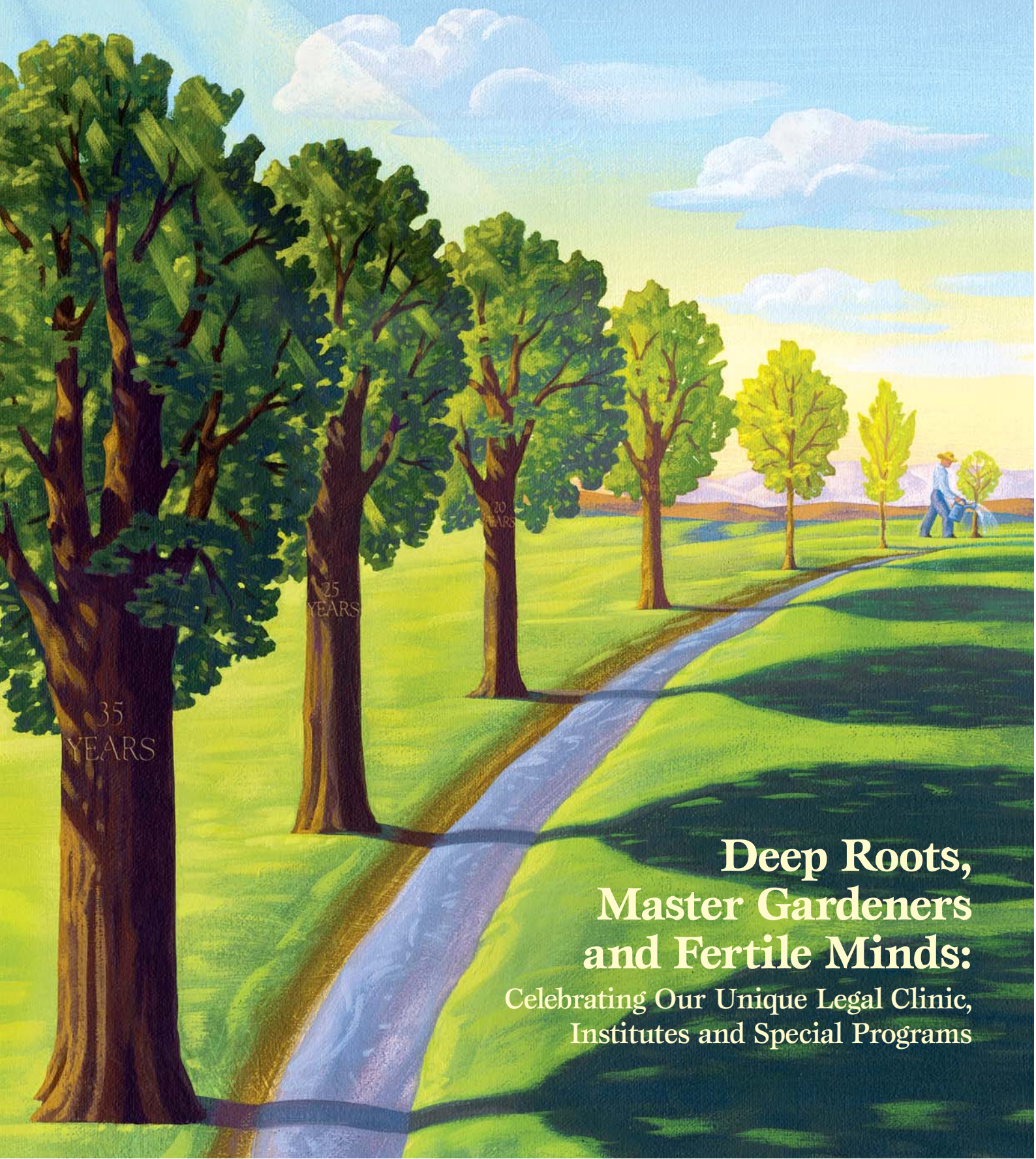


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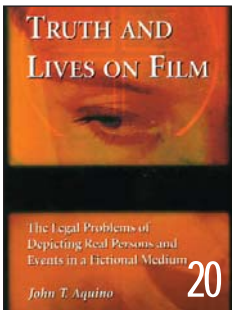
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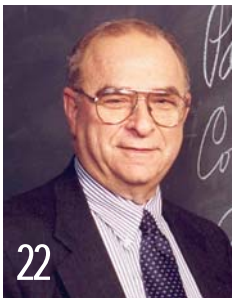
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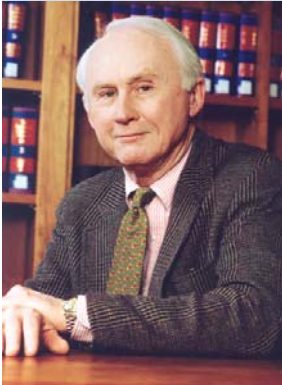
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A New Kind of Honor



Professor Michael F. Noone Jr. is the first CUA law faculty professor to hold the position of research ordinary professor. The seat was created in part to recognize his extraordinary contributions to the Columbus School of Law.

Professor Noone served 20 years as a judge advocate in the U.S. Air Force, retiring as a colonel before he joined the law faculty in 1978. He remains active in national security issues. He's a fellow of the Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society and serves as a member of the International Advisory Board, Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces, the board of the National Institute of Military Justice and the executive board of the Judge Advocate's Association Inn of Court. He was a distinguished visiting professor of law at the U.S. Military Academy (West Point) in 1991 and co-authored the textbook used by its law department. Recent published work includes "Unprivileged Belligerency: The IRA," *Military Affairs*, Winter 2005. His professional interests include torts and products liability, remedies, and comparative and international

law. His research and writing on peacekeeping and political violence have taken him in recent years to Australia and New Zealand, to South Africa, and to Northern Ireland and Israel.

An experienced and highly sought-after media commentator on many issues of national security and legal procedure within the armed forces, Professor Noone has appeared frequently over the years on FOX Evening and Cable News, NBC, CBS, and "ABC Nightly News," CNN, MSNBC, "The News Hour," "Dateline," "Nightline," "News at Issue," The History Channel, Court TV and other media outlets. He has also been quoted by *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *The Boston Globe*, *The Los Angeles Times*, *The Christian Science Monitor*, *USA Today*, The Associated Press, United Press International, and various local and regional newspapers.

Legal Career Services is Looking for Alumni Volunteers

**Be an Interviewer
in our Spring 2006 Mock Interview Program on
Tuesday, February 7, 2006**

Our Mock Interview Program is one of our most popular programs of the year. Alumni conduct mock interviews with our students in preparation for the spring recruiting season. Students go to the offices of the alumni for their interviews.

We are looking for up to two hours of your time to conduct up to four interviews. If you are able to participate, please contact Laura Hosid at hosid@cua.edu.

