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Northeastern Law Students to be Honored



The Massachusetts Chapter of the National Lawyers Guild will honor the outstanding achievements of third year Northeastern University School of Law students Charlotte "Charlie" Noss and Josh Raisler Cohn.

The awards will be presented at the chapter's Annual Testimonial Dinner at the Colonnade Hotel in Boston on Friday, May 7, 2010 at 6 p.m. This annual event marks the 29th year of commemorating outstanding achievement by lawyer, legal worker, and student members of the chapter.



Currently in her final year of law school, Ms. Noss coordinated the National Lawyers Guild's Street Law Clinic and was active campus activities. She organized a summit to prevent campus expansion into Roxbury and participated in campaigns for employee benefits. Ms. Noss represented low-wage immigrant workers in San Francisco and Mexico and conducted research for the Immigrant Rights Project. After graduation she will relocate to Los Angeles to work as a Skadden Fellow with the Wage Justice Center.

Josh Raisler Cohn has spent over 10 years coordinating legal action on behalf of underrepresented populations. As a member of several legal collaboratives, he facilitated trainings for thousands of activists at demonstrations across the US and Canada. Mr. Raisler Cohn has been active with Guild attorneys working to bring a critical scrutiny to new secretive federal prison units that target Muslim and Arab prisoners.

The chapter's May 7th event also honors **Howard M. Cooper** of Todd and Weld LLP; **Jill Soffiyah Elijah**, Deputy Director of the Criminal Justice Institute at Harvard Law School; *and* **Dan Kesselbrenner**, Executive Director of the NLG National Immigration Project.

The National Lawyers Guild is a national organization of progressive lawyers, law students and legal workers which has been in the forefront of struggles for equality, human rights and social justice for over 70 years. The Massachusetts Chapter is one of the largest in the nation, with 300 members.

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