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SPRING / SUMMER 2012 THE 2012 LEGISLATIVE SESSION WRAP UP: A SESSION OF TRAGIC IRONY & TRIUMPH

BY MONICA HOPKINS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND MELISSA ELDREDGE, LEGISLATIVE INTERN

AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION

of IDAHO

From a civil liberties perspective, the 2012 Legislative Session can be defined by the irony of bills that had public hearings and those that were denied a hearing by committee or introduced but never heard.

On some civil liberties issues there were huge wins this session and some losses were felt even harder than in previous years. And a legislature that talked a big game about transparency and ethics never even heard six ethics bills. Nevertheless, the ACLU remained vigilant and busy, working on nearly 50 bills that impact civil liberties in our state.

Freedom of Speech

B404, the "Anti-Occupy" bill was the first civil liberties related bill to be heard during the 2012 session. The bill sought to prohibit camping on Capitol Mall properties and other state facilities and provides for the disposition of property remaining after citation or unattended property. Legislators said they wanted to hold up the American principles of Free Speech and hear from the Occupiers. They voted to print the bill, which then allowed for a full

public hearing and testimony. The ACLU testified in opposition of the bill which sought to evict the Occupiers, curtail free speech and confiscate property without due process.

As many in the crowd of over 200 testified, the erection of the Occupy Boise vigil in November 2011 is not camping. The Occupy movement seeks to redress government practices that increase economic inequality and their tents are protected symbolic speech. However, the testimony of many fell on deaf ears and the bill flew through both houses of the legislature and was signed by Governor Otter at the end of February. The enactment of the emergency provision coupled with authorized persons immediately seizing and disposing of property without due process opened the state to litigation.

On March 2, 2012 a Federal judge issued a preliminary injunction indicating the "Occupy Boise's tent city is a political protest of income inequality. As such, it is expressive conduct protected by the First Amendment."

The state does have the



Over 200 people protesting a bill which mandated ultrasounds prior to an abortion.

right to enforce time, place, manner restrictions on speech, but they must be content neutral. Preliminary injunctions are issued on the "likelihood" of winning a case not the facts, so stay tuned to see if Occupy Boise wins what is now a litigation battle.

LGBT Equality

ronic. While legislators supposedly upheld the principle of Free Speech and wanted to hear from affected communities on the anti-Occupy bill, they denied a public hearing on a bill to amend the Idaho Human Rights Act. The bill would have made it illegal to discriminate against someone because of their actual or perceived sexual orientation and gender identity extending the same rights afforded to women and minorities in the areas of housing, employment, public accommodation and education.

For the sixth year in a row community members showed CONTINUES ON PAGE 2

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up at the statehouse demanding to be heard. Over 300 individuals showed up for the print hearing, which caused some commotion and confusion for the Senate State

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Affairs Committee as they hustled to move the print hearing to the auditorium across the hall.

The ACLU worked with the "Add the Words" campaign prior and during the session to get Idahoans to contact their legislators, write letters to the editor and send in sticky notes from around the state. If you care about this issue we encourage you

THE ACLU STRONGLY **BELIEVES THAT OUR** STATE ANTI-**BULLYING LAWS ARE** WHOLLY INADEQUATE TO PROTECT STUDENTS

lators, ask candidates about this issue this election season and call our

office to get involved. SB1385, the anti-

bullying bill sought to strengthen the state's bullying laws, define cyber-bullying and add civil and criminal offenses for bullving. The ACLU strongly believes that our state anti-bullying laws are

wholly inadequate to protect students from bullving in school and need to be strengthened. However, when first introduced, the ACLU testified in opposition of the bill because of the threat to constitutionally protected student speech and unconstitutional restrictions on students outside of school. The Freedom of Speech, unfortunately, includes the Freedom to Offend. And students have a right to express their views and to try to persuade people who disagree with them. The original language of SB1358

STUDENTS HAVE THE **RIGHT TO EXPRESS** THEIR VIEWS AND TO TRY AND PERSUADE **PEOPLE WHO DISAGREE WITH** THEM

was extremely broad. The ACLU testified that we could only support the bill if the language was tightened to ensure protection of student's First Amendment rights. Additionally, the bill proposed that schools be authorized to punish cyber-bullying, which includes bullying that occurs wholly outside of school which raises serious constitutional concerns. Schools may be tempted to exceed their legal authority in

order to discipline students for behavior that occurs outside of school or that may be protected speech. This may be especially tempting when technology is involved. However, existing law establishes clear boundaries as to what conduct is within the school's disciplinary reach. Bullying by electronic means is still bullying. The focus should be on the bullving and harassing behavior, not on the means by which it is communicated.