A Conversation with the Dean

On Aug. 1, 2005, Veryl Victoria Miles officially began her duties as the 25th dean of the Columbus School of Law. A 1980 graduate of the school she now leads, Dean Miles is the first woman and African-American to hold the position in the law school's history. In announcing the news, the Very Rev. David M. O'Connell, C.M., the president of Catholic University, said "This appointment will ensure stability and continuity with the school's historic past while creating the promise of an even greater future." Recently, Dean Miles sat down with *CUA Lawyer* to talk about her new job.

CUA Lawyer: AFTER NEARLY TWO DECADES HERE AS A FACULTY PROFESSOR, WHY DID YOU DECIDE TO PURSUE THE DEANSHIP WHEN THE OPPORTUNITY AROSE?

Dean Miles: The deanship seemed to be a logical next step for me and my interest in law school administration. I have had other opportunities to work in law school administration — first, as the associate dean for academic affairs (1997–1999) and later as the deputy director of the Association of American Law Schools (2001–2003). To my surprise, I became intrigued with the work of an administrator and the ability to have an impact on the direction and facilitation of the academic program of

the law school as well as working with students and faculty members in helping them to achieve their educational and professional goals, which is one of the most satisfying parts of the work of an administrator.

CUA Lawyer: AS THE FIRST FEMALE AND AFRICAN-AMERICAN DEAN IN THE SCHOOL'S HISTORY, HOW DOES YOUR PERSPECTIVE DIFFER FROM THOSE OF YOUR PREDECESSORS?

Dean Miles: I definitely believe that being a woman and an African-American result in not only a difference in the dean's perspective but also in the perspective of those who approach the office. While my predecessors were very sensitive and responsive to the concerns and interests of women and minorities in a very positive way, I am able to speak and relate to those same issues from a first-hand experience perspective.

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CUA Lawyer: YOU ARE ALSO THE FIRST DEAN HERE WHO IS TRULY LOCAL, HAVING SPENT MUCH OF YOUR LIFE WITHIN A FEW BLOCKS OF THE AREA. IS THE LAW SCHOOL A GOOD ENOUGH NEIGHBOR TO AREA RESIDENTS?

Dean Miles: The law school does very well in helping local residents through the Columbus Community Legal Services Clinic, as well as through volunteer services that all of our student organizations provide to area food and clothing banks, local schools, hospitals, churches and other charitable institutions that rely on volunteers to help in their outreach. Of course, I think we can always do more. For one thing, I think there are more residents who could benefit from the legal services of our clinic. I have found in conversations with area residents that many are



Dean Miles introduced Maryland Lt. Gov. Michael Steele to the law school community on Aug. 29, 2005. Currently a candidate for the U.S. Senate, Steele delivered the law school's 37th annual Pope John XXIII Lecture.

unaware that such services are available at the law school. However, once they are aware of these services and take advantage of them, they are so grateful for this assistance and the wonderful clinicians and law students who help them in what seems an unsolvable situation.

CUA Lawyer: HOW DID YOUR TWO-YEAR LEAVE (2001–2003) TO WORK FOR THE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN LAW SCHOOLS CONTRIBUTE TO YOUR PREPARATION FOR THE DEANSHIP?

Dean Miles: My experience with the AALS was critical to my preparation for the deanship. I worked as a volunteer with the AALS for years prior to my employment there as the deputy director in 2001. I served on many committees and was the association's representative on numerous site evaluation teams assigned to inspect law schools going through sabbatical reviews for accreditation and membership. All of this experience expanded my knowledge about every aspect of legal education and law school administration.

CUA Lawyer: WHAT ARE THE STRENGTHS OF THE COLUMBUS SCHOOL OF LAW? WHAT ARE THE BIGGEST CHALLENGES?

Dean Miles: We have many of the same qualities and characteristics of the more nationally recognized and competitive sister law schools. And while we all know that there are many schools ranked higher than us, the "up-close" look that I have had of many of these schools revealed that their academic programs do not have the breadth and depth of our academic program; many of the faculties of these schools are nowhere near as prolific as ours and few of the schools have the extraordinary physical facility that we have. We also have the benefit of being in Washington, D.C., offering students a truly unique access to the professional learning and practice

opportunities at the seat of our national government and the international community of Washington. Moreover, no other school in this country has a more distinct and unique identity as ours — we are the one and only law school of the National University of the Catholic Church in the United States; this is significant and should stand for something in the legal community.

One of the greatest challenges we face in the very competitive market of law schools is that too many prospective students and faculty and members of the bar — our "world" audience — do not know about us or what we stand for. If we are to ever reach the wider audience, we must help our audience to understand what it means to be who we are as The Catholic University of America, Columbus School of Law and how that makes us distinct and excellent.

A second challenge that we face is our need for greater financial resources. Virtually all of the schools that have achieved such recognition as top tier schools, in particular the private schools, have a significant reserve of resources they can invest back into their programs and people to move forward and be competitive. It will be my goal to increase alumni participation in giving to the law school.

CUA Lawyer: WHERE DO YOU WANT TO LEAD THE COLUMBUS SCHOOL OF LAW DURING YOUR TENURE AS DEAN?

Dean Miles: My vision for our law school is to become a nationally recognized and competitive law school and to become the leading Catholic law school in the nation.

I believe that this can be achieved by embarking on two campaigns:

- A national public campaign that reflects that CUA law stands for excellence and innovation in legal education. This is my theme for this year and includes a celebration of the special academic pro-

grams we offer, many of which are the longest standing of their kind in the nation. Here, we not only educate our students to be competent and capable lawyers, but we encourage them to allow their moral, ethical and religious values to be guiding forces in influencing the character of the lawyer they will each become.

- Second, a capital fund raising campaign to build a financial foundation to support our students with scholarships, faculty research and development funds.

CUA Lawyer: DO YOU HAVE A PHILOSOPHY OF LIFE AND WORK THAT YOU BRING TO THE JOB EACH DAY?

Dean Miles: I seek an inner peace in life through my faith. I hope to bring that to everything that I do, including my work at Catholic. I view each day as a blessing from God. With that in mind, it is my goal to be a blessing to others. This of course is a challenging goal to achieve but I can't imagine beginning a day any other way — it keeps me hopeful.

CUA Lawyer: WHAT DO YOU LIKE TO DO WITH YOUR SPARE TIME, IF ANY EXISTS?

Dean Miles: I enjoy spending time with my family. I try to reserve Saturdays for my sons and their activities, which includes attending soccer and basketball practices and games. On Sundays, I enjoy attending Mass with my sons, my parents and my parish family at St. Anthony's in Brookland. The afternoons are reserved for my husband so that we can shop together, take in a movie, go for a Sunday drive or have dinner together. I also enjoy reading, which includes novels and historical fiction. During the spring and summer I enjoy gardening, while I am not an expert at growing plants and flowers, I love to work in my yard; it is very relaxing and great exercise.

