A Chance to Reach, a Chance to Teach
CUA Law Provides an Irresistible Forum for Top Experts
Dear CUA Law School Community,

This is not to mention a talk to our securities law students from a commissioner of the Securities and Exchange Commission, or an emotional appeal for better treatment of children by the legal system from Judge Charles Gill, a 1964 alumnus and a justice on the Connecticut Superior Court. One of the best-known and most tireless legal advocates for children in America, Gill co-founded the National Task Force for Children’s Constitutional Rights and the National Committee for the Rights of the Child.

I am pleased to report that this was not really an unusual or extraordinary semester. Indeed, most semesters here feature prominent, high-caliber guest lecturers who make a point of taking the time from their busy workloads to come to the Columbus School of Law and speak with our students.

This is a result, I believe, of the esteem and respect that this law school commands in the nation’s capital. But it is also a wonderful compliment to our student organizations, which often take the initiative in conceiving, planning, organizing and executing some of our best symposia and other special events. They do so with faculty and administration support, but much of the heavy lifting is performed by students themselves. They extend invitations, negotiate schedules and attend to the many small details that make for a successful event. Examples of their good work are the subject of our cover story for this issue.

Our students have lately distinguished themselves in other ways, as well. The Class of 2007 scored exceptionally well on the Maryland bar exam. First-time takers from CUA posted a pass rate of 86 percent, second highest among area law schools and up seven percentage points from the previous year.

Our faculty has also been professionally outstanding. Professor William Wagner, director of the Center for Law, Philosophy and Culture, has worked hard with student editors to produce the brand new Journal of Law, Philosophy and Culture. Its debut issue was well received by leading scholars, and the journal joins three other academic journals currently being produced by CUA law.

In early October, Professor Sandy Ogilvy broke new ground as the lead organizer of a national conference here on how law schools can do a better job of training students for a career commitment to pro bono public service. “The Role of Law Schools in Fostering Commitment to Pro Bono Publico” brought approximately 120 people together, including speakers from two dozen law schools, for a two-day discussion about the lawyer’s obligation to provide pro bono service. The bench and bar was also represented among the participants, as well as speakers from the ABA and the Archdiocese of Washington.

We are grateful for Professor Ogilvy’s outstanding work on this vitally important topic. The success of his conference has helped burnish this school’s reputation as a leader in the field of pro bono activity.

It seems that we are firing on all cylinders these days. In addition to the good work of our students and faculty, our alumni, as represented by the law school’s Board of Visitors, is exhibiting wonderful support, advice and guidance as we set the financial and academic goals necessary to maintain our competitive edge. At an all-day meeting with BOV members in late October, I shared a realistic picture of where the law school needs to move forward in the future. I am heartened by the board’s enthusiasm, loyalty and sound suggestions for our progress. On behalf of the entire CUA law community, I thank those BOV members who are completing their three-year terms for their service, and welcome the many new members who are joining for the first time. I expect that the board will continue to play a large role in the development of the law school.

We are often reminded to count our blessings at this time of year, the better to fortify ourselves for the year ahead. It is good advice. I consider the privilege of leading this fine law school one of the great blessings of my life, and I hope that all of you feel the same about your connection to the Columbus School of Law.

With best wishes for peace, health and happiness in this new year,

Veryl V. Miles
Dean and Professor of Law
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Office of Career and Professional Development
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The Office of Legal Career Services needs your help! If you are interested in participating in mock interviews, being a mentor or serving on a panel, please e-mail jobs@law.edu.

January 2008
What I Did Last Summer
Tuesday, Jan. 15 4 p.m.
Employment Opportunities at the DOJ
Wednesday, Jan. 23 4 p.m.

February 2008
Securities Law Panel
Wednesday, Feb. 13 5 p.m.
Communications Law Panel
Tuesday, Feb. 26 6 p.m.

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CIA Informational Session
Tuesday, March 11 4 p.m.
Navigating the Path of the Summer Associate
Monday, March 17 4 p.m.
Introduction to Fall Recruiting
Wednesday, March 26 4 p.m.

April 2008
Nuts and Bolts Guide to Judicial Clerkships
Tuesday, April 8 4 p.m.
Fellowships
Thursday, April 10 4 p.m.

COLUMBUS COMMUNITY LEGAL SERVICES CHALLENGE GRANT

The District of Columbia Bar Foundation has presented our Families and the Law Clinic with an exciting opportunity in the form of a challenge grant of $10,000. The foundation will match, dollar for dollar, all first-time contributions and increased contributions made before next July, up to a maximum of $10,000.

