

The Brandeis Center Congratulates Kenneth L. Marcus

Washington, D.C.: October 26, 2017 – The Louis D. Brandeis Center for Human Rights Under Law congratulates LDB President and General Counsel Kenneth L. Marcus on the occasion of his nomination to the position of Assistant U.S. Secretary of Education for Civil Rights.

Rachel Lerman, LDB's Vice President, commented: "We're grateful to Kenneth Marcus for founding the Louis D. Brandeis Center and building it, over the course of six years, into a premier civil rights agency with an impact in Washington, D.C., around the country, and across the world, that is vastly disproportionate to its size and age. Under Ken's leadership, the Center has established chapters at eighteen law schools, addressed bias incidents at numerous universities, educated policymakers about campus anti-Semitism and other forms of prejudice, shared best practices with university leaders, and pursued landmark public interest advocacy litigation. It is hard to imagine anyone better qualified than Ken to run the U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights."

Marcus was formerly Assistant Secretary of Education for Civil Rights during the Administration of President George W. Bush. He has also served in other senior positions in the U.S. government, including Staff Director of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights. He is the author of *The Definition of Anti-Semitism* (Oxford University Press 2015) and *Jewish Identity and Civil Rights in America* (Cambridge University Press 2010).

Vice President Lerman added, "We are pleased that the Brandeis Center is in a position to continue to grow over the coming years, just as it has in the past, especially since the promotion of Aviva Vogelstein to the position of Director of Legal Initiatives earlier in the year. We are in conversation with some very impressive people who are interested in joining the Brandeis Center's leadership group, and are delighted to be in such a strong position as we look to the future."

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 Edward Kunz at ekunz@brandeiscenter.com.