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### PAUL, WEISS RESPONDS TO SUPREME COURT RULING IN UNITED STATES V. WINDSOR

New York, June 26, 2013 – The Supreme Court of the United States ruled in favor of Edith Windsor and struck down section three of the Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA) as unconstitutional.

Firm chair Brad S. Karp said "We are proud to have helped our client Edie Windsor achieve this historic victory for civil rights and human dignity. And we are gratified that the Supreme Court has now recognized that all married couples – whether straight or gay – are entitled to be treated equally under the law."

Prior to today's Supreme Court ruling, Paul, Weiss has represented Edith Windsor from the beginning of her case through her victories in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, and again before the Second Circuit Court of Appeals.

Paul, Weiss has a proud history of providing pro bono legal assistance to those in need and serving the public interest. From helping Thurgood Marshall prepare and argue *Brownv*. *Board of Education* in the 1950s and winning landmark victories in civil rights and death row cases in the 1970s and 1980s, to the more recent successful representation of reproductive healthcare workers and the preparation of amicus briefs supporting The University of Michigan Law School's affirmative action program and the Family Medical Leave Act, the firm's pro bono work continues to contribute to significant progress and changes in the law.

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