Each year the Families and the Law Clinic provides legal services to approximately 50 residents of the District of Columbia and provides legal advice to an additional 200 residents. Approximately 30 students enroll in FALC and represent clients in cases involving emergency and longer-term protection orders, divorce, child custody, visitation and support cases, and Violence Against Women Act petitions for immigrant clients. Students also participate in community projects, such as teen dating violence workshops at local high schools and legal information sessions at the Superior Court’s Self-Help Center and local women’s shelters.

The DC Bar Foundation has supported the work of the clinic since 1979. With this year’s challenge grant the foundation has provided a unique opportunity to leverage the support of our alumni and friends. Your contribution to the clinic this year will go twice as far in helping us to provide these much needed services to the underprivileged in our community and to train the next generation of young lawyers to provide these services.

To learn more about this program, or to make a contribution, please contact clinic director Catherine Klein at 202-319-5679 or klein@law.edu.
Students for Public Interest Law present:

17th ANNUAL SPIL AUCTION

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Friday, February 8, 2008

Louise H. Keelty and James Keelty Jr. Atrium, Columbus School of Law

Like you and those who came before you, these students help distinguish the Columbus School of Law as a truly special place through their volunteer efforts. Please help continue the tradition and consider making a tax-deductible donation to support those who want to make a difference.

Natalia Drelichman and Rachel Hersh
Co-chairs, 17th Annual SPIL Auction

For more information on attending, donating an item or making a contribution, contact us by telephone, 202-319-5143, or by e-mailing David Schrock, director of financial aid, at schrock@law.edu.

A Time for Giving

As we begin a new semester, we are thankful to all those who have supported the Columbus School of Law throughout the year.

Annual gifts assist the law school in providing scholarships, increasing library resources, and supporting faculty research, our institutes and law clinics, and other exceptional programs.

We hope you will include the Columbus School of Law in your charitable giving plans this spring as we look forward to another successful semester and the conclusion of our fiscal year on April 30. A contribution to the Law School Annual Fund will be used where it is most needed — to provide more scholarships to current and prospective law students. You may also direct your gift to any program or scholarship that interests you.

Please consider making a gift today. Your tax-deductible contribution this spring will truly make a difference for our students and our entire law school community.

If you have any questions or would like additional information on making your gift to CUA law school, please contact the Office of Development and Alumni Relations at 202-319-5670.

There are many ways to give:

Check: Please make checks payable to The Catholic University of America, with “Law School Annual Fund” or your chosen designation on the memo line, and mail your check in the envelope enclosed in this issue of CUA Lawyer.

Credit Card: Use the enclosed envelope or contact the law school at 202-319-5670 to make a credit card gift via phone.

Matching Gifts: If you work for a firm or company that matches gifts from employees or their spouses, you can double and sometimes triple your gift to the school. Contact your human resources office to see if your employer has a matching gift program.

Stock: Your gifts of appreciated stock may make you eligible for certain tax deductions while meeting your philanthropic goals. Please contact Phil Orleans, major gifts officer, at 202-319-4638 for information and stock transfer instructions.

Planned and Testamentary Gifts: Wills, living trusts or life insurance beneficiary designations are an incredible way to make an outstanding impact on the well-being of the school. Gifts such as Charitable Remainder Trusts, Pooled Income Funds and Gift Annuities can help you make a gift to the school today, receive a substantial tax benefit and in some instances allow you or a beneficiary to continue to receive income for life.
The Gift-seeker
Brad Bodager Marks One Year as the Law School’s Chief Fund Raiser

“With a 100-plus year history and more than 10,000 alumni located across the country and around the world, the law school offers a community of excellence and focus on skills and service that prepares our graduates to make a difference.”

When Brad Bodager accepted his appointment as executive director of the Columbus School of Law’s Office of Development and Alumni Relations, the operation he chose to lead little resembled those of his past employers.

For one thing, Bodager’s many years of experience in fund raising, development and strategic planning had been carried out in all areas of institutional advancement. Most recently, he had served as vice president for advancement for Pacific Research Institute in San Francisco, where he oversaw a comprehensive corporate and foundation program that raised in excess of $3 million annually. Prior to that, he spent five years as assistant vice president for development and external relations for Claremont McKenna College in California, and before that, he was with Duke University School of Law for five years as director of campaign leadership gifts.

Bodager’s career had provided a number of highly successful ‘best practice’ models for how to design and execute development programs that yield sustainable results.

A fondness for Washington, D.C., where he had earned his own LL.M. from the Georgetown Law Center, coupled with his sense that the law school’s alumni and development program was a gem in the rough, were among the reasons Bodager moved back to the East Coast to begin at Catholic University in January 2007.

One successful year later, Bodager spoke with CUA Lawyer to assess where things now stand.

