CUNY SCHOOL OF LAW

Naming of the Hamill Family Classroom

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of The City University of New York approve the naming of the “Hamill Family Classroom” at CUNY School of Law, located on the first floor at 2 Court Square in Long Island City.

EXPLANATION: The Hon. Bryanne A. and Thomas G. Hamill are among the School of Law’s most loyal donors. Judge Hamill is a 1990 graduate of CUNY School of Law and has served on the school’s Board of Visitors since 2005. As an adjunct professor last year, she developed a seminar on family law, and has been helpful to the School’s faculty in developing additional course content on family law. She also has been instrumental in helping many of CUNY Law students find jobs in that field.

Upon graduation from CUNY School of Law, Judge Hamill worked as an assistant district attorney in the Bronx County D.A.’s office, primarily investigating and prosecuting sex crimes as well as cases of domestic violence and child abuse. She also served as law clerk to Bronx Supreme Court Justice Joseph Fisch. Judge Hamill, now retired, was appointed to the family court bench in 2001.

The Hamills have a long history of philanthropy at CUNY School of Law, having given approximately $250,000 over the years. They have provided funds for public interest summer fellowships for students, student scholarships, and supported the school’s Mississippi Project, which sends students to Mississippi and Louisiana each year in January to work with community and public interest legal organizations such as the Mississippi Workers' Center for Human Rights, the ACLU of Mississippi, and the Innocence Project of New Orleans.