

Other Former Fellows and Sponsoring Organizations

In addition to the recent Fellowships described elsewhere in this brochure, Fellows have worked on a wide variety of projects benefiting New York City's underprivileged and underserved during the nearly fifteen years that the Kirkland & Ellis Fellowships have been awarded. These efforts include:

Former New York University

School of Law Fellows:

- Amanda Lockshin: The Legal Aid Society
- Zabrina Alegrure: The Door's Legal Services Center
- Leora Bechor: Housing Works
- Stacey Strongarone: Center for the Practice & Study of Community Problem Solving
- Kim Seelinger: Lutheran Family & Community Services, Inc.
- Gisela Alvarez: Advocates for Children of New York, Inc.
- Sajel Zota: The Bronx Defenders
- Samuel B. Davol: The Legal Aid Society, Civil Division
- Oona Chatterjee: Make the Road by Walking
- Anne Kysar: The Door's Legal Services Center

Former Columbia Law School Fellows:

- Kate Wagner-McCoy: The Bronx Defenders
- Franklin Romeo: Lambda Legal Defense & Education Fund
- Valentina Maria Morales: Neighborhood Defender Service of Harlem
- Naomi M. Abraham: Center for Family Representation
- Rodrigo Sanchez-Camus: Urban Justice Center
- Karla Momberger: The Partnership for the Homeless
- Doreen Odom: The Legal Aid Society
- Ranjana Natarajan: South Brooklyn Legal Services
- Joanne Gottesman: The Legal Aid Society, Civil Division
- Kimberly Mutcherson: HIV Law Project

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The New York City office of Kirkland & Ellis LLP opened in February 1990 with 12 attorneys. The office has since grown to over 325 lawyers.

In 1995, in celebration of its fifth year anniversary in New York City, Kirkland & Ellis LLP decided to signal its commitment to the community by giving something back to the City. The Firm also wanted to create an alliance that would enhance its already strong relationship with New York University School of Law and Columbia Law School and encourage a spirit of cooperation between the schools themselves. The Kirkland & Ellis New York City Public Service Fellowships were the result of this vision.

To Apply

To receive an application, or for more information, please contact:

New York University School of Law

Public Interest Law Center
245 Sullivan Street, Rm. 430
New York, New York 10012, (212) 998-6686

Columbia Law School

Social Justice Program/
Center for Public Interest Law
435 West 116th Street, Box A-26
New York, New York 10027, (212) 854-8360

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What are the Fellowships?

The Kirkland & Ellis New York City Public Service Fellowships at Columbia Law School and New York University School of Law were established in 1995. The law firm of Kirkland & Ellis LLP made a gift of \$1,000,000 to New York University School of Law and Columbia Law School to provide an outstanding student from each school year the opportunity for a year of post-graduate public service in New York City. For more information, visit the NYU and Columbia "Careers" pages at www.kirkland.com.

Who can be a Fellow?

Each year, one Fellow is selected from the graduating class of New York University School of Law and one from the graduating class of Columbia Law School. The Fellowships are intended to meet serious human needs in New York City; the Fellow and sponsoring organization must be based within the five boroughs of New York City and the Fellow's project must principally and directly benefit New York City residents. Fellows may create and fill a new position within an already-existing organization or pursue an independent project affiliated with a sponsoring organization. The Firm is committed to a broad and inclusive concept of public service.

Fellows are selected for their personal integrity and potential to make a contribution to the New York community. Fellows will be selected without regard to the applicant's race, color, religion, gender, political beliefs, national origin, disability, age or sexual orientation.

Terms and Salary

The term of the Fellowship is one year. Fellows are funded annually at a salary of \$45,000.

Upon completion of the Fellowship year, Fellows will be asked to submit to Kirkland & Ellis a brief letter summarizing what they accomplished during the preceding year, how the fellowship year has impacted their future plans, and their contact information at their next job.

Selection Process

The selection process consists of a written application and interview. The timetable is as follows:

- **Application Deadline**
January 11, 2010
- **Interviews Conducted**
February 6, 2010
Selection of Fellows will be announced that day
- **Fellows Commence Work**
September 2010

Recent Kirkland & Ellis Fellows

Alexander Artz of New York University School of Law and **Anne Gell** of Columbia Law School were selected as the 2009–10 Kirkland & Ellis Fellows. Alexander is working with Legal Services NYC–Bronx to increase access to quality representation for students facing academic suspension and to reduce the use of suspension as a disciplinary method. Anne is working with Sanctuary for Families to provide direct services to immigrant mothers seeking to be reunited with their children.

Melissa Banks of New York University School of Law and **Elizabeth Howell** of Columbia Law School were selected as the 2008–09 Kirkland & Ellis Fellows. Melissa worked with the African Services Committee to provide immigration legal services to West African street vendors, including deportation defense and a regular know-your rights immigration education program at the Midtown Community Court. Elizabeth joined the Center for Appellate Litigation's Parole Advocacy and Prisoner Reentry Project, and provided a wide variety of legal services to prisoners and former prisoners transitioning back into society.

Jennifer Friedman of New York University School of Law and **Rachel Geballe** of Columbia Law School were selected as the 2007–08 Kirkland & Ellis Fellows. Jennifer worked with The Bronx Defenders to provide services to members of New York's immigrant communities who found themselves at the intersection of the immigration and criminal justice systems. Rachel worked with South Brooklyn Legal Services to combat predatory lenders who prey on low-income home owners, focusing on "exotic" mortgage structures in the subprime mortgage market.