From Acorns to Towering Oaks

CUA's Legal Clinic, Institutes and Special Programs Spread Far and Wide

Any gardener will tell you: to nurse a seedling into glorious full bloom takes a precise combination of nutritious soil, hard work and careful tending, and sometimes good fortune as well. Not so different, really, from the successful formula for a specialized legal program.

The founders, directors and faculty professors of the law school's celebrated legal clinic, institutes and special programs are gardeners in their own right. With Zen-like focus and the patience of master horticulturists, they have spent decades planting, tending and fertilizing — inch by inch and row by row — a unique group of specialized legal training programs that have literally changed the lives of thousands of people.

The impact wrought by these visionary programs is sometimes writ large.

The Federal Communications Commission and the Securities Exchange Commission,

for example, are two powerful government agencies whose very institutional cultures have been influenced by the hundreds of CUA law certificate students who have been employed there. Other times, however, the impact is personal and out of sight. No one will ever know the precise number of disadvantaged people who have appealed to Columbus Community Legal Services over the years for help with private legal problems, assistance that has always been provided with dignity, discretion, competence and compassion.

The educators behind the legal clinic and five institutes and special programs are justly proud of what they have planted and harvested. But self-fulfillment has never been the seed. To a person, they will tell you that the sublime joy of nurturing the skills, careers and lives of generations of budding lawyers is reward enough.

As it happens, 2005 marks milestone anniversaries for our specialty legal services and programs and the men and women who tend them. Today, these programs are in full bloom: well-respected, superbly run and, above all, still producing outstanding graduates who are a credit to the legal profession as a whole.

Deep roots, master gardeners and fertile minds: at CUA law, the conditions are ideal for many more seasons of growth in the warmth of the sun.

By Tom Haederle



35 years: Columbus Community Legal Services

One evening during the mid-1980s, two students sat in a parked car, shooting nervous glances up and down the street. They were alone late at night in one of Washington, D.C.'s poorest and most dangerous neighborhoods. The students were representing a client who had come to the Families and the Law Clinic of Columbus Community Legal Services to seek protection from an abusive spouse. Their job that evening was to stalk the menacing husband and, when the time seemed right, to serve him with a restraining order. The two were hoping the action would not turn ugly or violent.

"What in the world am I doing here?" wondered Betsy Soule, 1987. Raised in the safe surroundings of a homogenous Midwestern town, the sometime grittiness of real-life urban lawyering was starting to sink in. Eventually their quarry came sauntering down the street and her partner, a young male law student, leapt out of the car and luckily served the papers without incident.

"The clinic was eye-opening about what the world was really like," Soule recalls today. Though scary at the time, the episode did not turn her away from public service. Today, Betsy Soule is an attorney with the South Middlesex Legal Services of Framingham, Mass.

In a snapshot, that is the continuing story of the law school's Columbus Community Legal Services. The free legal clinic has always offered help to those in need of protection and justice. It functions as

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Founded in 1970, the clinic operated for nearly 25 years out of a three-story building on North Capitol Street, not far from Washington's Union Station and in the heart of the population it served. Modest by the standards of today's impressive clinic offices, the comfortable old house is nonetheless fondly remembered by longtime clinic professors. It was home to a passionately dedicated group of students and professors, voluminous client case files, and, for a while, a cat named Johnson, whom no one recalls either seeking or offering legal advice. Its mission was two-fold: to provide supervised, hands-on clinical legal education for Catholic University law students, and while doing so, to provide a spectrum of pro bono legal services to area residents who could not otherwise afford them.

It has succeeded spectacularly. Today, the program is widely respected as a pioneer in clinical education. It's currently ranked among the top dozen law school legal clinics in America by



Then and now: No matter where it calls home, Columbus Community Legal Services has always extended a hand to anyone in need.



Rise Ain, 1997, (left) and Sarah Mooney, 2003, are currently forming the first CCLS alumni group. Ain says the clinic's lofty national ranking could improve even more. "In our minds, in our hearts and in our community, we want to be No. 1," she challenged.

U.S. News and World Report. It helps hundreds of people find justice and satisfaction from a complicated and impersonal system of justice. Most of all, the clinic instills in so many of its graduates the belief that an essential ingredient in the recipe of a successful life is to give back to others.

"The clinic is a perfect way to gain experience and give back to the community," says Hugo Alfaro, 2002. Now running his own family law firm in Washington, D.C., the ethos of CCLS still guides his practice. "When I have clients who cannot pay, I usually do it for free. Everything I learned in clinic, I use in my practice."

The sense of commitment is echoed by Sarah Mooney, 2003. An associate with the top tier D.C. firm of Hogan & Hartson, she nonetheless devotes considerable personal time representing people who cannot be billed at hundreds of dollars an hour.

"I've always been able to step up and take any pro bono case [at my firm]," says Mooney. "I wouldn't have felt so comfortable taking on that work if it weren't for my experience in the clinic."

Today's clinic offers eight programs that provide a variety of experiences suited to students' personal learning objectives. Three of them, sponsored by Columbus Community Legal Services, emphasize case planning and strategy, trial or administrative advocacy and work with clients in real situations. These programs are Advocacy for the Elderly, the Families and the Law Clinic, and the General Practice Clinic. In other skills clinics, students may also specialize in mediation, criminal prosecution and the Washington, D.C., court system, civil and criminal divisions.

Students learn trial techniques, refine research and writing skills, and develop other important lawyering abilities, such as counseling, interviewing, negotiating and mediating. They also have opportunities to wrestle with the ethical issues that confront lawyers and to examine such critical issues as racism, sexism and class bias in the context of the legal system as well as power imbalances and negotiation styles in alternative dispute resolution.

Students are primarily responsible for their clients' cases. The clinics' supervising attorneys closely monitor case strategy and development. A supervising attorney also accompanies each student to all court appearances. In the Mediation Clinic, after extensive training, students serve as neutral mediators in a

The One and Only Ellen Scully

Although she loudly protests the idea, for many people the face of Columbus Community Legal Services is the face of its 25-year director, Ellen Scully. She assumed leadership of the clinic in 1979 and spent the next quarter century tirelessly teaching, advocating and caring. Ellen was a patient and thorough instructor in the classroom. (As one former student noted, Scully's high standards for classroom performance were relaxed only once. In 1987, the Boston native allowed her students to take a break from class to watch the World Series. Their assignment that week was to cheer on the Red Sox.) She was the calm and reassuring voice to thousands of students before their first, nerve-wracking appearance in a real courtroom before a real judge. She was the support, encouragement and backing to her colleagues and fellow legal clinicians.

Professor Scully decided to step down as director in 2004, though she continues as a faculty professor. Leadership of the clinic is now in the sure hands of long-time Families and the Law clinic Professor Catherine Klein.

