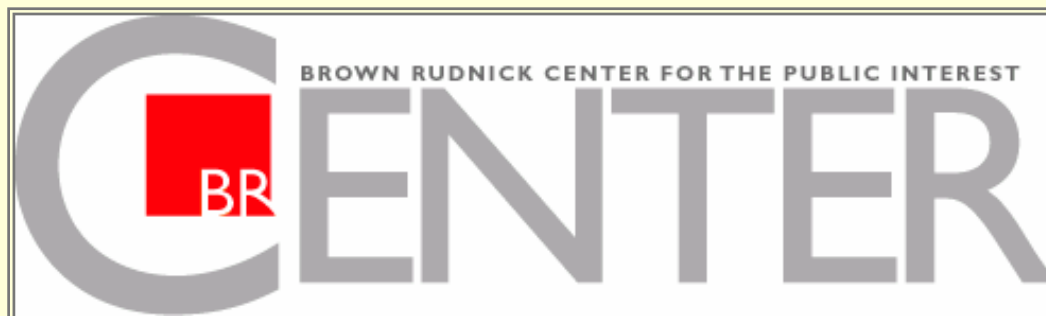




# THE CENTER QUARTERLY

Spring Edition (April - June, 2005).



## BROWN RUDNICK CHARITABLE FOUNDATION SEEKS PROPOSALS FOR 2006 RELATIONSHIP GRANTS.

*Non-profits working to improve inner-city education in Boston, MA, Providence, RI, Hartford, CT, and New York, NY are encouraged to apply.*

**Boston, MA.** – Brown Rudnick Charitable Foundation Corp., a non-profit, tax-exempt entity established by Brown Rudnick Berlack Israels LLP with a mission to help improve inner-city education is now accepting proposals for its 2006 *Relationship Grants*. The Foundation's *Relationship Grant* program seeks to improve inner-city education by developing a relationship with a non-profit organization that optimally includes providing financial support, pro bono legal representation and volunteer time. *Relationship Grants* are awarded annually to organizations that have demonstrated both the need for funding and the willingness to develop an effective volunteer effort with the Foundation. The grant applications and an explanation of the program can be found at [www.brownrudnickcenter.com/foundation](http://www.brownrudnickcenter.com/foundation). The deadline for submitting proposals is September 15, 2005.

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## PRO BONO LEGAL REPRESENTATION DOMINATED BY PUBLIC HEALTH- RELATED ISSUES THIS SPRING.

Two public health related matters dominated pro bono legal representation provided through the Brown Rudnick Center for the Public Interest this Spring.

In Connecticut, Brown Rudnick attorneys advocated for state regulation of the dangerous use of mercury amalgam in dental fillings, while in Massachusetts a team of Brown Rudnick attorneys sought to aid mentally retarded individuals cared for in state operated facilities.

### Advocacy on behalf of Consumers for Dental Choice regarding State Regulation of Dental Mercury Amalgam.

Brown Rudnick provided legal counsel to Consumers for Dental Choice, a national non-profit organization which has been focusing on the issue of mercury contamination caused by the use of mercury amalgam dental fillings. Consumers for Dental Choice assert that this use of mercury amalgam poses a threat to public health and to the environment.

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- The **Brown Rudnick Charitable Foundation Corp.** is a non-profit, tax exempt organization making grants to improve inner-city education. Formed in 2000, the Foundation has awarded more than 30 grants to worthy programs in Boston, Hartford, Providence and New York through its *Insight/Foresight* and *Relationship Grant* Programs.
- The Foundation was established through the generous contributions of the partners of Brown Rudnick Berlack Israels LLP, continuing the Firm's tradition of providing extraordinary service to its clients and its community. The Firm also created the **Brown Rudnick Center for the Public Interest** in 2001 to serve as an umbrella organization for the Firm's pro bono legal work, charitable giving, community involvement and public interest efforts. The Center also provides legal, volunteer and administrative support for the Foundation's activities.

**BROWN RUDNICK CENTER  
FOR THE PUBLIC INTEREST**

[www.brownrudnickcenter.com](http://www.brownrudnickcenter.com)





Our unique Center for the Public Interest was publicly launched on  
April 24, 2001.

