

## Firm Attorneys Speak at the NJSBA Annual Meeting in Atlantic City

**Ralph J. Lamparello** served as a moderator at a seminar at the New Jersey State Bar Association's (NJSBA) Annual Meeting and Convention, hosted in Atlantic City in May, about the results of a study conducted by the NJSBA Task force on Judicial Independence. After more than a year of public hearings and study, Mr. Lamparello, along with an esteemed panel from both the public and private sectors, discussed the panel's recommendations and steps required to preserve the judicial branch as a pillar of democracy. The discussion focused

on the intersection of the executive and legislative branches and the impartiality of the courts, a subject that Mr. Lamparello dedicated himself to during his tenure as NJSBA President in 2013-2014.

Mr. Lamparello also spoke at a seminar regarding *Effective Settlement Techniques*, which focused on how to effectively prepare for a settlement conference and how to mediate after one. This seminar also included other experts from the plaintiff's bar, the defense bar, and the judiciary.

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## President Obama Nominates Julien X. Neals to the United States District Court



Julien X. Neals

Our former partner and current Bergen County Counsel, **Julien X. Neals**, was nominated by President Barack Obama to a federal judgeship on the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey. Mr. Neals' nomination now goes to the United States Senate for approval.

Following graduation from law school and a judicial clerkship, Mr. Neals joined our firm as an associate in 1992, eventually becoming a partner. In 2006, he departed to accept an appointment from then Mayor Cory Booker to serve as the Chief Judge of the City of Newark Municipal Court. In 2008 he switched gears and was appointed as Newark Corporation Counsel, overseeing the City's Law Department and staff of 45 attorneys. In further display of his broad range of skills,

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At the NJSBA Annual Meeting, Ralph J. Lamparello moderated a distinguished panel that discussed issues affecting judicial independence in New Jersey.

## NJSBA Annual Meeting (cont'd)

At a separate program, firm counsel and former presiding judge of the Chancery Division of the Superior Court in Hudson County, **Thomas P. Olivieri**, served as a moderator at a seminar regarding *Receiverships and Other Court Appointed Agents-No Good Deed Goes Unpunished*. The program addressed when and under what circumstances judges appoint receivers and other similar agents, along with the duties of a receiver to an entity in receivership and its creditors.

Judge Olivieri also served as one of five distinguished retired judges speaking at a presentation entitled *Getting to 'Yes' in Mediation-and Staying There!* Judge Olivieri, along with the other featured judges, are all currently performing mediation services after distinguished careers on the bench. Their insights focused on who should and who should not mediate, how and when to

speak to the mediator, whether or not to hold joint training sessions, how to present a client's position, crafting settlement terms, and ethical questions.

Judge Olivieri joined the firm in 2013 after retiring from the bench. In addition to offering his considerable skills to firm clients in complementary dispute resolution and arbitration matters, he also serves as a special master and offers guidance to firm attorneys regarding complex matters.

Partner and recent addition to the Firm, **Kenneth A. Porro**, was also featured at NJSBA's Annual Meeting and Convention as a speaker on local government law. Mr. Porro spoke at a seminar titled *Hey Mayor, Cut the Grass! Dealing with Abandoned Properties Through Rehabilitation, Redevelopment, Foreclosure, and the Uniform Construction Code*.



Retired Judge Thomas P. Olivieri spoke on the issue of receiverships at the NJSBA Annual Meeting in May. He also participated on a panel of retired judges discussing effective mediation strategies.

## Best Lawyers in America Names Ralph J. Lamparello 2014-15 "Lawyer of the Year"

*Best Lawyers in America*® has named the Firm's managing partner, **Ralph J. Lamparello**, as the 2014-15 "Lawyer of the Year," for the Newark region in the area of *Litigation — Labor and Employment*.