CL: You’ve worked in the development programs for Duke’s Law School, as well as at other institutions with more resources — such as faculty and scholarship endowment money — than Catholic University’s Law School has. So, what attracted you to this position in the first place?

BB: My interest in legal education has continued since my own legal studies and as a member of the ABA and its various sections during this time. As a member of its section on legal education and admission to the bar, I have developed an appreciation of the importance of legal education to our society and the role played by national law schools such as the Columbus School of Law. With a 100-plus year history and more than 10,000 alumni located across the country and around the world, the law school offers a community of excellence and focus on skills and service that prepares our graduates to make a difference.

CL: You’ve spent a great deal of your time here so far positioning the law school’s alumni outreach and development operation a little differently than has been done in the past. When you first arrived, what struck you as a high priority right away?
BB: I think we needed to better communicate to graduates just what goes on in this building. Through its intensively engaged and substantive legal instruction and programming, the law school offers a tremendous resource not only to its current students, but also to its alumni. Our distinguished programming has remarkable return for our students and alumni. By disseminating word of the outstanding symposia, conferences, speakers and other events that we host to our alumni, friends and other members of the legal academy and profession through our Web page and the Internet, we will continue to demonstrate the excellence of our faculty and the positive trajectory of our wonderful students and alumni.

CL: By changing its composition with new members and creating new service committees, what are your hopes for how the Board of Visitors will function from now on?

BB: The Board of Visitor members serve as influential advisers to the dean and her staff by sharing their knowledge of the legal profession and its challenges. By demonstrating their support of the law school in this way, as well as by partnering with the dean and her staff, we will be able to achieve greater recognition of the best aspects of this law school. My hope is that over time, this will engage a greater number of alumni and friends to make an investment in it, through their interest, time and financial support.

CL: You have a unique vantage point from which to assess the law school’s strengths and challenges on a variety of fronts. What are some of the Columbus School of Law’s under-appreciated strengths?

BB: The greatest strength of this law school is its truly distinguished faculty. This core group is supported by a dedicated staff and led by a dynamic and visionary dean in Veryl Miles. The faculty composes a community. They are supportive and in true partnership with all of our students, and the results are extremely positive. Just look at our employment figures for 2007: Nine months after graduation, more than 96 percent of our students had legal positions. More than 20 accepted federal court clerkships over the same period. We have a great story to tell. We must work to get that news out effectively, but also be forthright about the challenges posed by rising tuition costs and the need for more donor support for scholarship and faculty to remain competitive in a dynamic legal education environment.

CL: Five years from now, what will a successful alumni and development effort look like?

BB: One calculus of success would be a significant increase in annual financial support from our alumni. The degree of alumni support is measured by annual donations of any size. This will be our focus as we promote the annual fund through dollar-for-dollar challenges, named scholarships and designation options for annual giving. The amount of corporate and foundation grant fund raising is often predicated upon what percentage of your alumni supports you. This law school community warrants the support of all of its 10,000 alumni on an annual basis. The Columbus School of Law is a special place, and I predict that its alumni community will step up over the coming five years to make this a reality.

One year into his tenure as director of the law school’s development and alumni outreach programs, Brad Bodager is more convinced than ever that “The law school community warrants the support of all of its 10,000 alumni on an annual basis.”
Adjunct Professors Share Their ‘Intellectual Property’ with Fortunate CUA Students

By Tom Haederle

Preparing for an exciting career ahead: IP instructors are equipping CUA students to be future players in the kind of high-tech legal actions that grab national headlines, such as the recently settled lawsuit brought by Verizon Communications against Vonage Holdings Corp, a provider of Internet telephone services. The hotly contested patent dispute was settled for Verizon to the tune of $120 million. Does Paris Hilton own the rights to “That’s hot,” her signature line from “The Simple Life”? She has sued Hallmark over its card that spoofs the phrase. That case and others such as Viacom, Inc.’s against YouTube for copyright infringement, underscore the red hot market for skilled IP lawyers.

Some things just can’t be downloaded on YouTube. As popular as the “broadcast yourself” Internet site is to legions of Web surfers, no video format can hope to convey the experience, wisdom and passion for teaching that Columbus School of Law students enjoy every day, courtesy of the dedication of some of the finest practitioners of intellectual property law in the nation.

Catholic University’s law school is blessed with the teaching talents of more than 80 adjunct professors, all of them experts in their chosen field of law. The 10 or so men and women who offer instruction in IP law are an especially accomplished cohort of professionals and emblematic of the quality of lecturer that the school attracts.
Intellectual property law is one of the hottest branches of jurisprudence around, touching as it does the lives of most Americans. It draws the talents and attention of some promising law students, who are intrigued by a practice area in which one might represent anyone from the inventors of the counter-flow insect trap to the author of a nationally syndicated comic strip.

