexander, Emilio Dorcely, Kathleen Evans, Dariela Villón-Maga, and Lissy Medvedow

GREATER BOSTON DEBATE SERIES

The Rappaport Center for Law and Public Policy and the Rappaport Institute for Greater Boston continued the Greater Boston Debate Series with a program focusing on school receivership. Education experts engaged in a thoughtful discussion exploring the complexities of receivership in a program moderated by a Boston Globe editorial writer. The Greater Boston Debate Series provides a forum to address controversial and contemporary issues with subject matter experts who help inform and educate members of the public.

Is Receivership the Right Approach for Underperforming School Districts? Virtual Program | March 21, 2023

Moderator:

• Shira Schoenberg, Editorial Writer, The Boston Globe

Panelists:

- Domingo Morel, Associate Professor, Wagner Graduate School of Public Service, New York University
- Beth Schueler, Assistant Professor of Education and Public Policy, University of Virginia





Clockwise: Shira Schoenberg, Domingo Morel, and Beth Schueler

RAPPAPORT FELLOWS PROGRAM



2022 Rappaport Center for Law and Public Policy Fellows, Phyllis Rappaport, Dan Kanstroom, and Lissy Medvedow

Each year, twelve exceptional law students from law schools across the Commonwealth are chosen to be Rappaport Fellows in Law and Public Policy. The students are selected based on their passion for public service, a personal essay, grades, and recommendations. As Fellows, they are provided summer internships in state and local government agencies, a generous stipend, mentors, and weekly experiential learning opportunities. The Fellows form lifelong friendships, develop enduring professional relationships, and gain meaningful insights into the intersection of law and public policy.

Their mentors provide guidance and support throughout the summer, and on occasion, long beyond. Mentors are members of the Rappaport Center Advisory Board, prior Fellows, and highly respected legal practitioners.

We would like to thank the 2022 mentors for their significant contributions to the Rappaport Fellows and the Rappaport Center:

- Emily Armstrong, Assistant Vice President, Deputy General Counsel, Beth Israel Lahey Health; former Rappaport Center Advisory Board Member
- Thanithia Billings, Associate, Ropes & Gray
- Gregory Bialecki, Principal, Redgate Capital Partners, Rappaport Center Advisory Board Member
- Kristen Bor-Zale, Equal Justice Works Fellow, Greater Boston Legal Services; 2017 Rappaport Fellow
- Maia BrodyField, Administration and Strategic Initiatives Officer, Blue Cross Blue Shield Foundation
- Michael Caljouw, Vice President, Government and Regulatory Affairs, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts; Chair, Rappaport Center Advisory Board

- Michael Cannella, Assistant General Counsel, Massachusetts Health Connector; 2013
 Rappaport Fellow
- David Chorney, Associate General Counsel, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center; 2014
 Rappaport Fellow
- Kate Cook, Chief of Staff, Governor Maura Healey's Office; former First Assistant Attorney General
- Joe Curtatone, President, Northeast Clean Energy Council; former Mayor of Somerville;
 Rappaport Center Advisory Board Member
- Iván Espinoza-Madrigal, Executive Director, Lawyers for Civil Rights, 2021 Rappaport Senior Fellow in Residence
- Yelena Greenberg, Health Care Associate, Robinson & Cole; 2015 Rappaport Fellow
- Rebecca Hart Holder, Executive Director, Reproductive Equity Now
- Paul Hattis, Senior Fellow, Lown Institute
- Hannah Jellinek Black, Associate, Todd & Weld; former Assistant District Attorney, Middlesex County District Attorney's Office; 2017 Rappaport Fellow
- Julia Kobick, Deputy State Solicitor, Massachusetts Attorney General's Office; Rappaport Center Advisory Board Member; 2008 Rappaport Fellow
- Lauren Koster, Judicial Law Clerk, Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts; 2018 Rappaport Fellow
- Paula Lyons, Deputy General Counsel, Massachusetts Department of Labor; 2007 Rappaport Fellow
- Dannel Malloy, Chancellor, University of Maine System; former Governor of Connecticut; 2019
 Rappaport Distinguished Visiting Professor
- Patrick Moore, First Assistant Attorney General; former partner, Hemenway & Barnes;
 Rappaport Center Advisory Board Member
- Malgorzata Mrozek, Associate, Fitch Law Partners, 2015 Rappaport Fellow
- Dylan O'Sullivan, Associate, Hemenway & Barnes; 2019 Rappaport Fellow
- Rachael Rollins, former U.S. Attorney; former Suffolk County District Attorney; former Rappaport Center Advisory Board Member
- Kate Scarborough Mills, Senior Director, Market Oversight and Transparency, Massachusetts Health Policy Commission; 2009 Rappaport Fellow
- Jane Swift, President, LearnLaunch; former Governor of Massachusetts; 2020 Rappaport Distinguished Visiting Professor