The ACLU shared these concerns with legislators and the bill was amended on the Senate floor. However the House Education Committee never gave the bill a hearing before the end of the session.

Criminal Justice

THIS BILL INCREASED JUDICIAL **DISCRETION AT THE EXPENSE OF DEFENDANTS DUE PROCESS RIGHTS**

B475 Probation Period Extension. grants courts the authority to extend the period of probation ordered for misdemeanor convictions for a period of up to one year after a defendant's graduation from

a problem solving court program. The ACLU advocates for more discretion to reduce mass incarceration by reducing probation, parole and prison terms, but this bill increased judicial discretion at the expense of defendants due process rights. Testimony was submitted regarding our concerns, but the bill passed both houses of the legislature and was signed into law.

THE ACLU OPPOSED THE BILL BECAUSE THERE IS AN EXISTING INATTENTIVE **DRIVING LAW**

SB1274 Texting while Driving was introduced to address the increasing problem of texting while driving and would make it a primary offense. These kinds of laws create considerable discretion for police officers, which is problematic because of the threat of disproportionate or discriminatory enforcement. The ACLU opposed the bill because there is an existing inattentive driving law, these laws are likely ineffective and likely to be violated broadly. The most effective way to address the problem without triggering the unintended consequences is to create a secondary offense penalizing distracted driving resulting in

a traffic offense or accident. The ACLU testified in opposition to the bill, which was supported by many law enforcement agencies and youth groups. The bill passed both the Senate and the House and becomes law on July 1, 2012.

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MEET OUR LEGAL TEAM

BY RITCHIE EPPINK, LEGAL DIRECTOR

hat we don't understand about a liberation struggle," my favorite lawyer ever, Florynce Kennedy, reminded us, "is you never win it, any more than you 'win' clean dishes. As soon as you eat on them, the dishes are dirty again." Those of us who love liberty seem often to forget this. Roger Baldwin, founder of the ACLU, said it years before: "The fight for liberty never stays won. We will have to keep winning it over and over again, we will have to amass our forces and resist."

Three times, now, the ACLU of Idaho has hired a staff attorney. As Legal

Director I'm just the latest in that lineage. There's no doubt that I will have to help us win again some of the fights we've already won before. But I've been doing that for the past five years as a litigator for Idaho's poor and vulnerable at Idaho Legal Aid Services. Before I traded my common sense for a law degree and a bar card, I was fighting those same fights as an activist in the streets, rather than the courts

I am most at home on the front lines of the fight; and make no mistake—that's where we are in Idaho. Thank you for the opportunity to help carry the tattered but priceless banner of liberty through the years to come.



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DIANA OLDHAM — PARALEGAL

BY DIANA OLDHAM, PARALEGAL

> ello there! I'd like to introduce myself. My name is Diana Oldham and I am one of the newest members of the ACLU of Idaho team!

> In 2009 I relocated to Boise to attend Boise State University. In December, I received my BS in Criminal Justice with a minor Paralegal Studies.

While I had been a vol-

MY INVOLVEMENT WITH THE ACLU OF IDAHO BEGAN WITH AN INTERNSHIP THIS PAST SPRING unteer for the ACLU in previous years, my involvement with the ACLU of Idaho began with an internship this past spring. I enjoyed my internship so much that I continued to volunteer with the legal program through the year and was eventually offered the position of Paralegal.

Prior to working in the non-profit industry I spent approximately 15 years in Alaska working in the oil and gas and engineering fields. I have a BA degree in Psychology with an emphasis in Human Resources from the University of Alaska-Anchorage. While I miss Alaska and all that it has to offer I'm happy to have made myself a home in the Boise area.



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GREAT TIME TO BE A PART OF ACLU IDAHO

BY DONNA YULE, ACLU OF IDAHO BOARD PRESIDENT

hat a great time to be part of the ACLU of Idaho! Our staff did such great work in the legislature this session, and it demonstrated to everybody in Idaho that the ACLU is a force to be reckoned with!