“IP deals with cutting edge and real-life issues. Particularly copyright and trademark, where you can often see the results of your work in the media, or on store shelves,” says George Borababy, a partner at Patton Boggs who teaches copyright law at CUA. “Also, just about every business, large and small, has IP issues, from computer software, to choosing the name of the business, to putting out copyrightable materials, to wanting to use others’ materials.”

It’s a field ablaze with career possibilities at the moment. Copyright law is struggling to keep up with technology because the ubiquity of the Internet has turned everything on its head. File sharing, YouTube and similar services are leaving copyright law in the dust. At the same time, trademarks are being used and exploited in ways that the law has not envisioned.

The demand for expertise in IP law is such that the contributions of the adjunct lecturers at CUA supplement those of the full-time faculty, which employs two professors — Susanna Fischer and Beth Winston — who teach the subject extensively.

The luxury of full time classroom instruction has also permitted Professors Fischer and Winston to offer students additional perspectives about the practice of IP law. They encourage students to consider aspects of it that the busy practitioner may rarely have time to think about. On March 29, 2007, for example, the two professors organized a daylong symposium on “Ethical Issues in Patent Law,” a discussion that explored the nuances of the ethical burden particular to the practice of patent law. The keynote speaker was the Hon. Paul Michel, chief judge of the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.

“There is such a huge demand for lawyers who know the concepts of how to protect and exploit intellectual property, particularly on the patent and copyright areas of the practice,” observes Kevin Kramer, 1990, a partner at Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP, who will teach patent enforcement at CUA in the spring of 2008. “As a practical matter, if you are going to spend the money for a law school education, you should consider practicing in a field where there is demand for your services.”

Beyond the promise of a handsome living, the next generation of IP attorneys “will also have the opportunity to shape where the law goes on these issues, as they understand the technology and use these vehicles far more than many of us of an older generation,” concurs Borababy.

Given the outlook at the moment, CUA law students are fortunate indeed to be learning from an exceptionally talented and respected group of instructors. They practice at some of the best-known firms in America, including four from Patton Boggs alone.
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- Watkins has litigated a variety of intellectual property disputes including patent infringement actions covering such topics as WiFi and other wireless technologies, wastewater treatment, batteries, and food technology. In addition, he has argued before the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences.
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CUA Course Taught: Patent Enforcement

Kevin Kramer focuses his practice in the area of intellectual property litigation. He has represented parties at all levels of litigation in various fields of technology, including computer software, pharmaceuticals, medical products, office furniture, sporting equipment, liquid crystal displays and telecommunications. Kramer also has had extensive litigation experience in the fields of designs, trademarks and copyrights.

- Prior to joining Pillsbury, Kramer worked for several years as an associate solicitor for the United States Patent and Trademark Office. In that capacity, he represented the commissioner of the USPTO in more than 20 direct appeals before the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.
- He also worked for several years as legal officer in the Patent Cooperation Treaty legal division of the World Intellectual Property Organization in Geneva, Switzerland. In that capacity, he advised government officials, agents and applicants regarding the use of and prosecution of applications under the treaty.
- In 2002, Kramer was an executive editor of the IP Law Monitor, an e-mail newsletter covering intellectual property law developments.
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Hon. Joseph Colaianni
Partner, Patton Boggs LLP
CUA Course Taught: Intellectual Property Transactions

Judge Colaianni was appointed to the U.S. Court of Federal Claims in 1970 and remained until 1984. While on the court, his docket included several hundred patent claims.

Today, Judge Colaianni assists clients in a broad range of intellectual property litigation including patents, trademarks, copyrights, licensing, trade secrets and antitrust. His litigation experience often involves mechanical, electro-mechanical, electronics and chemical technology. He has also served as both a mediator and arbitrator in complex alternative dispute resolution proceedings. He has also successfully negotiated numerous license agreements, including patents and trademarks.

- Judge Colaianni has served as a patent law expert in numerous patent suits. He has also represented clients at the U.S. International Trade Commission.
- Judge Colaianni has applied for and prosecuted patent and trademark applications in the United States Patent Office and throughout the world.
- Following associations with law firms in Michigan and Ohio — including work for the Burroughs Corporation, where he was involved in patenting the companies’ inventions — he later joined the Department of Justice and defended the United States government against patent infringement claims.

