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<td>The jail-like and inhumane conditions of civil immigration detention run counter to the promises of immigration reform by the Obama Administration. Panelists will present information about who is detained, where, and for how long, as well as the conditions of their confinement.</td>
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<td>Panelists will speak about the legal landscape and effects of mandatory detention, as well as alternatives to detention. Panelists will also discuss legal and non-legal challenges to detention and the need to fight the synergistic relationship between mandatory detention and deportation.</td>
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<td>A presentation by Rutgers–Newark Immigrant Rights Clinic students on their report examining conditions of post-detention orders of supervision and release on recognizance.</td>
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1:45pm – 3:15pm  **Access to Justice for Detainees in Immigration Proceedings**
This panel will shift the focus from fairness in the conditions of and reasons behind detention to factors affecting the fair and effective administration of justice for detainees. Panelists will discuss issues such as the use of video hearings, lawyers’ restricted access to their clients, pro se individuals’ restricted access to a law library or computer technology, the agency’s transfer and removal procedures, difficulties faced by detainees with mental health issues, and other variables that impact the likelihood of success in immigration proceedings for detainees.

Moderator: Prof. Anju Gupta, Rutgers School of Law–Newark

Prof. Alice Clapman, University of Baltimore School of Law

Hon. Robert A. Katzmann, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit

Lawrence S. Lustberg, Esq., Gibbons PC

Amelia Wilson, Esq., American Friends Service Committee

3:30pm – 5:00pm  **A Call to Action:**
Promoting Pro Bono Representation in Immigration Proceedings
This panel will focus on immigrant detainees’ access to counsel and ways in which attorneys and law students can get involved. Panelists will discuss the need for greater pro bono representation in detained immigration cases and the right to counsel in immigration proceedings. Panelists also will discuss the importance of involvement from the private bar, NGOs, and law school clinics, and will explore resources for pro bono counsel.

Moderator: Prof. Lori A. Nessel, Seton Hall University School of Law

Hon. Michael A. Chagares, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit

Lynn M. Kelly, Esq., City Bar Justice Center

Catherine Weiss, Esq., Lowenstein Sandler PC

5:00pm – 5:30pm  **Keynote address**
U.S. Senator Robert Menendez
ROBERT MENENDEZ
U.S. Senator (D), New Jersey

Senator Bob Menendez’s story is a quintessential American story. He grew up the son of Cuban immigrants in a tenement building in Union City and has risen to become one of 100 United States Senators and to serve as a member of the Senate leadership. In fact, he has the distinction of being the first Hispanic to achieve many positions, including the highest ranking Hispanic in the U.S. House of Representatives, the first Hispanic Senator to serve in Senate leadership, and the first minority in New Jersey to win federal office statewide.

Senator Menendez has served as a school board member, a mayor, and a state legislator. In Washington, he rose to become the third highest ranking Democrat in the U.S. House, and in the Senate he continues to chair the Democratic Hispanic Task Force. During the 2009-2010 election cycle he served as chair of the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee, a top position of national leadership.

Senator Menendez has authored numerous pieces of immigration legislation, including the Comprehensive Immigration Reform (CIR) Act of 2011, which was cosponsored by the entire Senate Democratic leadership. This bill would require undocumented workers to register with the government, while improving our legal immigration and immigration enforcement systems. Senator Menendez has been working tirelessly to pass CIR and the DREAM Act into law.

Senator Menendez has also authored several pieces of legislation that would ensure basic human rights standards within the immigration detention system, including the Strong STANDARDS Act and the Protect Citizens and Residents from Unlawful Detention Act. Both bills would ensure that basic due process guarantees are followed in immigration detention. Working with his colleagues in the Congressional Hispanic Caucus, Senator Menendez has advocated with the Administration for fair policies toward immigrants who face detention and deportation.

In recognition of his tireless work on behalf of immigrants, last year Senator Menendez was awarded the Michael Maggio Award, an award conferred annually on a member of Congress who evidences by words or deeds a firm commitment to advancing the interests of immigrants.

