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Richard Kang **Executive Vice President, Corporate Strategy and Business Development for MTV Networks**

Richard Kang is one of the most experienced and accomplished executives in entertainment and digital media. Currently he is Executive Vice President, Corporate Strategy and Business Development, for MTV Networks, a \$10 billion division of Viacom Inc (NYSE: VIA-B), works directly with the Chairman and CEO and COO and is a member of the Executive Committee. MTV Networks is comprised of assets such as MTV, VH1, Comedy Central, Nickelodeon, Spike, RockBand, Neopets, and AddictingGames. Mr. Kang spearheads the development and articulation of MTVN's overarching corporate strategies and drives large-scale growth opportunities on a global basis, including M&A, strategic alliances and partnerships, joint ventures, investments, and internal development across all segments of MTVN's businesses, including linear television, ad sales, social media, video gaming, and distribution affiliates.

Prior to MTVN, Mr. Kang served as Senior Vice President, Strategy and Business Development at IAC/InterActiveCorp (NASDAQ: IACI) and interfaced directly with Chairman and CEO Barry Diller on matters of strategy and M&A. Based in IAC's New York headquarters, his responsibilities included formulating IAC's innovative media strategies, driving M&A transactions, and pursuing large scale business development initiatives in online search, media platforms, and interactive advertising. IAC/InterActiveCorp is comprised of online media and e-commerce assets such as Ask.com, TicketMaster, Expedia, LendingTree, HSN, Citysearch, Match.com, ServiceMagic and TripAdvisor.

Previously, Mr. Kang was an investment banker at Wasserstein Perella & Co. in consumer products and food, and began his career as a strategy consultant, most recently with Corporate Decisions Inc, a strategy boutique spin-off from Bain & Co. where he developed growth strategies for clients such as Microsoft, Samsung, AOL, IBM and Motorola.

Mr. Kang is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations as well as the Asia Society. He is Chairman of the Board of Pingg InterActive LLC, a digital marketing platform he co-founded with backing from Martha Stewart Omnimedia. He received his M.A. from

Harvard University in Economics and his B.A. from the University of Michigan in English Literature and Political Science.

Victoria Budson

Executive Director, Women and Public Policy Program at Harvard Kennedy School of Government

Victoria A. Budson is the founding Executive Director of the Women and Public Policy Program (WAPPP) at the Harvard Kennedy School of Government. WAPPP analyzes cutting-edge issues as they impact women's roles and lives. WAPPP conducts research, develops curriculum, and publishes materials focused on women and public policy. While at the Kennedy School, Ms. Budson was founding Executive Director of the Council of Women World Leaders, a group of current and former presidents and prime ministers. From 1999-2004, Ms. Budson served as a Kennedy School Ombudsperson.

Currently, Ms. Budson serves on the Board of Directors for the National Council for Research on Women (NCRW) and iVillage Cares. The mission of NCRW is to harness the resources of its network to ensure fully informed debate, policies and practices to build a more inclusive and equitable world for women and girls. iVillage Cares, a national advocacy program designed to build awareness and support for causes of concern to women through iVillage, at present is a frequent destination site for 27 million women. Ms. Budson has been a member of numerous other Boards of Directors including the National Women's Political Caucus, the Massachusetts National Abortion Rights Action League, the Massachusetts Women's Political Caucus, Women's Legislative Network and Alliance, Massachusetts Coalition of Democratic Women and the Wellesley College Hillel Alumnae Board. Ms. Budson has served on the Steering Committee for the Massachusetts State Treasury's Women and Money conference.

Ms. Budson speaks on various topics such as the future of feminism, gender and public policy, electoral politics and political action at institutions including Carnegie Mellon, Harvard University, Tufts University, Wellesley College, the Eleanor Roosevelt Center at Val-Kill, and the Center for Women's Policy Studies. In 2002, she served as an advisor for the development of the United Nations' University for Peace Masters degree program in International Peace Studies with specialization in Gender and Peace Building. Ms. Budson presented at the United Nations Beijing and Beyond International Women's Conference. She is a frequent commentator for news publications, television, and radio programs. Appearances include: Fox News Live, the Boston Globe, WGBH Boston, WSBK Boston, and Talk of the Nation and The Connection on National Public Radio. She reviewed and edited the childbirth chapter for the 2005 edition of *Our Bodies, Ourselves*.

Before coming to Harvard, Ms. Budson was the Political and Community Affairs Director for Steve Grossman, President of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC). Ms. Budson has also worked extensively in Massachusetts' politics, both as

an activist and an elected official on the state and local levels. As the elected Chair of the Massachusetts Coalition for a Democratic Future, the official statewide organization of young political activists affiliated with the Democratic Party, Ms. Budson grew the organization to over 2,000 members. She has held a seat on the Massachusetts Democratic State Committee, which is the governing body for the state Democratic Party. She also served as Chair of the Wellesley Democratic Town Committee and as a member of the Wellesley Town Meeting.

In addition to her grassroots and electoral work, Ms. Budson is an active political consultant. As Finance Director for Massachusetts State Senator Cheryl Jacques, she established one of the largest campaign accounts in the Massachusetts State Senate. She also served as Finance Director for Massachusetts State Representative Rachel Kaprielian, and has worked with EMILY's List, an organization that raises money for pro-choice, democratic women candidates.

Awards Budson has received include: the "Rising Star" award for her outstanding work to advance the political education of women from the Network for Women in Politics and Government at UMass Boston, the Carol Moseley Braun Award from Mass Choice, and the Dean's Award for Excellence at the Kennedy School. Ms. Budson graduated Magna Cum Laude and with Departmental Honors from Wellesley College with a joint degree in Sociology and Women's Studies. As a graduate of the John F. Kennedy School of Government, Mid-Career Masters in Public Administration Program, she received the Lucius N. Littauer Fellow award for her distinction in academics at the Kennedy School, her contribution to the Kennedy School and the greater Harvard community, and her potential for continuing leadership excellence.

Interfaith Discussion at the Islamic Society of Boston's Cultural Center (ISBCC)

Kathryn Lohre (Facilitator)

Assistant Director, Pluralism Project at Harvard University

Kathryn Lohre is the assistant director of the Pluralism Project at Harvard University, a research project on the changing religious landscape in the United States. She provides leadership to the Project's Women's Networks Initiative. She is also the president elect of the National Council of Churches, a Christian ecumenical organization.

Malika Rushdan

Co-Founder, Al-Huda Society; Director, ICNA Relief Boston

Malika Rushdan is the co-founder of Al-Huda Society, a multicultural youth and community development project that bestowed upon her the prestigious Senator John F. Kerry Leadership award. An American born, Irish Muslim raised a Catholic, Ms. Rushdan converted to Islam in 1995. Malika was the pioneer director of Community Organizing for Somerville Community Corporation, which lead her to be accepted as a community fellow at Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government where she studied community organizing. While briefly living in New York, Malika served as the assistant director of the 21stCentury Community of Learners at Hillcrest High School in Jamaica, NY, an in depth after school enrichment program, after which she joined the Islamic Circle of North America (ICNA) Relief USA as the Assistant Director of the 911 Civil Liberties Project. This position afforded her the opportunity to develop the ICNA Relief Shelter for Women in New York City. Malika currently oversees ICNA Relief's national shelter network consisting of three women's shelters. Malika is also currently the Director of the newly established ICNA Relief Boston unit where she is addressing issues related to newcomer (refugee) populations.

