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YOUTH JUSTICE CLINIC SUBMITS TESTIMONY TO CONGRESS ON SOLITARY CONFINEMENT

February 24, 2014

February 24, 2014 - Students from the [Youth Justice Clinic \(/node/2996\)](#) were asked to [submit testimony to Congress \(https://cardozo.yu.edu/system/files/Solitary%20Confinement%20Testimony_0.pdf\)](#) based on their report, *Rethinking Rikers: Moving From a Correctional to a Therapeutic Model for Youth*. ([https://cardozo.yu.edu/sites/default/files/YJCFeb24.pdf](#)) They urged members to ban the use of solitary confinement in juvenile detention centers housing youth under 18 years old. Students also urged a broader systemic move towards a therapeutic model for teenagers accused of crimes. The February 25 hearing is titled "Reassessing Solitary Confinement: The Human Rights, Fiscal, and Public Safety Consequences."

Rethinking Rikers was issued after months of work visiting Riker's Island, and doing a comparison with other models for treatment of youth around the country.

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Dean Melanie Leslie offered Cardozo's clinic students the opportunity to recount their experiences with hands-on clinical work, through a series of luncheon presentations for faculty and staff.

July 27, 2018

[Bet Tzedek Clinic's Class Action Settlement Restores Rent Freeze Benefits for Up to 20,000 Elderly and Disabled Lower-Income NYC Tenants \(/news/bet-tzedek-clinic\)](#)

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New York City's Rent Freeze Program (RFP) freezes the rents paid by lower-income elderly and disabled rent-regulated tenants—in many cases for decades—and provides landlords with tax credits to cover the portion of the legal regulated rent not being paid by the tenant.

June 29, 2018

[Two Cardozo Clinics Win Client's Criminal Appeal and Release from Prison; A Third Cardozo Clinic Fights to Keep Him in the Country \(/news/two-cardozo-clinics-win-client%E2%80%99s-criminal-appeal-and-release-prison-third-cardozo-clinic-fights\)](#)

The first Cardozo clinic won his appeal. The second Cardozo clinic convinced the jury in a two-week-long retrial that he was not guilty.

April 26, 2018

[Indie Film Clinic Hosts Pop-Up Clinic for NYC Filmmakers \(/news/indie-film-clinic-hosts-pop-clinic-nyc-filmmakers\)](#)

As the Tribeca Film Festival takes New York City by storm, Cardozo's own Indie Film Clinic had a role in the action as they presented, in partnership with Tribeca Film Institute,

a pop-up clinic which offered free legal advice to filmmakers around the city.

November 1, 2017

[City Council, With Help From Immigration Justice Clinic, Ensures Immigrant Safety While Using City Services \(/news/city-council-help-immigration-justice-clinic-ensures-immigrant-safety-while-using-city-services\)](#)

Starting November 1, 2017, New York City's immigrant community no longer has to worry about the threat of deportation when accessing city services, regardless of their immigration status.