Senator Menendez currently serves on the Senate Committees on Finance; Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs; and Foreign Relations. He is also the Chairman of the Banking Subcommittee on Housing, Transportation, and Community Development; and the Foreign Relations Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Peace Corps, and Global Narcotics Affairs.

Senator Menendez’s first book, *Growing American Roots*, was released in October 2009. It examines the deep influence of the Latino population on American society and, from his unique perspective as a Latino member of the Senate, lays out his vision for how the Latino community can help America prosper. He also has led the effort in the Senate to authorize a Smithsonian American Latino Museum on the National Mall.

Senator Menendez graduated from Rutgers School of Law–Newark in 1979.
HON. MICHAEL A. CHAGARES  
Circuit Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit  
The Honorable Michael A. Chagares is a Judge for the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit. Before his appointment in 2006, Judge Chagares was a partner in the New Jersey law firm of Cole Schotz, focusing on appellate litigation. From 1990 to 2004, Judge Chagares served as an Assistant United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey, including an appointment as Chief of the Civil Division from 1999-2004. Prior to joining the U.S. Attorney’s Office, Judge Chagares served as a law clerk for the Honorable Morton Greenberg of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit. Judge Chagares received his B.A. from Gettysburg College in 1984 and graduated with honors from Seton Hall University School of Law in 1987.

ALICE CLAPMAN  
Visiting Assistant Professor & Acting Director, Immigrant Rights Clinic  
University of Baltimore School of Law  
Professor Clapman joined the University of Baltimore School of Law faculty in 2011 as Visiting Assistant Professor of Law and Acting Director of the Immigrant Rights Clinic. Prior to joining the UB faculty, she taught an asylum law clinic at Georgetown Law; litigated impact issues at the American Civil Liberties Union, Immigrants’ Rights Project; consulted for the Open Society Institute on a clinical development project in Lebanon; and worked as a teaching assistant and development officer for a refugee law clinic in Krakow, Poland. Professor Clapman clerked for Judge Naomi Reice Buchwald in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York and Judge Chester J. Straub in the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. Her recent publications include: Petty Offenses, Drastic Consequences: Towards a Sixth Amendment Right to Counsel for Noncitizen Defendants Facing Deportation, 33 Cardozo L. Rev. 535 (2011); and Hearing Difficult Voices: The Due Process Rights of Mentally Disabled Individuals in Removal Proceedings, 45 New England L. Rev. 373 (2011).

ALINA DAS  
Assistant Professor of Clinical Law & Co-Director, Immigrant Rights Clinic  
New York University School of Law  
Alina Das is an Assistant Professor of Clinical Law and Supervising Attorney at New York University (NYU) School of Law. Alina co-teaches the Immigrant Rights Clinic, a leading institution in local and national struggles for immigrant rights. She and her students represent immigrants and community organizations in litigation at the agency, federal court, and Supreme Court level, and in immigrant rights campaigns at the local, state, and national level. In addition to her teaching, Alina engages in scholarship on deportation and detention issues, particularly at the intersection of immigration and criminal law. Prior to joining the Immigrant Rights Clinic, Alina was an attorney and a Soros Justice Fellow with the Immigrant Defense Project, where she engaged in strategic advocacy and litigation to address the immigration penalties associated with drug convictions and participation in alternatives to incarceration. Prior to her work at the Immigrant Defense Project, Alina clerked for Hon. Kermit V. Lipez of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit. Alina is a graduate of Harvard University (A.B. in Government), NYU Wagner School of Public Service (M.P.A.), and NYU School of Law (J.D.).
BETSY GINSBERG  
Visiting Assistant Clinical Professor, Kathryn O. Greenberg Immigration Justice Clinic  
Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law

Professor Betsy Ginsberg teaches in the Kathryn O. Greenberg Immigration Justice Clinic at the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, where she teaches and supervises law students in the representation of individuals in removal proceedings and community-based organizations in public advocacy, lobbying, media, and litigation efforts. Betsy was previously a member of the lawyering faculty at NYU School of Law. Before that, as a staff attorney at the Prisoners’ Rights Project of the Legal Aid Society in New York City, she litigated class action lawsuits seeking to reform jails and prisons in New York City and New York State with respect to disability rights, mental health care, and prison guard brutality. She has been the recipient of two public interest fellowships: the Soros Justice Postgraduate Fellowship, to support her work at the Prisoners’ Rights Project, and the NAPIL Equal Justice Fellowship, which funded her work at the Prison Law Office in San Quentin, CA, where she litigated class action institutional reform lawsuits on behalf of California prisoners and parolees.

