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HONORING:
Susan Mendik Tarkinow
Vincent A. Carbonell ’99
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Wednesday, November 9, 2011
Pier Sixty at Chelsea Piers

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Thank You…

**Thank you** Dean Matasar, for your wisdom and guidance that has transformed New York Law School through innovative programs and methods and in the building of our new state-of-the-art facility.

**Thank you** Associate Deans and Administration, for your tireless hard work every day ensuring that our great institution operates efficiently and effectively for our striving students, the future lawyers of tomorrow.

**Thank you** Professors, Instructors, and our entire faculty, first for the great learning experience I personally had while a student at NYLS, and for your adherence to the highest standards of your profession. It is with the knowledge garnered through your dedicated instruction that our students have achieved great success in their careers.

**Thank you** Chairman Abbey, and the entire Board of Trustees, for your selfless dedication and contributions in charting the positive direction that NYLS has followed.

**Thank you** great Alumni and Friends of New York Law School, for your pride and inspiration that serve as role models for our students. It is your success as lawyers, judges, public servants, businesspersons, and entrepreneurs that demonstrates to the world the quality of a New York Law School education!

Thank you for your past, current, and future financial support of our school, without which, NYLS would not be able to deliver the breadth and depth of programs, centers, and scholarships that we are so very proud of.

Thank you for coming here tonight to celebrate our shared pride of being alumni of New York Law School!

**And, a special thank you to Suzanne Davidson and her entire staff for making our Gala an incredible experience!**

Dr. Vincent Carbonell
New York Law School
Gala Celebration

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Honoring
Susan Mendik Tarkinow
Member, New York Law School Board of Trustees

Vincent A. Carbonell ’99
Founder and President, United Reprographic Services

Richard A. Matasar
Dean and President, New York Law School
It is with great pleasure that I welcome you this evening to honor three remarkable individuals in the history of New York Law School: Susan Mendik Tarkinow, Vincent A. Carbonell ’99, and Richard A. Matasar, with New York Law School’s Groundbreaker Award. This award is singularly appropriate for these honorees, because all have broken new ground in their lives and careers, but were also instrumental in literally breaking ground for our beautiful new building, which has so transformed our school.

The Groundbreaker Award is given every year to three people who make a real difference in the world because of the unique way in which they personify the core values of New York Law School:

To embrace innovation,
To foster integrity and professionalism, and
To advance justice for a diverse society.

As you will read in these pages, and hear this evening, these values guide the lives of our very special honorees.

Suzy has committed herself to New York Law School in honor of her late husband Bernard Mendik ’58, taking his place on the Board and in the life of the Law School, and dedicating the new library, which carries the Mendik family name.

Vince makes a difference in all of our lives through the technology that he has developed to create and secure the vital plans and documents for the major buildings in New York City, including the Freedom Tower and New York Law School.

Rick has made improving legal education, student outcomes, and the legal profession his life’s work over the past 22 years, and New York Law School has had the privilege of calling him its Dean and President for the last 11 years.

We celebrate the accomplishments of our honorees tonight as members of the New York Law School community, which is immeasurably stronger because of them.

On behalf of all of us here tonight, and the entire New York Law School family around the globe, thank you Suzy, Vince, and Rick for accepting this honor, and for making us all so proud.
6:00 P.M.
Cocktail Reception and Silent Auction Begins

7:00 P.M.
Dinner and Dancing

7:30 P.M.
Welcome – Arthur N. Abbey ’59

8:30 P.M.
Awards Presentation

9:00 P.M.
Silent Auction Ends and Dancing Continues
Susan Mendik Tarkinow was born and raised in Lawrence, New York and has been a New York City resident since the late 1970s. She holds a B.A. in business administration from Adelphi University. From 1968 until retiring in 2005, she had worked as a Certified Public Accountant at the accounting firm of Friedman LLP.

Mrs. Mendik Tarkinow is a trustee of New York Law School and the Jewish Guild for the Blind and is a member of the Board of Directors of the Grand Central Partnership. She also sits on the Advisory Board for the NYU Cochlear Implant Center and has been on the Regency Whist Club's Board of Directors for many years.

Mrs. Mendik Tarkinow continues to follow the philanthropic legacy begun by her late husband, Bernard H. Mendik ‘58. Among her many personal interests, she enjoys golfing, skiing, playing bridge, and reading.

About the Mendik Library

The Mendik Library is named after the late Bernard H. Mendik ‘58 and his family. Mr. Mendik was former Chairman of the Real Estate Board of New York, former CEO of Mendik Properties, and former member and Chairman of the New York Law School Board of Trustees. He was one of the Law School's most outstanding and generous alumni. He died in 2001.

The sale in 2006 of the building which housed the Mendik Library on Church Street was the first step in the expansion of the New York Law School campus. Although the building was sold, the library retained the Mendik name due to the generosity of Susan Mendik Tarkinow. The library's new home spans four stories in the Law School's new building at 185 West Broadway. The Mendik Library offers students, faculty, and alumni the latest research and study facilities and houses more than 500,000 volumes of books, microforms, and audiovisual materials. The library provides study space for more than 600 users; state-of-the-art computer research facilities; and extensive special collections on international trade law, communications law, environmental law, labor law, and human rights.