Janet Penn

Director, Interfaith Action Group at the Pluralism Project

Janet Penn founded Interfaith Action in 2004 after working with the Youth Leadership Program since 1999. As Executive Director she created the leadership and training model with the local program of 60 teens and forged local, national, and international partnerships to develop a high school interfaith youth movement. As Executive Director of Interfaith Action, she works with the Board of Directors to develop the vision and strategic plan for the organization.

Janet has 25 years of non-profit business management experience and has worked in health care and arts management prior to her work with Interfaith Action. She is former President of the Board of the South Area Solomon Schechter Day School and has been involved with other non-profit boards. She received her B.A. degree from Oberlin College and both MBA and MSW degrees, with honors, from Boston College.

Dr. Jennifer Peace

Managing Director, Center for Interreligious and Communal Leadership at Andover Newton Theological School and Hebrew College

Dr. Jennifer Peace is managing director of the Center for Interreligious and Communal Leadership Education (CIRCLE) at Andover Newton Theological School and Hebrew College and an adjunct faculty member at Andover Newton.

Michael Brown

Co-Founder and CEO of City Year

Michael Brown is Co-founder and CEO of City Year, a nonprofit organization built on the belief that young people can change the world. Founded in 1988, City Year unites young people of all backgrounds for a year of full-time service in our nation's high poverty schools, helping students stay in school and on track to graduation. This year more than 1,700 young leaders are making a difference in the lives of children and transforming schools and neighborhoods in 20 cities across the United States, Johannesburg, South Africa and London, England. City Year is supported by a unique public-private partnership that includes corporations, foundations, individuals, local school districts and the Corporation for National and Community Service.

Since its founding more than 12,500 City Year corps members have served as full-time tutors, mentors and role models to more than one million children, engaging more than one million citizens in their work and earning access to \$50 million in college scholarships through the AmeriCorps National Service Trust. An inspiration for the federal AmeriCorps initiative through which 675,000 Americans have served their country, City Year has been featured by leading national media including *USA Today*, *TIME*, and *ABC World News Tonight*.

City Year is focused on addressing the nation's high school dropout crisis. In 2009, Mr. Brown announced *In School & On Track: A National Challenge*, City Year's national initiative to significantly increase the urban high school graduation pipeline in America by calling on the nation's idealistic young adults to help students in high poverty schools succeed.

Mr. Brown was named one of America's Best Leaders by *US News and World Report* and Executive of the Year by *NonProfit Times* for his leadership role in ServiceNation and the passage of the Edward M. Kennedy Serve America Act. For his work developing City Year, Michael Brown has been awarded several distinctions, including the Reebok Human Rights Award, the National Caring Award, the Samuel S. Beard Jefferson Award of the American Institute for Public Service, the Boston Bar Association's Public Service Award, the Harvard Law School Association Award, and four honorary degrees.

Mr. Brown is a graduate of Harvard College and Harvard Law School, where he served as an editor of the Harvard Law Review. Prior to starting City Year, Mr. Brown served as a legislative assistant to then Congressman Leon Panetta and as a clerk for Federal Judge Stephen Breyer. He lives with his wife, Dr. Charlotte Mao, a pediatric AIDS specialist, and their children, in Brookline, MA.

Susan Hackley

Managing Director of the Program on Negotiation at Harvard Law School

As the chief administrative and financial officer for the Program on Negotiation (PON) at Harvard Law School, Susan Hackley oversees all operations for spearheading PON's interdisciplinary activities. She also manages the publication of a variety of books and teaching materials, including the monthly Negotiation newsletter and the quarterly Negotiation Journal. Susan has taught negotiation seminars in China, Singapore, Slovakia, Spain and Italy. Before joining PON, she worked in politics as a policy analyst and served as communications director of the Massachusetts Democratic Party. As a writer/photographer, she has had work published in National Geographic Magazine, the Los Angeles Times and many other publications. She also co-founded an Internet company, an e-philanthropy site dedicated to helping people connect to causes they care about. Susan has a masters in public administration from Harvard Kennedy School and serves as chair of the board of directors of the Alliance for Peacebuilding.

Carr Center for Human Rights Policy Event

Charlie Clements Carr Center Executive Director

Charlie Clements serves as the Carr Center's Executive Director. Prior to coming to the Carr Center, Mr. Clements, a widely respected human rights activist and public health physician, served as president of Unitarian Universalist Service Committee from August 2003 until February 2010. Prior to taking the position at UUSC, he served as executive director of Border WaterWorks, an initiative of the Pew Charitable Trusts and the El Paso Community Foundation, which assisted small U.S. communities along the border without running water or sewers to construct such desperately needed infrastructure.

Throughout the years, Mr. Clements has faced several moral dilemmas that shaped his life. As a distinguished graduate of the Air Force Academy who had flown more than 50 missions in the Vietnam War, he decided the war was immoral and refused to fly missions in support of the invasion of Cambodia. Later, as a newly trained physician, he chose to work in the midst of El Salvador's civil war where the villages he served were bombed, rocketed, or strafed by some of the same aircraft in which he had previously trained.

For two years in the late 1980s, Mr. Clements served as director of human rights education at UUSC, leading a number of congressional fact-finding delegations to Central America. In 1997, as president of Physicians for Human Rights, he participated both in the Nobel Peace Prize ceremony and the treaty signing for the International Campaign to Ban Landmines. He is author of *Witness to War* and the subject of an Academy Award-winning documentary of the same title.

Women2Women Welcome Reception Award Winners

Attorney General Martha Coakley

Massachusetts Attorney General

Attorney General Martha Coakley has dedicated the last 20 years of her life to a career in public service. Ms. Coakley has a strong history as an advocate—not only for individuals and communities, but also for the best interests of the Commonwealth at large. She brings to the Attorney General's office a diverse and extensive legal background, a proven track record of bringing people to the table to find effective solutions to the issues that face the Commonwealth, and a strong commitment to her role as a public servant.

Attorney General Coakley began her legal career in 1979, practicing civil litigation with the firm of Parker, Coulter, Daley & White and later at Goodwin Procter LLP, both in Boston. While in civil practice, She gained extensive experience in such areas as insurance defense, criminal defense, and large-scale construction litigation. She joined the Middlesex District Attorney's Office in 1986, as an Assistant District Attorney in the Lowell District Court office. In 1987, she was invited by the U.S. Justice Department to join its Boston Organized Crime Strike Force as a Special Attorney. She returned to the District Attorney's Office in 1989, and in 1991 was appointed the Chief of the Child Abuse Prosecution Unit, during which time she investigated and prosecuted hundreds of cases of both physical and sexual abuse of children, including Commonwealth v. Louise Woodward. In December 1997, Ms. Coakley resigned her position to campaign for District Attorney in the 54 cities and towns of Middlesex.

In 1998, Ms. Coakley was elected Middlesex District Attorney. During her 8 years as District Attorney, She established herself as a passionate advocate for public safety, not only bringing justice to crime victims and their families, but also emphasizing the importance of working with community leaders, schools, and law enforcement in a variety of diverse and multi-faceted prevention efforts. Under her leadership, the office's Child Abuse Prosecution Unit continued to serve as a national model for victim-centered prosecution of crimes against children. She was also responsible for extending that model to sexual crimes against adults, establishing the office's Adult Sexual Assault Division in 2002. During her tenure as District Attorney, She oversaw the successful prosecution of a number of high profile crimes, including the cases of several Catholic priests charged with sexually abusing children, the conviction of Michael McDermott on seven counts of first degree murder in connection with the workplace massacre at Edgewater Technologies in Wakefield, and the successful prosecution of Thomas Junta, the Reading father who fatally beat another parent at a youth hockey practice.

