



Bob Rubin and Debra Blum at their law school graduation.

Bob Rubin has been practicing criminal defense in state and federal courts for over 30 years. He went to Emory's college and law school with Debbie Blum, and probably would not have graduated either without her help.

Bob was married to Debbie for 18 years before she passed away in 2005. He has two wonderful daughters with her, Jenna and Amanda. Debbie's career in mental health advocacy began at Atlanta Legal Aid Society where she litigated on behalf of those civilly committed. Later Debbie worked at the Georgia Indigent Defense Council, which became the Georgia Public Defender Standards Council. At GPDSC, Debbie started the Mental Health Advocacy Division and worked with Sabrina Rhinehart, among others, to ensure that insanity acquittees received the rights guaranteed to them under the United States Constitution and Georgia law.

Debbie's determination in fighting for the rights of the oppressed, and her own personal health struggle has been an inspiration to all who knew her.