

COMMUNITY MATTERS

THE PRO BONO AND COMMUNITY SERVICE NEWSLETTER OF MANATT, PHELPS & PHILLIPS, LLP

HEEDING THE CALL IN MISSISSIPPI

When hurricane Katrina devastated the Gulf Coast in 2005, Manatt was quick to respond with an outpouring of monetary support as well as legal and other services. Even as we provided emergency relief, we recognized that an effective response would require a deeply sustained and multi-pronged effort. And so we find ourselves, nearly two years later, exactly where we planned to be – in the thick of it, helping to rebuild Mississippi by working with its leaders and citizens to create long-term recovery and strength. 🌈



Improving Health Policies

Our collaboration with Gulf Coast-area legal service groups on Katrina-related recovery efforts led us to take on another crisis confronting Mississippi. According to Public Citizen Health Research Group, Mississippi has the worst Medicaid program in the country. Its enrollment eligibility criteria are so strict that even parents whose household income is just over one-third of the federal poverty level are not eligible. Despite these already strict requirements, Mississippi recently instituted additional application requirements (such as an in-person interview) that place an even greater burden on working families.

Many eligible Mississippians cannot access transportation, are disabled, or have jobs that make it difficult to get to a Medicaid office during the day. As a result, since 2005 as many as 60,000 low-income children and over 34,000 adults (many of whom are dealing with the effects of hurricane Katrina) have lost Medicaid or CHIP coverage, despite being eligible for the programs. The loss of coverage has been linked by advocates and health care providers to at least one child's death – a six-year-old who died earlier this year from a preventable oral health disease – and to a recent spike in the state's infant mortality rate.

A Walk in the Park

The lives of Pass Christian and DeLisle, Mississippi residents have been anything but “a walk in the park” since Katrina's eye roared by just 10 miles to the east, leaving behind incalculable devastation. The residents' suffering was compounded when they were left to fend for themselves in the wake of mismanaged, yet all-too-soon departed outside aid agencies.

Turning to themselves for survival, community leaders and volunteers came together in September 2005 to form an ad hoc relief center. Affectionately dubbed “A Walk in the Park,” the center served food and distributed

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Challenging FEMA Recoupment

From 2005-2006, Manatt challenged arbitrary FEMA decisions that denied rental and rebuilding assistance to nearly 50 individuals and families. More than 18 months after the storm, FEMA continued to alter its policy interpretations in ways that would forestall critical aid to eligible, vulnerable hurricane survivors. We navigated each new twist, took on many new challenges and just as we thought we'd overcome our last FEMA-created obstacle, things got worse.

At the end of 2006 FEMA began using a process called “recoupment” to demand

money back from thousands of aid recipients. Since the start of 2007, Manatt attorneys in Palo Alto, Los Angeles, New York and Washington, DC have accepted several new cases on behalf of low-income Mississippians who are reeling from this latest blow to their survival and recovery efforts.

In March, Palo Alto associate **Christopher LeGras** became the first pro bono attorney in the country to successfully convince FEMA to terminate recoupment proceedings against his client in Mississippi. Chris' client was elated and we look forward to replicating this success for all of our clients and enabling other advocates to do the same. 🌈

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A WALK continued

supplies to as many as 1,000 families a week for nearly a year. By June 2006, as the informal relief center began to assume a leading role in rebuilding efforts, the communities determined that they needed to create a formal organization – one that could serve them for years to come.

They reached out to the Mississippi Volunteer Lawyers Project (MVLP), which in turn called upon Manatt – all the way out in California – because of, in the words of MVLP’s director, our reputation for “commitment to pro bono and the interest [Manatt has] shown in helping out on the Katrina relief efforts.”

Manatt tax attorneys Jeff Mannisto and Jean Yu helped the group obtain federal tax-exempt status. With this status, the organization can raise

funds to build the first-ever multipurpose center in the area. Manatt’s work is helping these communities move beyond the urgency of Katrina-related relief to facilitating a place for the residents to draw long-term strength from one another. As they raise the walls of their new,

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Melanie Walrod,
Founding Member,
Walk in the Park Committee

In April, The client congratulated Manatt with these words: “What good news! [T]hanks for being so dedicated to acquiring our 501(c)(3) for the Walk in the Park. [We are] very excited and ready to move forward with the fundraisers and ... getting this community center built for the surrounding neighborhoods. We appreciate all of your work!”

permanent center, so too will the communities rise up with continuing education classes, health clinics, county meetings, and other neighborhood gatherings they can now convene.