In January 2002, Attorney General Coakley completed a one-year term as the President of the Massachusetts District Attorney's Association, where she was at the forefront of statewide public policy discussion and initiatives to improve the criminal justice system and enhance overall public safety. In recent years, she has continued to play an active role in advocating for legislative change on a variety of issues. She joined with her fellow District Attorneys and other members of the public safety community in urging the Legislature to provide additional funding for the Massachusetts State Police Crime Lab for enhanced DNA analysis capabilities. She also joined Senate President Robert Travaglini in advocating for changes in the law to streamline the approval process for

academic and research institutions to conduct stem cell research.

Both during and prior to her tenure in public office, Attorney General Coakley has been involved in a number of community and professional organizations and boards. She is a former president of the Women's Bar Association of Massachusetts and has served on the Board of Directors at the Dana Farber Cancer Institute. During her tenure as Middlesex District Attorney, She served as the Chair of the Board of Directors of Middlesex Partnerships for Youth, Inc., a non-profit organization committed to providing prevention and intervention resources and training to Middlesex school districts and communities.

Throughout her career, Attorney General Coakley has been honored for her work by organizations such as the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners, Mothers Against Drunk Driving, the Massachusetts Association of School Committees, and the Victim Rights Law Center. In 1998, she was named Woman of the Year by the Center for Women in Politics and Public Policy at the University of Massachusetts-Boston, and in November 2000, the Women's Bar Association of Massachusetts honored her with its coveted Leila J. Robinson Award for her contributions to the field of law. In June 2002, the YWCA Boston selected her as a member of its Academy of Women Achievers Class of 2002. In January 2004, She received the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce's Pinnacle Award for Excellence in Management in Government. And in May 2006, the Massachusetts Democratic Party honored her with its prestigious Eleanor Roosevelt Award.

Attorney General Coakley regularly presents trainings and instruction at conferences and seminars, both in Massachusetts and nationwide. She has served as a guest lecturer for a number of colleges and universities, including Harvard University, Boston College Law School, and Tufts University. She has also served as a guest lecturer for organizations such as the Columbia Law Review, the Massachusetts Municipal Association, and the Massachusetts Medical Society. In January 2002, 2003, and 2006, she co-taught a winter study, "Law and Social Policy," at her alma mater, Williams College. Ms. Coakley taught criminal trial advocacy courses at the Massachusetts School of Law during the Fall 2003 semester, and at Boston University School of Law during the Spring 2006 and Spring 2007 semester.

Martha Coakley received a B.A. degree, cum laude, from Williams College in 1975, and a J.D. degree from Boston University School of Law in 1979. She resides in Medford, Massachusetts, with her husband, Thomas F. O'Connor, Jr. In her spare time, She is an avid reader, and enjoys downhill skiing, walking her Labrador Retrievers, Jackson and Beauregard, and kayaking with her husband on the Mystic Lakes.

Sheriff Andrea Cabral

Sheriff, Suffolk County Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Andrea J. Cabral was elected on November 2, 2004 and sworn in on January 5, 2005 as the 30th Sheriff of Suffolk County. She is the first female in the Commonwealth's history to hold the position.

Sheriff Cabral is responsible for the operation of the House of Correction, the Suffolk County Jail, the Suffolk County Community Corrections Center and the Civil Process Division. The Suffolk County Sheriff's Department has more than 1,000 employees comprised of correctional officers, criminal justice professionals, caseworkers and administrative staff whose primary responsibility is upholding public safety and providing rehabilitative support for more than 2,400 offenders daily. The average operating budget for the Department is \$130 million.

Sheriff Cabral brings an extensive legal background and a commitment to public safety to the office of Suffolk County Sheriff.

In her 21-year career in public service, she has demonstrated a commitment to public safety. Sheriff Cabral began her legal career in 1986 as a staff attorney at the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department at the Charles Street Jail, working to prepare and argue motions for bail reduction for the Suffolk Superior Court. Subsequently, she served as an assistant district attorney in the Middlesex County District Attorney's Office from 1987-1991. Sheriff Cabral specifically litigated felony cases in Middlesex Superior Court seeking fair and appropriate sentences for all cases resolved by pleas and arguing pretrial motions for the Court. Sheriff Cabral served as Cambridge Jury Supervisor and also handled more than 500 cases per year at the Cambridge District Court in the adult and juvenile sessions and investigated, prepared and tried more than 250 misdemeanor and concurrent jurisdiction felony cases.

From 1991-1993, Sheriff Cabral served in a variety of roles as an attorney at the Office of the Attorney General including work in the Torts Division/Government Bureau and the Civil Rights/Public Protection Bureau. In the civil rights division, Sheriff Cabral successfully investigated six cases of alleged police misconduct and prepared reports for submission to the Attorney General and police chiefs accordingly. Sheriff Cabral then began work at the Suffolk County District Attorney's Office in 1993 under then District Attorney Ralph C. Martin III. From 1993-1994, she was director of the Roxbury District Court Family Violence Project. As director, she prosecuted domestic violence felony cases (including Suffolk County's first stalking case) and established new administrative policies and procedures for the processing of such cases. In March 1994, Sheriff Cabral became chief of the Domestic Violence Unit at the Suffolk County District Attorney's Office. She supervised district and superior court staff in preparation and prosecution of domestic violence cases as chief of the unit. Additionally, she actively investigated, indicted and prosecuted major violent felonies in Suffolk Superior Court. In 1998, Sheriff Cabral was promoted to Chief of District Courts and Community Prosecutions. In this position, she effectively developed policy, staff supervision, training case management and administration in Suffolk County's eight district courts and the Boston Municipal Court. Sheriff Cabral also oversaw the staffing and supervision of all

district court community prosecutions, which included the Safe Neighborhood Initiatives and Prosecutor in Police Stations (PIPS) Programs.

Sheriff Cabral's published works include *Obtaining, Enforcing and Defending x.209A Restraining Orders in Massachusetts* and co-authored *Same Gender Domestic Violence: Strategies for Change in Creating Courtroom Accessibility*. She has also participated in several legal forums sponsored by the American Bar Association, the Massachusetts Bar Association, the Massachusetts Continuing Legal Education and the Boston Bar Association.

Sheriff Cabral is a graduate of Boston College (1981) with a Bachelor of Arts degree and Suffolk University Law School where she earned her Juris Doctor degree in 1986.

Todd Patkin

President, Todd G. Patkin Companies

After graduating from Tufts University in 1987, Todd entered the family automobile parts business. For over 18 years, he, along with his brother, Roger, and his father, Steve (founder), worked together and grew Foreign Autopart (later called Autopart International) into one of the premiere wholesale parts businesses in the country. The company was sold in September of 2005 to Advance Autoparts enabling Todd to leave and put all of his time and energy into what he loves most – spending each day trying to help as many people as he can. Today, Todd runs the Todd G. Patkin Companies with investments in several different businesses many of which are ventures started by friends who needed a little bit of help. In terms of Todd's charitable works, he focuses on inner city children, how to facilitate more dialogue throughout America around the topic of depression and the state of Israel. Todd helps many charities – far too many to name here. One of Todd's favorites is Merritting Attention – a Boston-based school age basketball program that puts studying first and basketball second and, yet, still wins national titles each year.

Todd also funded Gary Marino's Million Calorie March for obesity from Florida back to Boston and is now the executive producer along with Gary of *Million Calorie March* – the movie. Todd also works with Health and Education Services on Massachusetts' North Shore. HES services more than 25,000 people per year who suffer from alcohol and drug addictions and/or mental illness. Over 56% of the people who utilize HES make less than \$10,000 per year. In terms of his work on behalf of Israel, Todd is a leader both locally and nationally for the Jewish National Fund and The Friends of Yemin Orde Youth Village. Todd also is the lead private sponsor of the Women2Women International Leadership Program, a week-long event each August which brings over 100 young women ages 15-19 together in Cambridge, Massachusetts to learn about leadership and cross-cultural understanding. The young women come to Women2Women each year from over 20 countries throughout the world. Todd has been married to and in love with his wife, Yadira, since October 1991 and they have a fifteen-year-old son, Joshua.

