Dear Friends,

This was a year when we took on the work that really counted. It was a year in which all of us agreed to that one project too many because it needed to be done. How could one look away when an entire school district is threatening to close, especially one that serves so many low-income and minority students and children with disabilities? Law Center lawyers Michael Churchill and Sonja Kerr couldn’t. They fought an intensive battle that kept the Chester-Upland School District open. How can a neighborhood be left hanging when it finds out at the last minute about a huge development that threatens to worsen flooding? Amy Laura Cahn wouldn’t let that happen in Eastwick. For me, it was Pennsylvania’s Voter ID law—the most restrictive in the nation—that needed to be challenged. Every one of these projects required fast and intense action, but we did it because what was happening simply was not okay. And in every case, the threat was averted.

Of course, these successes cannot happen without the enormous contributions of others. There is, first, the courage of our clients: I think of Taylor Floria, a 19-year-old with autism who conquered his fears and travelled to Harrisburg so he could explain to the Court why the Voter ID law would make it impossible for people like him to vote. I think of the Chester-Upland teachers and administrators who had the courage to admit in court that they are unable to comply with the special education laws because of lack of funding.

Our powerful partnerships with pro bono lawyers and other nonprofit organizations allow us to tackle these injustices. Our donors stepped up by ensuring that we had the resources to continue, making this a strong year for us financially. And, we are backed by a strong, active and committed Board of Directors which, in 2012, adopted an ambitious five-year financial plan aimed at giving us the financial stability needed so that we will be here for years to come as the go-to public interest law firm when things are just not okay.

Jennifer R. Clarke
Executive Director

Our Mission

The Law Center uses high-impact legal strategies to ensure that vulnerable populations in the region have access to the resources and services we all need to live our lives. We focus on securing access to six such resources—all deeply intertwined—that are essential to escaping a cycle of poverty and realizing the promise of equality: Education, healthcare, employment, housing, clean and healthy neighborhoods, and the right to vote.

2012 Activities & Impact

Public Education

- 14,523 people impacted
- 401 people educated about special education rights
- 15 families advised through consultations

Voting Rights

- 8,508,015 Pennsylvanians impacted
- 6 public presentations about barriers to the polls

Healthcare

- 3,000,000 people impacted

Neighborhood Health & Justice

- 57,499 people impacted
- 13 community groups advised
- 532 people educated
- 12 public presentations & workshops

Employment

- 8 people impacted
- Policies improved at 2 employers

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Client Sharon Romero joins Sonja Kerr in talking about the impact of the Law Center’s special education work on her son’s life. Photograph by Jonathan Yu
The Law Center seeks to ensure that all students, regardless of their zip code, have access to a high-quality public education. We use advocacy, litigation and research to hold public officials accountable: this means increases in state funding, a fairer method for distributing that funding, rooting out punitive policies that push kids out of school and ensuring that children with disabilities receive a free and appropriate public education, including the supports and services they need to thrive.

Keeping the Chester-Upland Schools Open

In January 2012, the Chester-Upland School District announced that it would run out of money in two weeks, leaving 3,500 students at risk of having no school to attend. State officials expressed indifference, but to us, that was simply unacceptable. We intervened in a lawsuit between the school district and the state, eventually securing a settlement in which the state agreed to supply sufficient funding to keep the schools open and to implement fundamental changes to improve special education services. Now, we are developing and leading a Parents’ Council that will ensure progress is being made and that children’s needs are met.

“This case has now ended not only with more money for the District, but more promise and potential for the students. Every student with disabilities in the District has the potential to succeed academically, graduate high school, and become a productive adult.”

— U.S. District Judge Baylson in his approval of the Settlement Agreement

Victory in Lebanon School District Truancy Case

In January 2011, the Law Center filed a class action lawsuit on behalf of the NAACP Pennsylvania and families in Lebanon, PA who were charged exorbitant truancy fees by the Lebanon School District. Some families were charged thousands of dollars apiece; those who were unable to pay were sometimes even jailed. Not only are fines of this magnitude unlawful, they have proved to be ineffective in reducing truancy. In November 2012, we secured a major victory when the District Court ruled that families who had paid excessive fines were entitled to restitution. We have since reached a settlement in which the District agreed to repay $108,000 it wrongly collected. When added to the fines that were reduced over the course of litigation, the community recovered nearly $450,000. The case has also curbed this abuse of the truancy laws: fines last school year were less than half of what they had been three years earlier.