IMPROVING HEALTH POLICIES continued

Under the leadership of partners Melinda Dutton and Greg Clarick in New York, a team of Manatt attorneys and Manatt Health Solutions (MHS) professionals are working with the Mississippi Center for Justice, the Mississippi Health Advocacy Program, the National Health Law Program and others to improve Mississippians’ access to healthcare coverage.

In March, MHS advisors Kalpana Bhandarkar and Kerry Griffin trained a team of nine law school Student Hurricane Network volunteers and accompanied them on a week-long trip to Mississippi. While there, they implemented a survey designed by Manatt and MHS to assess individuals’ and families’ experiences with applying for Medicaid. Ultimately, Kalpana, Kerry and the Columbia, Duke, University of Alabama and USC

law students completed 220 interviews at community health centers, a FEMA trailer village, and public housing facilities on the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

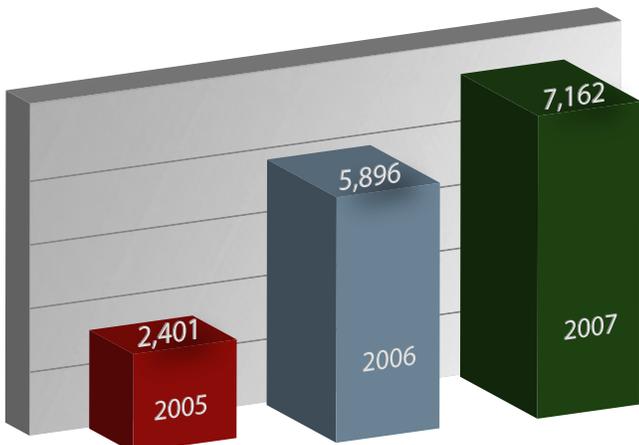
Reflecting on the experience, a Columbia Law School student reported that “it was shocking to learn that disabled people living in FEMA trailer parks [who] have been out of work since Katrina do not qualify [for Medicaid coverage].” Working with our Gulf Coast

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Darren Sullivan,
Columbia Law School Student

legal and advocacy partners, Manatt intends to pursue all avenues of persuasion and recourse to ensure that Mississippi improves its healthcare coverage programs and the lives of its most vulnerable residents.

PRO BONO HOURS FOR JANUARY-APRIL:



MHS advisors Kerry Griffin (far right, standing) Kalpana Bhandarkar (far right, kneeling), and Mississippi Center for Justice’s Karen Lash (next to Kalpana) pose with a few of the law students who helped to implement our Medicaid survey.



Advocating for Children and Families

Dozens of Manatt attorneys and staff members have worked closely with the Alliance for Children’s Rights, the Legal Aid Society of San Mateo County, the National Center for Refugee & Immigrant Children, and Public Counsel to protect the rights and futures of impoverished children across the country.

In the last 12 months, by completing adoption and guardianship paperwork and appearing at court hearings, we helped 57 children exit the foster care system and join loving families. As this newsletter was being prepared, we were working with 23 more children who also soon will have new homes and families.

Some families have waited several years to complete their adoptions because the adoptive parents do not speak English well and cannot navigate the courts alone. Thanks to the incredible assistance of bilingual Manatt staff members, however, we have been able to complete nearly all of these adoptions within 3 months of receiving the case files.

After a recent Adoption Day event, associate Joelle Gryczman summed up the feelings of the entire Manatt team by remarking: “I had an extremely meaningful and rewarding experience. With the invaluable help of a translator, I was able to communicate with my Spanish-

speaking client. From beginning to end, the work was easy, especially because I knew what a difference the adoption would make in the lives of the adopting parents and two little girls. ... The adoption finalization hearing was a fantastic experience which I will never forget. I am eager to take on another adoption case.”

Many of our guardianship cases involve working with children who have been orphaned, abused, neglected or abandoned by their parents in foreign lands. Our attorneys aid these children with establishing new families in the United States and help them to thrive by securing Special Immigrant Juvenile Status (SIJS).