Women's Rights Are Human Rights: Road Scholar/Empower Peace Event at Suffolk University

Paula Newberg (Facilitator)

Marshall B. Coyne Director, Institute for the Study of Diplomacy at Georgetown University

Paula Newberg (Moderator) is the Marshall B. Coyne Director of the Institute for the Study of Diplomacy at Georgetown University. A specialist in human rights and democratic development, she has spent her career in academia, foundations and research institutions, as well as working with intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations. Dr. Newberg spent ten years as special advisor to the United Nations in a multitude of crisis and transition states in Europe, Asia and Africa, including several years during and after Taliban rule in Afghanistan. Formerly a Senior Associate at the Carnegie Endowment and Guest Scholar at the Brookings Institution, Dr. Newberg taught for many years in the graduate faculty of Columbia University.

Dr. Newberg is the author of books and monographs on constitutionalism in Pakistan (Judging the State: Courts and Constitutional Politics in Pakistan), insurgency in Kashmir (Double Betrayal: Human Rights and Insurgency in Kashmir), and post-conflict recovery in Afghanistan (Politics at the Heart: The Architecture of International Assistance to Afghanistan). A frequent news commentator, she was a decade-long contributor to the Los Angeles Times and a frequent contributor to Yale Global Online. Dr. Newberg was educated at Oberlin College, Oxford University, and Columbia University, and completed her doctorate at the University of Chicago.

Jan Piercy

Executive Vice President, ShoreBank Corporation

Jan Piercy is Executive Vice President of ShoreBank Corporation, the first and largest community development financial institution in the U.S. and the co-founder of the Global Banking Alliance on Values, launched in 2009. Jan has responsibility for ShoreBank's international programs and companies, which include an investment fund, capacity building non-profit and consulting firm. She co-chaired the Finance Track for the Clinton Global Initiative '09.

Jan served in the White House and as U.S. Executive Director of the World Bank during the Clinton Administration, for which she received the U.S. Treasury Medal of Honor in 2001. Earlier in her career, Jan directed the Public Management programs at Cornell and Stanford Universities, and served on two Congressional panels, the Select Committee on Intelligence and the House Judiciary Committee Impeachment Inquiry.

Jan graduated with honors from Wellesley College – in the infamous “Class of ‘69” which included Secretary Clinton. She completed the Stanford Business School's

Senior Executive Management Training program. She is a founding member of the Board of Women Advancing Microfinance (WAM) and Vital Voices, and is on the Advisory Councils of the Acumen Fund and the Global Philanthropy Forum. She is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. Jan lives in Washington, D.C., where she is a lay minister at St. Columba's Church and active in the D.C. Homeless Council, Washington Area Women's Foundation, and the Playtime Project for homeless children. Relevant to this program, she is also the mother of a 21 year old, and believes that peace depends on international understanding and friendships among this generation.

Priti Rao

Executive Director, Massachusetts Women's Political Caucus

Priti Rao currently serves as Executive Director of the Massachusetts Women's Political Caucus, a multi-partisan, non-profit organization committed to maximizing the participation of women of all ages in the political process and to increasing the number of women appointed and elected to public office and public policy positions. Rao previously served as the organization's Associate Director and most recently as Acting Executive Director. Rao is a Cum Laude graduate of Mount Holyoke College, where she majored in Politics and Spanish. She has coordinated field activities for Congressional and City Council races in New York. Here in Massachusetts she worked in the successful campaign of Congresswoman Niki Tsongas, the first woman elected to Congress in 25 years. As Acting Executive Director and Associate Director, Rao worked to design and execute strategic political and field support that helped fuel the successful election of 5 MWPC endorsed women to the MA House of Representatives in 2008, and the 2009 election of Ayanna Pressley to the Boston City Council, the first woman of color ever to serve on the Council in its 100 year history. Originally from upstate New York, Rao currently lives in Boston.

Janet Bogue

Former United States Foreign Service Senior Diplomat

Janet Bogue served for 24 years as an American diplomat. In assignments ranging from Belgrade and Vienna to Islamabad and Katmandu, she worked on everything from nuclear proliferation, human rights, and the conflict in the former Yugoslavia to children's health, international adoption, and environmental conservation. She retired from the United States Foreign Service as a senior diplomat in 2005. Together with colleagues working on the war in Bosnia, she received the American Foreign Service Association's Award for Intellectual Courage and Constructive Dissent; she and colleagues in Kazakhstan were honored with the State Department's Award for Valor. A native of Washington State, Bogue earned a B.A. in history at the University of Puget Sound, which later awarded her an honorary Doctor of Laws degree in recognition of her diplomatic work. Ms. Bogue also has a M.A. in history from the University of Oregon. She speaks German, Russian, and Serbian.

Fairhaven

Winner of the 2009 WBRU Rock Hunt, Fairhaven has emerged as one of the premier modern alt rock bands that New England has to offer. Combining intricate, melodic vocals with driving piano and guitar, their live show is certainly something to experience. As the Music Director at WBRU describes, "A band whose talent matches the moneymakers that are tucked away in our respective iTunes playlists...an act that could so naturally fit in a sold-out stadium, it's almost perplexing." The Providence Phoenix Music Editor, Chris Conti raves "get your lighters out when you catch Fairhaven's live show...Connell's falsetto sweeps atop Gould's piano as they sink their big hooks in." With the recent release of their debut album "Origins", Fairhaven looks for great things to happen in 2010. The band will be playing throughout the region and beyond in support of the album.

Andrea Freidman

Legislative Assistant for Senator Frank Lautenberg

Andrea Friedman is an international human rights lawyer with expertise in women's rights and security in conflict and post-conflict countries. She currently works in foreign policy in Washington, D.C. and serves as legislative assistant for Senator Frank Lautenberg. She was the Founding Vice President of the Global Justice Center, a New York based international human rights legal organization. Previously she was the Program Manager at the Women and Public Policy Program at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government. She received her BA summa cum laude in political science from Tufts University and her JD from Harvard Law School.

Nasser Weddady

Civil Rights Outreach Director, American-Islamic Congress

Nasser Weddady is AIC's Civil Rights Outreach Director. A native of Mauritania and son of an ambassador, Nasser grew up in Libya and Syria, traveling extensively through the Middle East before coming to the US as an asylee in 2000. A long-time activist in the struggle to end slavery in his homeland, Nasser has organized conferences for young activists across the Middle East; published in the International Herald Tribune, Wall Street Journal, Boston Globe, and Baltimore Sun; appeared on Fox's Hannity & Colmes, BBC World Service, Al Jazeera, and Radio Liberty; and testified to Congress' Human Rights Caucus. Fluent in five languages, Nasser has lectured at the US Institute of Peace, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, and on numerous university campuses.

An expert in Muslim reform and interfaith dialogue, Nasser has organized training seminars in Jordan, Morocco, and Washington, as well as participated in numerous conferences for next generation Muslim reformers. He mentors Muslim-American university students through the American Islamic Congress' campus program, Project Nur. He also coordinates an annual civil rights essay contest that has attracted over 8,000 participants and manages human rights advocacy campaigns that have mobilized more than 25,000 people. Drawing on his experience with Muslims in the 18-35 year old demographic, Nasser co-edited an 80-page manual entitled "Training the Next Generation: A Leadership Curriculum for Middle Eastern Social Entrepreneurs."