Student of the Year

Jorge (not his real name) was a child with behavioral issues in kindergarten. Rather than provide him services, his school proposed to send him to a highly-restrictive alternative school for troubled youth, despite the fact that his mother believed that improved medications and behavioral interventions would be much better for his well-being. The Law Center intervened and succeeded in securing a “stay put” order that allowed Jorge to stay in his school while the matter was resolved. While the order was in effect, Jorge — who had turned five only days before first starting kindergarten — repeated kindergarten and did so well that, by that spring, the school abandoned its efforts to move him. At the end of kindergarten, he was named “Student of the Year,” and, now in first grade, is making Honor Roll and is lauded by his teacher for being such a good helper in class.

The Philadelphia Project:
Improving Special Education

In 2012, the Law Center’s Philadelphia Project advanced its goal of creating systemic improvements to special education on behalf of all 23,000 students with disabilities in Philadelphia:

• Our coalition of special education advocates pressed the School Reform Commission to reverse its planned layoffs of school psychologists. In testimony and letters we explained the important role that psychologists play in the special education context — including evaluations and individualized education plans.

• Through the efforts of the coalition, the School Reform Commission held its first-ever public meeting dedicated exclusively to special education in October; over 200 parents attended to voice their concerns.

• By representing individual families and learning from other community groups, we identified systemic problems in need of reform and developed strategies to address them. We spent most of 2012 working on a class action lawsuit challenging a practice by which the School District of Philadelphia “shuffles” students with autism without notice to or participation by parents.
The Law Center organizes, represents and advocates on behalf of disenfranchised communities, helping them to make their neighborhoods healthier, safer places to live. This includes protecting the role of community farms and gardens; representing residents’ visions for their communities in planning decisions; and providing technical assistance in the face of environmental threats.

Eastwick Friends & Neighbors Coalition

In May 2012, residents in Eastwick became aware of the imminent development of a 128-acre parcel of green space adjacent to their neighborhood. Despite the likelihood that the development might worsen already-significant flooding, change the character of the neighborhood, and threaten the neighboring Heinz National Wildlife Refuge, residents were not notified or included in planning discussions. Instead, the development was quietly written into a settlement agreement between the City, the Redevelopment Authority, and developer, Korman Residential. However, the development requires a legislative rezoning of the parcel. Just weeks before the rezoning hearing was set to take place, the Law Center’s Amy Laura Cahn began working with EFNC, a coalition of residents and supporters of the Refuge, to ensure their voices were heard. Responding to the phenomenal efforts of these stakeholders, District Councilman Kenyatta Johnson withdrew the rezoning bills to allow time for community participation and convened a hearing to investigate the flooding problems. We continue to work with the community to help it shape its vision for Eastwick in planning and development discussions and to ensure community concerns about issues such as flooding and school closures are addressed.

A Zoning Victory for Community Farms and Gardens

In August 2012, Philadelphia implemented a comprehensive new zoning code that improves opportunities for community gardening and market farming. Just months after the code went into effect, Councilman Brian O’Neill proposed an amendment to, among other things, prohibit community gardens and market farms in certain districts. Amy Laura Cahn led an expansive campaign – working with groups around the City to provide testimony, contact councilmembers and mobilize the public. As a result, the prohibition was initially changed to require a special exception, which would still have created additional barriers – and significant costs – to gardening and farming. Worse, the hundreds of gardeners who work on abandoned plots that they do not own would have been ineligible for the permit. Amy Laura Cahn and the campaign did not give up and Councilman O’Neill, responding to community voices, ultimately withdrew this portion of his amendment – a huge victory.

Client Impact: Norris Square Neighborhood Project

At six culturally themed gardens at the Norris Square Neighborhood Project (NSNP) in West Kensington, children hear music from other cultures by world-famous musicians, learn to grow organic vegetables, see artifacts and crafts from around the world, and develop relationships with their neighbors. Had the amendment passed, NSNP would have had to obtain permits for 23 of its 66 parcels of land, which would have required significant time, money, and legal assistance. With the amendment withdrawn, NSNP has instead been able to keep its resources exactly where they belong: providing enriching programming for West Kensington’s children.
VOTING RIGHTS

Our voting project uses litigation, organizing and advocacy to remove the obstacles preventing the region’s vulnerable populations from exercising this most fundamental of our rights as American citizens.

