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Rachel Lerman Elected Vice President of National Civil Rights Group

November 20, 2015, Washington, D.C.: The Louis D. Brandeis Center for Human Rights Under Law (LDB) is pleased to announce that [Rachel Lerman](#) was elected Vice President during the organization's Annual Meeting on October 26, 2015. Rachel Lerman is a partner in Barnes & Thornburg LLP's Los Angeles office, a member of the firm's Litigation Department and co-chair of the Appellate Practice Group. LDB is a national civil rights organization based in Washington, D.C., known best for its work fighting anti-Semitism in higher education.

Formerly a partner at Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP, Rachel Lerman focuses on appellate practice and trial strategy in complex civil cases. She has handled writs and appeals in commercial, bankruptcy, patent, trade mark, trade secret, labor, insurance defense, white collar, and family law cases in state and federal courts nationwide. Ms. Lerman has also taught, lectured, and wrote articles on different aspects of appellate practice.

Additionally, Ms. Lerman has served on LDB's Board of Directors since December 2012 and LDB's Legal Advisory Board since July 2012. Ms. Lerman commented, "The Louis D. Brandeis Center has done outstanding work in its efforts to end anti-Semitism on campuses across the nation. I am honored to be a part of an organization that is so dedicated to the cause of justice, and I am proud to continue our work to fight against anti-Semitism as we take the next step forward."

[LDB President Kenneth L. Marcus](#) stated, "I have known Rachel Lerman since law school, and she has always shown that she is a person of exemplary character and has become a brilliant lawyer. She has been a terrific addition to the Brandeis Center's advisory board and a vital member of our team. Her contributions have helped strengthen our organization."

During the Annual Meeting, Kenneth L. Marcus was reelected as LDB's President, [Adam Feuerstein](#) as treasurer, [Judd Serotta](#) as secretary, and [Richard Cravatts](#) and [Tevi Troy](#) as directors. LDB President Kenneth L. Marcus commented, "Our board of Directors has helped us to make great progress throughout the years, and their skills and expertise have been invaluable assets in our fight against anti-Semitism on college and university campuses nationwide. We have made great strides so far, and as the rates of anti-Semitic incidents increased both nationally and internationally, we are more determined than ever to combat anti-Semitism and end injustice and discrimination."

About Rachel Lerman

Rachel Lerman is an appellate lawyer who works regularly with trial counsel on law and motion and trial strategy. Ms. Lerman serves as a member of the executive board for the

Constitutional Rights Foundation (CRF), and is a member of the California Academy of Appellate Lawyers and the Los Angeles County Bar Association's Appellate Courts Committee. She is admitted to practice in the state of California and before the U.S. Supreme Court, all federal Courts of Appeals, and the California District Courts. Before entering private practice, she served as a law clerk to the late Honorable Thomas G. Nelson of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit.

Ms. Lerman earned her B.A., cum laude, from Yale College and her M.A. and M.F.A. from Syracuse University. She received her J.D. from the University of California, Berkeley Boalt Hall School of Law, where she was an editor of the Berkeley Women's Law Journal and a Schurman Scholar for International & Comparative Law at the Universität Heidelberg in Heidelberg, Germany.

Ms. Lerman has received numerous awards and honors, including selection to the Los Angeles Magazine's "Super Lawyers" list every year from 2003-2015. She received the ACLU's First Amendment Award in 2012. At her former firm, she received the Pro Bono Partner of the Year in 2011 and the Partner Recognition Award for mentoring and leadership in 2006. Ms. Lerman is also listed in The Best Lawyers in America.

About The Louis D. Brandeis Center: The Louis D. Brandeis Center, Inc., or LDB, is an independent, nonprofit organization established to advance the civil and human rights of the Jewish people and promote justice for all. The Brandeis Center conducts research, education, and advocacy to combat the resurgence of anti-Semitism on college and university campuses. It is not affiliated with the Massachusetts University, the Kentucky law school, or any of the other institutions that share the name and honor the memory of the late U.S. Supreme Court justice. For more information, contact Michelle Yabes at myabes@brandeiscenter.com, or find us at <http://brandeiscenter.com/>