

FAIR HOUSING: IT'S NOT AN OPTION – IT'S THE LAW
A CONFERENCE ON HOUSING DISCRIMINATION

Friday, April 27, 2007, 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM

New Jersey Law Center, One Constitution Square, New Brunswick, NJ

Co-Sponsored By:

- New Jersey State Bar Foundation
 - NJ Division on Civil Rights
 - NJ Commission on Civil Rights
- US Department of Housing & Urban Development
 - NJ Department of the Public Advocate
 - NJ Department of Community Affairs
- NJ Association of County Disability Services
 - NJ Apartment Association
 - NJ State Conference of the NAACP
 - Latino Leadership Alliance of NJ

8:30 AM *Arrival and Registration*

9:00 AM *Welcome*

- Philip E. Freeman, *Assistant Director, NJ DCR & Conference Facilitator*
- J. Frank Vespa-Papaleo, Esq., *Director, NJ DCR*
- Jay Golden, *Director, Region II, US HUD, Office of Fair Housing & Equal Opportunity*

9:15 AM *Remarks*

- Michael Shipp, *Assistant Attorney General and Counsel to the Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General*

9:30 AM *Opening Keynote Speaker*

- Kenneth Zimmerman, *Chief Counsel to Governor Jon S. Corzine*

9:45AM *Basic & Fundamental Principles of Federal & State Fair Housing Laws*

Facilitator:

- Philip E. Freeman, *Assistant Director, NJ DCR & Facilitator*

Presenters:

- Elizabeth Russian, *Manager, Housing Investigations Unit, NJ DCR*
- Jo-Ann Frey, Esq., *Program Center Director, US HUD*

- 10:30 AM ***National Origin & Anti-Immigrant Discrimination***
Panelists:
- Hon. Ronald Chen, Esq., *State Public Advocate*
 - Brian M. Cige, Esq., *Law Offices of Brian M. Cige, Esq.*
 - Martin Perez, Esq., *President, Latino Leadership Alliance of NJ*
 - George R. Saponaro, Esq., *Law Offices of George R. Saponaro*
 - James R. Michael, *Deputy Attorney General, Civil Rights Section*
- Moderator:
- James Harris, *President, NJ State Conference of the NAACP*
- 12:00 PM ***Lunch***
- 12:30 PM ***Lunchtime Keynote Speaker***
- Hon. Ronald Chen, Esq., *State Public Advocate*
- 1:00 PM ***Renting to People with Disabilities and the Use of Service Animals as Accommodations***
Panelists:
- Sue Gottesman, Esq., *Senior Policy Advisor, Department of the Public Advocate*
 - Jo-Ann Frey, Esq., *Program Center Director, US HUD*
 - Tracey Goldstein, Esq., *Feinstein, Raiss, Kelin & Booker L.L.C.*
 - Roy Kornman, *Field Representative, "The Seeing Eye"*
 - Beverly Lapsley, *Deputy Attorney General, Civil Rights Section*
- Moderator:
- Leland McGee, *Deputy Attorney General, Civil Rights Section*
- 2:30 PM ***Section 8 and Source of Lawful Income as a Violation of State Law***
Panelists:
- Tracey Goldstein, Esq., *Feinstein, Raiss, Kelin & Booker L.L.C.*
 - Conor Fennessy, *Vice President of Government Affairs, New Jersey Apartment Association*
 - Beverly Lapsley, *Deputy Attorney General, Civil Rights Section*
 - Connie M. Pascale, Esq., *Vice President & Assistant General Counsel, Legal Services of New Jersey*
 - Lee Porter, *Executive Director, Fair Housing Council of Northern NJ*
- Moderator:
- Michelle Richardson, *Assistant Commissioner, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs*
- 4:00 PM ***Closing Remarks and Evaluations***
- Philip Freeman, *Assistant Director, NJ DCR & Facilitator*