Our Summer-edition newsletter will profile the several of the attorneys and children involved with our SIJS work. 📖

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Joelle Gryczman,
Associate

MANATT ATTORNEYS AND STAFF* WHO HAVE ASSISTED WITH ADOPTION AND GUARDIANSHIP MATTERS (APRIL 2006-APRIL 2007)

LOS ANGELES

Elizabeth Alonso, Becky Belke, Matt Benbassat, Alan Brunswick, Daniel Chavez*, Kiyana Davis, Bob Eller, Martha Escutia, Kelly Firmont, Daniel Gryczman, Joelle Gryczman, Rafa Gutierrez, Ileana Hernandez, Yi-Chin Ho, Joanna Hooper, Diana Iketani, Paul Irving, Raaqim Knight, Maggie Levy, Stan Levy, Clara Magallon*, Alicia Martinez*, Maritza Martinez*, Lydia Mendoza, Dave Moran, Steve Nissen, Dana Palmer, Adriana Rueda*, Brad Seiling, Doreen Shenfeld, Gisella Soto*, Dan Stuart, Alison Sultan, Rebecca Torrey, Charles Trucios*, Matt Urbach, Oscar Velasquez*, Lisa Weinberger, and Cristin Zeisler

NEW YORK

Michael Barkow and Lisa Horwitz

Orange County

John Grosvenor

Palo Alto

Kate Bartow, Sharon Bauman, Allen Lee, Craig Miller, and Maria Vega*

Washington, DC

Claudia Callaway, Helen Tobar*, Christopher Koegel, Susan Schmidt, and Michael White

Manatt Partners Alan Brunswick and Bob Eller; Counsel Stan Levy; Associates Daniel Gryczman, Joelle Gryczman, Dan Stuart and Lisa Weinberger; and Staff/Translators Clara Magallon and Maritza Martinez celebrate Adoption Day with some brand new families.



Preserving Housing for the Vulnerable

Trial Victory Safeguards Disabled Woman's Home

In 1978, "Carla" bought a house with her boyfriend. She paid the entire down payment. They subsequently married, but after a couple of years he abandoned Carla, who is disabled. For the next twenty-five years she raised the children and maintained the house on her own.

his case, she likely would become homeless.

Carla sought help from the Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles (LAFLA), which referred the case to us. Following a year of work involving over 660 pro bono hours, a team of Manatt litigators, lead by associate **Charles Gomez** and partner **Andrew Struve**, succeeded in non-suiting the partition

Trucios who handled client relations, translation, and relevant issues of property law; and **Kathrin Wanner** and **Craig de Recat** who provided invaluable strategic guidance.

Following our victory David Ackerly, LAFLA's Director of Private Attorney Involvement, sent the following message: "Everyone at LAFLA congratulates you and thanks you for the wonderful victory in [Carla's] case. Manatt's pro bono work and support of LAFLA and other legal services providers represent a true partnership in the fight for access to justice, and we are truly grateful to everyone involved in representing [Carla] for all that you were able to do for her." 🌟

David Elson and **Borchien Lai** challenged the landlord's retaliatory eviction and illegal conversion of the Francis family's belongings. At a settlement conference on the eve of trial, after the judge threatened to call a bailiff into the jury room because of the defense attorney's deplorable conduct, our team secured a very favorable settlement.

When the landlord failed to make good on the settlement terms, our team swung back into action to obtain an additional financial award for our clients. The Francis family was thrilled and the settlement funds will allow them to remain stably housed for the foreseeable future. 🌟

Obtaining Justice for Elderly Couple

When Mr. and Mrs. "Evans" fell behind on their mortgage at the start of their retirement, their granddaughter offered to assist them and she arranged all of the "refinancing" paperwork. Mr. and Mrs. Evans signed what they thought was a new loan document, but it turned out to be a trust deed transferring ownership to their granddaughter. The granddaughter quickly took out several additional loans against the property, draining it of much of its equity. She then evicted her grandparents from the Compton-area home that they had enjoyed for more than 20 years.

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Favorable Settlement Allows Family to Recover

When Public Counsel referred the "Francis" family to us at the start of 2006, they were living in a homeless shelter after having been illegally evicted for complaining to the health department about flooding and black mold in their apartment. In addition to evicting Mr. and Mrs. Francis and their 5 children, the landlord kept, threw away, or destroyed all of the family's possessions.

Over the course of more than a year, a team of Manatt attorneys including **Travis Corder**,

action. Carla's home was safe from this claim and now our transactional attorneys, led by **Marty Steere**, are working to negotiate a buyout of a second mortgage fraudulently obtained (and defaulted on) by Carla's estranged, fugitive husband.

