# United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit

## Chief Judge Sandra L. Lynch

The Honorable Sandra L. Lynch, Chief Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit, is a graduate of Wellesley College and Boston University Law School, where she was Articles Editor of the Law Review. After clerking for Judge Raymond J. Pettine of the U.S. District Court for Rhode Island, Chief Judge Lynch practiced law as an Assistant Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, as General Counsel to the Massachusetts Department of Education, then in private practice at Foley, Hoag, and Eliot in Boston, where she was head of the Litigation Department and handled complex litigation. Chief Judge Lynch served as President of the Boston Bar Association in 1992-1993, is on the American Bar Association Standing Committee on Federal Judicial Improvements, and is a member of the American Law Institute.

## Senior Circuit Judge Bruce M. Selya

Judge Selya was nominated by President Ronald Reagan to become United States District Judge for the District of Rhode Island in 1982. Selya became the first person of Jewish faith to ascend to the federal bench in Rhode Island. Four years later, Selya was nominated by President Reagan to the United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit. Judge Selya served as circuit judge until assuming senior status on December 31, 2006. He continues to sit regularly in the First Circuit. In addition, he serves as Presiding Judge of the Foreign Intelligence Court Review. His prior judicial duties have included stints as a member of the seven-judge national Judicial Panel on Multi-District Litigation and as a member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Judicial Center.

Judge Selya obtained his undergraduate degree from Harvard University and his J.D. from Harvard Law School. Judge Selya is chairman emeritus and a member of board of director of Lifespan; a member of the board of directors of Roger Williams University School of Law; a director of the Hospital Association of Rhode Island; and chairman emeritus and a member of the board of trustees of Bryant University. He holds faculty appointments as Boston College Law School, Boston University School of Law, and Roger Williams University School of Law.

# United States District Court for the District of Rhode Island

## Chief Judge Mary M. Lisi

Chief Judge Mary M. Lisi was nominated by William J. Clinton on January 27, 1994, to a seat vacated by the late Senior District Judge Francis J. Boyle. She was confirmed by the Senate on May 6, 1994, and received commission on May 9, 1994. She has been serving as Chief Judge since December 2006.

Judge Lisi obtained her undergraduate degree from the University of Rhode Island and her J.D. from Temple University School of Law. Throughout her career she has been an assistant public defender, an assistant child advocate, Director of the Court of Appointed Special Advocate Program (Family Court), and Deputy and Chief of the Disciplinary Counsel at the Rhode Island Supreme Court.

## District Judge William E. Smith

Judge William E. Smith was nominated by George W. Bush on July 18, 2002, to a seat vacated by Senior District Judge Ronald R. Lagueux. He was confirmed by the Senate on November 14, 2002, and received commission on November 15, 2002.

Judge Smith obtained his undergraduate degree from Georgetown University and his J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center. Upon graduation he joined Edwards & Angell, LLP and also worked as Assistant Town Solicitor from 1988-1992 (West Warwick), Municipal Court Judge from 1993-1998 (West Warwick), and City Solicitor from 1993-2000 (Warwick). Judge Smith has also been an adjunct faculty at Bryant College, Providence College, and Roger Williams University School of Law.

## Senior District Judge Ernest C. Torres

Senior Judge Ernest C. Torres was nominated by Ronald Reagan on June 22, 1987, to a seat vacated by Bruce M. Selya. He was confirmed by the Senate on November 5, 1987, and received commission on November 6, 1987. He served as Chief Judge from 1999-2006 and assumed senior status on December 1, 2006.

Judge Torres obtained his undergraduate degree from Dartmouth College and his J.D. from Duke University School of Law. He was in private practice from 1968 to 1980, a member of the Rhode Island House of Representatives from 1975 to 1980. In 1980, he became an Associate Justice for the Rhode Island Superior Court. He was then Assistant Vice President in charge of national staff counsel for Aetna Life Insurance Company. He assumed private practice from 1986 to 1987.