In 2009, Nasser recruited over 25 Muslims of diverse backgrounds to found the New England Council, which he chairs. In its first year, Nasser helped the Council grow its membership base through successful civic programs he co-organized, including the semi-annual Boston Muslim Film Festival and a speaker series entitled "Diversity in the Muslim World: Between Pluralism and Division." As Council Chair, Nasser interfaced with government officials to organize the first-ever Ramadan civic ceremony at the Massachusetts State House. He has testified before the Massachusetts state legislature, worked with World Boston (the local International Affairs Council) to welcome visiting delegations from across the Muslim world, and briefed the leadership of Boston's Joint Terrorism Task Force (which includes the FBI, Department of Justice, State Police, and Boston Police). His experience as a liaison between local government and Boston's Muslim communities shapes his understanding of the need to more broadly define Muslim-American identity through community organizing.

Jim Bloom

President, Bloom Communications

A graduate of Redwood High School, Larkspur, CA in June, 1978, Jim Bloom grew up in Tiburon, CA. After high school, Bloom attended George Washington University in Washington, DC for two years then transferred to San Diego State University. He graduated SDSU in 1982 with a degree in Speech Communication and Political Science.

After college, Bloom worked on various political campaigns for ten years. Among the people and organizations he worked with are Dianne Feinstein, Alan Cranston, Walter Mondale, and on behalf of The Rendon Group, FarmAid and the Government of Aruba. In 1991, he joined DDB Needham Advertising where he worked on integrated marketing plans for the San Francisco Newspaper Group, Polaris Aircraft Leasing and Park Lane Hotels.

In 1993, Bloom joined KNEW when they became the flagship station of the Oakland A's. There, he was responsible for producing the "A's History Minute" and "Dan's Dugout" pre-game programming as well as the evening sports talk show. As the A's moved to KFRC, Bloom was hired by that station as Sports Director in 1994. He produced the "Cammy's Corner" pre-game show and "Extra Innings" the post-game call-in show.

Bloom also was a substitute host on "Extra Innings" as well as the "Sports Geek" on the Morning Show with Gary Bryan.

When the A's were sold to Steve Schott and Ken Hofmann, Bloom was hired as the team's Director of Public Relations in November of 1995. After it was decided to create the advertising campaign in-house, those duties were added to his responsibilities and Bloom's title was changed to the current Director of Marketing Communications. In 1998 and 1999, USA Today Baseball Weekly rated the A's advertising campaign as one of the best in baseball. The National Sports Forum recognized the 2002 campaign as the best television advertising in sports.

Bloom then moved to the Toronto Blue Jays to become Director of Consumer Marketing in January of 2003. Added to his duties in advertising were the promotions and game entertainment departments. In his first year, attendance climbed 10%, television ratings were up over 30% and unique visitors to bluejays.com was up over 66%. Ticket sales were up 36% for day-of-game walk-up, 48% for advance sales and 51% on the Internet. Registered users on the Internet increased from 28,000 to over 125,000. The National Sports Forum recognized the 2003 campaign as the best newspaper advertising in sports.

In 1985, Bloom joined Intersport as the Vice President, Marketing. During his time at Intersport, Bloom wrote and placed an op-ed piece in Advertising Age and built marketing programs and interactive assets for a number of shows that aired on ESPN, CBS, NBC and FOX. From there, Bloom was recruited to be the VP, Business Development for Txtstation where he brought in Champ Car and Rainbow/Push Coalition as clients and was the lead on the Live Earth team. At 5th Finger International, Bloom is part of the business development team where he has brought in LG, Qwest, Sharp, KFC, Paccar and Invest in Canada as clients.

In the community, Bloom is a member of Congregation KAMI Israel's social justice committee and is a silver level donor to Lifesource. He was involved in the Marcus Foster Foundation's Principal for a Day program, and was a member of the board of the Summit Bank Foundation. From 1997 - 1999 he was the President of the UC Berkeley Fraternity Alumni Council. Among the honors Bloom has won include the Outstanding Chapter Advisor Award for the Sigma Chi Fraternity in 1994.

Alexandra Zaroulis

Media Consultant, Massachusetts Women's Political Caucus (MWPC)

Alexandra Zaroulis is a seasoned communications professional who has over 17 years of experience in public relations and public affairs. She has extensive experience in both the public and private sectors working in politics, public relations and journalism. Prior to her work as an independent public relations consultant she was Account Supervisor for Solomon McCown & Co., where she managed communications and crisis strategy for national and local accounts in the Public Affairs and Consumer

divisions. In addition, she has worked as Communications Director for various political campaigns, including serving as Midwest Communications Director for Gore Lieberman 2000. Alex was also a producer for "Monitor Radio," the broadcast edition of The Christian Science Monitor. She frequently appears on New England Cable News and WGBH-TV, where she comments on a wide range of public policy issues. Alex graduated from Syracuse University with a degree in Political Science, and received her Master of Science in Broadcast Journalism from Boston University's College of Communications.

Hassina Sherjan

Founder and President, Aid Afghanistan for Education

Hassina Sherjan is the Founder and President of Aid Afghanistan for Education, a nonprofit group that has educated more than 3,000 Afghan girls. AAE was founded in 1996 by Ms. Sherjan, an Afghan woman who left Afghanistan as a refugee in 1979. She returned to Afghanistan for the first time in 1999 and established five underground classes for girls. After the defeat of the Taliban, she came back to Afghanistan to participate in the reconstruction of the country. Aid Afghanistan for Education (AAE) is dedicated to empowering women and rehabilitating the education system in Afghanistan. Ever since its inception, Aid Afghanistan for Education (www.aidafghanistan.net) has enrolled thousands of girls in the most vulnerable areas of the country. In addition, the organization empowers Afghan men and women with skill development to generate a sustainable income. AAE's focus is accelerated learning and vocational training.

Ms. Sherjan is also Owner and Chief Executive Officer of Boumi, a Kabul-based home décor company using Afghan-based cotton. Born in Afghanistan and raised there and in California, Sherjan began returning to her native land during Taliban rule and has lived there since 2001.

Carey Kluttz

Executive Director of Bridges of Understanding

Carey Kluttz is the Executive Director of Bridges of Understanding. She is responsible for the development of the organization by linking participants, donors, Board Members, and partner organizations together to increase communication and exchange between America and the Arab world.

Ms. Kluttz has a Master of Arts degree in Middle East and Islamic Studies from the American University of Paris. Prior to moving to Paris, she taught upper-level French to high school students in Houston, TX, where she also served as the faculty sponsor for the National Honor Society and coached field hockey. She holds a Bachelor of Arts in French and Anthropology from the University of Virginia, and has studied in France, Egypt, and Lebanon. She is fluent in French and proficient in Arabic.

Mary Elizabeth Heffernan

Security of Public Safety and Security

Mary Elizabeth Heffernan was appointed Secretary of Public Safety and Security by Governor Deval Patrick in January 2010. As the Secretary, she is responsible for the policy development and budgetary oversight of secretariat agencies, independent programs and several boards that aid in crime prevention, homeland security preparedness and ensuring the safety of residents and visitors in the Commonwealth.

