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1976 APRIL 9, 2026 2026



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evening PROGRAM

6:00 PM | Bar and Reception Begins

6:45 PM | Welcome

7:30 PM | Program Close

8:30 PM | Silent Auction Closes



HONORING 50 YEARS OF PUBLIC INTEREST EXCELLENCE

Recognition & Commendation from the Office of Alameda County Supervisor Nikki Fortunato Bas

PRESENTED BY ALIZA KAZMI

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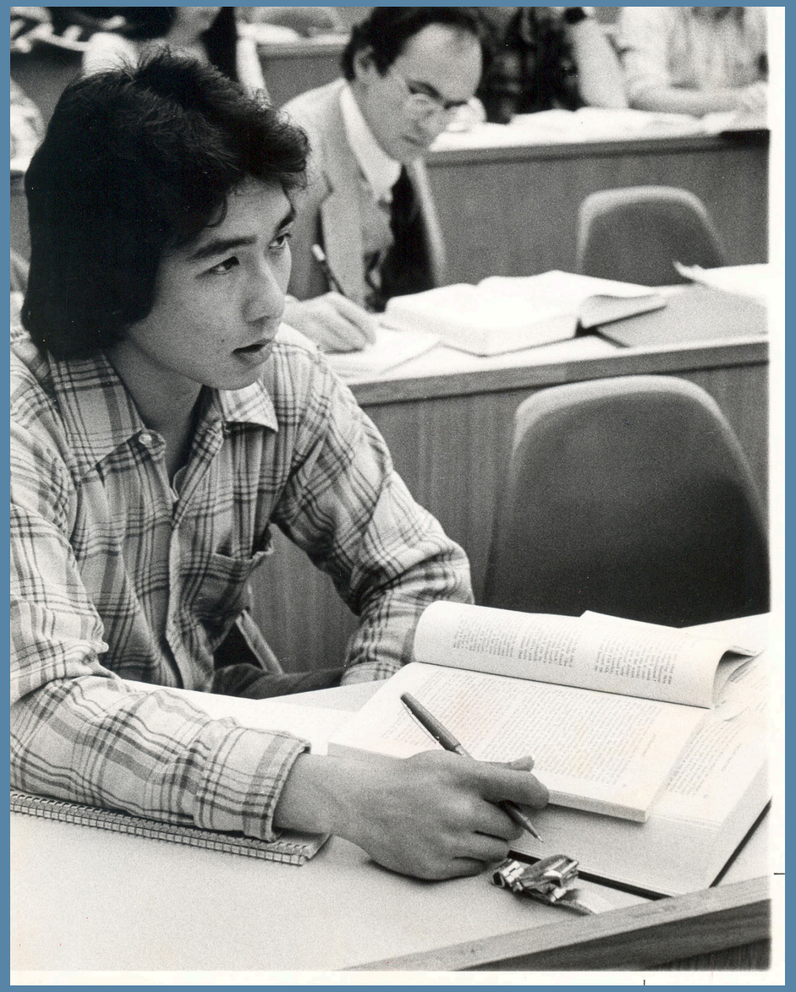
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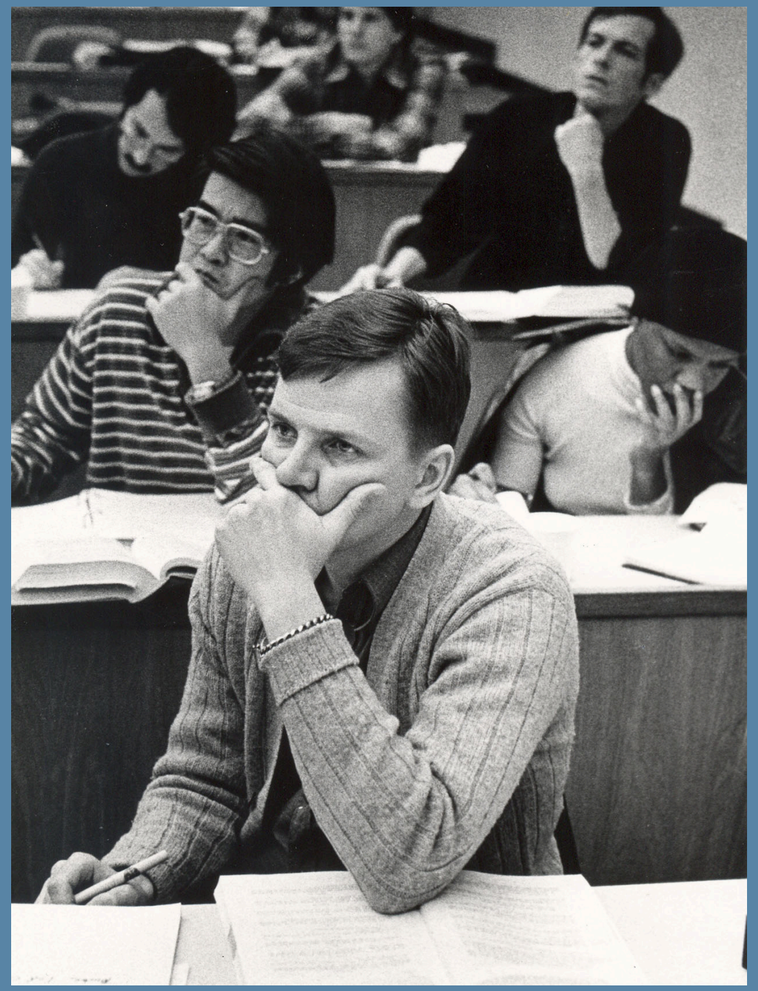
