

SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE PUBLIC HEARING:
***“Civil Legal Representation of the Indigent: Have We Achieved Equal
Access to Justice?”***

Thursday, May 23, 2013

Philadelphia Bar Association, 11th Floor Conference Center

1101 Market Street, Philadelphia PA 19107

9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

AGENDA

- 1. Opening Remarks of the Honorable Ronald D. Castille, Chief Justice
Pennsylvania Supreme Court**
- 2. Kathleen D. Wilkinson, Esq., Chancellor
Philadelphia Bar Association**
- 3. Damon Clay, Client of Community Legal Services
(Accompanied by Sam Brooks, Staff Attorney at Community Legal Services)**
- 4. Gabriel Ononuga, Client of Philadelphia Landlord/Tenant Legal Help Center
(Accompanied by Michele Cohen, Supervising Attorney of the Philadelphia
Landlord Tenant Help Center)**
- 5. Michele Cohen, Esq., Supervising Attorney
Philadelphia Landlord/Tenant Legal Help Center**
- 6. Joe Miller, Client of Legal Aid of Southeastern Pennsylvania
(Accompanied by Deborah Steeves, Esq., Staff Attorney for Legal Aid of
Southeastern Pennsylvania, West Chester Office)**
- 7. Denise and Anthony Bellita, Clients of Legal Aid of Southeastern Pennsylvania
(Accompanied by Kesha James, Esq., Staff Attorney for Legal Aid of
Southeastern Pennsylvania, Norristown Office)**
- 8. Delores Barnes, SeniorLaw Center Client
(Accompanied by Wendy Bookler, Managing Attorney at SeniorLAW Center)**
- 9. Honorable Annette M. Rizzo
Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas-Civil Trial Division**
- 10. J. R., Client of Women Against Abuse Legal Center
(Presented by Deborah Culhane, Staff Attorney, Women Against Abuse)**

11. **Dabney Miller, Associate Director
Women's Law Project**
12. **Honorable Margherita Patti-Worthington, President Judge
Court of Common Pleas, Monroe County**
13. **Katherine Lange, Philadelphia Pro Se Litigant**
14. **Honorable Margaret T. Murphy, Supervising Judge
Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas – Family Division**
15. **Sister Mary Scullion, Executive Director
Project H.O.M.E.**
16. **Catherine C. Carr, Esq., Executive Director
Community Legal Services**

Written Testimony:

1. **Dionna Litvin, Esq.
Assistant Counsel, MERCK**
2. **Colleen F. Coonley, Esq., Laurel House, Norristown, PA and Adjunct Clinical
Professor, Domestic Violence Law Clinic, Temple University Beasley School of
Law**
3. **Molly Callahan, Esq., Legal Director
Women Against Abuse Legal Center**
4. **James Daly, Client
Community Legal Services**
5. **Adrienne Trice, Client
Philadelphia Legal Assistance**
6. **Pei Hung Zhen, Client
Philadelphia Legal Assistance**
7. **L.S., Client
Women Against Abuse Legal Center**
8. **Patricia Tarawally, *Client*
Philadelphia Landlord/Tenant Legal Help Center**

- 9. Alina Patterson, Client
Community Legal Services**
- 10. Harbee Johnson, Client
Community Legal Services**
- 11. Irene Stone, Client
Philadelphia Landlord/Tenant Legal Help Center**
- 12. Michelle Evans, Client
Community Legal Services**
- 13. Lisa Frederick, Client
Face to Face**
- 14. A. L., Client
Women Against Abuse Legal Center**
- 15. S.H., Client
Women Against Abuse Legal Center**
- 16. Tehran Freeman, Helen Whittington, and Russell Freeman,
Clients of Legal Aid of Southeastern Pennsylvania, Delaware County**