Challenging Pennsylvania’s Voter ID Law

In April 2012, the Pennsylvania legislature passed one of the most stringent voter identification laws in the country — a law that would disenfranchise hundreds of thousands of registered voters, particularly minorities, those living in poverty, seniors, and students. The Law Center jumped to action, joining the ACLU of Pennsylvania, The Advancement Project and Arnold & Porter in challenging the law in Commonwealth Court. During the trial, we heard from active, engaged voters, like Viviette Applewhite (below), who wanted to exercise their Constitutional right to vote but lacked the required ID and could not obtain one through the Commonwealth’s system.

After taking the case to the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, we secured a preliminary injunction that prevented the law from going into effect for the November election — thereby protecting the right to vote for Pennsylvanians and setting national precedent against voter suppression efforts. We will return to court in July 2013 for trial on a permanent injunction.

Client story

In the 1960s, Viviette Applewhite, now 93, marched alongside Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. to protest disenfranchisement of African Americans. She has cast a vote in every Presidential election but one (when she could not locate her polling place) since Franklin D. Roosevelt was on the ballot.

But Ms. Applewhite has never had a driver’s license and her identifying documents were stolen several years ago. After 5 years of trying, she received a new copy of her birth certificate, but without a social security card and two proofs of residence, she still couldn’t meet the law’s requirements and would have been prevented from casting a ballot.

“I think [voting] is important because I think it gives me my right to… help other people as well as myself,” Ms. Applewhite said during the trial. Thanks to the injunction, she was able to do just that on November 6th.

Viviette Applewhite.
Photo by Marco Calderon.

Legislative Redistricting

Every ten years, Pennsylvania redraws its legislative districts, and the Constitution is clear about how this should be done: municipalities shall not be split unless “absolutely necessary.” This direction maximizes citizen voices in the political process and prevents highly politicized gerrymandering. Yet, in January 2012, the Pennsylvania Legislative Reapportionment Commission (PLRC) released a redistricting plan that ignored this direction and was designed to make it easier for incumbents to keep their seats.

Amanda Holt, a piano teacher from Allentown, recognized the problems with the PLRC’s maps and decided to draw her own — proving that redistricting could be achieved with half as many splits. The Law Center and Hogan Lovells represented Ms. Holt and a nonpartisan group of voters in their appeal of the PLRC’s plan to the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. For the first time in history, the Court overturned the PLRC’s plan and sent it back to the drawing board. In the spring, when the PLRC released a revised plan that still included more splits than did Ms. Holt’s, we again helped her to appeal to the Supreme Court; we are awaiting a decision.

HEALTHCARE

The Law Center strives to eliminate systemic barriers to medical and dental care so that marginalized populations can access the prompt, effective care they need to thrive.

Right to Know Request

Despite the large number of low-income children in Pennsylvania who receive no dental care, Pennsylvania Medicaid officials refused to release vital information — the rates paid to dentists who serve low income children — that would allow us to determine whether unreasonably low rates explain the dismal statistics. In response to the Law Center’s Right to Know request, state officials and the insurance companies that are paid to deliver dental care claimed that these rates were trade secrets. We appealed to the Office of Open Records and, after briefing and an evidentiary hearing, the hearing officer ordered the state to provide both the Department of Public Welfare’s capitation rates and the Managed Care Organization’s provider rates. The state and insurance companies are appealing the decision.

Pennsylvania Form 416 for fiscal year ending 9/30/2011, for children enrolled for at least 90 days.
The Law Center uses litigation, policy research and advocacy to advance employment opportunities for everyone. We seek to put an end to blanket policies that prevent people with criminal records from obtaining the employment they need to successfully re-enter society, and to ensure that people with disabilities are able to access employment they need to live and thrive as independent community members.