George M. Borababy
Partner, Patton Boggs LLP
CUA Course Taught: Copyright Law

George Borababy devotes a substantial part of his practice to advising clients on their ability to use, register and protect trademarks and service marks. He also prepares applications for federal trademark and service mark registration. He has filed numerous applications for marks covering a variety of products and services in the United States. Borababy advises clients and other attorneys with respect to trademark issues involved in business transactions, including such issues arising in connection with licensing contracts, distribution contracts, franchises, asset sales, loans secured by intellectual property and similar transactions.

- He is principal outside counsel in the United States to a major international corporation and to several smaller companies. His transactional practice involves counseling clients with respect to commercial real property leases. In this connection, he principally represents retail tenants in the negotiation of their store leases. Borababy also represents his clients in drafting and negotiating license agreements and other commercial contracts, and advises them on a broad range of corporate matters as well.
- He also represents clients in opposition, cancellation and concurrent-use proceedings before the U.S. Trademark Trial and Appeal Board.

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Considering the benefits of expert faculty, bright job prospects and often fascinating subject matter, the outlook for the IP program at Catholic University glows brightly.

The abundance of experience and expertise among CUA faculty and adjunct lecturers enables the law school to keep its IP program current and relevant to practice trends. Instructors have expanded the core offerings in the IP curriculum, and worked hard to encourage and enable students to compete in national patent and trademark moot court competitions. They aspire to develop an institute or degree in the IP field just as the law school it has done in such areas as communications and securities law.

Megan La Belle, who will teach a new seminar called Advanced Patent Law in the spring, coached the CUA squad that successfully competed in the American Intellectual Property Law Association’s moot court competition last year. That team was among just four teams nationwide to make it to the semifinal round of the national competition.

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For the second year in a row, we extend our congratulations to the CUA law alumni at Holland & Knight. Ninety-three percent of alumni at the firm demonstrated their support of the Law School Annual Fund and other programs by making a gift during the 2006–2007 fiscal year. Our heartfelt thanks goes out to them and to all participants in the CUA Law Firm Challenge. We are especially appreciative of the efforts of the firm chairs who encouraged support from their colleagues.

Congratulations to

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By Tom Haederle

When CUA Students Invite the Experts, the Answer is Usually YES

Over the past several years especially, Catholic University’s law student organizations have displayed a remarkable ability to conceive and execute symposia that are not only socially timely and thoughtful, but that also appear to exert an irresistible pull on some of the most accomplished people in the chosen fields. Once invited to speak at the Columbus School of Law, the experts usually respond with an unqualified yes.
As you wander through a crowded room, the name tags leap out at you. The guests are affiliated with such prestigious employers as Verizon, Samsung, Time Warner, Google, the Consumer Electronics Association, the Federal Trade Commission, the House Energy and Commerce Committee, the National Association of Broadcasters and several prominent area law firms. In fact, the crowd would appear at home at the annual convention of the National Association of Broadcasters. Or perhaps, a posh Capitol Hill reception for the biggest players in the communications industry.

This particular group of industry movers and shakers, however, assembled at the Columbus School of Law on March 15, 2007, to analyze, project and prognosticate about the explosion in wireless communication technologies that touches the life of every American. Two dozen high-ranking representatives—assorted directors, vice presidents and general counsels from the leading corporate, government and association sectors that control America’s communications systems—gathered for a student-conceived forum titled “Content Abundance in a Multimedia World: Challenges and Opportunities for Multi-Platform Content Delivery and Regulation.” Led by FCC commissioner and keynote speaker Robert M. McDowell, the group’s daylong discussion focused on how government and regulatory bodies should encourage the astonishing growth of wireless broadband, heir apparent as the information delivery system of the future.

What prompted 24 extraordinarily powerful and busy professionals to set aside an entire day to voluntarily participate in a discussion not organized by lobbyists or Capitol Hill kingpins, but by law students? “What attracted influential presenters to our symposium was rooted in the evolution and maturity of our programs, alumni, students and faculty,” notes Professor David Irwin, director of the Institute for Communications Law Studies and a deeply involved faculty adviser for the program. “Our graduates have gained broad and favorable recognition at the FCC, in government, at law firms, in industry and elsewhere.”

Professor Irwin’s point can hardly be argued. The ‘Content Abundance’ discussion was a joint effort by CommLaw Conspectus: Journal of Communications Law & Policy and the Institute for Communications Law Studies, widely recognized as one of the nation’s premier and best-connected communications law programs. For more than 25 years, the institute has patiently seeded the ranks of government, private firms and the corporate world with CUA law graduates, some of the most gifted communications attorneys at practice anywhere today.

Leveraging those alumni connections, and boosted by the helpful personal appeals of former FCC commissioner and CUA law alumna Kathleen Q. Abernathy, 1983, students were able to assemble a roster of panelists that resembled a “Who’s Who” of the modern communications industry.

