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# MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

## CRAIG P. SCHLANGER, ESQ.

As the next President of the New York State Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, I welcome all of you to our Annual Dinner.

Tonight, as we do every year, we will honor several members of the Bar and one member of the Judiciary for their outstanding achievements. I would like to extend my personal congratulations to Jim Harrington, Marty Adelman, Steve Pittari, and Judge Kate Rosenthal.

Without taking away from the achievements of our honorees, we also honor our own members (not to mention all other criminal defense lawyers who should be members) tonight for the work that they do every day throughout the State, in bustling urban courts and makeshift courtrooms in town halls and highway garages as well as state-of-the-art federal courthouses and dignified appellate courtrooms. The hours are long and the rewards are often elusive, but we keep going, if only to hear, at least occasionally, the magic words: “not guilty;” “indictment dismissed;” “judgment of conviction reversed;” and sometimes even “thank you.” I would like to express my admiration for all of you, and I look forward to serving you as President of NYSACDL.

I would also like to express my appreciation for the lawyers who have preceded me for the past twenty-two years. As you know, two of them are receiving special honors tonight. The list of the Past Presidents of the NYSACDL is a virtual *Who's Who* of criminal defense lawyers in New York. I am humbled to be added to that list, as I will be when my term expires next year, and I hope to do justice to the office. Of course, no one can do the job alone, and we are fortunate to have such a dedicated and talented group of lawyers as our incoming officers and directors. I look forward to working with them over the coming year. And there is a lot of work to be done, including, but certainly not limited to:

- Increasing the presence of the NYSACDL as our voice in Albany
- Continuing and expanding the voice of the NYSACDL in the courts as *amicus curiae*



- Continuing to provide excellent CLE programs throughout the State, and expanding those programs to reach even more members
- Providing more services to members through such programs as Strike Force and the Prosecutorial and Judicial Complaint Center
- Improving the Association's web site as a valuable resource for information, from telephone numbers to brief and motion banks

Finally, the NYSACDL would not exist but for you, the members. I believe that I speak for all members of the Board of Directors when I say that we want more than your dues; we want your input and your involvement as well. If you have any questions or complaints about the Association, or if you have any suggestions for what the Association should be doing, or even, for example, suggestions for CLE programs, please do not hesitate to contact me directly, by telephone or email. I look forward to hearing from you.

Again, thank you for coming, and the best of luck to you in the coming year.

Sincerely,  
Craig P. Schlanger



# WILLIAM BRENNAN AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING JURIST

## HONORABLE KATE ROSENTHAL

Kate Rosenthal is a Judge of the Syracuse City Court, elected to the Court in 2000. She is a native of Binghamton, New York and attended Earlham College and Syracuse University College of Law.

Prior to attending law school, Judge Rosenthal served as a Staff Assistant for Congressman Matthew F. McHugh. For almost two decades she was a sole practitioner with an emphasis in criminal defense. She has been an adjunct Professor of Law at Syracuse University and has lectured at CLE's for both lawyers and judges. She served on the Board of Directors of New York State Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers as Vice President and Director and CLE Chair, as well as on the Board of Directors of the Onondaga County Bar Association. Currently, she is the President of the New York State Association of City Court Judges.



**THURGOOD MARSHALL AWARD  
FOR OUTSTANDING PRACTITIONER**

**JAMES P. HARRINGTON, ESQ.**

Jim Harrington is a partner in the Buffalo law firm of Harrington and Mahoney. He is a past-president, former board member, charter member, and a strike force counsel of the New York State Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers. He is a graduate of LeMoyne College and the State University of New York at Buffalo School of Law. He has been a criminal defense lawyer for 39 years. He has tried cases from the death penalty to traffic violations and most in between in both federal and state court. He is an adjunct faculty member at the Buffalo Law School and Buffalo State College. In addition to the NYSACDL, he is member of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, the New York Defenders Association, the New York State Bar Association, and the Bar Association of Erie County.

He received the Bar Association of Erie County Criminal Justice Award in 1999 for his work as lead counsel on the only capital case tried in Erie County after New York State's reinstatement of the death penalty in 1995 which involved the intentional killing of a police officer and resulted in a life without parole verdict.



## LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

### MARTIN B. ADELMAN, ESQ.

After two law school summers in Selma, Alabama, working on criminal and civil rights cases, Marty Adelman's amazing legal journey began in 1967, working with Henry Rothblatt, a noted Bronx criminal defense lawyer. Marty's entire 40-year legal career has been misspent as a criminal defense lawyer in private practice.

Adelman was a founding member of the New York State Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, was the first Treasurer, and served as President in 2002. He also was President of the New York Criminal Bar Association and Chair of the New York State Bar Association Criminal Justice Section. He played a mildly perturbed juror in the NYSACDL production of *12 Angry Men*. He has written extensively on criminal law – including two chapters in the Appellate Division's Criminal Trial Advocacy handbook – and he lectures frequently at NYSACDL and other continuing legal education seminars throughout New York State.

He has been listed in Barry Tarlow's *Directory of Criminal Lawyers* in the American Law Edition of *Who's Who*, in *Best Lawyers in America*, *New York Superlawyers*, and most recently in *New York Magazine*. Adelman has also been General Counsel to the American Zionist Movement of the World Zionist Organization, and has four times argued cases before the World Zionist Organization Supreme Court in Jerusalem.

Marty lives in Brooklyn with the always lovely Ellen, and is the awed father of Sara and Rebecca. His long anticipated life's work – *Adelman on Adjournments* – has unfortunately met unexpected publication delays, but he promises it will be available "soon."



## SERVICE TO THE CRIMINAL BAR AWARD

### STEPHEN J. PITTARI, ESQ.

Stephen J. Pittari, Esq. is a founding member, former officer and Life Member of the New York State Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers and is a former Chairperson of the Criminal Justice Section of the Westchester County Bar Association. He serves as Board member of the New York State Defenders Association and is a member of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, the National Legal Aid and Defender Association, American Bar and New York State Bar Associations.

In the past, he has been honored by the Criminal Justice Section of the New York State Bar Association with the award for Outstanding Contribution to the Delivery of Defense Services. He has also received awards by NYSDA, Westchester Civil Liberties Union, the Italian Welfare League, and the Columbian Lawyers of Westchester County.

Mr. Pittari is Chief Attorney and Executive Director of the Legal Aid Society of Westchester County, and Administrator of the Assigned Counsel Panel for Westchester County. He joined the Society as a staff attorney in 1969, and was named Chief Attorney in 1973. He is the attorney of record for all clients of the Society's Criminal Division, which represents over 7,000 a year in felony matters through Westchester County. As Administrator of the Assigned Counsel Panel, he is responsible for coordinating assigned of assigned counsel matters in non-felony and Family Court matters.

He is a graduate of the College of the Holy Cross, and received his law degree from Fordham University School of Law.



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Congratulations to Judge **KATE, JIM**  
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And special thanks to our dear friend  
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On behalf of every lawyer  
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who found your door open and your advice sage,  
thank you and congratulations.

— Andrew G. Patel

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Congratulations to all award recipients,  
but particularly to our dear friend Marty Adelman  
on his Lifetime Achievement Award.

Mart, you are the best,  
and it should not have taken a lifetime to prove it!

— Maurice Sercarz and Roland Riopelle

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We take great pleasure in extending our sincere appreciation for the invaluable mentoring received from Stephen J. Pittari, Esq. We are elated that the New York State Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers has honored you with the "Service to the Criminal Bar Award" in recognition of your outstanding trial advocacy and dedicated service to the defense bar. You have always demonstrated a fierce determination and keen ability to promote justice for all. Your leadership and dedication are benchmarks, never to be surpassed. We can neither thank you enough nor find adequate words to express our admiration toward you and our appreciation for having been blessed with the opportunity to be molded, in part, by both your wisdom and work ethic. We feel honored to be able to call you both our friend and colleague. Thank you, Mr. Pittari.

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and Craig Schlanger  
as he begins his term.

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for her devotion to justice

We pay tribute to Jim Harrington  
and Marty Adelman  
for their unending, vigorous advocacy  
on behalf of clients.

To our dear friend,  
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and NYSDA Board member Steve Pittari,  
thank you for standing up for clients  
against the powers that be  
and for being who you are.



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Lisa's efforts will help secure our clients rights for years to come

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