In addition to mentorship, the Rappaport Fellows are afforded opportunities to meet with public officials and gain first-hand knowledge of public sector lawyering, the three branches of government, and public/private partnerships. The 2022 Rappaport Fellows had the great fortune to meet with the following leaders in the Commonwealth:

- State Senator Jamie Eldridge
- Former Commissioner of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Margret Cooke
- Former U.S. Attorney Rachael Rollins
- Boston Mayor Michelle Wu
- Chief Justice of the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court, Kimberly Budd
- Special Counsel of the Red Sox, David Friedman
- Former MBTA General Manager, Steve Poftak



2022 Rappaport Center Fellows with SJC Chief Justice Kimberly Budd



2022 Rappaport Center and Institute Fellows with David Friedman, Red Sox Special Counsel



2022 Rappaport Center and Institute Fellows with former MBTA General Manager Steve Poftak at new MBTA green line extension in Somerville



2022 Rappaport Center Fellows with Massachusetts State Senator Jamie Eldridge



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2022 Rappaport Center and Institute Fellows with Boston Mayor Michelle Wu



CATHERINE "KATIE" BEKEL

School: Boston College Law School

Placement: Office of State Senator Joan Lovely

Catherine "Katie" Bekel graduated from the University of Vermont (UVM), Phi Beta Kappa, where she studied psychology and English. After graduating from UVM, she served as an AmeriCorps Member at Groundwork Lawrence in Lawrence, Massachusetts, and then followed her passion to pursue a career in sustainable agriculture. Bekel worked and managed small vegetable farms in eastern Massachusetts for nearly a decade. In these roles, she advocated for fair wages for her staff and herself and created programs to make local produce more accessible for lower-income community members. Throughout this work, she became keenly aware of the challenges facing low-income workers and became deeply invested in questions intersecting wealth, equity, and labor. Bekel is interested in civil rights, worker protection, immigration, and public policy.



HACIBEY CATALBASOGLU

School: Boston University School of Law; currently, New York

University School of Law

Placement: Massachusetts Attorney General's Office

Hacibey "Haci" Catalbasoglu, a Yale College graduate, has held various governmental positions, serving in New Haven's housing department, Connecticut Attorney General William Tong's Office, Connecticut Lt. Governor Susan Bysiewicz's Office, and U.S. Senator Chris Murphy's Office (D-CT). In 2017, Catalbasoglu was elected to the City of New Haven's law-making body, the Board of Alders, to represent a downtown district. In that role, he worked to improve town-and-gown relations, protect immigrants' rights, and reform the city's criminal justice system. Between college and law school, Catalbasoglu worked as a cook at his family's pizza shop, Brick Oven Pizza, in New Haven.



ALEXIS "LEXI" DELLAQUILA

School: New England Law | Boston

Placement: Massachusetts Department of Children and Families

Alexis "Lexi" Dellaquila is a lifelong Massachusetts resident. Prior to pursuing her law degree, Dellaquila served in the Baker-Polito Administration for over four years, working to develop programs and policies in direct support of Governor Charlie Baker and Lt. Governor Karyn Polito. In the Governor's Office, Dellaquila focused on a variety of special projects related to the Governor's Council to Address Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence. In this role, Dellaguila worked with members of the Council to lead, develop, and implement policies to help individuals and families live a life free from sexual assault and domestic violence. Her desire to pursue a legal degree rooted in advocacy for victims and survivors of intimate partner violence grew through this work. Additionally, she developed programming to bolster access to STEM education in schools across the state, working with the STEM Advisory Council. Building on this work, Dellaquila hopes to continue to pursue a career in public service and public policy. She is a graduate of Emmanuel College, where she received a degree in business management.