*Best Lawyers in America*® is the legal profession's oldest peer-reviewed publication. The publication surveys attorneys in all 50 states in 79 legal specialties. Lawyers are selected for inclusion by their peers — other lawyers practicing in the jurisdiction and in the same particular specialty area of law.

Mr. Lamparello was also named in the following areas: Commercial Litigation; Labor and Employment Law – Management; Litigation – Labor and Employment; and Litigation – Municipal, Environmental and Construction.

*Best Lawyers* also named **Steven L. Menaker** (General Litigation), **John V. Mallon** (Insurance), **John L. Shahdanian II** (Labor and Employment) and **Joel A. Leyner** (Appellate Practice, Personal Injury [plaintiff], Commercial Litigation and Bet-the-Company Litigation) to their list.

### Julien X. Neals (cont'd)

from 2010 to 2014 he served as the Newark City Business Administrator and was responsible for overseeing the budget and the day-to-day operations of all municipal departments.

Soon after Mayor Booker was appointed to the United States Senate, Mr. Neals left Newark City government and returned to the firm, where he remained until accepting the appointment in January 2015 as Bergen County Counsel.

The firm could not be more proud of Mr. Neals or more confident that he will bring his considerable legal skills, broad governmental experience, intelligence and compassion to the federal bench.

## Michael A. D'Anton and Joseph Garcia Become Partners and Kirstin Bohn is Named Of Counsel to the Firm

In early 2015, the firm named **Michael A. D'Anton** and **Joseph A. Garcia** as partners and **Kirstin Bohn** as Of Counsel.

Dr. D'Anton, who holds a Ph.D. in psychology as well as a juris doctorate degree, joined the firm in 2009 and uses his unique background and experience as a licensed psychologist to assist clients. He specializes in civil litigation and governmental, labor and employment law matters, with specialties in medical/psychiatric/psychological malpractice, health, mental health, personal injury and estate planning. Dr. D'Anton was recently appointed to the New Jersey Supreme Court's Mental Health Initiatives Interbranch Implementation Committee. He also serves as General Counsel to North Hudson Regional Fire and Rescue.

Mr. Garcia concentrates his practice in governmental, election, school, employment and labor law, and currently serves as General Counsel to the Hoboken South Waterfront Operating and Maintenance Corporation, Northwest Bergen County Utilities Authority and Special Counsel to North Hudson Regional Fire and Rescue. Since 2013, Mr. Garcia has also served as Councilman for the Borough of Paramus.



*Michael A. D'Anton, Kirstin Bohn and Joseph A. Garcia*

His experience in representing the firm's government entity clients includes redevelopment issues, personnel issues, governmental contracting, third-party liability claims under the New Jersey Tort Claims Act, regulatory enforcement litigation, and administrative law matters.

Ms. Bohn joined the firm in 2006 follow-

ing a judicial clerkship with the Hon. Hector R. Velazquez, J.S.C. She concentrates in trial and appellate practice in the areas of complex commercial, government, civil rights, labor and employment law. Ms. Bohn was named by *New Jersey Monthly Magazine* to its list of Rising Stars® in the area of general litigation every year from 2010 to 2015.

## John Mallon Prevails in Appellate Division on Behalf of NJM

**John V. Mallon** successfully argued an appeal on behalf of New Jersey Manufacturers Insurance Company (NJM) in a coverage action filed by the family of the victim of a jewelry store heist which evolved into a murder-suicide. In the matter of *Devoe v. Koury*, A-872-13T1, the son of an NJM insured entered a Bridgewater jewelry store with an announced intention to rob the store. When the owner of the store resisted, the young man shot and killed the owner. He then committed suicide.

The family of the deceased owner argued that the defendant was deranged at the time of the incident. As such, the plaintiffs argued that the defendant was not capable of forming the intent to commit the heinous acts that lead to two deaths. If proven, the homeowner's insurance policy carried on the shooter's residence would become an available source of funds to satisfy the claims of the victims.