Prior to her appointment she served as the Undersecretary of Criminal Justice within the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (EOPSS). She has more than 20 years of criminal justice and governmental affairs experience. Before joining the administration, Secretary Heffernan served as the Associate General Counsel and Director of Intergovernmental and Regulatory Affairs at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston. She has also served as the Corporate Director of Government Relations for CareGroup Health Care Systems, the Executive Director for the Massachusetts District Attorneys Association, as an Assistant District Attorney for Middlesex County, and in a wide array of other public and private sector legal and governmental positions. Secretary Heffernan is a member of the Framingham State College Board of Trustees (her alma mater), and is a graduate of Suffolk University Law School and Suffolk University School of Management, where she received her Masters in Public Administration. She lives in West Roxbury with her two children.

Our Rights, Our Future: Listening Panel Members

Dr. Sallama Shaker

Dr. Sallama Shaker is a visiting professor at Yale Divinity School and the Council on Middle East Studies, previously serving at Claremont Graduate University as a visiting Professor. Dr. Shaker has had a long career in both diplomacy and academia.

In 2006, Dr. Shaker served as Egyptian assistant minister of foreign affairs for the Americas, and from 2004 – 2006 she served as Assistant Minister for International Cultural and Educational Relations, Technical Cooperation, and Religious Affairs and Dialogue in the government of Egypt. From 2000 – 2004, she served as the Egyptian Ambassador to Canada. Building bridges both diplomatically and culturally between the Middle East and the Americas continues to be a major component of Dr. Shaker's work. She recently co-organized with Al-Azhar University a conference sponsored by Yale University, American University and Claremont University, among others, discussing how to build bridges between the West and the Muslim world.

In the midst of all her diplomatic work, Dr. Shaker obtained a MA in economics at the Royal University of Malta through a program in conjunction with the London School of

Economics, a Masters of Public Policy at Johns Hopkins University, and a Doctorate at the School of International Service at the American University in Washington DC. She also holds a BA in political economy from Cairo University.

Dr. Shaker is also the author of the book, *State, Society, and Privatization in Turkey, 1979-1990*, published by the Woodrow Wilson Center Press in 1995. She has also authored several articles, among them, "Development and Islamic Values," published in an edited collection, *Building Peace in the Middle East: Challenges for State and Civil Society* (Boulder: Lynne Rienner, 1993) and "Canada and the Middle East, In Theory and Practice," published in an edited volume entitled, *Practitioners' Perspectives on Canada-Middle East Relations* (The Center for International Governance Innovation and Wilfred Laurier University Press, 2007).

Dr. Shaker has served as a consultant to the World Bank on institutional reform of civil service in the Sultanate of Oman; worked as a senior scholar and senior associate at the Woodrow Wilson Center's International Center for Scholars where she researched the impact of the Gulf War on economies of Egypt and Turkey; and served as a consultant for the International Fund for Agricultural Development focusing on "The Role of Non-Governmental Organizations in Enhancing Development with an Emphasis on Feminization of Poverty."

Throughout her career she has been active as well on issues of women's rights in the Islamic world. In 2008 she was the organizer of a major conference held at the National Library of Alexandria, Egypt entitled, "Arab Women Facing the Challenges of Globalization in the 21st Century," which was sponsored by Yale University, USAID, UNIFEM, the Arab League, and Suzanne Mubarak's Women in Peace Movement, among others. Dr. Shaker also recently founded an organization called The Global Women's Research Institute (GWRI).

Elizabeth Cafferty
Associate Director at the Division For Global
Health and Human Rights

Elizabeth Cafferty, MSc, has managed human rights projects and undertaken advocacy and awareness raising work on international development and refugee and women's rights issues in both the U.S. and the U.K. She is currently Associate Director at the Division for Global Health and Human Rights, Department of Emergency Medicine at Massachusetts General Hospital. She oversees the Division's trafficking program, which recently completed a major international research study examining sex trafficking of women and girls from a public health perspective.

Before joining the Division, Ms. Cafferty established and headed up the U.K. office of Women for Women International. At WFW, she spearheaded partnerships with government and diplomatic officials, the business sector, universities, major philanthropists, and NGOs and women's rights organizations. She also worked closely

with WFW's Kosovo office on the extension of their rights based training and small business skills classes for local women. Previously, Ms. Cafferty was deputy director at the Council for Assisting Refugee Academics where she oversaw the expansion of a grant program for academics with refugee status in the UK and undertook advocacy work on their behalf with governments and universities. She also has experience designing and managing human rights and development projects in the Balkans and Nicaragua and supporting advocacy efforts at the UN. She holds a master's degree in women studies and international development and has completed master's degree courses in nonprofit management. She has spoken at various academic and health care conferences as well as at the United Nations.

Anita Walker
Executive Director, Massachusetts Cultural Council

Anita Walker is the Executive Director of the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency that promotes excellence, access, education and diversity in the arts, humanities, and interpretive sciences to improve the quality of life for all Massachusetts residents and contribute to the economic vitality of our communities.

Ms. Walker also served as director of the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs from 2000 until 2007. She is a proud member of Team Creative Economy. During her tenure in Iowa, She engaged more than 400 state and local businesses to consider the role of the creative sector as a driving force in economic development, in part by leading the first comprehensive study of the state's creative economy. The study was hailed by economist Richard Florida, author of "The Rise of the Creative Class," as a significant advance on his work in this area, and resulted in several key regions of the state incorporating arts and culture in economic planning efforts.

Christina Bain
The Initiative to Stop Human Trafficking
Program Administrator at the Carr Center

Christina Bain is the Program Administrator for *The Initiative to Stop Human Trafficking* at the Carr Center for Human Rights Policy. Prior to her time at the Kennedy School, She was appointed by Massachusetts Governor Mitt Romney as the Executive Director of the Governor's Commission on Sexual and Domestic Violence, a statewide commission of over 340 public and private sector partners. She previously served as the Public Affairs Liaison to Massachusetts Lieutenant Governor Kerry Healey where she worked on domestic violence and criminal justice issues, including human trafficking and sex offender management. Since 2006, she has been a member of the Massachusetts Human Trafficking Task Force, one of the 42 statewide anti-trafficking task forces funded by the U.S. Department of Justice. She also served as a Special Assistant to Governor Jane Swift of Massachusetts.

Representative Kate Hogan

Massachusetts State Representative

State Representative Kate Hogan came to public service with 25 years of experience in the publishing and print industry. Rep. Hogan was elected on November 4th, 2008, to serve the towns of Hudson, Bolton, Maynard, and Stow. She currently serves on the Joint Housing Committee and the House Committee on Bonding and State Assets, and was recently appointed to co-chair the bi-partisan Elder Caucus. As a legislator, Rep. Hogan has been a tireless advocate for building our local economy, a steward of our public libraries and schools, and a voice for our elders and most vulnerable. Rep. Hogan believes her job is to create consensus, build alliances, and work toward solutions that will benefit her district, improve our quality of life, and reflect the values of our communities.

Representative Ann-Margaret Ferrante

Massachusetts State Representative

Ann-Margaret Ferrante was born to Joseph Ferrante, an Italian immigrant, and Frances Ferrante, a Gloucester native. She grew up and continues to live in downtown Gloucester.

Rep. Ferrante attended Gloucester elementary schools. Her first political memory comes from third grade when the Gloucester School Committee proposed closing and consolidating the neighborhood elementary schools. At meetings hosted by her mother, Frances, She watched, listened and learned the importance of community and the political process. Throughout her childhood, both of her parents focused on the importance of a quality education and the opportunities and prospects that would become available as a result. These same values continue to significantly influence her life and her work. Rep. Ferrante graduated with honors and as President of the Gloucester High School Class of 1990. Following graduation, she attended Tufts University where she majored in Economics and International Relations and minored in Environmental Development and Spanish.

