

# LAS Welcomes New Victim Advocate

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Feb. 17, 2014 – Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberland, Tennessee’s largest non-profit law firm, announced today that Barbara Gunn Lartey has joined the firm as victim advocate. Prior to joining Legal Aid Society, Gunn Lartey worked as a bilingual legal advocate at the Tennessee Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence. She has also been a women’s education coordinator and bilingual medical case manager at Nashville Cares and a disability claims examiner at Social Security Disability Services.

“Barbara has experience as an advocate for domestic violence victims and as a women’s education coordinator, as well as a legal background, making her a perfect fit for this position,” said DarKenya Waller, managing attorney for the Nashville office of Legal Aid Society. “She will be a great asset to our firm and to the people we serve.”

Gunn Lartey earned a bachelor’s degree from Oberlin College and a juris doctorate from Temple University School of Law, where she served as editor-in-chief of the Class Action Law School Newspaper. She is a member of the New Jersey Bar Association and is fluent in Spanish. Gunn Lartey also served as an international development volunteer with the Peace Corps in Equatorial Guinea.

Legal Aid Society gives free civil legal aid to people who have nowhere else to turn. It serves 48 counties from offices in Clarksville, Columbia, Cookeville, Gallatin, Murfreesboro, Nashville, Oak Ridge, and Tullahoma. Legal Aid Society is funded in part by United Way.

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