The plaintiffs retained the services of a psychiatrist who opined that the defendant was suffering from severe depression at the

time of the incident. Mr. Mallon prevailed in a motion before the trial court to bar the testimony of the expert as a net opinion. Without expert testimony, there was no evidence to suggest that the defendant did not appreciate the nature of his acts. Accordingly, the trial court determined that the defendant was not entitled to a defense or indemnification under his parents' homeowner liability policy. The Appellate Division affirmed the trial court's decision in an opinion issued on March 23, 2015.

# Case Notes

In defense of a plaintiff's claim that the Township of Nutley seized his residential property in violation of his equal protection and substantive due process rights, **Roosevelt Jean** obtained summary judgment before the Hon. Dennis F. Carey, III, P.J.Cv., in Essex County Superior Court.

In this matter, *Scerbo v. Township of Nutley, et al.*, which involved application of the New Jersey Civil Rights Act (CRA), the plaintiff claimed Nutley had conspired to discriminate against him, devalue his property, and deny his zoning applications based on personal animus. The plaintiff alleged damages that totaled several hundred thousand dollars. At oral argument, Mr. Jean successfully persuaded the Court that individuals filing civil rights claims under the CRA in zoning matters must first exhaust available administrative remedies before filing constitutional law claims. Mr. Jean also convinced the Court that the plaintiff's equal protection and substantive due process rights were not violated, as a matter of law

**Richard W. Fogarty** saved a PIP carrier \$44,000 by successfully defending an Order to Show Cause filed by counsel for the plaintiff. The Order to Show Cause sought to overturn the underlying arbitration award, holding that the plaintiff's PIP recovery was limited to his Florida policy limits, which had been exhausted. The plaintiff, who was a resident of Florida, was involved in a motor vehicle accident in New Jersey while occupying another vehicle, and, therefore, attempted to argue that the New Jersey Deemer Statute applied to increase the plaintiff's PIP coverage to \$250,000. Mr. Fogarty argued that the language and intent of the Deemer Statute did not apply, and the plaintiff was bound by his Florida policy limits. He further argued that the plaintiff's interpretation of the policy language was a strained attempt to extend additional coverage through the Deemer Statute. The Court adopted Mr. Fogarty's argument and analysis and denied



*Richard Fogarty, left, and John Mallon*

the Order to Show Cause.

**John V. Mallon** represented an Allstate New Jersey insured in a Somerset County trial, where the firm's client rear-ended the plaintiff in an automobile accident, resulting in minor damage to plaintiff's vehicle. The plaintiff, who had an extensive history of back injuries, underwent spinal fusion surgery. The jury determined this surgery was causally related to the automobile accident, but only awarded plaintiff \$15,000, an award significantly lower than the original settlement offer. Presumably, the jury accepted Mr. Mallon's argument that the accident was not the significant factor which caused plaintiff to undergo surgery. *Kinsella v. Dietz*, SOM-L-1107-12.

**Mr. Mallon** also prevailed in a second coverage action on behalf of Allstate

Insurance Company. The matter involved a question of coverage under a homeowner's policy for the actions of the insured's son. The 16-year-old high school student prematurely broke the seal on the High School Proficiency Assessment Test, reviewed a portion of the test, and shared his observations with classmates, leading to the cancellation of the test and a \$38,000 charge for new test booklets. Mr. Mallon obtained Summary Judgment for Allstate in this Mercer County litigation, *School Alliance Fund a/s/o Molloy v. Allstate*, MER-L-511-13. The judge agreed that the damages were not "property damage" as defined by the homeowner's policy and that the student's acts were "intentional" as defined by the policy.

**Mr. Mallon** represented a homeowner insured by New Jersey Manufacturers (NJM) who was sued by a neighbor's landscaper.

