

General Information

Meeting Location

The New York Academy of Medicine
1216 Fifth Avenue (at 103rd Street)
Room 20
New York City

Time

Wednesday, May 22, 2002
Lecture: 4:00 p.m.
Reception: 5:30 p.m.

Registration Information

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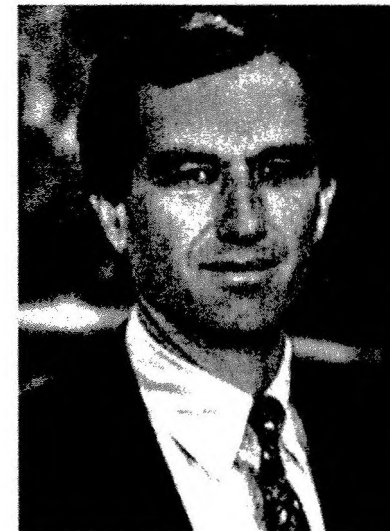
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THE LINDA T. ZIDELL

MEMORIAL LECTURE
IN ENVIRONMENTAL PEDIATRICS



ROBERT F. KENNEDY, JR.

"OUR ENVIRONMENTAL DESTINY"

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Linda T. Zidell

1947 - 2000

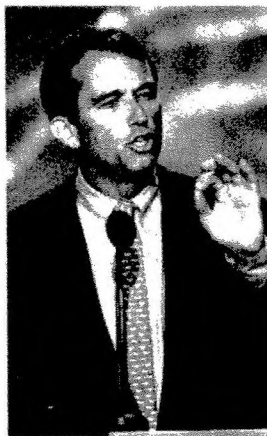


Linda T. Zidell lived her life by a guiding principle: she believed that individuals could make a difference and have a responsibility to try. Her activism was motivated by a deep and abiding regard for the entire web of life. When it was discovered ten years

ago that toxic chemicals off-gassing from new carpet in her home caused her chronic insomnia, memory loss and speech difficulties, Linda became one of the leading figures in the fight against environmentally caused illness. Childhood exposure to toxic chemicals was of particular concern to Linda - exposures present in everyday surroundings that cause decreased intelligence, hyperactivity, and an increased risk of disease throughout life. To tackle the problem, Linda founded and directed the Chemical Impact Project (CIP), an organization that supports top-level scientists and their work on these issues. CIP helped convince officials from twenty-two nations to draft legislation regulating toxic chemicals. "We can find alternatives to these chemicals," Zidell said. "I decided not to sit back but to do something."

Even after her untimely death from breast cancer in December 2000, Linda T. Zidell is still making a difference. In gratitude for her activism on behalf of environmental health issues, the Mount Sinai School of Medicine is proud to name this lecture series in her honor.

Robert F. Kennedy, Jr.



Robert F. Kennedy, Jr.'s reputation as a resolute defender of the environment stems from a litany of successful legal actions: prosecuting governments and companies for polluting the Hudson River and Long Island Sound; winning settlements for the Hudson Riverkeeper;

arguing cases to expand citizen access to the shoreline, and suing sewage treatment plants to force compliance with the Clean Water Act. "He's a pioneering environmental attorney who has established whole new standards for governmental and industrial compliance with environmental laws," says Hudson Riverkeeper John Cronin.

Mr. Kennedy serves as Senior Attorney for the Natural Resources Defense Council, Chief Prosecuting Attorney for the Hudson Riverkeeper and President of the Waterkeeper Alliance. He is also a Clinical Professor and Supervising Attorney at the Pace Environmental Litigation Clinic at Pace University School of Law in New York. Earlier in his career he served as Assistant District Attorney in New York City. He has worked on several political campaigns and was state coordinator for Edward M. Kennedy's 1980 Presidential Campaign. He has worked on environmental issues across the Americas and has assisted several indigenous tribes in Latin America and Canada in successfully negotiating treaties protecting traditional homelands. He is credited with leading the fight to protect New York City's water supply. The New York City watershed agreement, which he

negotiated on behalf of environmentalists and New York City watershed consumers, is regarded as an international model in stakeholder consensus negotiations and sustainable development. He helped lead the fight to turn back the anti-environmental legislation during the 104th Congress.

Among Mr. Kennedy's published books are *The Riverkeepers* (1997), *New York State Apprentice Falconer's Manual*, (1987), and *Judge Frank M. Johnson, Jr. A Biography* (1977).

His articles have appeared in *The New York Times*, *Atlantic Monthly*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *Esquire*, *The Village Voice*, *The Boston Globe*, *The Washington Post*, *Pace Environmental Law Review*, and other publications.

Mr. Kennedy is a graduate of Harvard University. He studied at the London School of Economics and received his law degree from the University of Virginia Law School. Following graduation he attended Pace University School of Law, where he was awarded a Masters Degree in Environmental Law.

He is a licensed master falconer, and as often as possible he pursues a life-long enthusiasm for white-water paddling. He has organized and led several expeditions to Latin America, including first descents on three little known rivers in Peru, Colombia, and Venezuela.

CCHE

The Center for Children's Health and the Environment (CCHE) of the Mount Sinai School of Medicine is spearheading the effort to protect children from environmental toxins. Its mission is to translate science into public policy, to educate the public and the medical community about the environmental risks to children, and to influence policy-makers to enact legislative safeguards to protect children against environmental threats.