In celebration of the Center's fourth anniversary,  
**Brown Rudnick has launched a new  
Center website.**

Our new site is an exciting new resource. Complementing the recently launched main Firm website, [www.brownrudnick.com](http://www.brownrudnick.com), the Center site further reflects who we are and the depth, strength and compassion of our Firm and the people in it.

This website is the product of many talents at Brown Rudnick, including Keith Schultz, Rebecca Wadsworth, Lisa Murray, Kym Patrico, Miriam Yorks, Joanne McElhenney, Jim Darsigny, Marilyn Stempler and Al Wallis.

Please take the time to check out our new site at  
[www.brownrudnickcenter.com](http://www.brownrudnickcenter.com).



# PRO BONO IS AT THE CENTER.



## Carla Salvucci Appointed to Brown Rudnick's 2005 Pro Bono Committee.

Associate Carla Salvucci has been appointed to a vacancy on the Brown Rudnick Pro Bono Committee. Carla, who practices in the Firm's Litigation Department, has distinguished herself through her provision of pro bono legal representation and by her leadership of the Firm mock trial team working with public school students through Citizen Schools and Discovering Justice. Carla joins the other 2005 committee members, who are:

**Andy Strehle, Chair**  
**Scott Burns**  
**Jeffrey Chase-Lubitz**  
**Douglas Cohen**  
**Alan Forman**  
**Steven Levine**  
**Michael Lewan**  
**Ann Meltzer**  
**Amanda Mitchell**  
**Nancy Reiner**  
**Carla Salvucci**  
**Al Wallis**



## Public Health Related Matters Dominate Pro Bono Matters This Spring. (continued from page one)

According to the Associated Press, (*Your Teeth May Be Poisoning Your Water*), May 26, 2005, Connecticut's Public Act 02-90 states that after July 1, 2004, products with 250 parts per million of mercury can no longer be sold in Connecticut. So-called "silver" dental fillings contain 500,000 parts per million of mercury. Each filling has about 3/4 of a gram of mercury, the same as a mercury thermometer, also banned under the statute. Mercury is a known toxin that causes brain damage and a host of other medical problems.

A Brown Rudnick legal team which included **Douglas Cohen** from the Hartford office and **Nancy Reiner** and **Jennifer Ryan** from the Boston office provided advocacy assistance before a Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) proceeding regarding DEP's interpretation of a state statute as to whether the state has the authority to regulate the use of mercury amalgam in dental fillings.

## Representing the Mentally Retarded in a Class Action Suit.

A team of Brown Rudnick attorneys, headed by partner **Margaret Pinkham**, recently undertook pro bono representation on behalf of hundreds of extremely vulnerable clients.

A class action (with multiple subclasses) on behalf of mentally retarded individuals in the care of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts commenced in U.S. District Court (Massachusetts) in 1974. Federal Judge Joseph Tauro ultimately issued an order regarding the state's ongoing obligations to these individuals, and the case was closed. However, new concerns that the state was closing facilities and not adequately planning or providing for these mentally retarded residents' subsequent care have prompted some of the subclasses to seek to reopen the case or otherwise find a means to protect the rights won in the 1974 suit. Brown Rudnick has been retained to provide representation at this new juncture.

There are still some 4,000 members of the class. The subclass represented by Brown Rudnick has about 950 members.

## Public Health Issues an Important Part of the Center's Pro Bono Representation.

The intersection of public health and law has been an important part of the Center for Public Interest's pro bono legal representation for some time. For example, with a *Relationship Grant* from the Brown Rudnick Charitable Foundation Corp., Boston Medical Center's Family Advocacy Program has initiated a unique "Building Bridges" program in two Boston Public Schools. The program seeks to combine the efforts of doctors, lawyers and educators to address critical needs of traumatized children. Brown Rudnick is providing pro bono legal support for this effort.