The plaintiff in *Lincoln v. Pitcher*, HUD-L-623-12, was working in the neighbor's yard when a violent thunderstorm struck. High winds caused several large limbs from a tree on the client's property to fall and strike the plaintiff on the adjoining property. The plaintiff alleged that the firm's client had failed to take proper precautions in trimming the tree, causing the branches to be susceptible to breaking under the forces of the storm. Mr. Mallon introduced evidence demonstrating that the tree was healthy and argued that the sole cause of the incident was the storm, as an act of nature. The jury sided with our client.

In another victory for NJM, **Mr. Mallon** defended an NJM insured against an uninsured motorist claim in the matter of *Brito v. NJM*, HUD-L-3978-11. The plaintiff sued for underinsured motorist benefits after settling for the tortfeasor's policy limits. The plaintiff alleged a jaw injury and underwent bilateral arthroscopic surgery. Mr. Mallon demonstrated that the causal relationship of the injury and need for surgery was tenuous due to the minor nature of the impact and the lack of objective medical evidence. The jury found that the plaintiff failed to prove that he had sustained an injury that was caused by the accident.

**Richard W. Fogarty** also successfully defended a PIP arbitration that sought over \$150,000 in medical bills against Allstate. It was undisputed that the claimant was involved in a motor vehicle accident. However, there was evidence that the claimant was involved in a physical altercation with another person, involving a baseball bat, prior to the accident. Mr. Fogarty conducted the claimant's examination under oath and the claimant testified that the fight was a minor scuffle and he sustained no injuries from the same. He claimed that all of his injuries, which included multiple fractures to the eye sockets, jaw, and nose, were a result of the subsequent accident. Mr. Fogarty relied

upon the police investigation reports, which included statements from witnesses who indicated that all of claimant's injuries were sustained in the physical altercation. The dispute resolution professional agreed with Mr. Fogarty's position, finding that the injuries and resulting bills were not caused by the motor vehicle accident. The claim was dismissed.

**Samar Siyam** successfully defended a motorist insured by New Jersey Manufacturers from a claim in Hudson County arising out of a rear-end automobile accident. The plaintiff was not subject to the verbal threshold and sought damages for an alleged cervical condition as well as aggravation of a prior lumbar condition. The jury found that the accident was not the proximate cause of plaintiff's injuries.



Samar Siyam

**Thomas B. Hight** successfully defended a New Jersey Manufacturers insured whose vehicle rear-ended the plaintiff's vehicle. The plaintiff alleged severe injuries to her neck and back. The plaintiff's expert testified that she had several herniated discs in her spine based on an MRI. However, Mr. Hight was able to convince the court that the expert's report was flawed. The judge ruled that the plaintiff did not meet the burden of proof and the case was involuntarily dismissed by the judge after two days of trial.

**Larry E. Scienski** defended an Allstate insured in an income continuation benefit claim under the "no fault" portion of the insured's policy. The policy contained an unlimited income continuation benefit provision allowing for \$700 per week for the duration of the claimant's life, or \$750,000. After initial arguments by Mr. Scienski, establishing a ceiling that the benefits could only extend until the claimant's anticipated retirement age of 65, the claim exposure was reduced from \$750,000 to \$210,200. The exposure was again reduced by \$175,000 based upon the argument that the insured had voluntarily removed herself from the workforce and taken early retirement. Mr. Scienski further argued that there was a lack of medical support for income continuation which resulted in the award being reduced to a one-time payment of \$18,900.

**Thomas B. Hight** successfully represented an Allstate insured, in a jury trial in the New Jersey Superior Court, Bergen County, by presenting testimony combating the plaintiff's allegation that, while making a left turn at a busy intersection in Paterson, he was struck by the Allstate insured. Mr. Hight presented testimony that, prior to impact, the insured driver, having a green light, was travelling straight through the intersection, and veered slightly into the right lane, only to avoid a vehicle attempting a left turn. Mr. Hight also presented testimony that the plaintiff failed to come to a complete stop prior to making the illegal left turn despite facing oncoming traffic.