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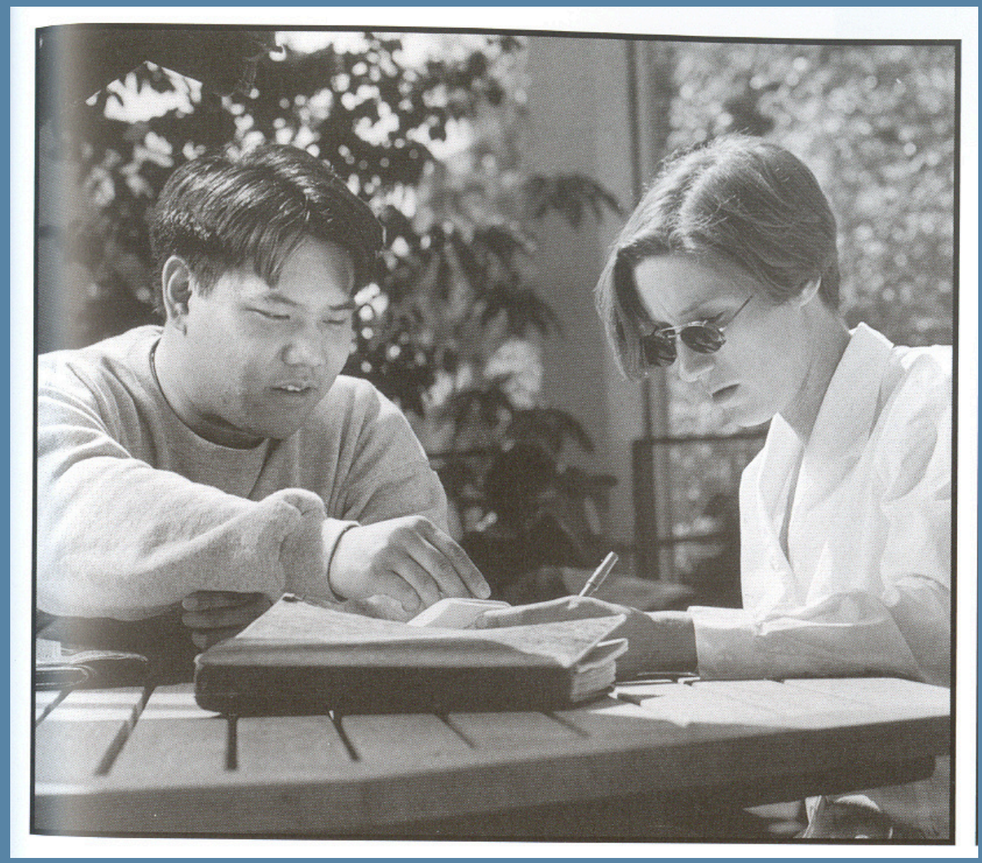
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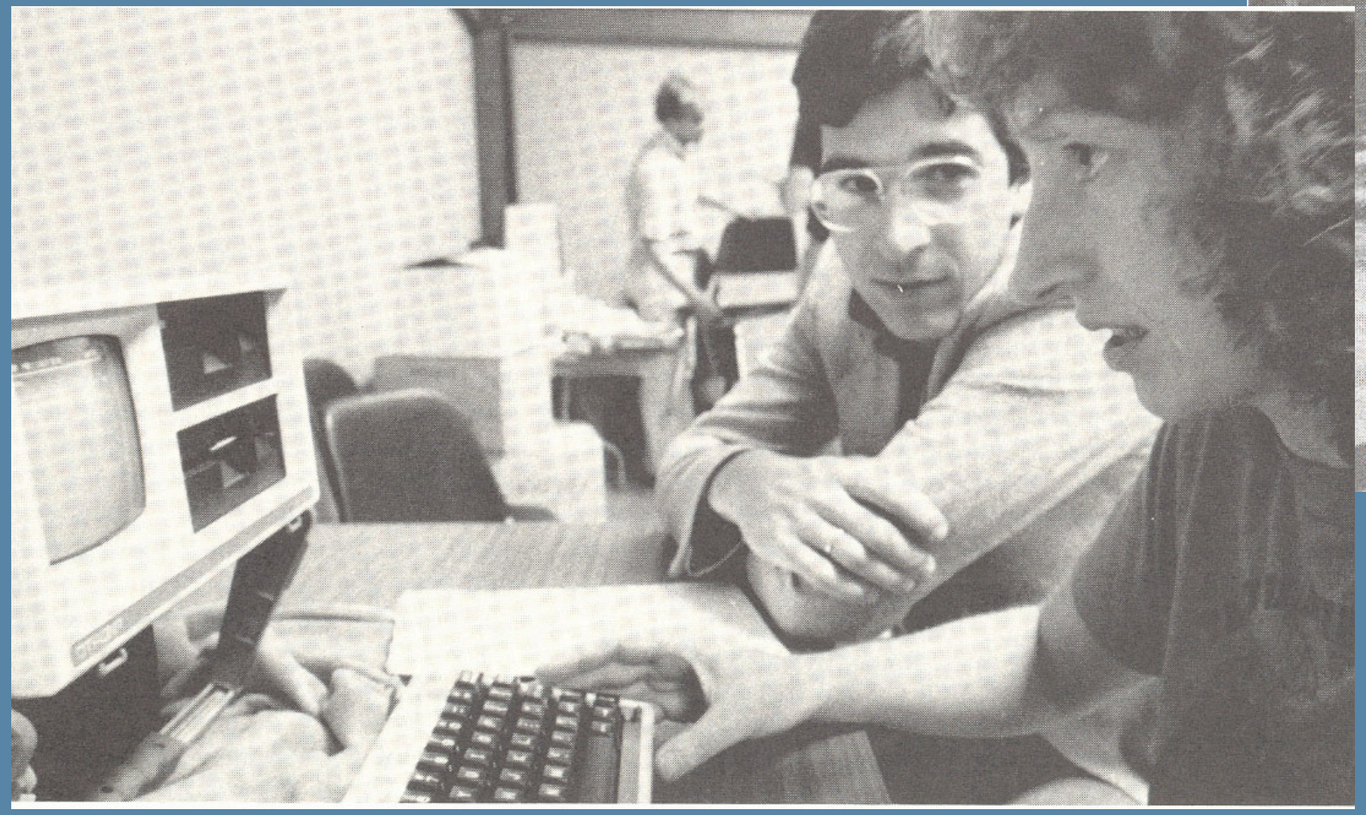
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JULIA WILSON