As President of the ACLU of Idaho, it has been one of my goals to see our legislative efforts rise to the level of our great legal program, and I'm happy to report success in that area!

I spend most every day at the statehouse during the Legislative Session, and it was so gratifying to see how hard Monica and Leo were working to influence our state senators and representatives. It seems every single year there is at least one terrible piece of legislation introduced that the ACLU needs to fight, and 2012 was no exception.

The most egregious was the trans-vaginal ultrasound bill introduced by one Senator Winder. The ACLU team helped to organize protests and vigils. They testified powerfully in committee hearings. They lobbied legislators. And, even though the bill passed through the Idaho Senate, these efforts effectively stopped the bill from coming up for a hearing in the House.

It was a proud moment for

the ACLU of Idaho, and I'm looking forward to an even stronger effort in the 2013 session. We live in Idaho, so there's no doubt something

WHEN YOU MAKE A DONATION YOU ARE INVESTING IN OUR SUCCESS

bad will come up, but I'm confident we will be ever more effective in stopping the bad stuff before it becomes law.

Which leads me to my other goal as President of the ACLU of Idaho. We need to build our fundraising program in the same way we are building our legal, legislative, and educational programs. That's the only way we will have the resources to continue with the great work we are doing.

When you make a donation to the ACLU of Idaho, no matter how big or small, you are investing in our success. It's also the best way for each and every one of our members, whether you live in Leadore or Mackay, or any other out of the way hamlet in the state, to truly share in the great taste of victory when the ACLU marks up another big "win" in defending the Constitution, whether that win is in Mississippi or Alaska, or right here at home in Idaho.

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Reproductive Rights

B530 Contraception Bill started the attack on reproductive rights during the session. The bill would allow employers to deny contraception, sterilization and abortifacients from insurance policies. By allow-

THIS BILL WOULD HAVE ALLOWED EMPLOYERS A LICENSE FOR POTENTIAL UNCONSTITUTIONAL SEX DISCRIMINATION

ing the limitation of procedures and medication that would only affect women, this bill would have allowed employers a license for potential unconstitutional sex discrimination. Over 50 people joined the ACLU/Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest citizen lobby day to testify in opposition of the bill. We were joined by hundreds of outraged citizens who testified about the importance of reproductive rights. In the end, Representative McGeaghin, chair of the House Health and Welfare Committee, held the bill in committee.

No bill during the session turned out more people than SB1387. **Mandatory** Ultrasounds. The bill would have curtailed a woman's constitutional rights to privacy and liberty by subjecting her to possibly unwanted and unnecessary medical procedures. Over 200 people showed up for the first public hearing on the bill. The first person to testify handed the committee a petition opposing the bill with over 4,000 signatures.

The bill lacked an exception for victims of sexual violence and medical emergencies. Senator Winder responded to these concerns by saying, "I would hope that when a woman goes in to a physician with a rape issue, that physician will indeed ask her about, perhaps, her marriage - was this pregnancy caused by normal relations in a marriage or was it truly caused by rape?" No other comment shed more light on the true intent of this bill and many of the anti-choice bills introduced in Idaho and across the nation. It is as if he said to all women: We don't trust you to make good decisions. We don't think you are capable. And if you decide, whatever your circumstance, to terminate the pregnancy, you should have to submit to what amounts to government hazing.

As if this wasn't enough, anti-choice activists staged a live ultrasound demonstration inside the Idaho Capitol. After this attempt to turn women's personal medical decisions into a political slide show, hundreds of Idahoans held a silent vigil to oppose the bill. During the last week of the session, legislators finally got the message. "The big problem that's been identified is the mandatory ultrasound," said House State Affairs Chairman Tom Loertscher (R–Iona).

We couldn't agree more. It was a fierce and unrelenting battle between opposing and supporters of the bill till the very end, with rallies and candle light vigil that circled the Statehouse to show oppositional presence. It seems almost unreal, how the second reddest state in the nation, Idaho refused to pass a mandatory ultrasound bill. Only one answer comes to mind. Women were watching, and Idahoans got engaged.

Stay Engaged

e hope you stay engaged—and stay involved because the 2013 session is right around the corner. If you are interested in seeing the complete bill tracker, please visit our webpage at http://acluidaho.org/legislative.html.