On Nov. 4, 2005, the law school hosted a reception in honor of Scully's 25 years of invaluable service as the heart and soul of Columbus Community Legal Services.



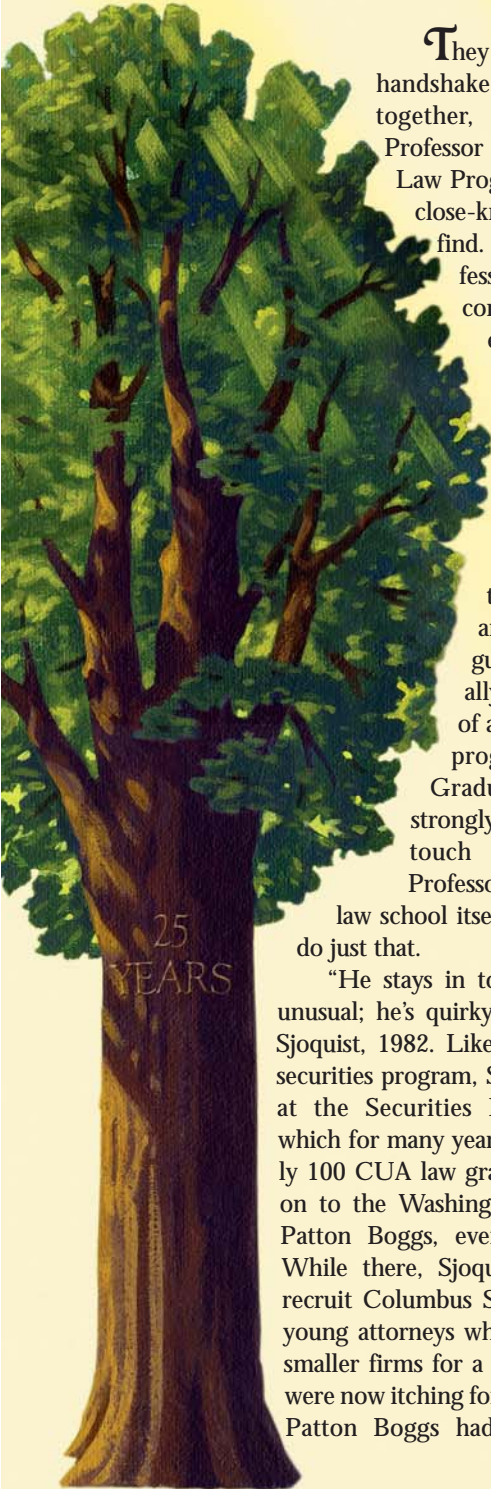
The presentation of a gift to longtime CCLS director Ellen Scully capped an emotional afternoon of memories, stories and reconnections for the legal clinic family.

Former students and clients, colleagues past and present, all came to say 'thank you' to a woman who has lived by her principles and led by example. In the face of an effusive outpouring of praise from speaker after speaker, Ellen Scully was, to the end, characteristically modest. "When you honor me, you honor CCLS," said Scully. "My heroes are our clients."

range of campus and community disputes.

In addition, the law school's legal externship program, ably led for many years by Professor J.P. "Sandy" Ogilvy, provides students yet another option for gaining invaluable real-life experience, setting up individual placements out of the building with an impressive array of employers.

25 years: The Securities Law Program



They may not share a secret handshake or ride motorcycles together, but the alumni of Professor David Lipton's Securities Law Program are as cohesive and close-knit a group as one can find. They are joined by professional interests and their common CUA law experience, of course. But the super-glue that really bonds the group together is Professor Lipton himself.

Since founding the Securities Law Program in 1980, he has been teacher, coach, mentor and benevolent patriarch, guiding careers and gradually crafting a loyal network of alumni that is the envy of programs of its type. Graduating students are strongly encouraged to keep in touch with classmates, with Professor Lipton and with the law school itself. A remarkable number do just that.

"He stays in touch so well. He's quite unusual; he's quirky, he's funny," says Mary Sjoquist, 1982. Like so many alumni of the securities program, Sjoquist began her career at the Securities Exchange Commission, which for many years has hired approximately 100 CUA law graduates. She later moved on to the Washington powerhouse firm of Patton Boggs, eventually making partner. While there, Sjoquist made it a point to recruit Columbus School of Law "laterals," young attorneys who had paid their dues at smaller firms for a couple of years and who were now itching for a shot at the big leagues. Patton Boggs had traditionally recruited



Securities Law Program Director David Lipton created a curriculum that has been copied by law schools across the United States.

from Ivy League law schools. Over time, Sjoquist's efforts opened up a new "pipeline" to CUA graduates as well.

What inspires the loyalty and affection that so many alumni feel about the securities program and its director? Perhaps it's because that while the program asks a lot of its students, it also delivers much in return. As Professor Lipton writes to prospective students:

"Our securities program has been turning out some of the finest securities lawyers in the country for the past several decades. Our graduates are partners at virtually every major law firm in the Washington, D.C., area and at corporate and securities law firms in many of the nation's financial centers. Our graduates hold prominent positions with federal regulatory agencies



Ringling the bell to open daily NASDAQ activity, Chris Concannon, 1994, is executive vice president for Transaction Services for the huge stock exchange.

The end result is that Securities Law Program graduates rank among the best prepared, most well-connected and most experienced specialists in securities and corporate law of any law school in the country.



Above: A law school externship at the Securities Exchange Commission helped Peter McCamman, 2005, land a job with Mayer, Brown. Left: Kathy England, 1981, Gary Stratton, 1983, and Susan Petersen, 1997, are among the approximately 100 CUA law graduates who have launched their careers at the Securities Exchange Commission.

such as the Securities and Exchange Commission as well as self-regulatory agencies such as the National Association of Securities Dealers.”

No boasting, just simple fact. Beyond its comprehensive core curriculum, the Securities Law Program is fueled by the idea that education doesn't stop at the classroom door. Additional opportunities for students to expand their understanding of securities regulation include externships, a speaker series that brings prominent leaders in the securities regulation field to the campus for interactive lectures and a nationally ranked securities moot court program. The end result is that Securities Law Program graduates rank among the best prepared, most well-connected and most experienced specialists in securities and corporate law of any law school in the country. Just ask Chris Concannon, 1994. Only 11 years out of law school, he is currently executive vice president for

Transaction Services, the NASDAQ Stock Market.

Each autumn, Professor Lipton — “Uncle Davey” in his e-mails to alumni — invites current and former students to sit down and break bread together at a lunch that has become a hallowed tradition. The securities alumni practice group luncheons began in the early 1980s in a small side room at the Ramada Inn that used to sit near the CUA campus, long since torn down. While the venue is decidedly more upscale these days, the pride and pleasure that this group of alumni take in each other's company has, if anything, grown stronger over the years. As always, older alumni advise and mentor younger ones, patiently answering questions and sharing insights about the field of securities regulation.

