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**Jonathan Hillel Ashtor of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP
Supportive Intellectual Property Lawyer Helps Nonprofits Navigate Contracts and Grow**

Accomplishment: Recipient of Lawyers Alliance for New York's **2013 Cornerstone Award** honoring outstanding pro bono legal services to nonprofits, to be presented on November 6.

Highlights: Jonathan Hillel Ashtor is an associate at Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP who focuses on intellectual property and technology transactions. He holds a B.A.Sc. from the University of Toronto in 2005 and a J.D. from Northwestern University School of Law in 2009.

Mr. Ashtor assisted **NPowerNY** in developing a license and marketing agreement to use with third parties distributing NPowerNY's software products. He also drafted a license agreement for end users of the software products. Founded in 2000, NPowerNY is a not-for-profit organization that provides technology support and consulting services to more than 600 nonprofit organizations every year. Therefore, protecting the intellectual property associated with NPowerNY's software is essential to its reputation, brand, and nonprofit goals.

Mr. Ashtor provided legal assistance to **New Leaders**, a nonprofit organization with the mission of ensuring high academic achievement for all children, especially students in poverty and students of color, by developing transformational school leaders and advancing the policies and practices that allow great leaders to succeed. He negotiated a publishing contract and drafted employee author and related contracts. The publishing contract was finalized and the work to be published is in progress. New Leader's General Counsel Laura Kadetsky states that, "Jonathan was always very responsive and helpful. The project extended much longer than we thought, but he stuck with it, and he made sure we got the support we needed."

Additionally, Mr. Ashtor worked with **The Art and Music Alliance.org** ("TAMA") analyzing intellectual property issues, negotiating and finalizing a fiscal sponsorship arrangement with The New York Foundation for the Arts, and incorporating as a not-for-profit corporation. TAMA is an artistic nonprofit endeavor supporting music and the arts for kids. Focusing on inner city programs, after-school programs, and ailing educational programs, it aims to ensure that every child has an education that includes music and the arts. TAMA's Founder and Executive Director Tim Gaylord comments, "I can't express enough my appreciation for Skadden's unparalleled support and my gratitude for their commitment to our cause. Jonathan embodies everything a Cornerstone Award honoree represents."

Says Mr. Ashtor of his pro bono experiences, "It has been a privilege to work with Lawyers Alliance, and I have had many rewarding experiences serving their referred clients. The diversity of clients referred by Lawyers Alliance is remarkable, and the work has consistently been invaluable professionally and also personally truly gratifying. I am honored to receive this award and I look forward to continuing working with Lawyers Alliance and the nonprofit community."

About Lawyers Alliance for New York: Lawyers Alliance for New York is the leading provider of business and transactional legal services for nonprofit organizations that are improving the quality of life in New York City neighborhoods. Our network of pro bono lawyers from law firms and corporations and staff of experienced attorneys collaborate to deliver expert corporate, tax, real estate, employment, intellectual property, and other legal services to community organizations. By connecting lawyers, nonprofits, and communities, we help nonprofits to develop affordable housing, stimulate economic development, promote community arts, strengthen urban health, and operate and advocate for vital programs for children and young people, the elderly, and other low-income New Yorkers. During the past year, 13 staff attorneys and more than 1,300 volunteer attorneys served more than 625 nonprofit clients on more than 1,000 different legal matters.

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