Additionally, Mr. Hight presented expert testimony to the jury that although plaintiff argued he suffered permanent injuries to his cervical and lumbar spine, the injuries were not causally related to the accident but instead were pre-existing. Finally, after three days of trial, the jury deliberated for less than two hours before delivering the verdict, splitting liability between the plaintiff and defendant. The jury found that the plaintiff had failed to prove that he suffered a permanent injury and as a result, he was not entitled to recover any damages.

# New & Noteworthy



Daniel R. Lagana

Continuing the firm's long-standing tradition of service, **Daniel R. Lagana** was recently sworn in as President of the Bergen County Bar Association Young Lawyers' Division (BCBA). At the same time, **Samar Siyam** was sworn in as Treasurer. Since its formation in the 1800s, the BCBA has offered its members educational programs to enhance their legal skills and a commitment to safeguard the interests of its members and the legal rights of the citizens of Bergen County. The Young Lawyers' Division has traditionally been a stepping stone to leadership in the Bar Association itself.

**Cheyne R. Scott** was also recently sworn in as President of the Hudson County Bar

Association (HCBA) Young Lawyers' Division. The Young Lawyers Division is comprised of attorneys less than 36 years of age or in practice less than five years. The Young Lawyers Division is committed to serving the young attorneys of Hudson County by offering opportunities for socializing, mentoring and continuing education, as well as interaction with members of the judiciary in Hudson County.



Cheyne R. Scott

**John V. Mallon**, co-chair of the Insurance Department and a frequent lecturer on insurance coverage for the New Jersey Institute for Continuing Legal Education (NJICLE), was a recent panelist in a program entitled *Hot Topics for Civil Litigators*. Mr. Mallon spoke about *Aggravation Claims and the Admissi-*

*bility of Prior Injuries* and analyzed the proofs required to establish aggravation.

**Robert A. Cappuzzo**, co-chair of the Insurance Department, was named to serve as chair of the New Jersey Defense Association's (NJDA) Personal Injury Protection (PIP) Committee. The NJDA establishes a communication link among New Jersey defense attorneys, insurance claim professionals, self-insurers and corporations engaged in the defense of damage suits and claims administration. Mr. Cappuzzo was also a recent moderator and participant in a NJICLE PIP College program entitled, *Complex issues in PIP Law*.

**Nicole R. Cassata** participated in a NJICLE program entitled *Insurance Boot Camp*. Ms. Cassata examined the evolution of a PIP claim from onset to conclusion from the perspective of both the Claimant and Respondent and discussed the rules governing PIP arbitration.

**Cindy Nan Vogel** was appointed as General Counsel for Independence Harbor Condominium Association in Edgewater, New Jersey, a development with more than

## New Additions to Chasan Leyner & Lamparello

**Michael S. Fleming** joined the firm's Workers' Compensation Department as an associate in April. Mr. Fleming has an extensive background in workers' compensation claims negotiation and resolution, developed from more than 27 years' experience representing customers of Liberty Mutual Insurance Company. As a senior hearing representative for Liberty Mutual, he was an aggressive negotiator with a proven ability to achieve principled, fair and equitable case resolutions. He will primarily focus his practice on many of the firm's government clients. His caseload includes dealing with complex cases involving pension and Social Security offsets, third-party lien credits, and total disability issues.

The firm is also pleased to announce that **Mollie F. Hartman** joined the firm as



Michael S. Fleming

an associate in February. Ms. Hartman will practice with the Labor and Employment, Government and Family Law Departments. Ms. Hartman gained her experience practicing at a small firm with a statewide labor and employment practice and then operated



Mollie F. Hartman

her own firm in Warren, New Jersey. She clerked for the Hon. Claude M. Coleman, J.S.C. and the Hon. Craig R. Harris, J.S.C., Essex County Superior Court, where she served as a Court Certified Mediator in child custody and parenting cases.

