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## **RWU Law Welcomes New Director of Diversity**

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### **RWU LAW WELCOMES NEW DIRECTOR OF DIVERSITY**



**Bristol, R.I., February 9, 2011:** Roger Williams

University School of Law is pleased to announce the appointment of **Deborah L. Johnson, Esq.**, as its new Director of Diversity.

“We’re thrilled to have Deborah joining our team,” said **Dean David A. Logan**. “Because of the importance of this position, we undertook a national search that yielded a pool of excellent applicants. Deborah stood out because of her varied background and a demonstrated commitment to diversity that will continue our high level of support for students – and particularly students of color – at RWU Law.”

A graduate of Notre Dame and Northeastern University School of Law, Johnson served as Law Clerk to the Hon. Napoleon A. Jones, Jr., of the United States District Court (S.D. Cal.) in San Diego and worked for six years as a Law Associate with Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky & Popeo, P.C., in Boston.

Johnson was Director of Youth Programs at the Boston Center for Community & Justice, and is a member of the Board of Directors for both the Center for Collaborative Education and the Elizabeth Stone House, which assists women and families suffering the effects of domestic violence and other trauma. She is a member of the California, Massachusetts and New York state bars.

“Deborah Johnson’s presence is a benefit for all students at RWU Law,” said **Dean of Students Lorraine Lalli**, who will be working closely with Johnson. “Her efforts to support a more inclusive and diverse community will better prepare our graduates to compete in the legal market of the future.”

RWU Law students hail from more than 30 states and five countries, and its faculty is one of the most diverse among New England law schools. “We offer a rigorous education in a supportive environment to all of our students,” Logan said.