## Magistrate Judge David L. Martin

Magistrate Judge David L. Martin was appointed on September 29, 1998. He obtained his B.A. from the University of Rhode Island, where he graduated with distinction. He received his J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law and was admitted to the Rhode Island Bar in 1973. From 1974 to 1981 he was Assistant Public Defender for the Rhode Island Public Defenders Office. He then went into private practice from 1981 to 1998, concentrating primarily in criminal defense. Magistrate Judge Martin served 26 years in the United States Army Reserve. He retired in September of 1996 with the rank of Colonel.

#### Magistrate Judge Lincoln D. Almond

Magistrate Judge Lincoln D. Almond was appointed on September 10, 2004. He obtained his B.S. from the University of Rhode Island, where he graduated with distinction. He received his J.D. from the University of Connecticut School of Law, graduating with honors. In 1990, he was admitted to the Rhode Island Bar. From 1988-1990, he was the Law Clerk to United States District Judge Peter C. Dorsey in Hartford, Connecticut. He went into private

practice from 1990 to 2004 concentrating primarily in litigation/labor and employment law.

## Keynote Speaker

## Michael S. Greco

Michael S. Greco, a partner in the Boston office of Kirkpatrick & Lockhart Preston Gates, LLP served as President of the American Bar Association in 2005-2006. A trial lawyer, arbitrator and mediator, he has more than thirty-five years of experience in complex business and other disputes throughout the United States and internationally. The overarching theme of Mr. Greco's ABA presidency was Renaissance - a rebirth and reaffirmation of the legal profession's core values and America's constitutional principles. His priorities as President included protecting the rights and freedoms of American citizens, safeguarding the independence of the judiciary and other institutions of American democracy, addressing the legal needs of lower income citizens, advancement of women, people of color and persons with disabilities in the legal profession, and improvements to the association and the legal profession.

# **Panelists**

### Jared A. Goldstein

Jared A. Goldstein is an Associate Professor of Law at Roger Williams University Law School, where he teaches constitutional and environmental law. Mr. Goldstein received his J.D. from the University of Michigan Law School, he worked for the United States Department of Justice from 1996-2001, spending most of his time working in the Appellate Section of the Environmental and Natural Resources Division. He also worked at Shearman & Sterling in Washington, D.C. for four years before joining the faculty at Roger Williams University School of Law in 2005.

At the Department of Justice, he briefed and argued federal appellate and state Supreme Court cases that included constitutional challenges to environmental statutes and the protection of Indian religious freedom. He received several commendations for his work, including the Dept. of Justice Special Achievement Award (2000), a Special Commendation for Outstanding Service (1999), and the National Oceanic and the NOAA General Counsels Award (1998).

#### David E. Kendall

David E. Kendall is a partner at Williams & Connolly LLP in Washington, D.C. Mr. Kendall studied at Oxford as a Rhodes Scholar, graduated from Yale Law School and clerked for United States Supreme Court Justice Byron R. White. He spent five years as an associate counsel for the NAACP Legal Defense & Educational Fund, Inc. He has litigated a variety of civil and criminal cases at the trial and appellate level.

Mr. Kendall is the author of several articles on constitutional, media, and criminal law and has taught constitutional and media law courses as an Adjunct Professor at Columbia Law School and Georgetown University Law Center. He was a member of the five-person ABA task Force that drafted the ABA Standards for Criminal Justice: Fair Trial and Free Press released in 1991. He is also on the Board of Directors of the NAACP Legal Defense & Educational Fund,

#### Donald C. Lockhart

Donald C. Lockhart has been Chief of Appeals at the Rhode Island U.S. Attorney's Office for nearly ten years. He is responsible for briefing and arguing all of the office's criminal cases in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit. Before joining the U.S. Attorney's Office, Mr. Lockhart prosecuted health care fraud and bank fraud cases as a Trial Attorney for the Criminal Division of the U.S. Department of Justice, and worked briefly for a Boston law firm. He is a graduate of Wesleyan University in Connecticut and the University of Chicago Law School. He served as a law clerk to Judge Stephen S. Trott of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

#### Kristin Mattias

Kristin Mattias is a Senior United States Probation Officer for the District of Rhode Island. She has worked for U.S. Probation since 1991, serving as the Sentencing Guideline Specialist for the District since 2001. She received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology from the University of Rhode Island in 1991 and a Master of Science degree in Administration of Justice from Salve Regina University in 1995.

