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Justice For All
The History and Future of Legal Aid in Connecticut

Quinnipiac University School of Law
North Haven, CT (New Campus)
Friday, October 17, 2014
8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

8:30 a.m.  Registration and Continental Breakfast
9:00 - 9:20 a.m.  Introductions and Welcome
Jennifer Gerarda Brown, Dean
Quinnipiac University School of Law

Peter Arakas, President
Connecticut Bar Foundation

Luke Bronin, General Counsel
Office of the Governor

Hon. Chase T. Rogers, Chief Justice
Connecticut Supreme Court

9:20 - 10:30 a.m.  History of Legal Aid in Connecticut
Connecticut played a unique role in the creation of the modern legal aid program. Attorneys and paralegals who worked for legal aid when it grew out of the anti-poverty movement will discuss establishment of the neighborhood law office model, the reaction of the client community to the establishment of legal aid, the reaction of the private bar to legal aid and early significant cases.
Contemporary Issues in Legal Services
This panel will explore the growing justice gap and how legal aid has adapted to address the gap and evolving needs of the client community. Panelists will discuss collaborations with other advocacy organizations, expansion into new practice areas, policy advocacy and creating educational resources to help self-represented parties.

Moderator
Cecil Thomas, Staff Attorney
Greater Hartford Legal Aid

David S. Udell, Executive Director
National Center for Access to Justice

Nancy Boone, CABHN (Connecticut Alliance for Basic Human Needs) and Pamphlet Coordinator
Legal Assistance Resource Center of Connecticut

Enelsa Diaz, Managing Attorney
Greater Hartford Legal Aid

Nieka Thompson, Staff Attorney
Connecticut Legal Services

The Future of Legal Aid
Presenters will each share their vision on what the future holds for legal aid: expanding access to civil legal counsel, strategic partnerships with non-legal organizations, and using technology to deliver legal services and increase access to justice.

Moderator
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