500 households. In recent months, Ms. Vogelman was installed as a trustee of the New Jersey State Bar Association (NJSBA), representing Hudson County, and also was re-appointed to the NJSBA New Jersey Supreme Court Committee on Women in the Courts for its 2014-2016 term and one of its subcommittees, Women of Color. The New Jersey Supreme Court Committee on Women in the Courts is charged with monitoring the judiciary's progress in achieving gender fairness in the New Jersey court system and for making recommendations to the Court on the subject of gender bias.



Robert A. Kaye

Proving that he has a heart, **Robert A. Kaye** was recently recognized by the American Red Cross for reaching its exalted Five Gallon Blood Milestone. Obviously, not all at one sitting.

**John L. Shahdanian II**, recently presented a program on the New Jersey Conscientious Employee Protection Act and Protected Activities at the New Jersey State Bar Association/NJICLE Labor and Employment Summer Institute. The two-day program featured prominent employment and labor lawyers from New Jersey and provided attendees, including many corporate counsel, with a comprehensive overview of labor and employment law.

**Mollie F. Hartman** will be featured at the Volunteer Lawyers for Justice seminar series on New Jersey child support orders, presented in the Wilentz Justice Building in Newark. The programs are open to all New Jersey residents and provide valuable information on child support legal help. Following the semi-

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## Roosevelt Jean and Michael D'Anton Vindicate Township of Nutley in Two Police Civil Rights Cases

**Roosevelt Jean and Michael A. D'Anton, Ph.D.** were successful in the defense of two separate police civil rights claims against the Township of Nutley before the Hon. Dennis F. Carey, III, P.J.Cv., in Essex County Superior Court.

In *Lamond v. Township of Nutley, et al.*, Mr. Jean persuaded Judge Carey to grant defendants' motion to dismiss a Nutley Police Sergeant's complaint that the Township's failure to promote him to lieutenant was a violation of his civil rights and the New Jersey's Conscientious Employees Protection Act ("CEPA"). The sergeant also alleged related claims for intentional infliction of emotional distress, tortious interference, civil conspiracy, and negligent supervision.

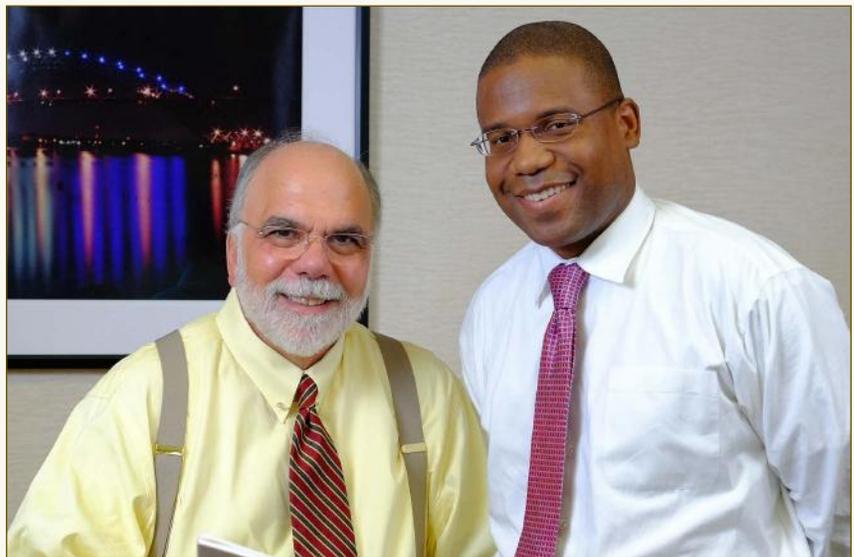
Mr. Jean argued that Nutley Mayor Alphonse Petracco and the Township consistently followed the police civil service promotional process. Sergeant Lamond, however, contended that Mayor Petracco's failure to promote him was due to plaintiff's alleged "whistle-blowing activities."

