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**DISTRICT ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK PRESENTS
PRESTIGIOUS HOGAN AND MORGENTHAU AWARDS:
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January 22, 2016, Grand Hyatt Hotel – New York, New York: Rockland County District Attorney Thomas P. Zugibe., President of the District Attorneys Association of the State of New York, was joined by District Attorneys and senior law enforcement officials from around the state today including US Attorney for the Southern District of New York Preet Bharara, to honor five prosecutors with the prestigious Hogan Award and Morgenthau Awards.

The Hogan Award was presented to:

Retired Broome County District Attorney Gerald Mollen.

The Morgenthau Award – one for each of four regions that make up the state -- was presented to:

1. **Jeremy Glickman, New York County;**
2. **Morrie Kleinbart, Richmond County;**
3. **Jacqueline Kagan, Justice Center for People with Special Needs;** and
4. **Brian Dennis, Ontario County.**

The Hogan Award, was awarded to District Attorney Gerald Mollen (Ret.) for his lifetime of innovation in the creation of numerous criminal justice initiatives, his stalwart leadership in contribution to local, state and national criminal justice associations and his clear dedication to the highest professional and ethical standards both personally and within his office.

Mollen served as Broome County District Attorney from 1987 to 2016. During his tenure, Mollen aggressively fought child abuse, was a founding member of the Child Abuse Prevention Coordinating Council, and worked to create a child abuse review team including experts from the medical, le-gal, social service, educational, victim assistance and mental health fields. He was been a driving force behind the policy of videotaping suspect inter-views from start to finish, and pushed law enforcement to be more aggressive in pursuing cases of domestic violence. Additionally, he helped create the Broome County Gang Task Force and helped develop a database that lets law enforcement agencies share intelligence about gang membership and activity in the county.

In 2015, Mollen earned the New York State Bar Association's Outstanding Prosecutor Award. He served as our DAASNY president from July –January, and while it was a short tenure, it was no less impactful because of its brevity.

DA Zugibe said, “I think each of us has seen in Jerry what made him a leader – his steady guidance helped bring together people from diverse backgrounds with widely divergent opinions – and while his counsel was often quiet, he stood firm in defense of what was right and inspired people to do the same.”

The Morgenthau Award, established in 2009, recognizes one assistant district attorney from each of four regions of the state whose professional accomplishments, honesty, integrity and commitment to justice exemplify Mr. Morgenthau’s high standards during his tenure as New York County District Attorney.

The 2016 Robert M. Morgenthau Award was presented to:

Region 1: Jeremy Glickman, Deputy Bureau Chief, Cybercrime and Identity Theft Bureau, New York County District Attorney’s Office (nominated by District Attorney Cyrus Vance, Jr.)

As Deputy Chief of the Cybercrime and Identity Theft Bureau, Glickman provides supervision and expertise for two-to-three hundred new cases per month, as well as overseeing intensive, long-term investigations and prosecutions of national and international criminal organizations. Jeremy’s technical knowledge, investigative prowess, and deep familiarity with the law have led to meaningful prosecutions, from local identity theft rings to major international cybercriminals.

Glickman has been instrumental in crafting the Office’s legislative recommendations and initiatives, recognizing gaps in the law and other policy changes that, if addressed, would have a major impact for the entire state. He also been instrumental in the planning and development of the Office’s new state-of-the-art cyber lab, which is currently under construction and is slated to open in 2016.

As a result of Jeremy’s contributions to this years-long effort, the new space will help bring criminals to justice, from computer hackers and identity thieves to burglars, rapists and murderers, with the end result being a safer city and more efficient justice system.

DA Vance said, “Jeremy Glickman is regarded as a tremendous source of knowledge and guidance. He always conforms to the high ethical standards expected of a prosecutor and is keenly aware of his role as a steward of justice on be-half of the people of the state.”

Region 2 Morrie Kleinbart, Bureau Chief, Appeals Bureau Richmond County District Attorney’s Office, (nominated by then-Acting District Attorney Daniel Master).