AMY GOTTLIEB  
Program Director, Immigrant Rights Program, American Friends Service Committee

Amy Gottlieb is the Program Director of the American Friends Service Committee Immigrant Rights Program in Newark, a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the rights of immigrants and refugees through legal services, community organizing, and advocacy. Amy is currently a Visiting Assistant Clinical Professor in the Cardozo Immigration Justice Clinic. Amy graduated from Rutgers School of Law–Newark, where she has taught immigration law as an adjunct professor. She is past chair of the steering committee of the Detention Watch Network, and is a board member of La Fuente and Houses on the Moon Theater Company.

ANJU GUPTA  
Assistant Professor of Law & Director, Immigrant Rights Clinic  
Rutgers School of Law–Newark

Anju Gupta is Assistant Professor of Law at Rutgers–Newark, where she teaches Refugee Law and Professional Responsibility. She is also Director of the newly-formed Immigrant Rights Clinic (IRC), in which she supervises students representing detained and non-detained immigrants seeking various forms of relief from removal. Students in the IRC also engage in broader advocacy projects on behalf of immigrants’ rights organizations. This semester, her students are engaging in a project examining Immigration & Customs Enforcement’s administration of orders of supervision and release on recognizance. Students in her clinic will soon begin a project that will seek to issue recommendations for increasing law clinic representation of detainees. Prior to joining the Rutgers faculty, Professor Gupta taught in immigrant rights clinics at the University of Baltimore School of Law, Georgetown Law, and Seton Hall University School of Law. Professor Gupta clerked for the Honorable Chester J. Straub of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit and the Honorable Charles P. Sifton of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York. She received her B.A. with high honors from the University of Michigan—Ann Arbor and her J.D. from Yale Law School. Professor Gupta’s scholarship focuses on immigration and refugee law.
WARREN JOSEPH  
Community Advocate, Families for Freedom  
Warren is a decorated U.S. Persian Gulf War veteran and longtime New York resident. In 2004, he was placed in removal proceedings and spent the next three years of his life in immigration detention in New Jersey before winning his case. A member of Families for Freedom, Mr. Joseph has been an outspoken advocate for immigrant rights and a critic of deportation and detention policies.

HON. ROBERT A. KATZMANN  
Circuit Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit  
Robert A. Katzmann is a U.S. Circuit Judge for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. At his appointment in 1999, he was Walsh Professor of Government, Professor of Law, and Professor of Public Policy at Georgetown University; a Fellow of the Governmental Studies Program of the Brookings Institution; and president of the Governance Institute.

A lawyer and political scientist by training, Judge Katzmann received his A.B. (summa cum laude) from Columbia College, A.M. and Ph.D. in government from Harvard University, and a J.D. from the Yale Law School, where he was an Article and Book Review Editor of the Yale Law Journal. After clerking on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit, he joined the Brookings Institution, where he was a research associate, senior fellow, visiting fellow, and acting program director. His books include: Regulatory Bureaucracy; Institutional Disability; Courts and Congress; The Law Firm and the Public Good (editor and project director); Managing Appeals in Federal Court (co-editor); Daniel Patrick Moynihan: The Intellectual in Public Life (editor and contributing author); and Judges and Legislators (editor and contributing author). In 2007, he delivered the Marden Lecture of the New York City Bar Association, “The Legal Profession and the Unmet Needs of the Immigrant Poor,” and later launched the Study Group on Immigrant Representation to facilitate legal representation of immigrants.