Another powerful draw is the opportunity to devote the appropriate time and attention to explore complex subjects in depth. An erudite discussion of an hour or two is a format that most experts find infinitely more satisfying than being asked to reduce their knowledge to an eight-second television sound bite.

Not as Easy as it Looks

The scope and success of ‘Content Abundance’ and other student-driven symposia is a team effort, of course. Students may initially conceive of a topic and identify the best potential speakers on the subject, but it ultimately takes a coordinated effort among faculty advisers, staff and law school administration to achieve an academic production that meets expectations. The majority of law school events involve rooms to book, classes to juggle, receptions to arrange, written materials to produce and publicity to manage well in advance.

“Equally important is making sure that you have adequate funding for an event. Sometimes this entails seeking funding from outside the law school, from places such as firms, local bar associations and alumni,” says Amanda West, 2008, who established CUA as the first host of what has become an annual women’s networking tea. Open to all women who attend D.C.-area law schools, the tea is meant to play the role for young
professional women that a golf course or club membership often does for their male counterparts: a place to bond, exchange business cards, network and build new relationships for the future.

Such events can take a heavy toll on the time and energy of their student sponsors. Erica White, 2008, is former president of the Black Law Student Association and did much of the logistical heavy lifting for a fascinating symposium “Race and Criminal Justice: The Impact of Federal Sentencing Guidelines,” that examined the role of race in perpetuating inequality within the criminal justice system.

“One of the biggest hurdles is time management. When a student begins to plan an event, we often forget that we are students and throw ourselves into making it a great event,” says White. “However, a successful event casts a favorable light on the school, and I always want the school to be placed in the best light possible.”

Despite the impressive caliber of speakers and topics that marks most CUA symposia, it is a fact that law students are an extraordinarily busy group of young people who juggle many competing demands upon their time. For any event within the building, the wild card question is always the most basic: How many people will attend?

There is no surefire formula for a big audience turnout. That can depend on factors such as the time of day, or when during the academic calendar a public event is scheduled. Setting aside such obvious strategies as not scheduling a major symposium during finals week, students seem most inclined to fill the seats for discussions that, in the words of Erica White, “bring the casebook to life.”

“Learning that only comes from law school casebooks lacks the real world application that speakers bring,” observes White. “Students want to see how the law they learn about in class affects not only the defendant, but also the public, and how judges have to balance those interests. This experience cannot be captured by a casebook and has the most impact when delivered by someone who has first-hand knowledge about the law.”

Over the past several years, dozens of student-organized lectures, panels and symposia have offered their audiences a far deeper understanding of some of the major issues of our day. Probing for the larger truths behind the headlines, these symposia have illuminated subjects that many Americans find dense and confusing. In doing so, the law school’s student organizations have made commendable contributions to public understanding.
“From a worldwide perspective, the epidemic continues virtually unabated.”
— Dr. Edmund Tramont, Division of Clinical Research, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, NIH.

“Even if peace were to happen tomorrow, many people would not be able to return to their old lives.”
— Ambassador Andrew S. Natsios, United States Special Envoy to Sudan; the Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University.

“Thirty percent of the world’s wealth, its aggregate gross domestic product, is exported and imported between nations.”
— Patrick A. Mulloy, former commissioner, the U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission.

The following are recent examples of student-produced symposia. Full descriptions including speaker biographies of these CUA law programs may be found under the news archives links of the law school’s Web site, www.law.edu.
1. AIDS and Africa: U.S. Policy Responses  
October 30, 2007 — Africa is home to 64 percent of all of the world’s reported cases of HIV and AIDS. Western media often paint a bleak picture of the prospects for improvement among so many poor nations. Three of America’s leaders in the fight against the spread of the virus responded to an invitation from the law school’s *Journal of Contemporary Health Law and Policy* and the Center for International Social Development to offer a more nuanced assessment of a very serious problem. Among the progress noted was today’s simplified drug regimen. Not so long ago, HIV patients were forced to consume up to 30 pills each day as part of the complicated drug regimen developed against the virus. Today, improvements have brought the pill total down to one.

2. The Prospects for Peace in Sudan  
October 15, 2007 — Despite Western attention, effort and peacekeeping troops, peace in Sudan has proven elusive. Some options to end the bloodshed were laid out by Andrew Natsios, the U.S. Special Envoy to Sudan. Appointed by President Bush in 2006 to manage the U.S. effort to end the lethal fighting, Ambassador Natsios spoke at CUA law at the invitation of the Military and National Security Law Students Association. His address was the first in the organization’s new national security law speaker series. Co-sponsors of the talk included the Center for International Social Development and the International Center for Civil Society Law. The ambassador’s 40-minute analysis of the situation drew media coverage from C-SPAN, the Voice of America, the *Catholic Standard* and the New Republic magazine.

