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NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AMERICAN JEWISH HISTORY EXPANDS BOARD LEADERSHIP: ALEC ELLISON, RICHARD ROTHSCHILD, DANIEL SHAPIRO, AND SHANIN SPECTER ELECTED TRUSTEES

The **National Museum of American Jewish History** (NMAJH) announces the election of four new members to its Board of Trustees: **Alec Ellison**, **Richard Rothschild**, **Daniel Shapiro**, and **Shanin Specter**. Ivy L. Barsky, the Museum's CEO and Gwen Goodman Director notes, "We are thrilled to welcome such dedicated and energetic new Board Members to the Museum's family. Each of them has a longstanding relationship with NMAJH and brings a passion for the Museum's mission. All four are thought leaders with important and unique spheres of influence."

Alec Ellison

Alec Ellison is Vice Chairman of the global investment banking firm, Jefferies LLC, and is also the Chairman of the firm's Technology Investment Banking Group and a member of the firm's Executive Committee. He joined Jefferies as part of the Firm's 2003 acquisition of Broadview International, where he was President and served

in various roles during his 11 years. He serves on the Board of the National Jewish Outreach Project (NJOP). He also spent nine years on the board of the Solomon Schechter School of Westchester, including three years as the Executive Committee's Finance Chair. Mr. Ellison serves on the Development Council and the Board of the Yale Alumni Fund, and endowed an internship program that sends about a dozen Yale undergraduates to Israel each summer. A father of four, Mr. Ellison resides in Greenwich, CT. Mr. Ellison has been a Member of the Museum since 2013.

Mr. Ellison completed a double major in history and economics at Yale, graduating summa cum laude. He then graduated from Harvard Business School as a Baker Scholar.

Richard Rothschild

Richard Rothschild is Senior Vice President of Investments at Wells Fargo Advisors and has been in the financial services industry for over 25 years. He began his career at Dreyfus Mutual Funds and then joined Smith Barney. Mr. Rothschild is a former vice president and board member of the Palm Beach Country Club. His wife, Mrs. Barbara Rothschild, is the daughter of the late Dr. Stephen H. Floersheimer, who established the Floersheimer Institute for Policy Studies of Hebrew University of Jerusalem and the Floersheimer Center for Constitutional Democracy at Cardozo Law School of Yeshiva University.

Mr. and Mrs. Rothschild have been Members of the Museum since 2010.

Mr. Rothschild graduated from Bucknell University in 1978 with a B.A. in Economics.

Daniel Shapiro

Daniel Shapiro is a Vice President of Private Wealth Management at Goldman, Sachs & Co., where he has advised wealthy individuals, family groups, and foundations for 17 years. He was awarded the Chartered Financial Analyst designation in 2001 and is a member of the CFA Society of Philadelphia. Dan is a member of the Board of Directors of the Stoneleigh Foundation (founded by John and Chara Haas), serves on the Investment Committee for the Curtis Institute of Music, and is the current chair of the Investment Committee for the Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia. He is originally from Larchmont, NY, and lives in Philadelphia with his wife, Becca, and sons, Nate and Harry.

Mr. Shapiro has been a Member of the Museum since 2013. He has also been a member of the Museum's Financial Advisors Council.

Mr. Shapiro joined Goldman Sachs after receiving his BSE in Electrical Engineering from Duke University.

Shanin Specter

Shanin Specter is a partner in the Philadelphia law firm of Kline and Specter, P.C., practicing catastrophic injury litigation. In recognition of his success and notable trial work, he has been singled out or selected for inclusion by the following organizations: Inner Circle of Advocates, Superlawyers, International Academy of Trial Lawyers, and American College of Trial Lawyers. He also serves as an Adjunct Professor of Law at University of Pennsylvania Law School. He is the son of Joan Specter, former member of Philadelphia City Council, and the late U.S. Senator Honorable Arlen Specter. His wife, Tracey, is currently president of the Board of Perelman Jewish Day School (Philadelphia), and has served on the boards of the Drueding Center, the Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia, and Maccabiah USA.

Mr. Specter has been a Member of the Museum since 1992 and served on the Board of Trustees from 2000 through 2006.

Mr. Specter received a B.A. with honors in Political Science from Haverford College in 1980, a J.D. from the University of Pennsylvania in 1984, and an L.L.M. with First Honors from Cambridge University in 1984.

Special Thanks

As we welcome our new Board Members, we thank the following Members who rotated off the board: Betsy Z. Cohen, Jeffrey Honickman, Clifford Schlesinger, Connie Williams, and Roy Zuckerberg. Mr. Zuckerberg will continue to work on the Museum's behalf as part of the National Leadership Council. The Museum is grateful both for their time and dedication while serving and their continued support.

For a complete listing of the NMAJH Board of Trustees, please visit:
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The National Museum of American Jewish History, located on historic Independence Mall in Philadelphia, brings to life the 350-year history of Jews in America. Tracing the stories of how Jewish immigrants became Jewish Americans, the Museum invites visitors of all backgrounds to share their own stories and reflect on how their histories and identities shape and are shaped by the American experience. An open door for all, NMAJH honors the past and contributes to a better future by sharing the power of imagination and ideas, culture and community, leadership and service, in ways that turn inspiration into action.

The National Museum of American Jewish History is located at 101 South Independence Mall East at the corner of Fifth and Market Streets in Philadelphia. Museum hours are Tuesday to Friday, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm, and Saturday and Sunday 10:00 am - 5:30 pm. NMAJH is closed most Mondays, including federal holidays and some Jewish holidays. Museum admission is $12.00 for adults, $11.00 for senior citizens and youth, free for children 12 and under, Museum Members, and active military with ID. On Wednesdays from Memorial Day through Labor Day, the Museum will stay open until 8:00 pm. Admission after 5:00 PM is pay-what-you-wish. For more information, visit NMAJH.org or call 215.923.3811.