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**AIDS Legal Referral Panel (ALRP) Commemorates 32 Years of Service  
at ALRP *From the Heart* 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Reception & Auction**

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**Perkins Coie LLP, and ALRP Panel Attorneys Andrew Westley  
and Shawn Matloob to be Honored**

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**San Francisco Supervisor David Campos to Host**

**San Francisco**—On Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, the AIDS Legal Referral Panel of the San Francisco Bay Area (ALRP) will commemorate 32 years of serving the legal needs of people living with HIV/AIDS throughout the San Francisco Bay Area by hosting its *ALRP From the Heart* 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Reception & Auction. The Reception, ALRP's biggest fundraising event of the year, will feature special guest host San Francisco Supervisor **David Campos**. This year's Reception is expected to draw more than 250 attendees from the legal and HIV/AIDS communities.

“ALRP is so proud to honor the tremendous contributions of long-time volunteer Panel Attorney, **Andrew Westley, Esq.**, with our *ALRP 2015 Clint Hockenberry Leadership Award* in recognition of his years of tireless tenant representation and advocacy on behalf of people living with HIV/AIDS,” stated Bill Hirsh, ALRP's Executive Director.

ALRP will also recognize immigration attorney **Shawn Matloob, Esq.** with the *ALRP 2015 Attorney of the Year Award*, and the law firm **Perkins Coie LLP** with ALRP's *2015 Firm of the Year Award*.

The Annual Reception's title, “*From the Heart*,” is a tribute to the dedication of ALRP Board members, staff, and volunteer Panel Attorneys who contribute their time and energy on behalf of people living with HIV/AIDS. Despite a difficult economic climate for fundraising and a 50% increase in its caseload over the last decade, ALRP continues to provide free and sliding scale legal services to over 1,500 people living with HIV/AIDS each year.

The wine and food Reception, which will include a silent and live auction, is being held in the Julia Morgan Ballroom at the Merchants Exchange in San Francisco from 6:00 to 9:00 pm. Live auction items include a one-week stay at a 5-Star Resort in Nueva Vallarta, Mexico, a Bay Area Restaurants & Wineries Package, and use of an AT&T Park Luxury Suite at a 2016 San Francisco Giants baseball game.

In recognition of its 32 years of service, ALRP has received significant sponsorships from leading law firms and organizations including Gilead Sciences, Inc., the Morrison & Foerster Foundation, and Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP. ALRP hopes to secure additional funding through its live and silent auction and through Reception ticket sales.

Individual tickets for the Reception start at \$100. For more details or for tickets, please visit [www.alrp.org](http://www.alrp.org) or contact Jim McBride, Director of Development at 415/701-1200 ext. 301, or by email at [jim@alrp.org](mailto:jim@alrp.org).

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The AIDS Legal Referral Panel's (ALRP) mission is to help people living with HIV/AIDS maintain or improve their health by resolving their legal issues. ALRP represents the legal community's caring response to AIDS and is the only institution in the seven county San Francisco Bay Area whose sole mission is dedicated to providing free and low-cost legal services and education to people with HIV/AIDS. Since its beginnings in 1983, ALRP has handled over 70,000 legal matters for people living with HIV/AIDS. The agency currently leverages over \$1.6 million each year in donated legal services to serve over 1,500 clients annually. [www.alrp.org](http://www.alrp.org) (415) 701-1200.

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