# PROVIDING PRO BONO LEGAL REPRESENTATION.

## The Brown Rudnick Pro Bono Commitment.

Brown Rudnick is committed to equal access to justice. Thus far, in fiscal year 2005 (2/1/04 – 1/31/05) the Firm has devoted the following resources to pro bono (free) legal representation in the United States:

**HOURS: 1,683**

*(The equivalent of more than*

**\$624,685**

*had it been billed at normal billing rates.)*

Brown Rudnick attorneys and paralegals continue to work on previously opened pro bono engagements.

New Pro Bono matters initiated by Brown Rudnick in April-May, 2005 include:

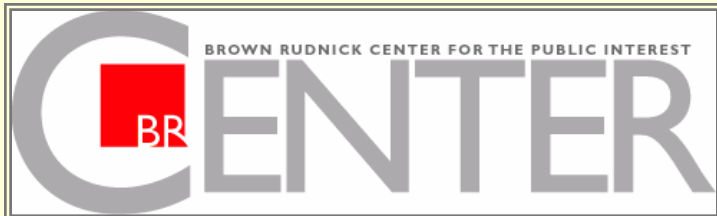
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Attorney	Representation
Paul Laudano & David Gammell	Providing advice to a Massachusetts non-profit organization re: dissolution, lease termination and transfer of programs.
Carla Salvucci & Jeffrey Hermes	Assisting an indigent individual with Deed transfer.
Amanda Mitchell & Alan Forman	General corporate advice to non-profit educational organization working with inner-city youth.
David Golden	Non-profit educational organization operating a historical building and providing educational opportunities. General corporate representation/corporate documents .
Brenda Cotter	Non-profit educational Providence organization providing advice on intellectual property matters.
Thomas Phillips & Daniel Gusenoff	Reorganization of existing 501(c)(3) charitable organization; assistance with IRS filing requirements. Organization provides services to the physically handicapped.
Brian Lamoureux & William Dolan	Indigent individual tenant with residential security deposit dispute.
Douglas Cohen, Nancy Reiner & Jennifer Ryan	Providing testimony before the CT Department of Environmental Protection on the use of mercury in the practice of dentistry.
Anthony Kuhlmann & Thomas Saunders	Indigent individual through Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts. Assistance in filing a patent application regarding a personal display vehicle for public art and advertising use.
Seth Stratton & Jeffrey Hermes	Indigent individual through homeless legal clinic. Assistance with creditor and debt issues, bankruptcy.
Jennifer Ryan, James Hauser & all of the 2005 Summer Associates	5 indigent individuals through the Volunteer Lawyers Project of the Boston Bar Association, each with an unemployment insurance appeal.
Gopal Balachandran	Representation through Committee for Public Counsel Services in connection with a criminal appeal.



▲ Brian receives Accolade from Pro Bono Committee Member **Jeffrey Chase-Lubitz**.



The Brown Rudnick Pro Bono Committee is pleased to inform you that at its April meeting it awarded a **Pro Bono Accolade** to **Brian Lamoureux** in recognition of his work with the Brown Rudnick Center for the Public Interest.

In addition to regularly seeking out and undertaking pro bono legal opportunities, Brian has demonstrated leadership in working through his steady and enthusiastic personal and professional contributions in helping to vault Providence into Brown Rudnick's leading office in providing pro bono representation during the months of February and March, 2005\*

\*Based on the percentage of billable hours devoted to pro bono cases by each domestic office (per capita).

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The Pro Bono Committee appreciates and applauds Brian and these contributions that Brian and the Providence office have made to the Firm and to the betterment of our communities.

- *The Brown Rudnick Pro Bono Committee (2005)*

Andy Strehle, Chair

Scott Burns ▪ Jeffrey Chase-Lubitz ▪ Douglas Cohen  
Alan Forman ▪ Steven Levine ▪ Michael Lewan ▪ Ann Meltzer  
Amanda Mitchell ▪ Nancy Reiner ▪ Carla Salvucci ▪ Al Wallis

## **PROFILE: David Golden.** A Leader, a Mentor and a Philanthropist.

### *Interview by Lisa Murray.*

David Golden is a partner in Brown Rudnick's Corporate Group in Hartford, Connecticut. Although David has an active legal practice, he finds time each week to mentor children at the Breakthrough Magnet School. In March 2005, David was elected to the Board of Directors for the Brown Rudnick Charitable Foundation Corp.