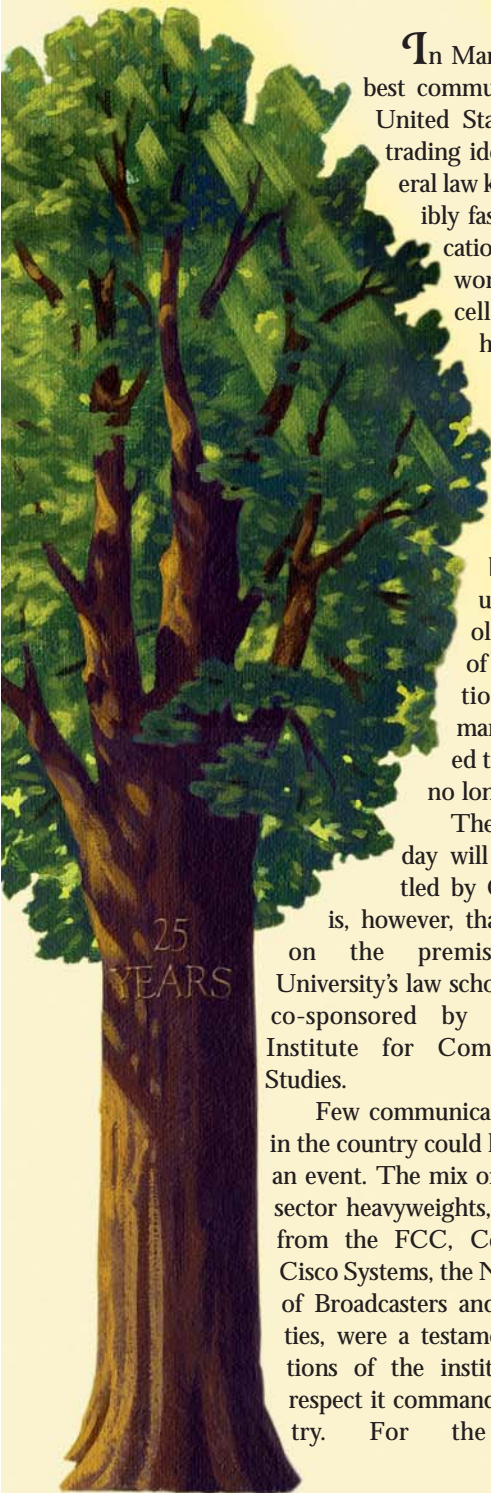
“It's an extraordinary thing to see,” remarked law school Dean Veryl Miles during the 2005 luncheon, held at the

Army-Navy Club in downtown, Washington, D.C. “Every year, you all come and mentor our current students. It's a part of what makes this school so special. We celebrate the program, we celebrate the man. And of course, we celebrate all of you.”

Looking on, Professor David Lipton beamed proudly. Surveying his tribe, this united cohort of securities law practitioners whose skills help to sustain and advance the most sophisticated financial economy in the world, he reflected on his ever deepening connection not only to the unique program he has wrought, but to the hundreds of students who have bloomed under his expert tutelage through the years. He wines and dines with them, attends their parties and marriages, and even joins his flock at baseball games.

“People ask me, why do I teach? I teach for those moments,” said Lipton.

25 years: The Institute for Communications Law Studies



In March of 2005, some of the best communications lawyers in the United States spent an entire day trading ideas on how to make federal law keep pace with the incredibly fast evolution of communications technology. In today's world of picture-snapping cell phones, MP3 players, high definition TV and countless other innovations, the fundamental communications law of the land, the Telecommunications Act of 1996, was out of breath and chugging uphill. Nearly a decade old, much of its thousands of pages of arcane regulations were obsolete. In many cases the law attempted to control technology that no longer existed.

The big questions raised that day will eventually be settled by Congress. The fact is, however, that they were raised on the premises of Catholic University's law school, at a symposium co-sponsored by the law school's Institute for Communications Law Studies.

Few communications law programs in the country could have pulled off such an event. The mix of public and private sector heavyweights, including speakers from the FCC, Congressional staffs, Cisco Systems, the National Association of Broadcasters and many other entities, were a testament to the connections of the institute and the wide respect it commands within the industry. For the Institute for

Communications Law Studies, providing a forum for the industry's most dynamic movers and shakers was just one more in a long line of head-turning successes.

"I've never met an unhappy communications lawyer." That mantra was the property of Professor Harvey Zuckman, founder of the institute and director for most of its history.

Zuckman viewed communications law as fun, cutting-edge and endlessly interesting. The chance to help shape the legal landscape of perhaps the most powerful tool ever devised by human beings, mass communication, proved irresistible. Beginning in 1980, Professor Zuckman crafted his program with care, and it shows. After a quarter-century of existence, today's Institute for Communications Law Studies offers more courses in communications law than any other American law

Today's Institute for Communications Law Studies offers more courses in communications law than any other American law school and provides invaluable externships found only in the Washington, D.C., area.



Professor Harvey Zuckman (left) in 1998 with CUA's successful National Telecommunications Moot Court team.



FCC commissioner and 1983 alumna Kathleen Q. Abernathy (center) predicts a stimulating future for communications attorneys. "The lawyer's work for your generation will be challenging and exciting!" she told the Class of 2005.

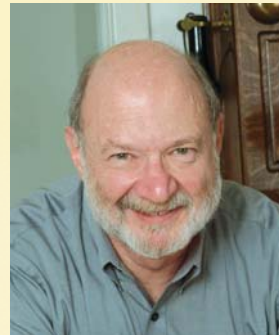
school and provides invaluable externships found only in the Washington, D.C., area. It prepares students for practice with top communications law firms, government agencies, media and public interest organizations, as well as private communications companies. Its outstanding publication, *CommLaw Conspectus: Journal of Communications Law and Policy*, has provided a highly respected forum for advanced thinking in the field. The institute's National Telecommunications Moot Court Competition, held annually at Catholic University's law school, has become a must-attend event for top communications law programs around the country.

The institute has always stressed that a successful communications attorney must be able to do more than broker the sale of a television station. It asks students to think critically about the broader impact that mass media have upon society and human behavior.

The message was underscored not long ago by FCC Commissioner Kathleen Abernathy, 1983. Appointed by President Bush to the commission four years ago, Abernathy has taught communications law at CUA as an adjunct instructor and was the law school's commencement speaker in May 2005.

"There are no limits to knowledge anymore," she told the new graduates. "Anyone anywhere can surf billions of Web pages every day. And yet, when it comes to wading through all of this information to form valid judgments about major issues that confront all of us, many of us lack the necessary skills to process and use this new data."

