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Attorney Lisa C. Paul to Discuss *Swimming in the Daylight: An American Student, a Soviet-Jewish Dissident and the Gift of Hope*

Milwaukee -- Shorewood attorney Lisa C. Paul will discuss her new book, *Swimming in the Daylight: An American Student, a Soviet-Jewish Dissident and the Gift of Hope* on Sunday, February 27 at 1 pm at the Jewish Museum Milwaukee, 1360 N. Prospect Avenue in Milwaukee. The lecture is co-sponsored by the Jewish Community Relations Council of the Milwaukee Jewish Federation.

When Paul, as a college student in 1983, spent her junior year studying in Moscow, she studied with and befriended private tutor Inna Meiman, a Soviet dissident who had been fired from her position as an English professor and was later denied a visa to leave the USSR for life-saving cancer treatment because of her husband's involvement with human rights group Helsinki Watch. Paul became her friend's advocate, finally securing her release in 1987; Inna Meiman died three weeks after arriving in the US. After becoming an attorney, marrying and having two children, Lisa Paul began in 2009 to turn the story of Inna Meiman into the book she will discuss on February 27.

This event is free of charge and open to the public.

Jewish Museum Milwaukee, which opened in April, 2008, tells the story of the Jewish people in Milwaukee through interactive exhibits, films, photos and videos. The Museum is a department of the Milwaukee Jewish Federation.

Founded in 1938, the Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC) advocates for the rights and values of Jews individually and collectively, here and abroad. The Council implements a coordinated program of education, action, and advocacy for the Jewish community, and on March 1, 2010, became a core function of the Milwaukee Jewish Federation.

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