Special thanks to **Raaqim Knight** and **Arthur Whang** who assisted with final pretrial motions, examination outlines, and memos of law; **Charles**

A quarter-century after abandoning his family, the husband filed a partition action seeking half of the home's current value based on his "joint tenant" status on the record title. If the partition action succeeded, Carla would have to sell her home in order to satisfy her husband's demand, which exceeded \$250,000. Carla's sole source of income is the \$750 she receives in disability payments each month. If Carla's husband won



Associate Charles Gomez with "Carla" and her dog, Baby, in front of the house Manatt helped Carla keep.

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David Ackerly,
LAFLA's Director of Private Attorney Involvement

JUSTICE FOR ELDERLY *continued*

The Evanses contacted Public Counsel who referred the case to Manatt. John Fogarty accepted the case and immediately filed a complaint for fraud, elder abuse, and quiet title. During the ensuing 18 months, John handled several unique experiences including filing a police report after the granddaughter filed a motion on forged Manatt letterhead bearing a forged notary's signature. John also had to file four separate motions to compel, which ultimately resulted in our receipt of over \$6,000 in sanctions from the granddaughter and her attorney, which we donated to Public Counsel.

At a final settlement conference, John obtained a judgment against the granddaughter for the entire value of the property plus \$118,000. In a letter to Bill Quicksilver, Mrs. Evans said, "I would like to ... express our sincere appreciation for the work that [was] done on behalf of me and my husband. We [were] greatly pleased with [the] commitment and level of expertise [and] we were totally satisfied with the efforts of all that were involved."

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Mrs. "Evans,"
Pro Bono Client

Creating Brighter Futures for Students of All Ages

Investing in Early Success

Research shows that quality preschool education can lay a foundation for future success in school and in life. Seeking to catch up to other states with better preschool enrollment rates, California announced at the end of 2006 that it would invest an additional \$50 million to increase enrollment in preschool programs located near California's lowest performing elementary schools.

This welcome news was accompanied by a complicated

regulatory application with an extremely short time frame for completion. Without help, most preschool operators would have difficulty navigating the process and obtaining the funds.

Enter Public Counsel's esteemed and efficient Child Care Law Project and pro bono volunteers recruited from Manatt. At a day-long workshop in January, associates **Joelle Gryczman**, **Harold McDougall** and **Lydia Mendoza** worked with Public Counsel to assist seven preschool programs from low-income areas with their applications. In April, we

learned that the Department of Education selected six of these programs for funding.

One related participant wrote, "Words can't begin to convey how grateful I am that you took the time to help us put together the application for... funding. We're a tiny organization with a lot of heart and this was our 1st government application. ... Thanks for coming through for [us] at the 11th hour! We honestly wouldn't have made it without you and Public Counsel." 🍌

What a Difference 13% Makes!



Working with the Disability Rights Legal Center, several Manatt attorneys in Los Angeles are helping caregivers meet their children's special education needs, by reviewing school and medical records, interviewing families, and representing children and families at Individual Education Plan meetings. **Doreen Shenfeld's** story of her experience working with "Benny" and his mother demonstrates how important and rewarding this type of pro bono advocacy can be, not just for the volunteer attorney and the family, but also for the entire community:

When I first met with the administrators and others from the school district, they were quite hostile. At the time, Benny was a horrific behavior problem. When he was not biting and kicking other students, he was hiding in the hood of his sweatshirt.

During our contentious first meeting, the school had to be convinced to implement a "interim trial" for providing special services to Benny on a greater than 20%-of-the-school-week basis. Ultimately, we all agreed that Benny should be re-tested and that while waiting for the test results, the school would support Benny with special services for 33.3% of the week. This was the school's maximum capacity; if Benny needed more help than that, he would have to transfer schools, which his mother did not want.

Five months later, the test results came back and we prepared for a second meeting. Benny's mom had told me that he was doing much better, so I was ready for the school to demand reducing services back to the 20% level. Instead, the school reported that as a result of the increased services not only was Benny "doing better," he was no longer a behavior problem at all. In fact, Benny had just been named "Student of the Week" in the prior week! Everyone agreed to not rock the boat. The school will keep him at the maximum 33.3% service level. And the school has agreed to add speech therapy to the services so that Benny may continue to be a model student. 🍌

Supporting Environmental Education

Environmental Charter High School (ECHS) provides a rigorous, student-centered college preparatory curriculum that extends learning into the local environment so that all students graduate with the knowledge, values and skills to become life-long learners and quality stewards of their community.