**Q:** *This is your third year mentoring children at the Breakthrough Magnet School. Why have you continued as a volunteer?*

**A:** For three consecutive years, the Foundation has awarded the Breakthrough Magnet School an Insight/Foresight Grant. In addition to helping fund an educational program or endeavor, these grants are designed to foster volunteerism and collaboration between the Firm and the non-profit organization. That said, I feel the Firm has made a commitment to the teachers and students, which I plan to fulfill.

Secondly, when I went through the mentor training program, I learned that being a mentor at the Magnet School was much like being a Big Brother. In order to truly have a positive impact on a child's life, you need to build a trusting relationship with that child, which requires consistency and accessibility. Many of the kids in the program are disenfranchised, and few have a positive male role model in their lives. Presently I'm one of two male mentors at the school, so I feel I am filling an important role in the program.

Two years ago, I was paired with a seventh grader and continued as that boy's mentor until he entered high school. Even now I keep in touch with him – we go to the Six Flags theme park each summer – because I know it's important that he have a steady adult role model in his life. This year, I've been paired with a second grader, and my intention is to mentor this student until he graduates from eighth grade.

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▲ David (on right) receives Accolade from Pro Bono Committee Member **Douglas Cohen** at the June Pro Bono Committee Meeting.



## **PROFILE: David Golden.**

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**Q:** As a recently elected Foundation board member, what do you hope to contribute in the coming months?

**A:** I hope to be another voice on the board by bringing to the table my experience with charitable and education-related causes. I sit on the Board of Directors of the Tolland Education Foundation, which is dedicated to supplementing the curriculum of local schools. I also run an annual charity golf tournament for the Joshua Greenberg Memorial Fund. Proceeds from the tournament are donated to the University of Connecticut and Brandeis University. I believe that my charitable service provides me with an understanding and appreciation for the mission of the Brown Rudnick Charitable Foundation. I hope I can help the Foundation make a greater impact on inner-city education.

“... what many young lawyers don’t realize is that pro bono and community service is hugely rewarding and is a great way to balance a sometimes all-consuming legal practice.”

**Q:** What words of wisdom about charitable giving can you share with new or aspiring attorneys?

**A:** I certainly appreciate how difficult it can be for new associates to find the time for pro bono work and community service. Any serious young attorney is focused on building his or her career, and the demands of the job will always take precedent. However, I will say that even if you don’t have the time now to be actively involved in charitable giving, remain open to future opportunities. I think the inclination is to opt out of volunteer or pro bono work altogether, because you don’t have the time today.

Yet, what many young lawyers don’t realize is that pro bono and community service is hugely rewarding and is a great way to balance a sometimes all-consuming legal practice. I find that spending a small amount of time as a volunteer makes a big difference in my own perspective as a parent and as a professional.

The Brown Rudnick Pro Bono Committee is pleased to inform you that at its **June** meeting it awarded a

**Pro Bono Accolade** to **David Golden**

in recognition of his work with the **Brown Rudnick Center for the Public Interest.**

*David has demonstrated leadership in all three areas of the Brown Rudnick Center for the Public Interest:*

- Pro Bono**, by continuously seeking out opportunities to provide pro bono legal representation to clients in need; and
- Community Service**, by serving for several years as a mentor to students at Hartford’s Breakthrough Magnet School; and
- Charitable Giving**, by serving as a Director of the Brown Rudnick Charitable Foundation Corp. and by supporting numerous applications for Insight/Foresight Grants awarded by the Foundation.

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The Pro Bono Committee appreciates and applauds David and these contributions that David has made to the Firm and to the betterment of the greater Hartford community.



## Summer Associates are at the Center.



Center Executive Director **AI Wallis** and Pro Bono Committee Chair **Andy Strehle** have lunch with the **Summer Associates** on the lawn of the Federal Courthouse. The Summer Associates directed that a contribution be made in their name to Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts of Massachusetts. Below, they present the donation at Brown Rudnick to VLA Executive Director Jim Grace.