Becoming a Community Activist during college, she worked in the Admissions Office at Tufts University and interned in Congressman Joe Kennedy's office, where she gained valuable political experience and learned a great deal about constituent services and advocacy.

In the fall of 1994, State Representative Bruce Tarr was elected to the Massachusetts State Senate and Ms. Ferrante joined his staff on Beacon Hill. She was assigned to oversee environmental issues for Gloucester, Rockport, Essex and Manchester. After 18 months of working for Senator Tarr, She enrolled at Suffolk University Law School, and in 1999, passed the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Bar examination and began practicing law in 2000. For the past eight years, Rep. Ferrante has practiced on Cape Ann managing her own law firm in Rockport and Gloucester. Her office, Kiely &

Ferrante, currently employs six people and is located on the second floor of the Rockport National Bank building at the Head of the Harbor.

Rep. Ferrante is proud of her work on behalf of seniors and the disabled. In 2005, the Massachusetts Visiting Nurses Organization honored her care and dedication to her disabled mother, Frances, with the Extra Mile Award.

Dr. Janelle Shubert
Director, Center for Women's Leadership, Babson College
Adjunct Professor of Management

Jan Shubert has been at Babson College since April of 2004. In addition to serving as the Associate Director for CWL she has been co-chair of Babson's Executive Education program for women: "From Managing to Leading." Dr. Shubert has over thirty years of experience in higher education. Prior to coming to Babson she spent twelve years at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. In addition to designing and teaching a variety of degree program courses, she was also the Faculty Chair for multiple Executive Education programs, including two programs specifically designed for Northern Ireland, as well as the school's two oldest professional development programs for women--the International Women's Forum Leadership Fellows Program and the National Hispania Leadership Institute Fellows program.

Dr. Shubert has also taught at Harvard Business School and at the University of Michigan and was a visiting faculty member at London Business School. An active consultant for over thirty years to a wide array of organizations, she is a frequent presenter at conferences and professional meetings.

Dr. Shubert earned her Ph.D. at the University of Michigan and holds a master's degree from Michigan State University and a B.A. from Southwest Missouri State University. She and her husband Charles live in the Boston area and have one grown son.

Arti Pandey
Program Director, Barakat Inc

Arti Pandey grew up in India and traveled to the United States to earn her Masters in International Educational Development and her Doctorate in Administration, Training and Policy Studies at the Boston University School of Education. She wrote her dissertation on child labor and education in the carpet industry in Bhadohi, Uttar Pradesh, India. She has worked with several non-profits and academic institutions in India, Bhutan, Afghanistan and the United States. She is currently the Program Director at Barakat Inc., which is a non-governmental organization that operates within India, Pakistan and Afghanistan doing humanitarian work such as promoting girl's and women's literacy and other progressive programs of social change.

Karen A. McLaughlin

Karen McLaughlin is a nationally and internationally recognized expert in victim assistance and violence prevention. In the United States, Ms. McLaughlin has pioneered the development of victim service programs within the criminal justice system and community agencies at the state and national level.

Ms. McLaughlin served for five years from 2005-2010 as the director of the Massachusetts Task Force to Combat Human Trafficking funded by the U.S. Department of Justice. In that role, she coordinated over 50 federal, state and local law enforcement, prosecution and non-governmental partner agencies in their efforts to rescue victims, investigate and prosecute cases of those who engage in the growing domestic and international slave trade. She is a major architect of the pending Massachusetts state legislation that provides comprehensive rights and services to victims, mandates stringent criminal penalties for traffickers and requires initiatives related to stemming demand for sex and labor trafficking.

Presently, Ms. McLaughlin continues to serve the interests of crime victims by working to strengthen global efforts to combat human trafficking under a grant funded by the United States Department of State. This initiative is addressing the labor, organ and sex trafficking trade in China. In the domestic arena, she coauthored “Developing a National Campaign for Eliminating Sex Trafficking” as a consultant for Abt Associates, Inc. In her current role, she is a consultant for a ground breaking national initiative to end demand for human trafficking sponsored by Hunt Alternatives Fund.

In the international arena, Ms. McLaughlin was elected in 2008 to the International Scientific Professional and Advisory Council (ISPAC) of the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme. ISPAC’s international experts are charged with advising the United Nations on matters of worldwide crime policy. She currently chairs ISPAC’s Victim Assistance and Victimization Prevention Committee.

In other matters related to the United Nations, Ms. McLaughlin has been a long-standing member of the World Society of Victimology’s United Nations Liaison Committee. She assisted in the drafting of the United Nations Handbook on Justice for Victims and the United Nations Guide on Victims of Crime for Policymakers. Most recently, she was an active participant in an expert group that was convened to research, conceptualize and draft the United Nations Convention on Justice and Support for Victims of Crime and Abuse of Power. This initiative launched a global strategy for this proposed international instrument. For nearly a decade, much of Ms. McLaughlin’s work has focused on victims of transnational crime. After the September 11, 2001 terrorist strike, Ms. McLaughlin directed a national terrorism project which addressed the impact of the attack on thousands of victims and their families and evaluated the country’s response, recovery and preparedness in the aftermath of this national tragedy. Additionally, the United Nations Terrorism Prevention Branch sought her expertise as a result of her work in responding to the families of the victims of the Pan Am 103 terrorist attack over Lockerbie, Scotland.

In 1997, in recognition of her accomplishments at the state, national and international levels, she was presented with the National Crime Victim Service Award, the highest federal honor for service to victims. Bestowed by President Clinton, Vice President Al Gore and Attorney General Janet Reno, this prestigious acknowledgement was a tribute to Ms McLaughlin's tireless efforts on behalf of underserved victim populations.

From 1989-1991, Ms. McLaughlin was president of the National Organization for Victim Assistance (NOVA). She was instrumental in establishing the first state and national victim assistance crisis response teams to respond in the immediate aftermath of mass catastrophes, both in the U.S. and abroad. Her volunteer service to victims of crime and mass casualties has taken her to numerous countries consulting with governments and non-governmental organizations.

In her former capacity working on behalf of the U.S. Department of Justice from 1992-2002, Ms. McLaughlin created several national model curricula and protocols for law enforcement, prosecutors and victim services and educators. For nearly a decade in the 1990s she directed the Justice Department's National Center for Hate Crime Prevention, where she created the country's first curriculum to respond to and prevent bias crime. She co-authored, "Healing the Hate," the first national curriculum that dealt with hate crime prevention. She trained thousands of professionals to address crimes resulting from prejudice. Her groundbreaking work on bystanders, cooperative learning and peer education has won numerous awards from civil rights and human rights groups. Her teaching tools were disseminated to over 15,000 educational institutions in the U.S. as well as thousands of youth programs throughout the nation and internationally.

Since the mid-1970s, Ms. McLaughlin fought to establish rights and services for crime victims at the state and national level. In 1980, as the principal architect for the Massachusetts Victim Bill of Rights, she directed the lobbying effort to ensure the passage of this victim rights reform initiative. She served as the founding executive director of the Massachusetts Office for Victim Assistance from 1984-1991, the first independent state victim assistance agency in the United States.

Karen Campos

Photographer and Marketing Director, CamposHomes

Karen Campos is a member of the RE/MAX Real Estate CamposHomes Team. She works as a photographer and develops marketing strategies for the real estate team that was named number one in Massachusetts and number two in New England. Karen was born in Massachusetts and attended Forsyth School for Dental Hygiene of Northeastern University. She worked as a dental hygienist for 15 years until she obtained her real estate license and joined CamposHomes Team. Karen is the mother of two and enjoys both being outdoors and traveling.