1998-1999 | CALWORKS AND DISABILITY PROJECT

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ALEGRIA DE LA CRUZ

2003-2004 | THE INDIGENOUS FARMWORKERS PROJECT

CALIFORNIA RURAL LEGAL ASSISTANCE PROJECT





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“WITHOUT THE GRANT FROM BLF, I WOULD LIKELY HAVE HAD TO PURSUE WORK OUTSIDE OF EMPLOYMENT LAW IN THE LEGAL SERVICES SPACE. THERE ARE NOT A LOT OF OPPORTUNITIES TO DO PLAINTIFF-SIDE EMPLOYMENT LAW, AND BEING ABLE TO OBTAIN A FELLOWSHIP TO WORK AT MAKE THE ROAD ALLOWED ME TO ENTER THIS SPACE RIGHT AWAY. ADDITIONALLY, THE FELLOWSHIP FUNDS GAVE ME FREEDOM TO PROVIDE SUPPORT SPECIFICALLY TO AN ORGANIZING CAMPAIGN, AS OPPOSED TO BEING RESTRICTED TO SOLELY CLIENT-WORK.”

SEBASTIAN SANCHEZ

2012-2013 | CAR-WASH WORKER ORGANIZING PROJECT

MAKE THE ROAD NEW YORK

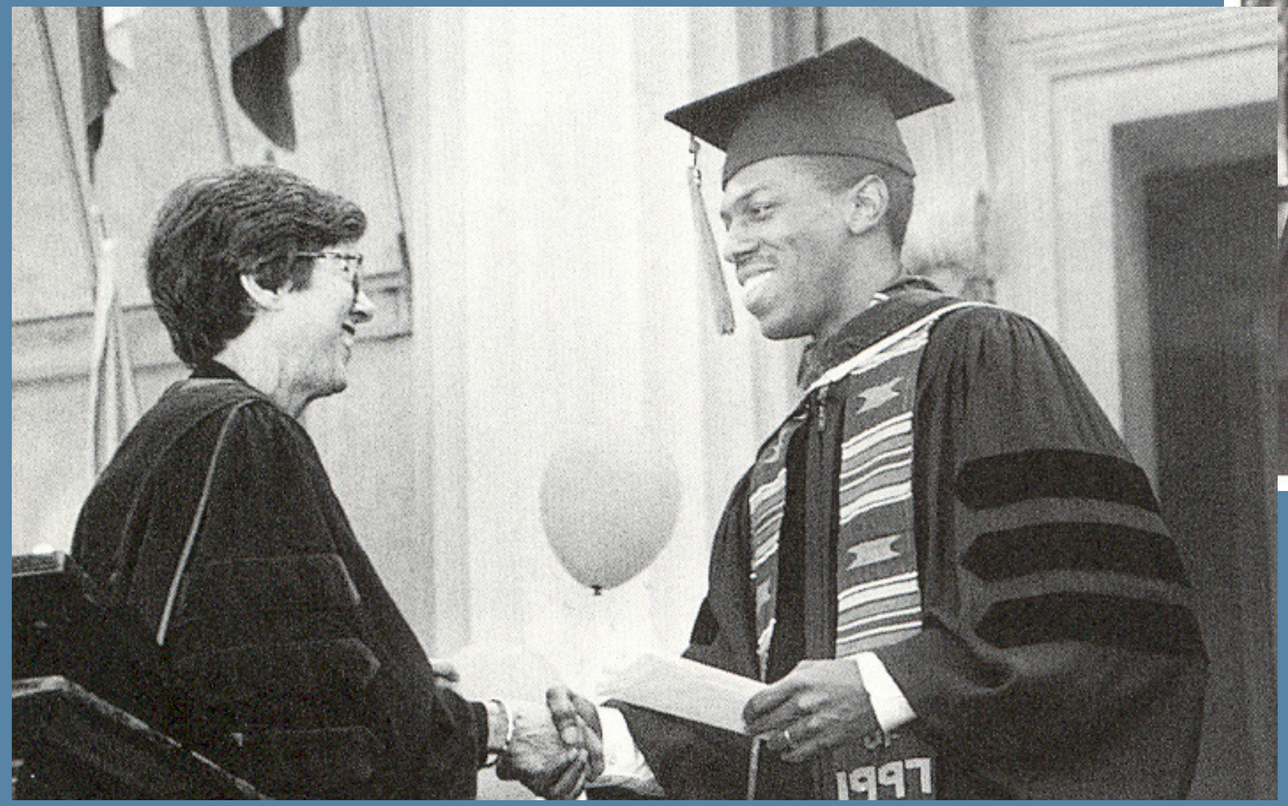




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KIMBERLY BAKER MEDINA

1989-1990 | WELFARE RIGHTS EDUCATION PROJECT

INCOME RIGHTS PROJECT OF SAN FRANCISCO



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“THE BLF GRANT GAVE MY CAREER IN COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (CED) AN EARLY BOOST AND AFFIRMATION. SINCE THE TIME OF MY BLF GRANT, I HAVE WORKED, WRITTEN, AND TAUGHT ABOUT CED IN A RANGE OF SETTINGS, INCLUDING THE 1988 LAUNCH OF A TRANSACTIONAL CLINIC IN AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AT SUNY-BUFFALO LAW SCHOOL. I WENT ON TO SERVE FOR TEN YEARS AS DEAN OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SCHOOL OF LAW AND, NOW AN EMERITUS PROFESSOR, REMAIN DEEPLY INVOLVED IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.”