Judge Katzmann has been a public member of the Administrative Conference of the United States; a vice-chair of the Committee on Government Organization and Separation of Powers of the ABA Section on Administrative Law and Regulatory Practice; a board member of the American Judicature Society, NYU's Institute of Judicial Administration; a member of the Board of Visitors of Georgetown University Law Center; and a member of the board of academic advisors of the Rehnquist Center. He served as co-chair of the FTC transition team for the Clinton/Gore Administration, and as special counsel to Senator Moynihan on the confirmation of Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg. He chaired the Section on Legislation of the American Association of Law Schools. He teaches a course on the administrative process at NYU Law School. He currently chairs the U.S. Judicial Conference Committee on the Judicial Branch.

Judge Katzmann received the American Political Science Association’s Charles E. Merriam Award (2001), “given to a person whose published work and career represents a significant contribution to the art of government through the application of social science research.” He is a recipient of the Fuld Award of the New York State Bar Association, the Chesterfield Smith Award of the Pro Bono Institute, the Michael Maggio Award of the American Immigration Lawyers Association, and the 2012 Learned Hand Medal of the Federal Bar Council. He is a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.
LYNN M. KELLY  
**Executive Director, City Bar Justice Center**  
Lynn M. Kelly, J.D., is the Executive Director of the City Bar Justice Center, part of the City Bar Fund, which is the 501(c)(3) affiliate of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York, one of the largest and most influential local bar associations in the nation. The Justice Center’s staff and pro bono attorneys provide free legal assistance through direct representation projects, community education, and a telephone legal hotline to more than 20,000 low-income New Yorkers who do not have access to other legal resources. The Justice Center matches more than a thousand pro bono cases each year, leveraging $18 million in free legal services to the poor. Ms. Kelly is experienced in designing and operating effective civil legal delivery systems for low income clients including leading MFY Legal Services for nine years, serving as a litigator and manager with the Civil Division of the Legal Aid Society, and teaching litigation skills in Fordham, New York University, and New York law schools’ clinical law programs. Ms. Kelly is a graduate of Mount Holyoke College and the New York University School of Law. She is a member of the Katzmann Study Group on Immigrant Representation and in 2012 was appointed to the Steering Committee for the Year 2 effort to increase legal representation to those immigrants in need. She is a frequent lecturer at CLE and professional development seminars on expanding pro bono and civil legal services.

LAWRENCE S. LUSTBERG  
**Director, John J. Gibbons Fellowship in Public Interest & Constitutional Law**  
**Chairman of the Criminal Defense Department, Gibbons PC**  
Lawrence S. Lustberg is a director at the law firm of Gibbons P.C. in Newark, New Jersey, where he is long-time Director of the John J. Gibbons Fellowship in Public Interest & Constitutional Law, which litigates historic, cutting-edge civil rights and civil liberties cases, as well the Chairman of the Criminal Defense Practice Group. A *magna cum laude* graduate of Harvard College (1979) and *cum laude* graduate of Harvard Law School (1983), as well as recipient of the International Graduate School Fellowship at the University of Stockholm (1980), Larry clerked for the Honorable H. Lee Sarokin, United States District Judge, following which he served as an Assistant Federal Public Defender for the District of New Jersey for five years. Larry is former President of the Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers of New Jersey and Co-Chair of the Criminal Litigation Committee of the American Bar Association. He has served on, and chaired, numerous court and government committees and non-profit or philanthropic boards of directors and has been a member of the faculties of Seton Hall, Rutgers, and New York University Law Schools. Currently, for example, Larry is co-chair of the Board of Trustees of the Fund for New Jersey and is a Member of the New Jersey State Advisory Committee to the United States Commission on Civil Rights, for which he recently chaired a Subcommittee on Immigration. Larry is an acknowledged authority in constitutional and criminal law and procedure, responsible for many seminal federal and state court decisions in a broad range of cases, and is the recipient of numerous honors from such organizations as the ACLU of New Jersey, Legal Services of New Jersey, Garden State Equality, Partners for Women and Justice, and the Essex County Bar Association.
LAUREN MAJOR & SEMUTEH FREEMAN
Student Advocates, Immigrant Rights Clinic, New York University School of Law
Lauren Major and Semuteh Freeman are student advocates with the NYU Immigrant Rights Clinic, working on behalf of the New Jersey Advocates for Immigrant Detainees. Lauren and Semuteh wrote a report on the recent expansion of immigration detention in Essex County, NJ, and on the detention facilities there, including who is being held, the conditions, the visitation policies, and access to counsel.