STAFF ATTORNEY SAYS ALOHA

BY LEA COOPER, STAFF ATTORNEY

time as Staff Attorney for the ACLU of Idaho will be over at the end of May. 2012. It has been a terrific four year adventure, and as a result of working with creative interns, dedicated staff, brilliant cooperating counsel and thousands of Idahoans who said, "Wait a minute, something's not right here," I have been lucky enough to have participated in some unforgettable events. My favorites include:

From 2008:

Forcing the Nampa Public Library to return *The Joy of Sex* and *The Joy of Gay Sex* to general circulation (thanks to Joe Miller, Dick Cummings and Michael Bartlett); closing the Franklin County jail to nighttime housing of prisoners due to a suicide while the dispatcher was asleep (thanks to Dave Sasser).

From 2009:

Appointment as counsel by the federal court to represent a transgendered prisoner in mediation, resulting in the Department of Correction changing their policy to allow ID badges that reflect legal (female) names in the male lockup; filing and resolving the Davis v. Canyon County

case in one year, resulting in amelioration of conditions for all prisoners subjected to unconstitutional conditions of confinement (thanks to Stephen Pevar, the Board for believing it was the right thing to do and student interns who marched right into those filthy jail cells to conduct interviews); helping to find a truly creative solution to the 1st Amendment violation of a citizen arrested while videotaping police (thanks to Tom McCabe and Chief of Police Jeff Lavey).

From 2010:

The year of police misconduct-we had complaints ranging from the roughing up of teenage boys riding bicycles without headlights to the 3-hour custodial interrogation of an 11-year old (whose mother was denied access to her child), for waving a cap gun in front of a church. It's hard to forget the woman held down and subjected to a warrantless body cavity search by four deputies, but first prize goes to the officer who tasered an elderly gentleman between the legs while he was handcuffed, face-down on the ground and restrained by two officers.

In addition we filed the biggest lawsuit in ACLU of Idaho history, against the private prison in Kuna, the Idaho Correctional Center. Our complaint alleged excessive prisoner-on-prisoner violence and resulted in vastly improved security (thanks especially to Jim Huegli who contributed over 1500 attorney hours).

From 2011:

We began working in earnest on the problem of Indigent Defense. A report was issued by the National Legal Aid and Defenders Association (NLADA) evaluating Idaho's implementation

THE VICTORIES HAVE BEEN TERRIFICALLY SWEET, AND THE FAILURES TOO FEW TO REMEMBER.

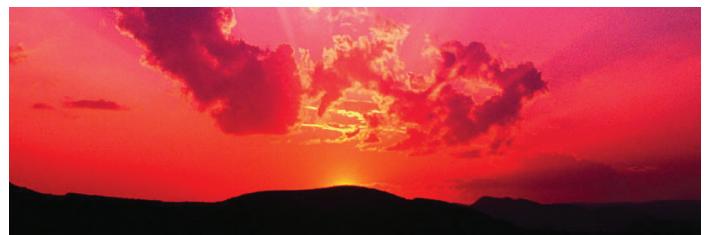
of the 6th Amendment right to counsel. The state received a grade of "D". Problems include public defenders meeting with clients for the first time minutes before their court appearance, encouraging clients to plead guilty and telling them they can't get a fair trial in Idaho if they are black or Hispanic. We did a public records request to all 44 counties and discovered that no one was keeping tabs on the quality of representation given to those who cannot afford lawyers. In one county there were no trials at all—everyone pled guilty. In another, judges counseled defendants to cut a deal with prosecutors before even meeting with their defense lawyer. We want to bring that "D" grade up and are collecting stories and proposing legislation. Future plans could include litigation (thanks to John Lynn, Jim Michaud and Jeff Brownson).

From 2012:

Capital Punishment-There are three executions looming on the horizon in Idaho this year. We believe the Department of Correction is violating the public's 1st Amendment right to transparency of the entire judicial process by hiding behind a curtain when the condemned is brought into the execution chamber, strapped to the gurney and the IV lines inserted into his veins (thanks to Skylar Christensen for his research).

Pretty heady stuff, all considered. I don't know if I'll ever find so much hard work, commitment and good cheer in one place again. The victories have been terrifically sweet, and the failures too few to remember. Thanks to all who have shared in this journey with me. I know that I leave the future in capable hands.