PETER PITEGOFF

1982-1983 | INDUSTRIAL COOPERATIVE LEGAL EDUCATION

INDUSTRIAL COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION



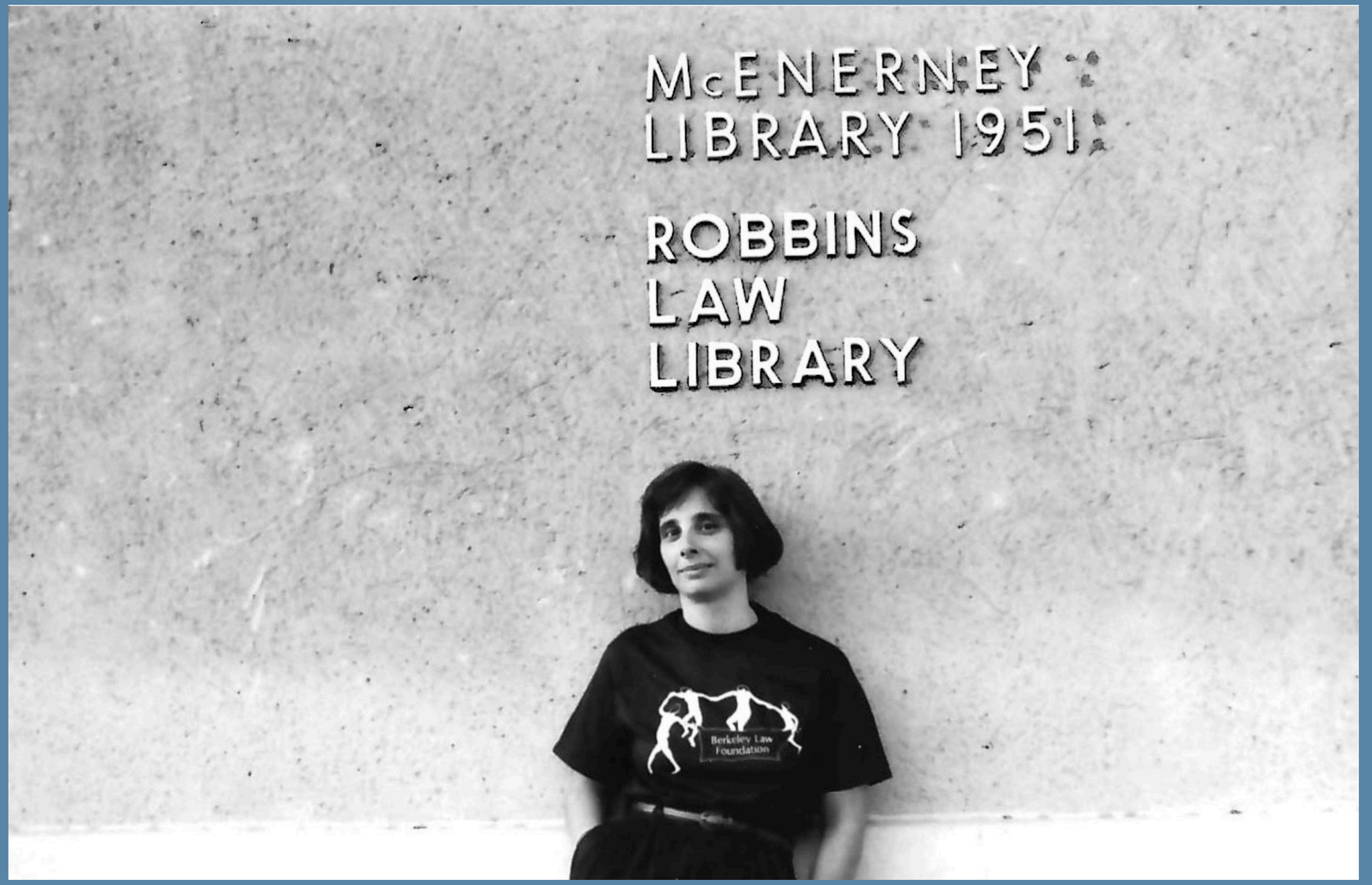
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“BLF HAS ENABLED ME TO SYNTHESIZE MY POLITICAL AND PROFESSIONAL LIFE INTO A COHESIVE PROJECT BY PROVIDING ME WITH A MEANS OF STARTING FROM THE GROUND UP. THE WORK I STARTED IN 2019 HAS EXPANDED AND DEVELOPED BEYOND WHAT I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE INITIALLY. I AM DEEPLY GRATEFUL FOR THE SUPPORT OF BLF”

