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Transgender Legal Defense & Education Fund Welcomes Noah Lewis as Staff Attorney

NEW YORK, NEW YORK - Transgender Legal Defense & Education Fund (TLDEF) today announced that Noah Lewis has joined TLDEF as a Staff Attorney.

"I am very excited to be joining Transgender Legal Defense & Education Fund and to have the opportunity to be part of the amazing work it does," said Noah Lewis, Staff Attorney at TLDEF.

"Noah brings a wealth of knowledge and we are delighted to have him join us," said TLDEF's executive director, Michael Silverman. "We look forward to his significant contributions as TLDEF continues working for transgender equal rights."

While a student at Harvard Law School, Lewis received the Dean's Award for Community Service for his work with the Harvard Transgender Task Force, Harvard Law School Lambda, and the Student Animal Legal Defense Fund. At Harvard, his work included assisting with the campaign to add gender identity to Harvard's nondiscrimination policy and achieving improvements in insurance coverage for transgender health care.

After school, while living in Pittsburgh, Lewis engaged in transgender community organizing, including leading a transgender study group, speaking at educational events, and testifying in favor of a county-wide transgender anti-discrimination law.

Before attending Harvard Law School, Lewis graduated *magna cum laude* from the University of Pittsburgh with a B.S. in chemistry and a B.A. in the history and philosophy of science. At Pitt, he helped lead a successful campaign to get domestic partner health benefits at the university.

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Transgender Legal Defense & Education Fund is committed to ending discrimination based upon gender identity and expression, and to achieving equality for transgender people through public education, test-case litigation, direct legal services, community organizing and public policy efforts.