3. Trade and Politics: Effective Export Controls and National Security Debate  
April 17, 2007 — Trade policy can decide presidential elections, set the price of goods and services and chart a nation’s economic future. Whether American trade policy meets the twin goals of creating wealth and protecting national security was the subject of an afternoon conference sponsored by the International Law Society and the Comparative and International Law Institute. Among the topics discussed were doing business in China, technology transfer, and whether American goals for national security, foreign policy, and economic interests can be achieved simultaneously.

4. Public Health Emergencies: Impacts on Legal Policy and Practice  
March 22, 2007 — Could today’s virus H5N1 — better known as the Avian Flu — mirror the 1918 outbreak of Spanish Flu that raced around the world and ultimately wiped out an estimated 50 million people? Health professionals cannot say for sure whether we are on the verge of a repeat, but they do know bird migratory patterns make the wider spread of the avian flu virus in North America inevitable, and that legal and health professionals had better prepare for it. The lecture from NIH’s Dr. Edmund Tramont was sponsored by CUA’s *Journal of Contemporary Health Law and Policy*. The topic was chosen, according to journal editor, because “both legal and public health practitioners operate today without a clearly defined set of principles that they can reliably and efficiently apply toward allocating resources.”

“**The chances of dying if you get infected are better than 50-50. Now, do you understand why we are nervous?”**
— Dr. Edmund Tramont, Division of Clinical Research, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, NIH.
5. **RSVP: WILL ATTEND**

“This incredibly powerful wave of consumer demand pushes providers to offer faster and faster pipelines.”
— Robert M. McDowell, Federal Communications Commission, noting that the Internet is moving away from plug-ins and toward wireless delivery of content.

6. “The current guidelines aren’t reasonable because they’re not a one-on-one act, tailored to individual defendants.”
— Mary Price, Families Against Mandatory Minimums.

7. "It’s shocking that we are in the same position now as 25 years ago, with just one woman on the Supreme Court.”
— Paula Monopoli, Maryland’s Women, Leadership & Equality Program; University of Maryland Law School, remarking that September 2006 marked the 25th anniversary of the appointment of Sandra Day O’Connor as the first female justice to serve on the Supreme Court."
5. Content Abundance in a Multimedia World: Challenges and Opportunities for Multi-Platform Content Delivery and Regulation

March 15, 2007 — If you think that MP3 files or movies that are downloadable to cell phones are cool right now, you haven’t seen anything yet. Wireless communication technologies are enjoying astonishing growth in the United States, and the majority of them are aimed at mobile devices such as phones, Blackberries and other tools. Making sure that regulators keep up with swiftly evolving technologies was a chief focus of a daylong symposium sponsored by CommLaw Conspectus: Journal of Communications Law & Policy and CUA’s Institute for Communications Law Studies, along with the Federal Communications Bar Association.


February 20, 2007 — The overhaul of criminal sentencing guidelines approved by Congress in the mid-1980s has had the unintended effect of handcuffing our system of justice today by diminishing the power of judges and juries to weigh circumstances and consider extenuating facts. That was the common view of the experts invited by CUA’s Black Law Students Association to assess how such guidelines translate into served terms of incarceration. Although Congress has nominally lifted the restrictions of the sentencing guidelines in recent years, critics say little has actually changed for defendants. The BLSA students timed the panel discussion to coincide with the same-day argument of two cases before the Supreme Court that attempted to clarify its standard of what makes a sentence “reasonable.”


October, 2006 — In a first-of-its-kind gathering, hundreds of women law students from all nine of the Washington, D.C.-area law schools gathered at CUA to meet and greet, strike up new friendships, exchange cards and phone numbers and begin to build the kind of career-sustaining relationships that male attorneys have taken for granted for decades. The brainchild of The Catholic University of America’s Women’s Law Caucus and its president Amanda West, the networking tea will rotate among area law schools in the years to come. It was noted that although women are more heavily represented in the ranks of the legal profession than ever before, they still account for less than one-third of America’s one million attorneys.

8. Immigration Appeals and Judicial Review

January 30, 2006 — Do non-citizens receive fair hearings before the immigration courts and the Board of Immigration Appeals? Are the courts of appeals the best forum for BIA appeals, and, if so, how can they handle the drastically increased caseload? With immigration a hot-button issue in American politics today, there was no better time to examine such questions than at the all-day symposium sponsored by the Catholic University Law Review. Students invited leading immigration experts from government, the judiciary, academia and advocacy groups to analyze the implications of important procedural changes, adopted 1999 to 2002, to the way immigration cases are handled by the United States.
More on the Way

The law school’s marquee symposia continue to grow in vision and ambition.

