

# The Paley Rothman Blog

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## **HUEMANN ADVOCACY – THE STORY OF JUDITH HUEMANN**

Judith “Judy” Heumann is an American and international disability rights activist, who has significantly contributed to the development of legislation and policies benefitting children and adults with disabilities.

## **BARBARA GITTINGS: FROM THE LADDER TO THE LINES**

Barbara Gittings was a prominent early activist for LGBT equality in the U.S. Born in 1932, she lived an authentic life and used her voice to speak out when few were doing so. As she put it, her mission was to tear away the “shroud of invisibility” related to homosexuality, which had been associated with crime and mental illness.

## **U.S. SENATOR TAMMY DUCKWORTH: IRAQ WAR VETERAN, PURPLE HEART RECIPIENT, AND AN ASIAN AMERICAN WOMAN OF MANY FIRSTS**

Ladda Tammy Duckworth was born in Bangkok, Thailand. Her mother was from the Chiang Mai Province in Northern Thailand, and her father was an American U.S. Army and Marine Corps veteran (making Duckworth a natural-born U.S. citizen).

## **PHILIP VERA CRUZ & MODESTO “LARRY” DULAY ITLIONG - FILIPINO AMERICAN LABOR LEADERS AND CIVIL RIGHTS ACTIVISTS**

Although a decade apart, both Philip Vera Cruz and Modesto “Larry” Duly Itliong were born in the Philippines and then came to the United States when they were young men.

## **BLACK HISTORY, LEAVING A LEGACY: ROBERT SMALLS**

Robert Smalls leaves us all a legacy of bravery and heroism, as well as a duty to stand up for what is right. We must continue Smalls’ efforts to combat the systemic racism that still pervades so many of our institutions.