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Brown Rudnick's Summer Associates have begun engaging in a healthy agenda of Center-related activities. During their employment with the Firm from June through August, these seasoned law students will be involved with:

- *Pro bono.* The *Summer Associates* are all engaged in pro bono representation of clients with unemployment insurance denials. The Massachusetts Department of Employment and Training administrative hearings will be on behalf of clients from the Framingham area through a program organized and supervised in conjunction with the Volunteer Lawyers Project of the Boston Bar Association. Brown Rudnick's Jim Hauser, AI Wallis and Jen Ryan provide supervision. Some summer associates will also be engaged on a research project for the Anti-Defamation League.
- *Community service.* Each summer associate will visit Rosie's Place shelter for homeless women at least once this summer to prepare and serve lunch.
- *Charitable giving.* All of the summer associates have participated in a summer charitable giving program in which they have a brown bag lunch on the lawn of the Massachusetts Federal Courthouse, discuss public interest activities and select a legal services program where the Firm should make a charitable contribution on their behalf (in an amount equal to what it would have cost for the Firm to pay for the associates' lunch that day.)

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

### *Poetry Day at Brown Rudnick with the Neighborhood House Charter School.*



^ Above, NHCS poets at Brown Rudnick perfect their work. Below, poet Howard Axelrod (in blue shirt) discusses writing with students over lunch.



During Poetry Day at Brown Rudnick, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students from the Neighborhood House Charter School (NHCS) in Boston worked with Brown Rudnick volunteers to craft their writing into an annual literary magazine. The magazine is then provided to supporters at NHCS' annual fundraiser.

This year's Brown Rudnick Center volunteer team included: Kym Patrico, Beth Hurley, Joanne McElhenney, Connie Kelly, Maureen Redhead, Mark Newall, Lindsey Hanscom and the Boston Document Production Department.

NHCS receives a grant from the Brown Rudnick Charitable Foundation.

### *The Hope of the Firefly*

*By Dane Bagalae*

*The air breezes by the blue firefly  
as its end lights up the color of July*

*To me I think that it symbolizes*

*the true meaning of hope*

*Fireflies are a good thing*

*because their ends glow blue,*

*light blue,*

*dark blue,*

*lighting up the dark night.*

*Oh no, my father wants me inside*

*But luckily the firefly will make hope  
happen*

*And I'll stay outside*

*Some more!*



**THE BROWN RUDNICK  
CHARITABLE FOUNDATION CORP.**

Making a significant contribution to inner-city education  
and the quality of life  
in Boston, Hartford, New York and Providence.



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Brian Lamoureux  
Joel Reck  
Elizabeth Ritvo  
Nancy Wilsker

**BROWN RUDNICK CHARITABLE FOUNDATION CORP.  
Approves Issuance of New Request for Grant Proposals.**

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According to Albert W. Wallis, executive director of the Brown Rudnick Charitable Foundation Corp., "Since 2001, the Foundation has awarded dozens of *Relationship Grants* which have helped bring meaningful education-related programs to inner-city students. Our work has only just begun and as we look toward 2006, we aim to extend our reach into urban communities to effect positive social change."

This past year, the Foundation awarded grants to ten non-profit organizations across Boston, MA, Providence, RI, Hartford, CT, and New York, NY. A description of these grants and the grant recipients may be found on the Center's website at [www.brownrudnickcenter.com/foundation/recipient.asp](http://www.brownrudnickcenter.com/foundation/recipient.asp). Many former grant recipients have also been beneficiaries of Brown Rudnick's volunteer support and pro bono legal representation.

# FOUNDATION AWARDS INSIGHT/FORESIGHT GRANTS.

## Two New Insight/Foresight Grants Awarded This Spring.

The Foundation generally awards not more than one Insight/Foresight Grant per month. This Spring, Insight/Forsight Grants were awarded to:

### The James Michael Curley School of Boston, MA.

[www.mcurley@boston.k12.ma.us](mailto:www.mcurley@boston.k12.ma.us)

This grant, co-sponsored by Anna Zidonik, art teacher in the school, and **Beth Hurley**, a volunteer through the Brown Rudnick Center for the Public Interest, will be used by students and the school's parent association to create a **Tile Project** in which students work with an artist to learn to make ceramic tiles which will then be permanently affixed to a presently bare wall at the school's entrance.