It is our pleasure to honor Susan Mendik Tarkinow for her tremendous commitment and devotion to New York Law School.
Dr. Vincent A. Carbonell ’99 is Founder and President of United Reprographic Services, a leader in the New York reprographic industry. Founded in 1988, United Reprographic Services serves architects, engineers, construction firms, and government agencies. Dr. Carbonell manages all aspects of marketing, financial reporting, and contract negotiations and develops facility management in-plants for major service firms. Moreover, he provides the Nova Ancora program of the New York City Dept. of Probation with employment opportunities and job skills training for young first-time offenders. He also created a new division within the company that addresses the legal market through the production of court exhibits, graphic representations, and replications of legal documents. Previously, Dr. Carbonell served as President of the DWI Prevention Institute. The purpose of this Institute is to foster the responsibility of establishments that serve alcoholic beverages through the development of seminars, literature, and equipment. He also founded Portfolio Restaurant in 1987 and owned the restaurant until it closed last year. Prior to DWI Prevention, Dr. Carbonell served as Sales Representative at Keuffel & Esser, General Product Manager, GAF, and then Director of Marketing at IPC, Inc. He is a member of the New York Law School Board of Trustees, is the creator of the Carbonell Fellowship, which he named after his father (see below), and was the first donor to purchase a large classroom in the new New York Law School building as part of the Breaking New Ground. Again. Campaign.

Dr. Carbonell received his B.B.A. and M.B.A. in Industrial Marketing at Baruch College, his Juris Doctor, cum laude, from New York Law School, and his Ph.D. from Touro College. He and his wife, Susan, have one daughter, Audrey.

Carbonell Fellowship in Law and Policy

The Carbonell Fellowship in Law and Policy was created in 2003 through the generosity of Dr. Vincent A. Carbonell ’99. The Carbonell Fellowship program honors Dr. Carbonell’s father, Ricardo Carbonell, a long-time trade-union activist, and local and national leader of the Retail, Wholesale and Department Store Union, UFCW, AFL-CIO.

The Carbonell Fellowships reward outstanding students for their commitment to social justice and give them an opportunity to contribute to their field of interest. Carbonell Fellows play a central role in managing and shaping the Justice Action Center at New York Law School, help manage the Center’s relationship with alumni and other leaders in social justice law, organize events, and work closely with the Center’s faculty and staff, including Center Director Professor Richard D. Marsico.

It is our pleasure to honor Dr. Carbonell for his innovative leadership role in the reprographic industry and his dedication to New York Law School.
Richard A. Matasar is the 15th dean of New York Law School. He joined the faculty and began his tenure as dean on July 1, 2000. In addition to being an authority on the legal profession and legal education, Dean Matasar has also spent many years thinking about law schools as institutions and how to use education to add value to society.

During his tenure, New York Law School has developed several new research centers, expanded its international presence, raised its bar passage rate, and instituted a practice-based curriculum that includes an intensive first-year skills program. Dean Matasar demonstrated exceptional leadership in the wake of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks, providing a consistent message of support and purpose for students, faculty, staff, and alumni. Also during his tenure, the Law School opened a brand-new, state-of-the-art facility that offers the latest technological innovations in legal education.

Dean Matasar was the Levin Mabie & Levin Professor of Law at the University of Florida Fredric G. Levin College of Law, one of the ten largest law schools in the nation, and served as its ninth dean from 1996 to 1999. During his tenure, he created and implemented the school’s first comprehensive strategic plan, which led to the development of several new research centers and an expanded international presence. Technological strides under his leadership included the development of the International Center for Automated Information Research and the Legal Technology Institute. The law school also successfully completed a fund-raising campaign of more than $40 million and tripled its endowment.

Dean Matasar also was dean of the Chicago-Kent College of Law (1991–96). During his tenure, the school’s endowment rose from $5 million to more than $17 million. He was responsible for enhancing the faculty and helping Chicago-Kent establish a reputation as a leading institution in integrating technology into legal education.

At the University of Iowa College of Law, Dean Matasar was Professor of Law from 1980 to 1991 and served as Associate Dean for Academic Affairs from 1989 to 1991. He spent a semester as Visiting Professor of Law at the University of Michigan Law School in 1989.

Dean Matasar has been published extensively in scholarly and academic venues. His teaching and scholarly areas include civil procedure, constitutional litigation, federal jurisdiction, trial advocacy, and professionalism.

It is our pleasure to honor Dean Matasar for his exceptional leadership role in legal education and his devotion to New York Law School.
Founded in 1891, New York Law School is an independent law school located in lower Manhattan near the city’s centers of law, government, and finance. New York Law School’s renowned faculty of prolific scholars has built the School’s strength in such areas as constitutional law, civil and human rights, labor and employment law, media and information law, urban legal studies, international and comparative law, and a number of interdisciplinary fields. The School is noted for its nine academic centers: Center on Business Law & Policy, Center on Financial Services Law, Center for International Law, Center for New York City Law, Center for Professional Values and Practice, Center for Real Estate Studies, Diane Abbey Law Center for Children and Families, Institute for Information Law & Policy, and Justice Action Center. New York Law School has more than 13,000 graduates and currently enrolls some 1,350 full-time students and 400 part-time students in its J.D. program and its four advanced degree programs in financial services law, real estate, tax, and mental disability law studies.
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Thanks to the whole New York Law School community for a wonderful 11 years!

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