Eric Angel, Executive Director

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Eric joined Legal Aid in March 2001. He served as Legal Director of the organization from March 2001–December 2010, when he was appointed by the Board of Trustees to be Legal Aid's Executive Director. Eric is a member of the District of Columbia Access to Justice Commission, to which he was appointed by the D.C. Court of Appeals in 2011. Throughout his tenure at Legal Aid, Eric has served on a variety of D.C. Bar and Court committees including the D.C. Bar's Landlord-Tenant Implementation Committee; the D.C. Superior Court's Small Claims Rules Committee; and the D. C. Superior Court's *ad hoc in Forma Pauperis* and 9-I Rules Committees. Eric is a past Co-Chair and Steering Committee Member of the D.C. Bar's Litigation Section. Currently, Eric serves on the D.C. Bar Foundation's Loan Repayment Assistance Program Advisory Committee and on the Advisory Board of the D.C.'s Community Legal Interpreter Bank.

At the 2010 D.C. Judicial and Bar Conference, Eric was named the co-recipient of the D.C. Bar Foundation's Jerrold Scoutt Prize. The Prize is awarded annually to an attorney "who has worked for a significant portion of his or her career at a non-profit organization providing direct hands-on legal services to the needy in the District of Columbia; has demonstrated compassionate concern for his or her clients; and has exhibited a high degree of skill on their behalf."

In addition to his work at Legal Aid, Eric serves as an adjunct faculty member teaching "Public Interest Lawyering" at The George Washington University Law School.

Before joining Legal Aid, Eric served as an Associate Counsel to President Clinton. Prior to Eric's two years at the White House Counsel's Office, he served for four years as a Trial Attorney in the Civil Division in the United States Department of Justice handling civil litigation matters in federal district courts around the country. A graduate of Yale College and Yale Law School, Eric began his legal career as a law clerk to the Honorable Raymond J. Dearie of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York.