The 300 plus graduates of the Institute for Communications Law Studies are a small but strategically placed army of smart, forward-thinking lawyers who, by their ability to shape policy through key positions at the FCC, on Capitol Hill and in the private sector, will remain a major force in the practice of communications law for the foreseeable future. Former FCC Chairman Richard E. Wiley, now a part-



Professor David Irwin will lead the Institute for Communications Law Studies through the next chapter of its history.

ner at Wiley Rein & Fielding, says, "Whether as staff attorneys or student externs, [institute graduates] arrive well-trained, motivated and ready to work hard on behalf of public interest. I hope that the telecommunications industry will always be a magnet for Catholic University's law graduates. They contribute greatly to this vital field."

The program's success shows no signs of slowing down or becoming derailed. David Irwin, a 20-year adjunct instructor and founding partner of Irwin, Campbell & Tannenwald PC, assumed the directorship of the institute in 2004 following Harvey Zuckman's decision to take a well-earned rest from running the institute he led for so long.

Says Professor Irwin, "My pronounced goal as director is to make the Institute for Communications Law Studies a recognized center of excellence both domestically and internationally." One could make a convincing case that his goal has already been achieved.

20 years: Comparative and International Law Institute



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With almost no money but limitless persistence, Professor Rett Ludwikowski founded the Comparative and International Law Institute in 1985 upon one simple idea: “As the nations of our world become more connected and interdependent, today’s lawyers are increasingly called upon to negotiate directly with foreign governments, multinational corporations and international financial institutions.” In other words, fluency in the laws of just one county didn’t cut it anymore.

The early years were a struggle. Resources were scarce, and the lack of any kind of precedent at CUA law meant the curriculum had to be designed from scratch. Professor Ludwikowski was new to both the Columbus School of Law and to the United States. He had emigrated from Poland during the early 1980s, a time during which the country’s communist controlled media pinned him with the painful tag of “defector.”

With the steadfast support of many people, including former CUA law deans Ralph Rohner and William F. Fox Jr., Professor Ludwikowski eventually overcame these hurdles to build a program that today numbers more than 300 graduates. Its arduous certificate



program trains attorneys who can negotiate with foreign governments, guide multinational corporations and represent international financial institutions. Some graduates choose to work for international aid and relief organizations. With a

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mission as big as the world itself, CILI trained attorneys are a part of the foundation that makes smooth international legal transactions possible.

Y.J. Chun, 2001, is currently an international trade compliance analyst at the U.S. Department of Commerce's Import Administration, a position he credits to his CILI certificate. "It helped me get my current job," says Chun. "The international legal education I received from CUA law helped me understand different countries' laws and legal systems for the antidumping duty cases that I handle today."

It is often pointed out that today's economies are increasingly interdependent. Complicated deals between nations and trading blocs demand attorneys who are not only adept in international laws of commerce, but who can also function as quasi-ambassadors, increasing intercultural tolerance and understanding. Very few law programs in America produce such uniquely qualified graduates as the Comparative and International Law Institute.

"[The program] builds a forum for communicating with diverse cultures," remarks Stanley Glod, an early CILI supporter and close friend of Professor Ludwikowski's. "Unless this is done by young people, like the CUA students in this program, we face dire consequences." As former vice president, Central Europe, Boeing Aerospace Poland, Glod clearly sees the indispensability of lawyers who are at home in the laws of more than one nation.

"This program needs no selling. It's like a high performance vehicle that everybody wants," he says.

Certificate-bearing alumni of the Comparative and International Law Institute populate many transnational agencies today, including the Inter-American Development Bank, the International Center for Not-for-Profit Law, the International Trade Commission, the American Bar Association's Central and Eastern European Law Initiative, and the United States Agency for International Development, to name but a few. Today's institute is entrenched, well respected and well-connected. Every year, talented new students knock at its door seeking admission.

Most of the program's success is due to the vision and hard work of one man, who even after two decades of success refuses to rest easy.

"Twenty years ago a new baby was born. Now, it's a mature person. You have my promise, it will continue to grow," says Professor Ludwikowski.



Professor Rett Ludwikowski's trademark summer program in Cracow was recently praised by Poland's ambassador to the U.S. as "A model of joint ventures and cooperation between the U.S. and Poland."

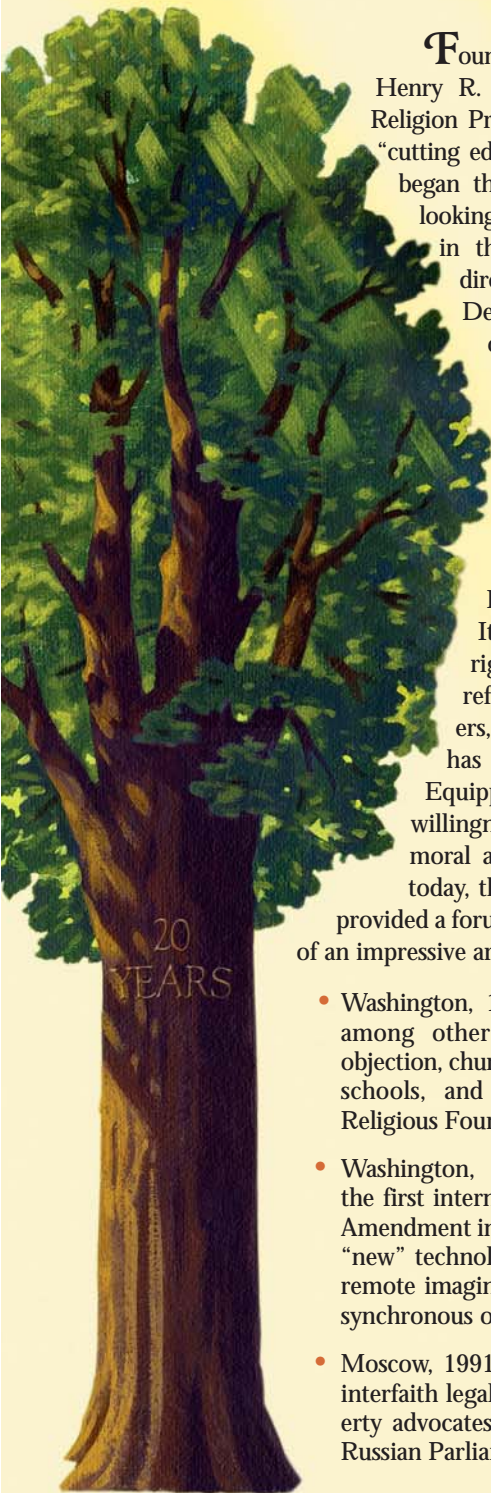
The International Business and Trade Summer Law Program

If the Comparative and International Law Institute has a "signature" feature, it is surely the International Business and Trade Summer Law Program. Started in 1992, the six-week summer law program is conducted at the Jagiellonian University in Cracow, Poland, considered one of the most beautiful and prestigious universities in Europe. (The famed astronomer Copernicus studied there). The summer law program offers students a superb opportunity to absorb international law from American and Polish faculty, as well as from distinguished guest speakers. The program is fully accredited by the American Bar Association. In addition to Americans, the program also enrolls approximately two dozen carefully selected, English-speaking Polish students. This academic joint venture allows scholars from both countries to study international law side-by-side, in a program designed to strengthen their mutual understanding of international business and trade and to help them better appreciate the different cultural contexts of the legal profession.