#### Peter F. Neronha

Peter F. Neronha is an Assistant United States Attorney for the District of Rhode Island. Mr. Neronha graduated from Boston College in 1985 and Boston College Law School in 1989. He began his legal career in private practice as a civil litigator at Goodwin Procter, LLP in Boston, before joining the Rhode Island Attorney General's Office as an Assistant Attorney General in 1996. He was appointed an Assistant U.S. Attorney in 2002, and presently assigned to the organized crime and white collar crime units.

#### Walter R. Stone

Walter R. Stone, a shareholder in the Litigation Group, is presently the Chairman of the Criminal Law Group at Adler Pollock & Sheehan P.C. and serves as the team coordinator for the firm's Sarbanes-Oxley training, evaluation and mock investigation team. He concentrates his practice in areas of white-collar criminal defense, employment discrimination and general commercial litigation.

Mr. Stone is a graduate of Fisk University and Case Western Reserve University School of Law, where he was the recipient of a Woodrow Wilson Foundation Scholarship. He served 15 months in Vietnam as a member of the United States Marine Corps. He spent seventeen years as legal counsel to the International Boxing Federation and often supervised national and international championship fights. He testified as an expert before Senator John McCain's Commerce Committee on the status of professional boxing.

#### Anthony M. Traini

Anthony M. Traini has more than 30 years experience in civil and criminal litigation. He is a member of numerous federal and state bars in the United States, and has practiced in several

foreign countries. His national and international litigation practice has included defending federal and state RICO prosecutions, public corruption, mail/wire fraud, wiretap and gambling cases, narcotics and money laundering prosecutions (nationally and internationally), Civil RICO litigation, international extradition and forfeiture proceedings, and organized crime prosecutions. He has served on the Massachusetts Bar Association Professional Education and Massachusetts Continuing Legal Education-New England Law Institute Faculties, as an adjunct professor of law at Suffolk University Law School, and as Chairman of the Criminal Justice Section Council of the Massachusetts Bar Association. He is a member of the Executive Board of the Rhode Island Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers.

Mr. Traini received his B.A. degree from Georgetown University and graduated from New England School of Law, where he was managing editor of New England Law Review, and co-founder of the New England Journal of Prison Law and the Criminal Moot Court Program.

### David M. Zlotnick

David M. Zlotnick is the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs & Professor of Law at Roger Williams University School of Law. After graduating from the Harvard Law School, Dean Zlotnick clerked for a federal appellate judge, worked as a white collar defense attorney, and served as a federal prosecutor in Washington, D.C. In 1995, he became the first Litigation Director for Families Against Mandatory Minimums ("FAMM"), and in 2002, he was selected to be a Soros Senior Justice Fellow. Professor Zlotnick's work on sentencing issues has received coverage in a variety of media including; Rolling Stone, BBC Television, and The New York Times. He has also testified before the Judiciary Committees of the United States Senate and the House of Representatives and his articles on sentencing and other subjects appear in a variety of legal journals including, mostly recently, the Colorado Law Review. Dean Zlotnick teaches Criminal Law & Procedure and Trial Advocacy. In 2008, he was awarded a Contemplative Practice Fellowship by the Center for Contemplative Mind in Society to develop a course in trial advocacy that integrates mindfulness concepts and practices and will teach that course in the Spring 2009 semester.