LORI A. NESSEL
Professor of Law & Director, Center for Social Justice
Seton Hall University School of Law
Lori A. Nessel is a Professor of Law and the Director of Seton Hall University School of Law's Center for Social Justice. Professor Nessel teaches Immigration and Naturalization Law and International Human Rights Law, and she co-teaches the Immigrants' Rights/International Human Rights Clinic. Her scholarship focuses largely in the areas of immigration and refugee law and policy, international human rights, rule of law, and access to justice. Professor Nessel came to Seton Hall Law School in 1995 after completing a Skadden Arps Public Interest Law Fellowship representing migrant farmworkers in Upstate New York and working at a small civil rights firm in New York City. In the Immigrants' Rights/International Human Rights Clinic, Professor Nessel supervises live cases and human rights fact-finding and advocacy projects and has represented detained and non-detained immigrants seeking asylum and other forms of relief from removal. She has also worked on cases involving human trafficking and family reunification. Under her supervision, the Clinic has won groundbreaking decisions, including one of the first rulings to recognize domestic violence as torture under the United Nations Convention Against Torture. She is currently supervising students in a human rights project examining private deportations of immigrants by hospitals in the United States.

JUDY RABINOVITZ
Deputy Director, ACLU Immigrants’ Rights Project
Director, Detention and Federal Enforcement Programs
Judy Rabinovitz is the Deputy Director and Director of Detention and Federal Enforcement Programs for the ACLU Immigrants’ Rights Project, where she has worked since 1988, litigating class action and impact cases on a variety of issues affecting the rights of immigrants. In recent years her work has focused largely on advocacy and litigation challenging immigration detention policies and practices. She played a leading role in the indefinite detention litigation that resulted in the Supreme Court’s Zadvydas v. Davis decision. In addition, she coordinated a nationwide litigation campaign to challenge the mandatory immigration detention statute that Congress enacted as part of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 (IIRIRA), culminating in Demore v. Kim, which she argued before the Supreme Court in 2003. She has twice received the Jack Wasserman Memorial Award for Excellence in Litigation from the American Immigration Lawyers Association; and in 2006, she received the Carol King Award from the National Immigration Project of the National Lawyers Guild. For the past ten years she has served as an adjunct assistant professor of law at NYU Law School. She is also a member of the board of directors of the National Immigration Project of the National Lawyers Guild.
RAVI RAGBIR  
Organizer, New Sanctuary Movement  
Ravi Ragbir is an immigrant rights activist who has helped hundreds of people as an organizer with the New Sanctuary Movement in New York City. He works directly with those who are facing deportation to educate them about their cases and to empower them to struggle against their deportation. He has trained numerous advocates from various immigrants’ rights and allied organizations on the impact of current immigration policies. Working with these groups Ravi has organized Know Your Rights and community forums to educate and empower communities to advocate for the individual, but more importantly, to advocate for a fair and humane immigration policy. Ravi has first hand knowledge of deportation proceedings because he is facing removal. He is fighting to remain here with his family, friends, and supporters.

SILKY SHAH  
Field Director, Detention Watch Network  
Silky Shah is the Field Director at Detention Watch Network (DWN), a national coalition of organizations and individuals working to educate the public and policy makers about the U.S. immigration detention and deportation system. Silky has been active in the immigrants’ rights, anti-prison, and racial justice movements for nearly a decade as an organizer, campaign strategist, and journalist. In addition to her work at DWN, Silky is a producer and co-host of WBAI Radio’s Asia Pacific Forum. Silky has also served as an outreach organizer at Democracy Now! Productions and as an organizer and board member at Grassroots Leadership.