Diane Caldwell

Conference Co-Chair

Diane Caldwell has been a leader in the educational community for over twenty years serving dually as an Academic Support Administrator as well as a supervisor of the Title 1 program for Medford Public schools. She has studied elementary education at Boston State College as well as completing the masters program at Regis College in Special Education. Ms. Caldwell has an extensive background in education that has aided students from all walks of life in both primary and secondary levels of schooling. Throughout her career she has strove to better the learning experience of her students, always going the extra mile whether it was directing a school musical or implementing new reading programs.

Her successes have expanded well outside the traditional classroom. Ms. Caldwell has helped shape academic curriculums for large, as well as individual educational plans to meet the specific needs of students in both regular classrooms and special education programs. In addition to helping students, she has worked with institutions of higher learning such as Brown University, Fitchburg State, and Salem State College to help facilitate professional development for faculty and colleagues, the goal of which has always been to give teachers the best tools available in order to help students read and write more effectively and efficiently. Ms. Caldwell has been a leader in the Commonwealth in helping prepare students for MCAS testing, while simultaneously working to maintain a collaborative relationship with parents. Outside of the education arena, Diane Caldwell enjoys traveling, reading, and playing golf.

Sarah Baldiga

Co-Founder & Board of Directors, Rise Above

Sarah Baldiga has a Masters degree in Nonprofit Management from Worcester State College and received her bachelor's degree in Sociology from Saint Anselm College. She has worked in nonprofit organizations her entire career and has experience with grant writing, marketing, fundraising, and volunteer management. Ms. Baldiga is from Upton, MA and is an active volunteer with her church's Haitian outreach, having participated in several service trips to Haiti. She recently co-founded a non-profit organization, Rise Above, dedicated to providing Massachusetts children in foster care with enriching activities, opportunities and experiences.

Cherie Jimenez

Founder and Director, Kim's Project

Cherie Jimenez used her own experiences and prior involvement in the sex trade to create a Boston-area program assisting women over 18 who want to leave prostitution. Kim's Project is a relatively new program that grew out of the growing need for innovative and unified community strategies that addresses the multiple issues impacting women with histories of exploitation, recognizing the links between prostitution and human trafficking. Cherie Jimenez has been an activist for over twenty

five years, working on issues related to violence against women and co-founding one of the first shelters, Transition House, for victims of domestic violence in Cambridge, Massachusetts in 1976. She has since acquired a degree in Management from UMass Boston, but also has first-hand knowledge of the systems of prostitution and the long-term effects of physical and sexual violence against women. Kim's Project works to ensure that women who have been deeply hurt by violence and exploitation, severely impacted by poverty and other oppressions have access to safety, a place to heal, resources and options so that young women themselves can then define what they need and push for needed change.

Sheila Capone-Wulsin

Director of Political Parity Program, Hunt Alternatives Fund

Sheila Capone-Wulsin is the director of the Political Parity Project. Prior to joining Hunt Alternatives Fund in January 2010, Sheila served as executive director of the Massachusetts Women's Political Caucus, a bipartisan organization that promotes the participation and involvement of women of all ages in the political process. Sheila previously served on Hillary Clinton's New Hampshire primary staff and as deputy finance director on Niki Tsongas' staff; Tsongas was the first woman elected to the 5th Congressional District in nearly 50 years. Sheila also worked as US Senator John Kerry's political director for four years. She began her political career as director of constituent services for former US Congressman Dick Swett (NH). Sheila received her bachelor's degree from Rivier College. She and her husband Winthrop live in Lowell with their 6-year-old daughter Sophia and Sheila's three older children—Alexander, 27, a Mid-Atlantic logistics manager with Tri-Wire Engineering; Christie, 22, a 2010 graduate of Smith College; and David, 21, a junior at Suffolk University.

Leanne Martin

Director, Financial Education Department at the Office of Massachusetts State Treasury

Leanne Martin serves as Director of the Financial Education Department at The Office of Massachusetts State Treasury, which offers a wealth of personal finance information, tools and resources to help the public, regardless of one's age, background or current financial circumstance. In this capacity, Leanne oversees The Caution with Credit Program, The Financial Brown Bag Lunch Seminar Series, The Saving Makes "Cents" Program, The SMART Retirement & Beyond Seminar Series, and the regional Money Conferences throughout the state. Leanne joined the Treasurer's administration in June of 2003 and graduated from Providence College. She currently resides on the South Shore of Massachusetts.

Kathy Crane-Spier

Vice President, Maystar Realty Corporations

Kathryn Crane-Spier is Vice President of Maystar Realty Corporation based in Foxboro, MA. Kathy is a builder and interior designer of custom homes along with renovation of commercial office space and updating older homes. Her husband Greg founded the company 25 years ago. Maystar has successfully specialized in development of both building and managing commercial and residential properties throughout the NE Region. Kathy joined her husband 14 years ago upon the start of their 38-lot subdivision on 100 acres of land. They received builder of the year through the Home Builders Association in 2000 and numerous Prism Awards for their homes in their Stonehurst Subdivision located in Foxboro, MA.

Prior to working with her husband, Kathy was a registered nurse for 25 years. She worked for the Veteran Administration Hospitals in Connecticut and Massachusetts specializing in neurology, cardiology and research. She continued her career in Cardiac Catheterization Labs, helping to open the first catheterization labs in the suburbs outside of Boston. She left her career in nursing to work side by side with her husband to build the family business. She became an integral part of the building business, assisting customers through the complex building process to ensure that the new homes became the customers dream homes. The husband and wife team approach to building homes has enabled Maystar to become one of the premier builders in the area. Kathy has expanded her talents into the designs of the homes both from the interior as well as exterior.

Jean Fitzpatrick

Jean Fitzpatrick has been an educator for more than twenty years. She holds a master's degree in education and retains special education certification for children in nursery school through grade 9. She has taught in the private school sector, schools with religious affiliation, and public schools. Jean is presently a second grade teacher in Douglas, Massachusetts.

Marie Turley **Boston Women's Commission**

Marie Turley has been the executive director of the City of Boston's Women's Commission since her appointment by Mayor Thomas Menino in 1995. The Women's Commission promotes equality and economic opportunity and works on policy issues impacting women and girls in the city of Boston. Ms. Turley also serves as the Mayor's Advisor on Women's Issues.

A graduate of the College of New Rochelle (N.Y.), she taught elementary school in the South Bronx before moving to Boston in 1976. After earning a Master of Counseling Psychology from Antioch New England, she worked as a clinician at the Roxbury Comprehensive Community Health Center. Since 1982 Ms. Turley has held a variety of

positions in state and city government.

One of the commission's projects is the Boston Women's Memorial. This public art sculpture on Commonwealth Avenue Mall honors Abigail Adams, Lucy Stone, and Phillis Wheatley--each of whom lived outside traditional social boundaries and, through her writings, left a legacy to future generations.

Ms. Turley serves on the board of directors of Patriots' Trail Girl Scout Council, the Teen Voices/Women Express community advisory board, the Girls' Coalition of Greater Boston Leadership Council, and the board of the National Association of Commissions for Women. She was a member of the committee that successfully worked for the establishment of the Massachusetts State Commission on the Status of Women in 1998, when Massachusetts was one of only eleven states in the nation without a statewide women's commission. Active in local politics, Ms. Turley is presently chair of the Ward 11 Democratic Committee and a member of the Democratic State Committee. She has been elected twice as a Massachusetts delegate to the Democratic National Convention. She resides in Jamaica Plain, where she serves as president of the Friends of the Shattuck Shelter Board, vice president of the Jamaica Plain Art Center Board, and member of the Jamaica Plain Neighborhood Council Zoning Committee.