ISMAAIL QAIYIM

2019-2020 | EASTSIDE-WESTSIDE COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE

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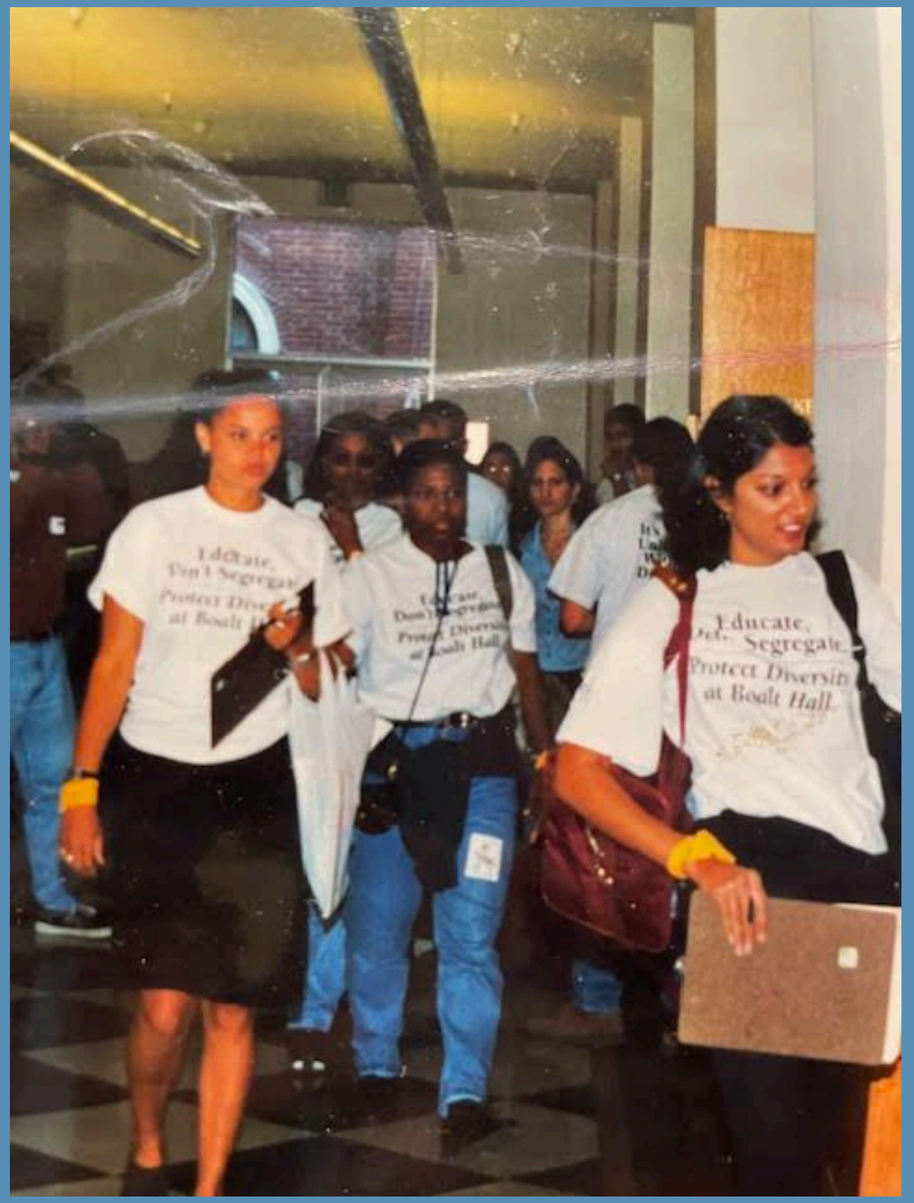
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“BLF WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN LAUNCHING MY LEGAL CAREER. IT GAVE ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK ON A PROJECT I WAS PASSIONATE ABOUT WHILE LEARNING HOW TO BECOME AN ATTORNEY UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF INCREDIBLE SUPERVISORS. IN THE PAST, I KNEW I WANTED TO WORK FOR A NONPROFIT FOCUSED ON IMMIGRATION. NOW, ALMOST FIVE YEARS LATER, I AM PROUD TO SAY THAT I AM A MANAGING ATTORNEY AT THE CALIFORNIA IMMIGRATION PROJECT, A NONPROFIT THAT EMBODIES EVERYTHING I ONCE HOPED FOR.”