### The Children's' Room, Center for Grieving Children and Teenagers, Inc. of Arlington, Massachusetts.

[www.childrensroom.org/](http://www.childrensroom.org/)

This grant, co-sponsored by Chris Nind of the Center, and **Jeff Keffer**, a volunteer through the Brown Rudnick Center for the Public Interest, will be used to purchase **educational related art supplies**, enhancing the Children's Room's ability to increase both the services to and number of children it serves, with an emphasis on increased participation by Boston children.

In front of the wall to be tiled, > Al Wallis presents the grant check to Curley School principal Mirna Vega-Wilson (left) & art teacher Anna Zidonik.



< At the Children's Room, Board President Marty Thrope accepts the grant check from Al Wallis.

## FOUNDATION GRANTS IN ACTION.

The Foundation

### Reading Help Arrives with Grant to Boston's Trotter School.

Acting on a Foundation vote in March to award an Insight/Foresight grant to the Trotter School, Brown Rudnick's Mark Newall, Lisa Murray and Al Wallis visited the school in April to present the grant check and share in the school's excitement at receiving recognition and support. The grant will be used to purchase scanners and specialized *Kurzweil* software for reading, writing and learning solutions. (At right, **Al Wallis** and **Mark Newall** present the grant check to Lynn White Robinson.)



Dear Brown Rudnick,  
Thank you for the scanner  
So that we can read  
better and so we can move  
to the next grade and reading  
can be more fun and we can  
be happy.

Thank you,  
Lynn White Robinson  
3rd grade Ms. Copland  
class. CARS

"Al, I know the kids were still pretty psyched for a long time after you Mark, and Lisa visited. I was thinking about how awed they were that people would come to the school and personally talk to them and include them in something like this. It puts a very different kind of face on giving. It makes all the world of difference when the community becomes involved, and the fact you took time from your schedule to come and see us, meant a lot to us."

— Lynn White Robinson, teacher at Trotter School (and co-applicant for the grant.)

# FOUNDATION GRANTS IN ACTION.

## Early Child Literacy Support Provided to Reach Out and Read.

An initial delivery of children's books was made to the Reach Out and Read sites at Boston Medical Center and New York's Beth Israel Hospital this spring. These books were purchased with a grant from the Brown Rudnick Charitable Foundation, which supports Reach Out and Read programs in Boston, Hartford, New York and Providence. (Pro bono legal support is also provided to Reach Out and Read through the Brown Rudnick Center for the Public Interest.)

Pediatricians give a free Reach Out and Read book to each child during their medical visit as a way of encouraging early child literacy.



At right, RoR's Beth Krueger enjoys as Brown Rudnick's **Al Wallis** and **Lindsey Hanscom** read from the books contributed to the Boston Medical Center site by the Foundation. >

< At left, Reach Out and Read's Emily Bicht, Pediatrician Robin Jacobson and Pediatric Department Administrator Jennifer Meltzer accept books from Brown Rudnick's Al Wallis which were donated by the Foundation to the Beth Israel Hospital site.



# FOUNDATION GRANTS IN ACTION.

The Foundation

## Preparing Students for their Future.



The Neighborhood House Charter School



^ Above, Foundation President **Carl Axelrod** presents Neighborhood House Charter School's (NHCS) Joanne Goggins with 2005 Relationship Grant check. [www.nhcsonline.org](http://www.nhcsonline.org)

The Foundation's grant supports the NHCS "8<sup>th</sup> Grade Initiative" which prepares students from this Dorchester school for application and transition to a high school suitable to their needs.

At right, Foundation and Center Executive Director, Al Wallis with the help of a dinosaur friend presents Foundation Relationship Grant Check to Ed Forand, Executive Director of the Science Center of Connecticut [sciencecenter.org](http://sciencecenter.org). The grant will be used to expose Hartford public school students to science through educational visits to the Science Center in 2005.

Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts of Massachusetts  
[www.vlama.org](http://www.vlama.org)  
Executive Director Jim Grace accepts the Foundation's 2005 Relationship Grant from Foundation/Center Executive Director Al Wallis. The grant will support the VLA holiday art contest in the Boston Public Schools. >



## FOUNDATION GRANTS IN ACTION.

The Foundation



### Brown Rudnick Attorneys and Staff Engage in the Foundation's Mission.

^ Above, Brown Rudnick's Boston office listens to Pam Tames from the **Family Advocacy Program** describe the "Building Bridges" initiative created this year with a grant from the Foundation. The initiative is working with two public schools to combine a medical, legal and educational approach to helping to improve the learning experience for traumatized children.

Below, left, Brown Rudnick's New York office learns about grant recipient **BELL Foundation** (Building Educated Leaders for Life) from BELL's David Kaplin and Lester Strong, as well as about **Reach Out and Read** from Reach Out and Read's New York Executive Director, Traci Lester. Below, right, Brown Rudnick's team of coaches for the spring **Citizen Schools/Discovering Justice Mock Trial Team**. From left, **Meghan Walt, Jarrod Matteson, Michael Keane** and **George Haight**. (Missing from photo, **Jennifer Ryan**.) Coaches worked with the students for about 12 weeks to prepare them for final mock trials in the U.S. District Court (MA).



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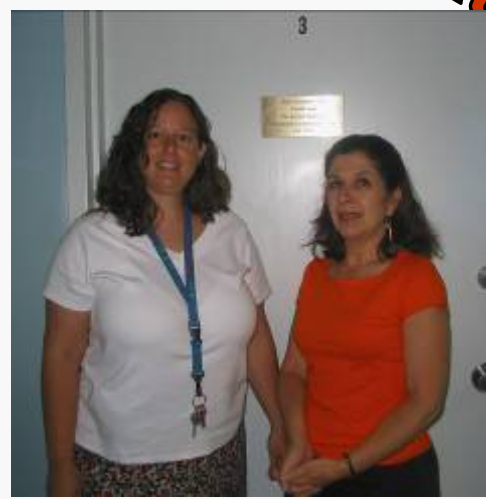
# FOUNDATION GRANTS IN ACTION.



^ Community Solutions' Nancy Pappas accepts a 2005 Relationship Grant from Foundation Directors Franca DeRosa and David Golden.

## Supporting Community Solutions in Hartford.

The Brown Rudnick Foundation has provided grant support to this non-profit organization for the past three years. Community Solutions Inc. ([www.csi-online.org](http://www.csi-online.org)) delivers supervision, treatment and comprehensive, individualized services for more than thirty-four years to socially disadvantaged adults and juveniles in need of supervision, support and treatment. The Foundation's grant has been focused on helping troubled youth sentenced to the custody of Community Solutions with projects geared toward understanding the law, such as participation in an annual mock trial program coached by Brown Rudnick attorneys.



^ Community Solutions' Gina Juliano, Director of Education and Nancy Pappas at their Connecticut facility stand at the entrance to the Brown Rudnick Computer Lab, established and made available for use by juveniles in their custody with a grant from the Foundation.



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Community SOLUTIONS, Inc.

- Community Corrections
- Juvenile Justice
- Intermediate Sanctions
- Child Welfare
- Behavioral Health

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< While in custody of Community Solutions, juveniles learn about the law with texts purchased with Foundation grant funds.

# Charitable Giving to the Foundation.

## Brown Rudnick Attorneys and Staff Take the Personal Checkbook Into Their Own Hands.



< Chickie Delivers.

Longtime Brown Rudnick employee, **Chickie Abdullah** (at left), organized a raffle for the benefit of the Foundation on the eve of her retirement. Chances were sold to win the last two known remaining available copies of the legendary Brown Rudnick cookbook, *Cooking With Legalese*. All proceeds were donated to the Foundation toward improving inner-city education.