After a careful review of nearly two years of discovery, Judge Carey agreed with Mr. Jean's argument that the sergeant's claim was unsustainable. Judge Carey held that "[the] proofs are insufficient...I don't find

that the nature of the allegations would rise to the level that would come close even to whistle blowing...there is no basis to indicate in any way that [the Sergeant] was discriminated against."

In *Pace v. Township of Nutley, et al.*, argued by Dr. D'Anton, the plaintiffs alleged that Nutley police officers violated their civil rights when the officers responded to a domestic violence incident at their home. The plaintiffs alleged that the use of pepper spray and handcuffs when two of the family members were arrested was excessive. They also alleged that police officers had unlawfully entered the dwelling.

The Court held that the use of pepper spray was warranted when one of the actors pushed an officer, and that probable cause existed to arrest both actors. Moreover, the Court held that the officers were sufficiently trained and did not violate the Attorney General and Nutley Police Department's Domestic Violence and Use of Excessive Force policies. Finally, the Court held that the police officers' entry into plaintiffs' home without a warrant to insure that there were no injured persons inside was justified by the exigent circumstances exception memorialized in federal and state case law.



Michael A. D'Anton, Ph.D., left, and Roosevelt Jean

# Land Use and Real Estate Tax Appeals Departments Expand

**Kenneth A. Porro, Daniel J. Granatell** and **Mary Lotito** recently joined the firm. Mr. Porro joined the firm as a partner and Mr. Granatell as an associate. Ms. Lotito, who has worked with Mr. Porro for a number of years, is joining the firm as a paralegal.

Mr. Porro has over 25 years of litigation and land use experience practicing throughout the state of New Jersey. He serves as counsel to private and governmental entities on tax appeals, land use development applications, redevelopment plans, and riparian rights in related litigated matters. Mr. Porro is general corporate counsel to the Meadowlands Municipal Mayors Committee; Meadowlands Construction Officials Association; Industrial Steel Structures, LLC; Lyndhurst Little League Inc.; and Indian Hills Boys Soccer Boosters Association.

Mr. Granatell practices in the areas of real property tax appeals, real estate,

land use, and civil litigation. His practice includes the representation of several private and public entity clients. He earned a juris doctorate from Seton Hall University School of Law in 2013 and worked as an extern for the New Jersey Attorney General's Office in the Securities Fraud Prosecution Division while in law school.

The firm works with municipalities as well as the owners of commercial and residential properties in connection with their real estate property tax assessment needs. We represent clients through the entire municipal property tax appeal process before County Boards of Taxation and/or the Tax Court of New Jersey. Our attorneys successfully advocate for owners of shopping malls, office buildings, condominiums, multi- and single-family housing units, and other income-producing properties. A municipal tax assessment may be challenged on an annual basis.



*Pictured L - R: Daniel J. Granatell, Mary Lotito and Kenneth A. Porro*

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nars, eligible New Jersey residents will have the opportunity to meet with lawyers to file a motion to modify their child support order.

Demonstrating his community leadership, **Roosevelt Jean**, a member of the firm's governmental law section that counsels New Jersey public entities regarding civil rights and employment litigation, lent his expertise to a police-teen forum at the Paterson, New Jersey site of Boys and Girls Club of America.

On the heels of national headlines regarding poor police-community relations, Mr. Jean and a diverse panel of attorneys, law enforcement personnel, and local teenage leaders engaged in a lively dialogue regarding methods of building stronger communities. Mr. Jean and the panel tackled tough issues of profiling and stereotypes within the context of civil rights, and he empowered the teenaged audience with common sense safety tips useful in de-escalating the possibility of conflict during interactions with law enforcement.

Honored as a "2014 New Leader in the Bar" for his legal achievements and similar civic work, Mr. Jean described the event as "crucial to bridging the gap between police and the communities they serve." He added, "Young people and law enforcement must consistently engage in dialogue regarding their respective concerns, expectations, and obligations, with the goal of avoiding conflict and fostering healthier police - community relations."

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