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Won't you share your story with us? Contact our office at admin@acluidaho.org or (208) 344-9750 x 201

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- Digital Camera
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BILL OF RIGHTS CELEBRATION

BY BRIAN LAWATCH, DEVELOPMENT/EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

n February the ACLU of Idaho held its annual Bill of Rights Celebration. We were honored to have *Salon. com* contributor and civil liberties advocate Glenn Greenwald attend as our keynote speaker to discuss his new book "With Liberty and Justice for Some: How the Law is Used to Destroy Equality and Protect the Powerful."

Glenn shared with us his analysis of how the American justice system has evolved over the years to grant virtual immunity from the law to people who have extreme wealth and political power no matter how egregious their crimes. In addition, he discussed the post 9-11 climate of fear and how that fear has been used to strip Americans of ever-more and more basic rights.

Though Mr. Greenwald's research sheds a negative light on America's criminal justice system, he was able to inspire us all to take action. Through ticket sales, silent auction purchases, and generous donations, we were able to raise more than \$19,000 to help defend civil liberties right here in Idaho.



Glenn Greenwald spoke on the effective legal immunity of the powerful.

We were honored to have Glenn introduced by Andrade Law Firm Associate Attorney Patrick Taurel. Patrick emphasized Glenn's role in the Bradley Manning story, in which he took the US to task for the inhumane conditions that Manning was subject to after his arrest for leaking military secrets to Wikileaks. He especially made note of how the government did virtually nothing to improve Manning's living conditions until Glenn admonished the press for not pushing the government to come clean on this case: "When our press fails to shine its light on important issues," Patrick said, "our democracy suffers."

The event was emceed by ACLU of Idaho Executive Director Monica Hopkins. "We kick ass every day in the courts," she told the assembled crowd. "We are the go-to organization for people when the government infringes on their rights-from victims of police brutality to people stifled when expressing their political beliefs to children given excessive punishments in our schools...to demand [that] legislators protect lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender Idahoans." She moved us all to support the activities of the ACLU through donating, volunteering, and renewing memberships: "We're proud of all this work, but it takes money to fund it," she added.

The event was attended by well over 200 people, including individuals from as far away as Seattle and Salt Lake City. Many people took advantage of this moment to purchase copies of Glenn's book from local independent retailer Rediscovered Books, who stayed afterward to have Glenn sign books and talk with him.

THANK YOU TO OUR EVENT SPONSORS & VOLUNTEERS

We would like to especially thank our sponsors, auction item donors, and volunteers who helped make our "With Liberty and Justice for All: An Evening with Glenn Greenwald" Annual Bill of Rights Celebration such a success. The contributions from our sponsors as well as the many hours donated from our volunteers helped ensure a successful evening for our organization. Thank you from all of us here in the office!

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LET PEOPLE VOTE!

BY LEO MORALES, PUBLIC EDUCATION/ COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR

undamental to our Democracy is the right to vote. The ACLU for years has been working diligently to ensure American citizens have access to exercise this precious right. After the 1965 Voting Rights Act passed, poll taxes and literacy tests were put in place to deny African-Americans and other racial and language minorities access to the polls. After a surge of voter participation during the 2008 Presidential Election, which by far was

the most diverse in voter history, there have been increased voter suppression efforts across the country. State legislatures have passed bills which put barriers on voter registration, limit early voting, and require voter identification at the polls.

At the ACLU we have not remained silent. Keeping true to our mission we have pushed back voter suppression measures in the courts, Congress and in state capitals. Now we take to the streets as the 2012 Presidential Election gets underway. Here at the ACLU of Idaho we are launching a non-partisan civic engagement campaign. Our goals include: actively engaging in voter registration, education and get-out-the vote efforts, increase the visibility of the ACLU of Idaho, grow our base of membership, volunteers, leaders and alliances, and garner earned media via local news outlets.

To sustain a robust effort, we are reaching out to members, volunteers, and community activist to help us staff community events, door-todoor canvassing, phone calling, and putting together a candidate forum in the fall. Safeguarding our precious right to vote is fundamental to



our organization's mission and with your support we can reach more Idahoans this election year. For more information contact Leo Morales or Kathy Griesmyer.

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Currently we have volunteer openings to aid our legal department, serve as ACLU Ambassadors, and assist with our state-wide civic engagement campaign.

If you're interested in becoming a volunteer and are ready to create change now, then contact Kathy Griesmyer, Volunteer Coordinator at 208-344-9750 x 201 or by email at kgriesmyer@aclu-idaho.org.

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