**An End to Racial Profiling of Minority-Owned Tour Bus Companies**

In 2007, the Law Center, along with pro bono partners at Dechert LLP and solo practitioner Yvette Sterling, began representing six black-owned bus companies, including Major Tours, Inc., charging New Jersey transportation officials with racial profiling. Our clients alleged bus inspectors had targeted their buses at Atlantic City casinos for abusive inspections because of their race and had conspired with a tow truck operator to impound one of their buses, resulting in significant financial losses. Although stops for safety inspections are supposed to be random, statistical evidence showed that the plaintiffs’ buses were five times more likely to be picked for inspections than other buses.

In 2012, we successfully concluded the case with a settlement that not only obtained relief for our clients, but secured significant changes to the way the New Jersey Motor Vehicles Commission will conduct inspections. The Commission will help prevent discrimination from occurring in the future by creating a more transparent fine process, giving notice to bus operators of complaint procedures available to them, and including additional training for certified bus inspectors.

Charles Major of Major Tours, Inc.

**Protecting Methadone Treatment Facilities**

Six years ago, the Law Center brought a case that successfully struck down a Pennsylvania statute that effectively prevented methadone treatment facilities from locating anywhere other than industrial, inaccessible, or dangerous areas; the statute made it nearly impossible for many people to access treatment they needed. Our success, however, did not stop local governments from discriminating against people seeking help for drug treatment and their providers.

In DuBois, Pennsylvania, the city attempted to prevent RHJ Medical Center from opening a methadone clinic by passing a zoning ordinance specifically prohibiting methadone treatment centers from the area in which RHJ had already leased property. The Law Center and co-counsel at McGuire Woods represented RHJ in a suit against the city based on the Fourteenth Amendment, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the Rehabilitation Act. The District Court ruled in August 2012 that DuBois’s zoning ordinance violated RHJ’s equal protection rights and was unconstitutional and thus null and void. In addition, RHJ was awarded damages of over $130,000.

“City officials likely believed, and have continued to argue, that cloaking such a discriminatory ban on methadone and drug treatment clinics within a larger zoning ordinance would shield it from constitutional scrutiny. The Court finds these efforts to be futile.”

— U.S. District Court Decision in favor of RHJ

**2012 Social Justice Gala: Progress through Partnerships Honoring Dechert LLP with the Thaddeus Stevens Award**

Each year, the Law Center presents the Thaddeus Stevens Award to an individual or organization whose actions best illustrate the Law Center’s mission. We do so in honor of Thaddeus Stevens, a Pennsylvania State Assemblyman and United States Congressman whose courageous, passionate, and deeply-held commitment to social justice in the 19th century made unprecedented strides in equality.

In 2012, we were honored to present the Thaddeus Stevens Award to Dechert LLP in recognition of its outstanding pro bono commitment to the Law Center’s clients.
Thank you to all of our 2012 Volunteers, Interns, and Pro Bono Partners!

The staff, clients, and Board of the Law Center extend our deepest thanks to the over 30 volunteers and interns and 90 pro bono partners who helped the Law Center help our clients in 2012. These generous volunteers do everything from helping to prepare for cases, represent clients, plan educational community workshops, answer phones, and provide administrative support. Their hard work builds our capacity to make equality a reality for everyone in our region—thank you!

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**January 1, 2012 – December 31, 2012**

**Revenue**

- Foundations & IOLTA $155,100
- Legal Community & Other Support 379,140
- Fee & Out of Pocket Awards 746,659
- Contracts & Honorarium 83
- Interest & Other Income 7,586
- Total Revenue $1,288,648

**Total Revenue** $1,288,648

**Expenses**

- Program Expenses $677,214
- Fundraising Expenses 124,148
- General Expenses 104,658
- Total Expenses 905,820
- Current Year Change 382,828
- Prior Year Net Assets (131,087)
- Total Liabilities and Net Assets $561,109

**Total Liabilities and Net Assets** $561,109

**Statement of Financial Position**

**December 31, 2012**

- Current Assets $500,008
- Fixed Assets (net of depreciation) 61,101
- Total Assets $561,109

**Current Assets** $500,008

**Current Liabilities** $309,367

**Prior Year Net Assets** (131,087)

**Current Year Change** 382,828

**Total Liabilities and Net Assets** $561,109

**Unrestricted Net Assets** 327,369

**Temporarily Restricted Net Assets** 132,729

**Permanently Restricted Net Assets** 101,011

**Total** $1,288,648

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