As Brown Rudnick's New York office packed to move to a sparkling new office high above Times Square, the Firm generously decided to auction off its existing New York artwork for the benefit of the Foundation. With Brown Rudnick's **Ken Asher** and **Ada Clapp** driving the effort, and ample support from **Joanne McElhenney**, **Connie Kelly**, **Jim Darsigny**, **Keith Schultz**, **Denise Kaer**, **Ken Asher** and **Al Wallis**, the New York Office Art Collection Charity Auction was a big success. More than \$7,000 was raised and contributed to the Foundation. >

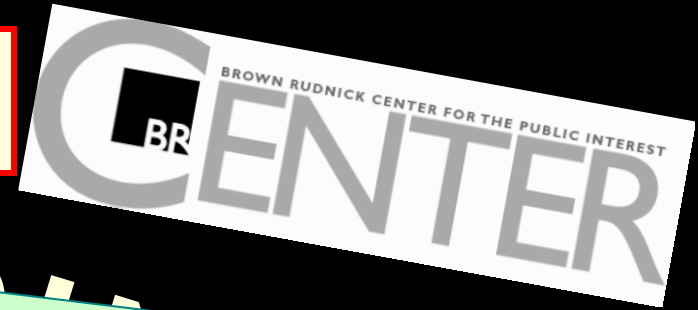


Minimum Bid  
\$100



Photo	Artist	Title of Work	Description of Work
29	Anthony Petters	Untitled-a bstract	(for art making materials) 26" x 38" Mixed media, oil and acrylic and paper

# HELPING TO IMPROVE OUR COMMUNITY AND THE WORLD.



## • Furnishing a Non-Profit Partner.

Brown Rudnick's New York office recently moved to a new location in Times Square. Rather than move most of its older office furniture, Brown Rudnick donated it to Foundation grant recipient and pro bono client *Building Educated Leaders for Life (BELL)*.



## • Supporting Our Bodies, Ourselves.

This spring, Brown Rudnick hosted a book launching event in its Boston Events Center for our pro bono client, *Our Bodies, Ourselves*.



## • Facing History Overseas.

Brown Rudnick's London office has been host to several conferences and meetings for our pro bono client and Foundation grant recipient, *Facing History and Ourselves*.

## • Guiding Corporate Volunteerism.

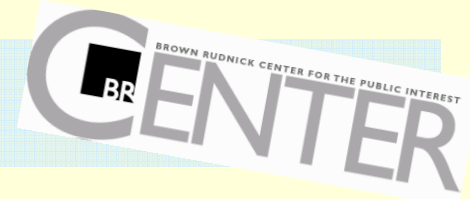
The *Corporate Volunteer Council* of Boston has elected Center Executive Director Al Wallis, as co-Vice President for 2005-2006.



## ^ Supporting Legal Services.

Brown Rudnick's city wide *Greater Boston Legal Services Associate's Fundraising Drive* coordinators, **Kate Haffner** and **Jerry Tichner**, and internal coordinators -- **Meghan Walt**, **Joe Quinn**, **Shawn Draper** and **Jen Ryan** --- helped to raise thousands of dollars to support the delivery of legal services to the indigent in Boston.

# Last Words...



## November

**By A.J. Rose**  
8<sup>th</sup> grade student  
at Neighborhood House Charter School

November is the month of colors  
Blue shining waters  
And the endless sky  
Stretching into space  
With the red and yellow and orange  
Celebrating the end of fall  
Holding hands and playing with the wind  
When the sky claims them  
And tosses them in a heap with their friends  
And the beautiful sight  
Of the world of colors  
Holding hands in the sky  
When the rain and sun unite  
November glistens like a sun sparkling the water  
And the brown dust settling on the ground  
Preparing to sleep  
Underneath the white and beautiful blanket  
That is the snow of December



**Please contact Al Wallis or Kym Patrico to discuss any matters regarding the Brown Rudnick Center for the Public Interest.**

**And finally, apologies for any errors or unintentional omissions which may from time-to-time occur in the Center e-mail news – maybe even this one.**

**Brown Rudnick Center  
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