"It was one of the best things I've even done in my life," says Jonathan Kramer, 1994. Now an attorney for the Department of Veterans Affairs, Kramer studied hard, savored Cracow and dined on tasty Polish food during the summer of 1992.

"The program was very helpful," remembers Kramer. "Professor Ludwikowski set it up perfectly. All our needs were met. His contacts really made it happen."

20 years: The Interdisciplinary Program on Law and Religion



Founded in 1985 with funds from the Henry R. Luce Foundation, the Law and Religion Program was designed to be on the “cutting edge” of interfaith legal affairs. “We began this program in the mid-1980s by looking at the politics of law and religion in the United States,” says program director and founder, Professor Robert Destro. “Even then, one could see the outlines of today’s front-page headlines: ‘red vs. blue’ states, the role of churches in American politics, and the growing importance of religion in international affairs.”

Operating a step ahead of the news headlines has been a trademark of the Law and Religion Program over the years. Its remarkable ability to spot and rigorously analyze emerging issues is reflected in the wide variety of speakers, symposia and conferences that it has sponsored since its inception. Equipped with a worldwide focus and the willingness to tackle some of the thorniest moral and social issues facing the world today, the Law and Religion Program has provided a forum for the clear-sighted discussions of an impressive array of issues.

- Washington, 1985–87: The program examines, among other things, selective conscientious objection, church-state controversies in the public schools, and a major symposium on “The Religious Foundations of Civil Rights Law.”
- Washington, 1989: The program co-sponsors the first international symposium on “The First Amendment in Space,” focusing on censorship of “new” technologies like direct broadcasting and remote imaging, and equal access rights to geosynchronous orbit space.
- Moscow, 1991: The program assists in the first interfaith legal “outreach” effort to religious liberty advocates in the former Soviet Union and Russian Parliament.
- Worldwide, 1996–present: Legal assistance and clinical education become formal parts of the student experience when in 1996 the program joined with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and other major churches to administer and staff the Marriage Law Project. Outreach to the Church in East Timor in 1999–2000 deepens that commitment and leads to a still developing “legal aid” relationship in support of the international development and relief activities of Catholic Relief Services.
- Washington, 1999–2001: The program participates in an interfaith, legal dialogue on the delivery of social services through “faith-based and community organizations” and co-hosts a national conference on the issue.
- Iran, 2003: The Law and Religion Program organizes an “Abrahamic Delegation” of high-profile Americans to visit Iran. The delegation’s trip was described by Iran’s foreign minister as “the most important contact Iran has had with Americans in over 25 years.”
- Italy, 2004: On the shores of stunning Lake Como, the Law and Religion Program offers to clerics, scholars and academics from the United States, Israel, Iran, Egypt and Europe — nations that are, in some cases, still technically at war — the opportunity to put aside politics and share the teachings of their respective faiths on the nature and purpose of marriage, parental rights and obligations, and the respective roles of men and women in marriage and family.
- Washington, 2005: King Abdullah II of Jordan chooses the law school as the setting for an inspiring address that condemns terrorism as a tool for change and proffers a moderate vision of Islam. His remarks drew a packed crowd and heavy media coverage. “Catholic University is notable for being a home to both reason and faith — a center of intellectual life and spiritual purpose,” said King Abdullah II. “That enterprise has included a respectful dialogue among people of different religions.”

“Today, we are, quite rightly, viewed as a major center for interfaith and interdisciplinary dialogue on nearly every issue on which religions have an important interest or contribution to make.”

In a society that sometimes confuses bumper-sticker sloganeering with rational dialogue, program graduates leave CUA refreshingly well equipped to provide their clients with effective counsel on the complex social and legal questions they encounter.

“In the more than 20 years we have been working on law and religion issues as scholars and practicing lawyers, I can honestly say there has never been a dull moment,” says Professor Destro. The activism starts with the director, who makes a point of leading by example. This year, for instance, Destro was a co-recipient of the 2005 Defender of Life Award, given annually by American Collegians for Life. The group honored in particular his legislative work on behalf of the late Terry Schiavo, the severely disabled Florida woman whose parents’ ultimately unsuccessful battle to gain custody over their daughter transfixed the nation throughout the spring of 2005. Representing both the Schindler family and Florida’s Gov. Jeb Bush, Destro and his students were deeply involved in the litigation that sought to win for persons with severe brain injuries the same due process and equal protection rights that Florida affords condemned criminals.

Like any successful academic program, Law and Religion has enjoyed loyal



support within the law school building. Associate Dean William Wagner and Vice-Provost George Garvey were involved from the beginning. Garvey co-wrote the initial proposal for the program and has since made an enormous contribution to the literature through his use of Catholic social teaching in the field of law and economics. Dean Wagner, who is the

founding director of The Center for Law, Philosophy and Culture, planned the first symposium and has been a leader in the field ever since. Many other colleagues have helped along the way. “This is a team effort,” says Professor Destro.

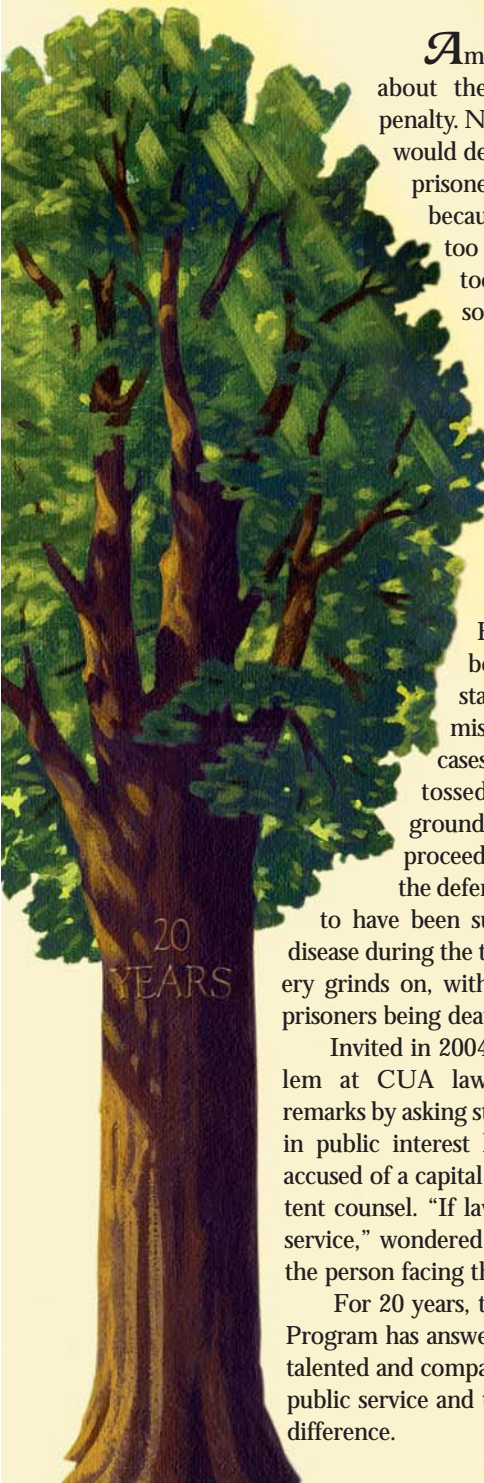
Alumni of the Interdisciplinary Program on Law and Religion have held judicial clerkships, served as staff members and interns on House and Senate Committees, represented churches, religious orders, religious organizations and serve clients in private practice all over the country. Some are even studying for the ministry! They do not hold the same political views or fight for the same causes, but they are united in their desire to serve those who heed the call of conscience to use the tools of public law and politics to improve the human condition.