Manatt attorneys from all practice areas have played a critical role in forming and supporting ECHS since its inception in 2000, collectively providing more than 2,700 hours of pro bono service.

Most recently, our real estate and land use attorneys helped ECHS navigate California Environmental Quality Act regulations while negotiating a very favorable lease for the high school in Lawndale. Thanks to the work of Matt Benbassat, Randy Keen, Lisa Kolieb, Gina Samore-Smith, and Lisa Weinberger, ECHS will be able to utilize its new space to provide award-winning educational programs to many generations of Los Angeles youth. Following the school district's board meeting at which the lease was approved, Kennedy Hilario, ECHS's Executive Director exclaimed: "A BIG Thank You to Manatt for representing our interest so well and getting us such a great lease!"

Alison Diaz, ECHS' founder, expanded on Mr. Hilario's

enthusiasm by stating, "The Manatt attorneys with whom I have had the opportunity to work continue to exceed my expectations. They have been bright, dedicated, creative, speedy, conscientious and more. Thanks for supporting us from

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Alison Diaz
Founder, ECHS

our inception in December of 2000. We wouldn't be where we are today without Randy Keen, Arthur Whang, and many other attorneys who have taken an interest in our innovative high school. THANK YOU for helping us make Magic Happen."



Organizing to Improve Adult Literacy Programs

Last September, Manatt's New York office hosted a successful organizing meeting for adult education and literacy programs in New York City. The meeting brought together diverse providers of literacy services and featured a presentation by Manatt on how to build an effective advocacy strategy. Despite the importance of adult literacy services, advocacy efforts in the past had been reactive and fractured rather than proactive and coordinated. At the time of the meeting, providers found themselves faced with a shrinking pool of resources to combat a growing problem.

In early May 2007, one of the meeting participants informed us that by implementing our advocacy tips and techniques, the adult literacy community had achieved several notable successes during the intervening 8 months. Significantly, community based organizations were able to more than double their funding for adult literacy programs.

The meeting participants thanked us for "jumpstarting" their efforts and assured us that they will continue to use their newfound knowledge to spearhead additional awareness-building and advocacy campaigns. 

Success in Challenges

The name of our client, "Success in Challenges," perfectly sums up our pro bono work on behalf of the organization. After more than a year of highly contentious negotiations, Yi-Chin Ho and Henry Wang obtained a very favorable settlement from a California State agency, which prompted our client to send the following letter:

First, I want to thank MANATT for their kindness and generosity to provide us two gifted attorneys in our time of great need. Your thoroughness and dedication insured that we would receive justice.

As the result of the settlement that we received from this case, 100 inner-city Long Beach elementary and middle-school children will be able to attend a six-week summer educational enrichment program. Without your assistance, we would not have had sufficient funding to offer the program this year.

Your gift of time and service was like a gift from God to the needy. The low-income citizens of both North and West Long Beach have been given an unexpected gift from the MANATT Law Firm and their wonderful staff of professionals.

We will never forget what you have done for us.

*God Bless You All.
Pastor O. Leon Wood, Jr.*

Manatt: Empowering DC Youth

In 2006, our DC office launched its *Manatt: Empowering DC Youth* program. Through this project we are partnering with three youth-focused organizations whose values align with ours in terms of supporting diversity, giving back to our communities and providing a rich breadth of opportunities for future generations.

In many ways, the *Empowering DC Youth* program complements our pro bono practice and brings our core values to life. By participating in the *Empowering DC Youth* program, during the last few months our attorneys and employees have:

- Painted nursery rhyme murals to brighten our community partners' facilities;

- Prepared a garden so that the children at Bright Beginnings, can plant crops of beans, onions, eggplants, peppers and other vegetables;
- Conducted a "Sleeping Angels" pajama drive to provide 98 homeless children with new sleepwear;
- Rallied to participate in a 5K benefit race, despite some of the most brutal weather of the season; and
- Nurtured the creativity of a dozen girls by engaging them in learning activities designed to facilitate positive self-expression and leadership



Jadyn Mercedes shows off the "fruits" of the Manatt: Empowering DC Youth team's volunteer gardening efforts at Bright Beginnings.