ANNE SOVCIK  
Advocacy Counsel, Refugee Protection Program, Human Rights First  
As the Advocacy Counsel for Human Rights First’s Refugee Protection Program and Chair of the Asylum Working Group, Annie is responsible for devising, coordinating, and executing strategies for influencing laws and policies impacting asylum seekers in the United States, including issues related to the detention of asylum seekers, the adverse impact of the terrorism bars on refugees, and improving the immigration courts and asylum adjudication process. Prior to joining Human Rights First, Annie was the staff attorney at Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service (LIRS) in Baltimore, MD, where she provided legal support and training on immigration law and policy to LIRS and its partner organizations on issues related to the detention of immigrants, refugee exclusion, refugee family reunification, and treatment of unaccompanied immigrant children. Annie graduated from the University of New Mexico School of Law. While in law school Annie interned with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in Washington, DC, and the Pro Bono Asylum Representation Project (ProBar) in Harlingen, TX. Annie has a B.A. in International Studies from the University of Denver.
CATHERINE WEISS
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Catherine Weiss helps to direct Lowenstein Sandler’s pro bono efforts, which range from impact litigation to individual client service to transactional work on behalf of major nonprofit organizations. Before joining Lowenstein Sandler, Ms. Weiss served as director of the Division of Public Interest Advocacy in the New Jersey Department of the Public Advocate. Shortly after the Department was recreated in 2006, she helped to build the division, which was dedicated to protecting and advancing the public interest through a coordinated program of research, investigation, reporting, advocacy, and litigation. Before entering state government, Ms. Weiss was Deputy Director of the Democracy Program at the Brennan Center for Justice at NYU School of Law, where she worked principally on voting rights issues. For more than a dozen years previously, she worked in the national office of the ACLU, serving as director of the ACLU Reproductive Freedom Project from 1997-2002 and as its litigation director for the preceding five years. Ms. Weiss has also worked as a consultant to civil rights and human rights organizations and taught as an adjunct professor at Rutgers Law School in Newark. She clerked for Judge Alvin Rubin of the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. She holds both a law degree and a masters degree in political science from Yale.

SETH FREED WESSLER
Investigative Reporter, Colorlines.com
Seth is a journalist and researcher in Brooklyn, NY, whose work explores the politics of immigration poverty, the safety-net, and criminalization. He works as an investigative reporter for Colorlines.com and is a senior researcher at the Applied Research Center, a think tank on racial justice. In addition to Colorlines.com, Seth’s work has appeared in the Huffington Post, The Texas Observer, The Root, and numerous other publications. He has reported from across the United States, Mexico, and the Caribbean and has won numerous awards and grants for his work. He is author of "Shattered Families: The Perilous Intersection of Immigration Enforcement and the Child Welfare System," a groundbreaking investigative report that provides the first national estimates of the number of children in foster care whose parents were detained or deported, and has written extensively on immigration detention and enforcement. Seth also authored "Race and Recession," a study on racial inequity in the recession, which led to his Nation Institute supported investigative report on food stamps and welfare. Seth has also published reports on organizing strategies, transportation equity, and workplace discrimination. He appears regularly on national broadcast media and as a speaker and panelist at conferences and on university campuses.

AMELIA WILSON
Detention Attorney, Immigrant Rights Program, American Friends Service Committee
Amelia Wilson primarily represents detained torture survivors in their asylum cases before the immigration courts of New York and New Jersey. Prior to joining American Friends Service Committee, Ms. Wilson practiced immigration law in Chicago, where she represented detained and non-detained individuals in all stages of deportation. She has presented and published academically on asylum law, international human rights, and the intersection of LGBT issues and immigration. Ms. Wilson earned her J.D. in 2004 from the University of Minnesota, where she was awarded the Midwest Human Rights Fellowship for her work with refugees at La Ligue des droits de l’Homme in Paris, France. She is licensed in New York.
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