JOANA PERAZA LIZARRAGA

2021-2022 | PROTECTING DACA-AGE YOUTH IN THE CENTRAL VALLEY

CALIFORNIA RURAL LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOUNDATION (CRLAF)



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“AS A FIRST-GENERATION, LOW-INCOME LAW STUDENT, BLF’S FINANCIAL SUPPORT ALLOWED ME TO FOCUS ON MY STUDIES DURING LAW SCHOOL AND ULTIMATELY PURSUE MY DREAM CAREER IN PUBLIC SERVICE WORK.”

JASJIT MUNDH

2021 | ALLEN E. BROUSSARD PHOENIX FELLOW

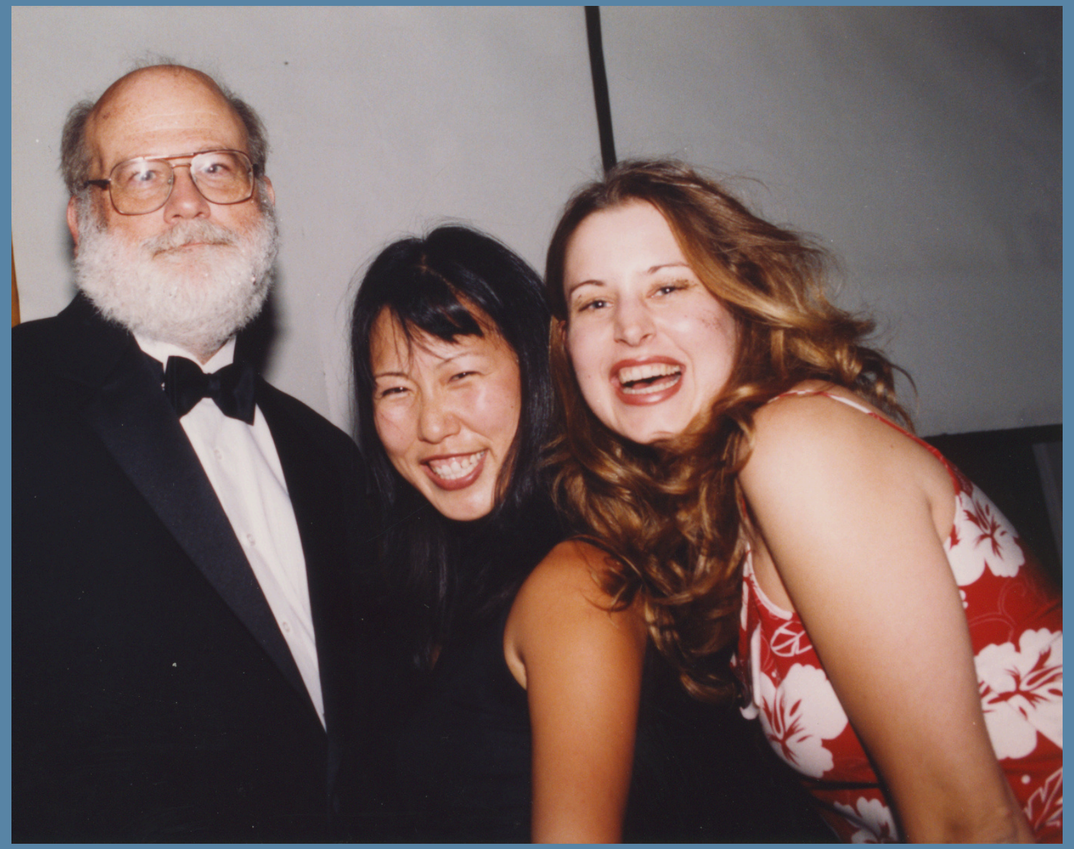




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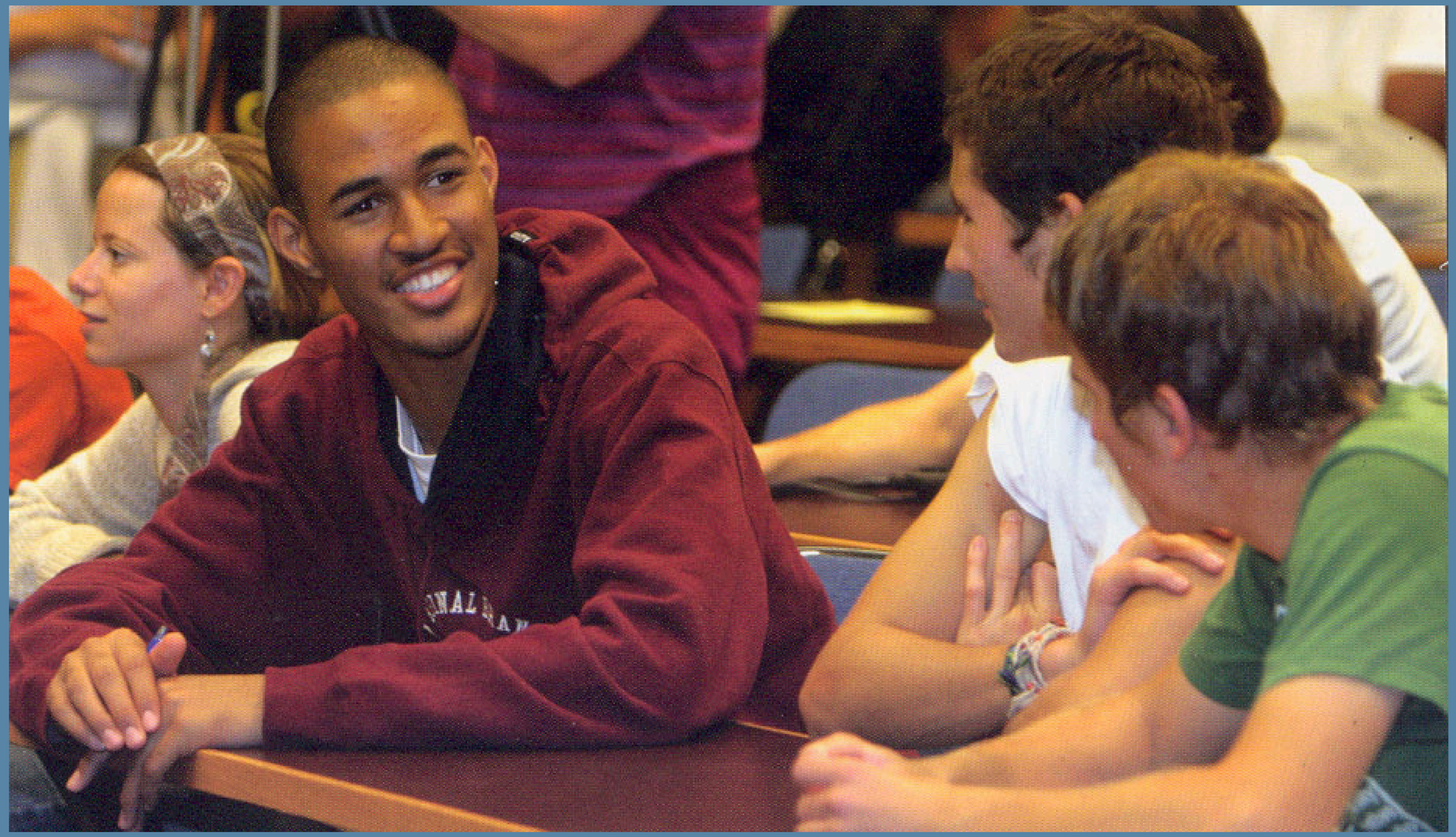


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“A FEW YEARS AFTER THE GRANT PERIOD ENDED, I BECAME A TENURED PROFESSOR OF LAW IN CLINICAL PROGRAMS IN NEW MEXICO AND KANSAS. THE WORK I DID ON BEHALF OF MINERS IN UNDERSERVED AND UNDERREPRESENTED COMMUNITIES IN INDIAN COUNTRY, HELPED SHAPE MY GOAL TO TEACH AND SUPPORT LAW STUDENTS INTERESTED IN DOING THIS MUCH NEEDED WORK.”

ALIZA ORGANICK

1996-1997 | ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE AND ECONOMIC JUSTICE FOR MINORS



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“KEPT ME IN SOCIAL IMPACT WORK POST-GRADUATION, SOMETHING I HAVE CONTINUED FOR 30 YEARS.”

DANIEL TELLALIAN

2000-2001 | COLLABORATIVE BROWNSFIELDS REVITALIZATION PROJECT

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1990-1991

TIRIEN STEINBACH
2002-2003

CORY ISAACSON
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2003-2004

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2003-2004

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