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The National Crime Victim Law Institute (NCVLI) today announced that **Jennifer Storm** has joined its Board of Directors. Ms. Storm who survived child-hood victimizations is a nationally recognized victim advocate.

Since December 2013, Ms. Storm has served as the Victim Advocate for the Office of the Victim Advocate of Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. She previously served as executive director of the Dauphin County, Pennsylvania Victim/Witness/Assistance Program, during her 10 year tenure in that position she served on numerous state-wide commissions and task forces.

"I have had the privilege of knowing and working with Jennifer over the past five years, she fights to ensure that victims' voices are heard in a meaningful way at every turn," said Meg Garvin, Executive Director of NCVLI. "Jennifer embodies the dedication, passion, and commitment critical to advancing victims' rights, and without any doubt, NCVLI and its vision of a better future for victims are in good hands with Jennifer Storm on the leadership team."

"Jennifer Storm has fought tirelessly on the behalf of thousands who have been the targets of criminals," said Governor Tom Corbett. "In naming her to their Board of Directors, the National Crime Victim Law Institute will benefit from her unrivaled insight, passion and experience."

Ms. Storm is joining twelve other individuals who serve on NCVLI's Board of Directors.

"The National Crime Victim Law Institute is comprised of the nations leading experts in victims' rights and it is a honor to have been chosen to serve on their Board of Directors," said Victim Advocate of the Commonwealth of PA Jennifer Storm. "I look forward to working with them in furthering their mission of ensuring balancing and fairness in the justice system for all crime victims."

Ms. Storm has received numerous awards in recognition of her work, including the 2012 Liberty Bell Award, presented by the Dauphin County Bar Association; the Pathfinder Award for Excellence in Victims Services in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and the Gail Burns-Smith Excellence in Victim Services Award at NCVLI's 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Crime Victim Law Conference in 2012. Ms. Storm is also the author of several books on addiction, recovery and victimization: *Leave the Light On: A Memoir of Recovery and Self-Discovery*; *Blackout Girl: Growing Up and Drying Out in America*; *Picking Up the Pieces Without Picking Up: A Guidebook through Victimization for People in Recovery* and the ebook *Echoes of Penn State: Facing Sexual Trauma*.

*Founded in 2000, the [National Crime Victim Law Institute](http://www.NCVLI.org) is a national resource for crime victim lawyers and advocates to support the assertion and enforcement of victims' rights in criminal and civil processes. NCVLI continues to be the only national organization whose mission is focused on enforcement of victims' rights in the courts.*