



UNTIL CIVIL GIDEON

Expanding Access to Justice

URBAN LAW CENTER

Until Civil Gideon - Nov 1, 2013

Until Civil Gideon: Expanding Access to Justice

November 1, 2013 | 9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m

Fordham University, 113 West 60th Street
12th Floor Lounge | E. Gerald Corrigan Conference Center
Lowenstein Center | Lincoln Center Campus

*Presented in partnership with Fordham Law School's
Feerick Center for Social Justice.*

On November 1, 2013, Fordham Law School's Urban Law Center, *Urban Law Journal*, and Feerick Center for Social Justice are sponsoring an all-day conference entitled *Until Civil Gideon:*

Expanding Access to Justice. Timed for the fiftieth anniversary of the *Gideon v. Wainwright* ruling, the conference will convene leading scholars as well as national and local leaders in the access to justice movement. In particular, the conference will explore emerging issues and innovations that can promote access to justice in civil proceedings in the absence of a right to counsel. While obtaining a form of civil *Gideon* is a goal, the conference will ask, from a broad variety of perspectives, what are the best strategies until that point? We are honored to offer the following program, plus many other distinguished speakers:

- **Hon. Earl Johnson, Jr.** will open the day with a reflection on the civil *Gideon* movement and its current efforts; Professor Benjamin H. Barton and Richard Zorza will respond.
- **New York State Chief Judge Jonathan Lippman** will deliver the keynote speech during the conference's luncheon session.
- **Professor Russell Engler, Justice Fern A. Fisher** (Director of the New York State Access to Justice Program), and **Professor Deborah L. Rhode** will conclude by discussing the outlook for the access to justice movement and the role of various stakeholder communities, such as the organized bar, law schools, courts, and legal services providers.

Panels throughout the day will explore key issues, including the role of non-lawyers, unbundled legal services, the use of technology and self-help, and court-led initiatives to facilitate access to justice. The conference will provide a platform for thoughtful reflection and shared insights about how to continue to make strides on access to justice in the absence of civil *Gideon*—particularly during these challenging fiscal times. Additionally, the conference will serve as a springboard for continued information sharing and dialogue among the practitioners, experts, and scholars who attend.

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PROGRAM

8:30 a.m.
Check In / Registration

9:00–9:05 a.m.
Welcome from the Law School
Michael M. Martin
Dean and Distinguished Professor of Law
Fordham Law School

9:05–9:15 a.m.
Welcome from the Co-Sponsors
Nestor M. Davidson
Professor of Law & Director, Fordham Urban Law Center
John D. Feerick
Norris Professor of Law; Senior Counsel
Fordham Law School Feerick Center for Social Justice

9:15–9:35 a.m.
Civil Gideon?
Presenter: **Hon. Earl Johnson, Jr.**

9:35–10:15 a.m.
Responders:
Benjamin H. Barton
Helen and Charles Lockett Distinguished Professor of Law
University of Tennessee College of Law
Richard Zorza
Coordinator
Self Represented Litigation Network
Moderator:
Russell Pearce
Professor of Law, Edward and Marilyn Bellet Chair in Legal
Ethics, Morality, and Religion
Fordham Law School

10:15 a.m.
Break

10:30–11:20 a.m.
Panel One – The Role of Non-lawyers
Presenters:
Deborah Cantrell
Associate Professor of Law and Director of Clinical
Programs
University of Colorado Law School
John Anthony Flood
Professor of Law and Sociology
University of Westminster
Gillian Hadfield
Richard L. and Antoinette Schamoi Kirtland Professor of
Law and Professor of Economics
University of Southern California Gould School of Law
Laurel A. Rigertas
Associate Professor of Law
Northern Illinois University College of Law
Moderator:
David S. Udell

Executive Director
National Center for Access to Justice

11:20 a.m.
Break

11:30 a.m.–12:20 p.m.

Panel Two – Unbundled Legal Services

Presenters:

Sidney Cherubin

Director of Legal Services
Brooklyn Bar Association Volunteer Lawyers Project

Justin Hansford

Assistant Professor
Saint Louis University School of Law

Rochelle Klempner

Chief Counsel
New York State Courts Access to Justice Programs

Moderator:

Bruce Green

Louis Stein Professor and Stein Center Director
Fordham Law School

12:20–1:30 p.m.

Lunch and Keynote

Hon. Jonathan Lippman

New York State Chief Judge

Introduction by Fern Schair

Chair, Advisory Board
Fordham Law School Feerick Center for Social Justice

1:30–2:30 p.m.

Panel Three – Technology and Self-Help

Presenters:

Conrad Johnson

Clinical Professor of Law
Columbia Law School

Mark O'Brien

Executive Director and Co-Founder
Pro Bono Net

Ronald W. Staudt

Professor of Law and Director of the Center for Access to
Justice & Technology
IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law

Mary Marsh Zulack

Clinical Professor of Law
Columbia Law School

Moderator:

Annie Decker

Urban Law Fellow
Fordham Law School Urban Law Center

2:30 p.m.

Break

2:45–3:35 p.m.

Panel Four – Court Innovations

Presenters:

Laura Abel

Pro Bono Consultant
National Center for Access to Justice;
Senior Policy Counsel
Lawyers Alliance for New York

Paris R. Baldacci

Clinical Professor of Law
Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law

Hon. Marcy S. Friedman

Supreme Court Justice

New York State

Emily Gold

Deputy Director, Planning and Development
Center for Court Innovation

Moderator:

Rachel Spector

Clinical Visiting Assistant Professor of Law

3:35–4:25 p.m.

Concluding Plenary

Presenters:

Russell Engler

Professor of Law and Director of Clinical Programs
New England Law - Boston

Hon. Fern A. Fisher

Director, New York State Access to Justice Programs
Deputy Chief Administrative Judge, New York City Courts

Deborah L. Rhode

Ernest W. McFarland Professor of Law
Stanford Law School

Moderator:

Andrew Scherer

Andrew Scherer Consulting

4:25–4:30 p.m.

Concluding Remarks

Dora Galacatos

Executive Director
Fordham Law School Feerick Center for Social Justice

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