

## INSTITUTIONAL HONOREE

### CROWELL & MORING LLP

#### *Innovative international law firm shares its legal expertise with nonprofits in crucial areas*

Celebrating a longstanding relationship dating back to 2007, Lawyers Alliance proudly acknowledges the unwavering dedication and commitment of Crowell & Moring LLP. Crowell's allegiance to pro bono and public service is a core value of the firm, shining through in the consistent praise for Crowell's work. Crowell attorneys have made significant impact by reviewing contracts, revising key corporate governance documents, and navigating employment challenges for Lawyers Alliance clients.



The **A.J. Muste Institute** offers resources and collaborative workspaces to grassroots organizations, also serving as a fiscal sponsor to other organizations. Crowell attorneys reviewed and revised its fiscal sponsorship agreement and as a result, the organization is confident that it is serving more responsibly and effectively. Headquartered in an underserved area in the South Bronx, **New Covenant Dominion Federal Credit Union (NCDFCU)** is a member-driven financial institution developing economic stability within the community. Crowell has assisted NCDFCU on several occasions, including closing a complex funding transaction. Thanks to Crowell's expertise, NCDFCU was able to resume granting small business loans.

Crowell has also shared its intellectual property expertise, handling several matters in this area over the decades including helping the **Alliance for Coney Island** file for a trademark application, allowing it to trademark merchandise for sale to assist with post-pandemic recovery and the continuing transformation of Coney Island. Crowell attorneys also drafted a privacy policy for the **Adoptive and Foster Family Coalition of New York (AFF)**, increasing security for the personal data of the more than 1,500 foster, adoptive, and kinship care families it serves.

Thanks to Crowell & Moring for its steadfast support of so many Lawyers Alliance clients, allowing them to focus on carrying out their missions in more productive and impactful ways.

#### ***Q. How does the firm encourage and support business and transactional lawyers at all levels to participate in pro bono?***

Crowell has a dedicated team of four full-time pro bono professionals, who work closely with the firm's active Public Service Committee, comprising lawyers from all our offices. This Committee strives to offer a wide array of pro bono matters for our attorneys, including business and transactional pro bono matters. Lawyers Alliance for New York is one of Crowell's most trusted pro bono partners, and we are pleased to accept a steady flow of pro bono matters from Lawyers Alliance.

#### ***Q. How has the firm's pro bono program evolved during the last few years?***

Crowell's pro bono program has striven to evolve over the past several years to keep pace with the changing face of our world, launching multiple new initiatives, including the Racial Justice Pro Bono and Reproductive Rights Task Forces. We have also found an increased demand for transactional and business-related pro bono matters, and we are pleased to partner with Lawyers Alliance to meet them.

# LAWYERS ALLIANCE FOR NEW YORK

Crowell attorneys have represented the following Lawyers Alliance clients in the last three years: **A Better World Community Development, A.J. Muste Memorial Institute, Adoptive and Foster Family Coalition of New York, Alliance for Coney Island, American Bionics Project, Arab American Association of NY, Artists in Residence d/b/a A.I.R. Gallery, AXS Lab, Bangladeshi American Community Development and Youth Services Corp (BACDYS), Board of Jewish Education d/b/a The Jewish Education Project, Bridge Street Development Corporation, Brooklyn Book Bodega, Brooklyn Children's Theatre, Change Elemental, Chelsea Opera, Church Avenue District Management Association, Classroom, Inc., Community Connections for Youth, Cool Culture, Crisis Text Line, Donor Lab, Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony Fund d/b/a Monumental Women, First Tech Fund, Flatbush Avenue District Management Association, Friends of Garden Kitchen Lab, Friends of the Ruin, Gun Violence Project, Idealist.org, iEARN-USA, Jewish Child Care Association of New York (JCCA), Literacy Partners, Men Having Babies, More Art, Morningside Park Conservancy, MOVEMENT2BE, Music & Memory, National Queer Theater, New American Leaders, New Covenant Dominion Federal Credit Union, New Media Advocacy Project, Project Guardianship, Prospect Park Alliance, Pursuit Transformation Company, Queens Lesbian & Gay Community Center d/b/a Queens Pride House, Rocking the Boat, STRIVE International, STRIVE New York (East Harlem Employment Service), SuitUp Incorporated, The Brave House, The Flex Program, The Motherhood Foundation, The Sylvia Center, VISIONS/ Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired, West Side Interagency Council for the Aging, Wingspan Arts, Women's Venture Fund, Worthy Purpose, and Yemeni American Merchants Association (YAMA).**

Firm lawyers who worked with these clients include: Randa Adra, Olivier Antoine, Kainoa Asuega, Scott Bittman, Jonathan Camello, Preetha Chakrabarti, Fan Cheng, Michelle Chipetine, Evan Chuck, John Clark, Jodi Daniel, David Ervin, Cheryl Falvey, Ryan Flynn, Jessica Franzetti, Brandon Ge, Jennifer Grady, Kate Growley, Michael Gruden, Brian Hail, Paul B. Haskel, Christine Hawes, Richard Holbrook, Eric Homs, Cheryl Howard, Frank Jaklitsch, Mark Kass, Robert Kornweiss, Alexa La Barbiera, Richard Lee, Anne Li, Debbie Lin, Justin Lurie, Virginia Marino, Lee Matheson, Paul Mathis, Eleanor McWaters, Holly Melton, Howard Michael, Matthew Moisan, Sadina Montani, Arnaud Montouché, Melissa Moravec, Paul Mourning, Jessica Nam, Lidia Niecko-Najjum, Jon O'Connell, Helen Ogunyanwo, James Ohlig, Jackson Pai, Kyle Pham, Irina Pisareva, Paul Pollock, Jeff Poston, Teresa Rea, Kevin Rubinstein, JIra Saxe, Nicole Simonian, Manuela Siragy, Joachim Steinberg, James K. Stronski, Eric Su, Ali Tehrani, Suzanne Trivette, Will Tucker, Maya Uppaluru, Jarno Vanto, and Robert Waldner.

"Crowell & Moring attorneys did an amazing job from start to finish in revamping our policy and explaining to staff areas that we needed to be mindful of moving forward. They were great communicators and invited questions throughout the process. We were beyond satisfied! It was an honor to have their team devoting time, energy, and care to our fiscal sponsorship agreement."

— Heidi Boghosian  
*Executive Director, A.J. Muste Memorial Institute*

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