KAYE-ALESE GREEN

School: JD/MD candidate, Boston University School of Law and

Boston University School of Medicine

Placement: Massachusetts Attorney General's Office

Kaye-Alese Green received a BS in psychology and a master's in interdisciplinary studies with a dual concentration in public health and urban education from the University of Central Florida (UCF). At UCF, she was an NCAA student-athlete and co-captain of the women's volleyball team, and a President's Leadership Council member. At Boston University, Green was honored to serve as the inaugural Diversity & Inclusion Fellow for Boston University School of Medicine with a joint appointment as a Visiting Fellow at BU's Institute of Health Systems Innovation & Policy from 2020–2021. She served as a graduate assistant at Boston University's Howard Thurman Center for Common Ground and was president of BU's Women's Law Association.



ANDREA MILLARD

School: Suffolk University Law School
Placement: Massachusetts Attorney General's Office

Andrea Millard is a graduate of Case Western Reserve University (CWRU), where she received her BA in cognitive science, magna cum laude, with minors in public policy and psychology, as well as her MA, summa cum laude, in bioethics and medical humanities. While attending college, she interned for both John Snow Inc., where she focused on international public health projects, as well as for the Suffolk County District Attorney's Office, where she worked in the Chelsea District Court. After graduating from CWRU, she went to work at Boston Medical Center in the Center for Addiction Research and Education as a program assistant on the Addiction Medicine Fellowship. At the Center, Millard supported Fellows throughout their placements at health centers across the City of Boston, serving both homeless and low-income individuals throughout treatment and recovery. Millard is interested in addiction policy in Massachusetts, specifically the work being done in Boston surrounding harm reduction and coordination of care.



IVY MILLER

School: JD/MPH candidate, Northeastern University School of Law

and Tufts University School of Medicine

Placement: Massachusetts Health Policy Commission

Ivy Miller is a dual degree JD/MPH candidate at Northeastern University School of Law and Tufts University School of Medicine. After graduating from the University of California, Irvine (UCI) with a BA in public health policy, she worked in both inpatient and outpatient healthcare settings. Her experiences showed her the barriers patients face throughout the healthcare system and fueled her interest in public health policy and law.



CHRIS PAPPAVASELIO

School: Harvard Law School

Placement: Suffolk County District Attorney's Office

Chris Pappavaselio grew up in northern Massachusetts, and earned an MA in Latin from the University of Massachusetts, Boston, and a BA in classics from the University of Southern California, after which he taught at a local public high school for several years. Throughout law school, he has maintained his passion for education and responsible governance by writing a regular civics-themed column for the Concord Monitor and serving as an elected member of his town's School Committee. Pappavaselio plans to make a difference through working in the criminal justice field.



DEVYN PARRY

School: Northeastern University School of Law Placement: Office of the Senate Counsel

Devyn Parry is a graduate of the University of San Diego, where she studied behavioral neuroscience. Prior to starting law school, Parry worked in Silicon Valley at 23andMe where she wrote and maintained content related to the health product. Parry is excited to learn more about the legislative process and explore the relationship between technology, the legislature, and public policy.