“For two decades, we have worked to make CUA a major center for interfaith and interdisciplinary dialogue on nearly every social, legal or political issue in which religions have an important interest or contribution to make,” says Professor Destro. “We have met that goal. The next one is harder. To become — and remain — servant leaders for the Church, the nation and the world.”



Bellagio, Italy, 2004: Clerics and scholars of the three Abrahamic faiths set aside historical animosities to find common ground. An example of cultural bridge-building by the Interdisciplinary Program on Law and Religion, Director Robert Destro (fourth from right) and Professor Marshall Breger (far right) often collaborate on initiatives like these.

20 years: The Law and Public Policy Program



Americans may argue forever about the morality of the death penalty. No serious person, however, would defend execution by default, prisoners who are put to death because their attorneys were too lazy, incompetent or even too drunk to mount a reasonable defense. It sounds unbelievable, but such things do happen and are far more common than the average citizen wants to accept. During his long career as director of the Atlanta-based Southern Center for Human Rights, Stephen Bright and his team of pro bono attorneys have seen staggering cases of lawyerly misconduct and negligence, cases that a judge should have tossed out on procedural grounds but that were allowed to proceed instead. In one instance, the defendant's counsel was proven to have been suffering from Alzheimer's disease during the trial. Yet, the legal machinery grinds on, with the end result for some prisoners being death by lethal injection.

Invited in 2004 to expound on the problem at CUA law, Bright concluded his remarks by asking students to consider careers in public interest law so that every person accused of a capital crime can receive competent counsel. "If lawyers don't choose public service," wondered Bright, "what happens to the person facing the death penalty?"

For 20 years, the Law and Public Policy Program has answered that call, encouraging talented and compassionate students to chose public service and to do their best to make a difference.

"Some students focus on the law and policy that affects homeless people, immigrants, women, children, persons with disabilities, and others," notes LPP director Professor Lisa Lerman. "Others explore environmental policy, politics or criminal justice issues. What the students have in common is a desire to make a difference."



Death penalty opponent Stephen Bright (center) calls the frequently poor quality of legal representation in death penalty cases "a very scary and worrisome thing." Bright is pictured with Lisa Lerman, director of the Law and Public Policy Program; CUA law alumnus Andrew Rivas, policy advisor to the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops; Rebecca Symes (3D); and Sara Bromberg (3D).

The opportunity to earn a certificate in public policy law has been a powerful magnet for those students who suspect that years of quiet toil as an associate in a posh downtown firm is not for them. Instead, LPP alumni gravitate toward careers in government, public interest law or policy development. The program offers a rich intellectual banquet for its students. By sponsoring speakers, lectures, forums and symposia, it encourages students to deepen their understanding of such diverse topics as refugee policy, homelessness, the power of the presidential pardon, preventing school violence, affirmative action, child abuse and many others.

Some LPP graduates put their expertise to use in the most direct fashion imaginable. Rep. Rick Renzi (R-Ariz.) had

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already enjoyed a successful real estate career by the time he enrolled in the Law and Public Policy Program as a part-time evening student. Upon his graduation in 2001, Renzi ran for Congress and was elected on his first try. Reflecting on his student days in his Capitol Hill office, Renzi says "The education I got at CUA was unique. My goal was to learn everything about the federal legislative process — how bills are drafted, how hearings are conducted, and how a bill evolves before it becomes law. You can get all the training you need to serve in the United States Congress by going through CUA's Law and Public Policy Program." A second LPP alumnus is about to launch a run for a Congressional seat in Colorado.

Most of the program's graduates pursue non-electoral opportunities to solve social problems and to perform public service. Some alumni serve indigent clients in legal services or public defender offices, or in nonprofit organizations such as Lawyers for Children America. Others take positions in the Department of Justice or other government agencies. Some LPP alumni do "policy work" for organizations such as the Battered Women's Justice Project or the National Prosecutors' Research Institute.

The work of the Law and Public Policy Program is quite serious, but that doesn't mean that students don't have fun along the way. Like many of her faculty colleagues, the personable Professor Lerman has a knack for forging deep and trusting relationships with her students. From the very first day of law school, she makes career advice, guidance and mentoring a top priority with her students. The group eagerly anticipates her legendary annual Halloween party. (LPP is an accidental matchmaker, as well. At least one couple that met through their

Attorney-activist Stephen Bright encouraged more students to consider models like CUA's Law and Public Policy Program as instruments for legal and social change.



Hard work rewarded: Law and Public Policy Director Lisa Lerman (left) stands with Class of 2005 graduates Reema S. Ali, Beth Davis Pratt and Judith Jones. The three women were recipients of the Dulin-Haynes Fellowship, which recognizes third-year LPP students who have excelled academically and performed outstanding public service.

shared interest in public policy is now married and recently became parents).

Since 1984, CUA's Law and Public Policy Program has trained attorneys who not only want to make a difference, but who know how to make a difference. Each LPP student is encouraged to choose an area in which to specialize, and then to select the classes, internships and clinical courses that will provide the student with the requisite knowledge and skills. Many students in the program undertake a series of internships, exploring far and wide in what Professor Lerman refers to as "the Washington, D.C., legal playground." They contribute everywhere, at such organizations as the Children's Defense Fund, the D.C. Public Defender Service, the Washington Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights, the World Organization against Torture and many others. Professor Lerman makes it clear to applicants to the program that she is looking for students who are inspired by a passion to help disadvantaged people. She wants words from the second inaugural address of President Franklin Roosevelt to ring in their hearts and sing in their souls: "The test of our progress is not whether we add much more to the abundance of those who have too much. It is whether we provide enough for those who have too little."

