

Boston Bar Foundation Announces New Board of Trustees Members



The Boston Bar Foundation, the charitable affiliate of the Boston Bar Association, is pleased to announce three new additions to its Board of Trustees for the 2015 – 2016 year. The Board of Trustees oversees the Foundation, which supports the pro bono and public service projects of the Boston Bar Association and works to expand access to justice in our community.

The new board members are:

Julia Devanthéry, of Cambridge, is the attorney and Clinical Instructor in the Housing Clinic of the Legal Services Center of Harvard Law School. Julia joined the Legal Services Center as Staff Attorney for the Mattapan Initiative in 2013. She became a Clinical Instructor in April of 2015, and now co-teaches and supervises students enrolled in the Housing Clinic. She also maintains a caseload of post-foreclosure, private housing, and subsidized housing eviction cases, and practices primarily in the Boston Housing Court. Previously, Julia was the Manager of Legal Advocacy at HomeStart, Inc. where she represented low-income tenants on the verge of homelessness. Prior to working at HomeStart, she was clinical law fellow at Northeastern University School of Law's Domestic Violence Institute. She is a graduate of Brown University and Northeastern Law School.

Mark D. Smith, of Scituate, is a partner at Laredo & Smith, LLP where he focuses on white collar criminal defense and government investigations. He has served as Chair of the BBA's Education

Committee and as Co-Chair of the BBA's Criminal Law Section. Prior to entering private practice, Mark served for eleven years as an Assistant Attorney General in the Criminal Bureau of the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office including as Chief of the Public Integrity Division and Deputy Chief of the Criminal Bureau. Mark began his legal career in New York City, where he worked as a public defender for four years. He also clerked for the New York State Supreme Court. Mark is a graduate of St. Lawrence University and Suffolk University Law School.

Christopher M. Morrison, of Medfield, is a partner at Jones Day where he practices in business and intellectual property litigation. He is the Boston office's hiring partner and served for two years as its Pro Bono Coordinator. An alumnus of the BBA's Public Interest Leadership Program, Chris served as Co-Chair of the BBA's Litigation Section, Co-Chair of the BBA's Business Litigation and Antitrust Committee, and as a member of the BBA's Strategic Planning, the Strategic Communications, and Website Committees. Chris also Co-Chaired the BBA Law Day Dinner and the BBF's Adams Benefit Steering Committees. He serves on the SJC's Mental Health Legal Advisors Committee, the Massachusetts Appleseed Board, and the Medfield School Committee. Currently, Chris is a member of the BBA's Public Service Oversight Committee and Co-Chair of its Public Interest Leadership Program Subcommittee.