SAMANTHA PERLMAN

School: JD/MA candidate, Boston College Law School and the Urban and Environmental Policy and Planning Program at Tufts University Placement: Office of Boston Mayor Michelle Wu

Samantha Perlman is a dual Public Service Scholar at Boston College Law School and MA candidate at the Urban and Environmental Policy and Planning Program at Tufts Graduate School of Arts and Sciences. She graduated magna cum laude from Emory University with a BA in history and African American studies. Focused on closing the civic engagement gap, Perlman worked as an FAO Schwarz Fellow at Generation Citizen, where she helped secure passage of the 2018 Massachusetts civic education law. Most recently, she worked at Scholars Strategy Network, partnering with faculty on national democracy policy and youth voting efforts, as well as serving on the Students Learn Students Vote Coalition's Advisory Board. In 2019, Perlman made history as the youngest woman and first Jewish woman ever elected to the Marlborough City Council, as well as the first new candidate to top the ticket in a Council race. Currently, in her second term, Perlman is also a proud graduate of Emerge Massachusetts, the Institute for Nonprofit Practice Community Fellows Program, and the Institute for Canadian Citizenship Fellowship. In 2020, she was named one of IGNITE National's 30 under 30 for women to watch in politics.



JONATHAN STURR

School: JD/MA candidate, Boston College Law School and the Fletcher School for Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University Placement: Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination

Jonathan Sturr is a dual JD/MA candidate at Boston College Law School and the Fletcher School for Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University. Prior to graduate school, he spent five years working at the National Democratic Institute on democracy issues in the post-Soviet region. During this time, he worked at the Institute's field office in Kyiv, Ukraine, where he contributed to its programming on political party and civil society development, women's political engagement, LGBTQ rights advocacy, and election transparency. A native of the New York City area, Sturr graduated from Columbia University in 2014, where he studied history and music.



ANGELA WU

School: Harvard Law School

Placement: Mayor Michelle Wu's Office of Immigrant Advancement

Angela Wu worked on reproductive rights impact litigation as a paralegal in the public policy litigation and law department at Planned Parenthood Federation of America prior to attending law school. She is a graduate of Princeton University, where she received her AB with high honors in the School of Public and International Affairs with a certificate in American studies. Her senior thesis research at Princeton focused on municipal immigrant-welcoming initiatives. Wu is passionate about gender justice and immigrants' rights.

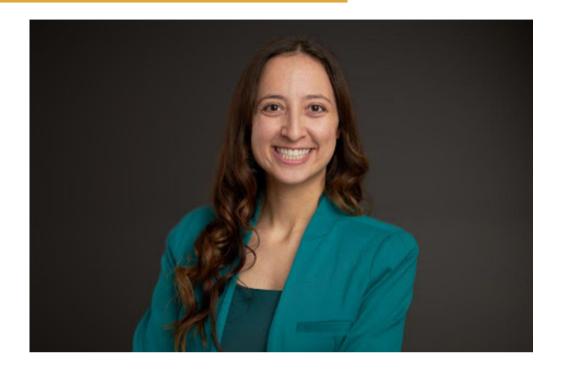


NOAM YOSSEFY

School: Suffolk University Law School
Placement: Office of State Senator Jo Comerford

Noam Yossefy is planning to pursue a public interest career in healthcare and public health. Prior to attending Suffolk University, Yossefy worked as a policy analyst at the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office (AGO), where she monitored healthcare trends and transactions, advocated for public health reforms, and supported healthrelated consumer protection lawsuits. While at the AGO and in her previous role at the Boston Mayor's Office of Recovery Services, Yossefy compiled a comprehensive account of past and projected damages caused by the opioid crisis in order to inform the State and City's multibillion dollar lawsuits against more than a dozen pharmaceutical developers, manufacturers, and distributors. Yossefy received her master's in public health from the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, where she studied healthcare administration, political strategy, behavioral health, and substance use disorders, specifically opioid and ecigarette use among at-risk youth. She received her BA in public health at Skidmore College.

2022 RAPPAPORT FELLOWS RESEARCH GRANT



Samantha Perlman was awarded a Rappaport Center grant to write a policy paper arising from her 2022 Rappaport summer internship in Boston Mayor Michelle Wu's Office. Perlman's paper, entitled "Power to the People: Securing Noncitizen Voting in Boston," proposes that the State Legislature approve Boston's home rule petition enabling Boston to pass an ordinance permitting noncitizen residents to vote in local elections. According to Perlman, home rule petition approval is the single largest obstacle to the implementation of noncitizen resident voting.

The paper will be submitted to the Mayor's Office.

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