Morrie Kleinbart began his 29-year career as an appellate prosecutor working for the namesake of this award, Robert Morgenthau.

A creative and skilled appellate attorney, Kleinbart’s vast knowledge of the law and keen analytical abilities makes him a tremendous resource to DAASNY in reviewing, interpreting, and drafting

legislation; researching current law; evaluating the constitutionality of proposals; and preparing written materials including briefing sheets, position papers and letters.

Kleinbart also a critical role in the establishment of the DAASNY's Committee on the Fair and Ethical Administration of Justice.

He co-authored ethics training materials for the Richmond County District Attorney's Office, designed to help trial assistants avoid the errors which can erode the public's confidence in the criminal justice system.

His work is not limited to legislative analysis and post-conviction practice. He authors a yearly Court of Appeals review for publication in the Empire State Prosecutor of the New York Prosecutors Training Institute, and regularly assists and advises trial attorneys both within and outside the Richmond County District Attorney's Office.

Then-Acting DA Master said, "Morrie Kleinbart is an indispensable advisor, colleague, mentor, and friend to all DAASNY members throughout the state who know that they can call upon him for information, analysis, research, guidance, and support."

Region 3: Jacqueline Kagan Deputy Special Prosecutor/Inspector General at the NYS Justice Center for the Protection of People with Special Needs (nominated by Patricia Gunning).

For 17 years, Kagan served the people of Kings County. She led the Crimes Against Children Bureau, where she prosecuted the most heinous of crimes against children, including sexual assaults of children and homicide, cases that even the most -seasoned of prosecutors agree is among the most difficult of assignments. She was a pioneer and agent of systemic change who confronted the state's broken child welfare system head-on by prosecuting two child protective workers whose neglect contributed to a child's death from starvation and horrific abuse

In 2014 Kagan became Deputy Special Prosecutor/Inspector General at the New York State Justice Center for the Protection of People with Special Needs. In this role, she has been fundamental in the assembly of this agency's extraordinary team of attorneys charged with adjudicating and prosecuting the abuse and neglect of vulnerable New Yorkers. When faced with the many challenges posed to a prosecutor with a very specific mandate and statewide jurisdiction, she has only excelled.

In her role as the Deputy Special Prosecutor/Inspector General, Kagan educates judges, lawyers, and law enforcement across the state. In just two years, she has provided substantive training that has reached nearly a thousand practitioners on issues related to the investigation and successful prosecution of cases against vulnerable persons.

Special Prosecutor Gunning said, "For the entirety of her career, Jacqueline Kagan has displayed an unwavering commitment to the most vulnerable victims of crime. When victims are overlooked by their abusers, and even by society, she seeks justice on their behalf. When those victims do not have their own voice, Kagan is their voice".

Region 4: Brian Dennis, Chief Assistant District Attorney, Ontario County District Attorney's Office (nominated by District Attorney Michael Tantillo)

Brian Dennis has been first Assistant District Attorney for 26 years. He has personally tried more than 175 felonies in County Court—the most by any lawyer in the history of Ontario County – and has briefed and argued more than 100 appeals in the Appellate Division and Court of Appeals.

While carrying out those responsibilities, ADA Dennis has demonstrated a commitment to insuring that our justice system is understood, accessible and respected.

He was a founding member of, and served nearly 10 years as advisor to, the Ontario County Youth Court, in which teenagers participate in the litigation and adjudication of minor transgressions. He was a founding member of the Ontario County Child Abuse Response Team. He has, on numerous occasions, provided training to the New York State Police, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, and local law enforcement agencies.

Brian Dennis is active with children in his community, engaged in activities ranging from coaching Youth Hockey to serving as a religious education instructor.

DA Tantillo said, “Throughout his tenure, Brian has mentored the newer and younger prosecutors who work in the office. He has imbued in them, both by word and by action, the solemn importance of their positions, the importance of taking our *Brady* obligations seriously and fastidiously, and generally, the need to make sure that we are all always doing the right thing, whatever that is, in each case”.

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