Our community partners at The Fishing School recently thanked our employees for having been "faithful friends and supporters ... [and] real partners in our efforts to empower youth with the skills and knowledge to become positive, contributing and productive citizens." 🌱

Pro Bono & Community Accolades: March-May 2007:

- Distinguished Pro Bono Service from the AIDS Legal Referral Panel
- DreamBuilders Award from the Brookins Community AME Development Center for outstanding pro bono legal services and commitment to Los Angeles' African American community
- California Senate Resolution commending Manatt for, among other things, "providing quality legal services with an extraordinary commitment to its clients and... continu[ing] to demonstrate a deep commitment to diversity, public service and community involvement."

Protecting and Conserving Natural Resources

The Sequoia Council of the Boy Scouts of America was in danger of losing its ability to use Camp Chawanakee on the shores of Shaver Lake in the Central Sierras. This camp has been a valuable Scouting resource for over 50 years. The owner of a majority of the land on which Camp Chawanakee sits had intended to evict the Scouts, however, with significant help from David Huard in Manatt's Los Angeles office, the owner agreed to grant the Scouts a new 50-year lease if the Sequoia Council could effect a land swap for the U.S. Forest Service (USFS) land that comprised the other piece of the camp.

When attempts to negotiate a the land swap with the USFS stalled after several years of effort, the Scouts decided to pursue an act of Congress to make it happen. In 2003, Rep. George Radanovich (who represents a portion of the four-county area served by the Sequoia Council) introduced legislation to bring about the swap. The landowner, however, resisted the Scouts' efforts and it became apparent the Scouts would need lobbying help to get the bill passed. Manatt agreed to provide this assistance, pro bono.

Once Manatt got involved, the Scouts were able to quickly resolve the outstanding issues with the landowner. And, after struggling through several years of untimely Senate adjournments, Manatt's pro bono lobbying efforts finally succeeded in attaining approval and enactment of Rep. Radanovich's land swap bill, with additional support and sponsorship by Senator Dianne Feinstein in the Senate.

With the 160-acre camp now protected, the Sequoia Council of the Boy Scouts can continue to serve 4,000+ boys and teenagers annually. A Council representative lauded Manatt's pro bono service by saying "The Sequoia Council Scouts are extremely appreciative of the quality of work done and stick-with-it attitude of the Manatt team, beginning with **Ambassador Manatt** and **Hale Boggs** [championing] the pro bono project, and **June DeHart** and **John Dutton** applying their lobbying skills." 🌲



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William T. Quicksilver,
Chief Executive Officer & Managing Partner,
Manatt, Phelps & Phillips, LLP

Thanks to the leadership of counsel **Phyllis Marshall** in our Sacramento office, Manatt has joined with the United College Action Network (UCAN) to enable students from the Elk Grove Unified School District to participate in a tour of Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs). Through a contribution the firm ensured that no student would need to withdraw due to cost and also allowed UCAN to add additional student participants. Phyllis will be a leader and mentor on the tour, which is scheduled for mid-June.

The HBCU tour will provide students with valuable information on admissions, program offerings, financial aid and life on HBCU campuses. Students also will have an opportunity to visit and tour The King Center, in Atlanta. Many of these students will be the first person in their family to attend college. Given the recent trend of diminishing numbers of African

American and Latino students attaining admission to California colleges, UCAN believes that HBCUs may be some students’ only option for quality post-secondary education.

In May Phyllis accepted a resolution presented by California State Senator Mark Ridley-Thomas and Assembly Members Karen Bass and Wilmer Amina Carter. The resolution salutes the firm for, among other things, “providing quality legal services with an extraordinary commitment to its clients and ... continu[ing] to demonstrate a deep commitment to diversity, public service and community involvement.”

In presenting the resolution Senator Ridley-Thomas declared, “I laud the efforts made by ... the law firm of Manatt, Phelps & Phillips, LLP, for their efforts in assuring California graduating seniors are afforded the opportunity to pursue a college

degree in such a unique academic setting.”

Upon receiving the Senate resolution, our Managing Partner and Chief Executive Officer **Bill Quicksilver** remarked “We at Manatt are committed to helping tomorrow’s leaders to pursue their dreams through our association with the Historically

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Counsel Phyllis Marshall (r.) receives a California State Senate resolution from Qiana Charles, a representative for Senator Mark Ridley-Scott.

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