• As they have so often in the past, the students of CommLaw Conspectus: Journal of Communications Law & Policy and CUA’s Institute for Communications Law Studies are again leading the way. On March 13, 2008, the group will produce a high-powered symposium titled “The 2008 Election: The Role and Influence of 21st Century Media.”

“This year’s spring symposium will also be great as a case study of engaged students, working with faculty support, to choose a topic and attract astonishing speakers,” says Professor Irwin, director of the institute.

• On Feb. 22, 2008, the Catholic University Law Review will present “A Tribute to Justice Sandra Day O’Connor: Reflecting on Justice O’Connor’s Jurisprudence Relating to Race and Education.” The panel of presenters is still a work in progress, but Editor-in-Chief Maureen Smith expects that the event will not only publicize the law school, but also attract positive attention from practitioners, law professors, and law students in the area.

“Given the two Supreme Court cases decided last term that dealt with the role of race in education, this topic is timely, controversial and likely to ignite a wealth of intellectual discussion,” says Smith.

Catholic University’s law students show no sign of scaling back their ambitious endeavors. They have always understood, as have their faculty advisers, that a legal education worthy of the name encompasses the real world beyond textbooks and classroom walls.

“Every year seems uniquely challenging,” sums up Professor Irwin. “It takes collective brain-power to tailor a topic that has broad appeal — a topic that will draw moderators, panelists and participants, and which will attract an audience.”

Students are up for the challenge. Many times, they seem to pick up the ball and run with it on their own. They will continue to sweep their intellectual spotlight over topics that affect us all, and offer a CUA law platform to speakers that have something valuable to contribute.

Thoughtfulness, relevance and access to society’s leaders have become trademarks for the law school’s speaking programs. An invitation to visit and participate carries an extra cachet when it is stamped: From the Students of the Columbus School of Law.

Case Study: Scott Rembrandt Wallops a Double

Scott Rembrandt, 4E, has a knack for packing them in. He was the primary student organizer for two of the most successful 2007 law school symposia, both dealing with Africa.

An experienced planner, Rembrandt organizes up to 20 university seminars around the country each year as director for research and academic affairs at a think tank called the Korea Economic Institute.

His event projects at CUA law were held barely two weeks apart. One dealt with the spread of the HIV virus across the African continent and the other with ways to achieve peace in Sudan.

Rembrandt spent countless hours finessing the myriad details that attended each discussion. What should the introductory remarks say? Which media should be invited? What kind of technical support was needed for visuals? His hard work and careful attention to the minutiae of details paid off. Both of the talks drew a healthy audience of CUA students and faculty and garnered favorable media coverage as well.

Rembrandt began laying the groundwork for the symposia many months before. In February 2007, he approached the law school administration with a proposal. Why not create a National Security Law Speakers Series featuring prominent U.S. government officials, with the Military and National Security Law Students Association to serve as main sponsor of the twice-per-semester lectures.

After giving the proposal serious consideration, law school administrators tested the idea by approving the invitation of Daniel Glaser, a deputy assistant from the Treasury Department, to come and speak about ways to cut off terrorist financing. Glaser’s talk generated a great deal of interest. Convinced of its appeal, the university now supports the full-fledged speaker series.

Lessons

Rembrandt’s experiences so far convince him that “officials jump at the chance to come to Catholic’s law school.” Its Washington location makes it an attractive and convenient destination for top government officials and other prominent speakers. Perhaps surprisingly, top experts in subjects other than law are rarely invited to law schools. More typically, they receive speaking opportunities from programs in international relations, political science or public policy.

“The fact that student organizations are inviting them, as opposed to faculty members or administration officials, only heightens the interest of speakers in coming,” he says.

By all accounts, the Columbus School of Law’s academic guests are delighted that they said yes to the opportunity to speak. They have indicated great satisfaction to program sponsors with the audience size, the intelligence of the questions they receive and the enthusiasm of the students during the programs and receptions afterward.

“I’m optimistic that everyone we’ve invited thus far would come back to Catholic law,” says Rembrandt. “We are all emissaries of the school. High-profile events are first and foremost meant to showcase the quality of the law school, its faculty and most importantly, its student body to the larger policy-making community in Washington.”
Easily identified in their Cardinal-red caps, some members of the CUA law team gathered before the race.

A team of runners and volunteers representing The Catholic University of America Columbus School of Law were among the more than 4,800 lawyers, Washington residents, parents and children who participated in the fun-filled Lawyers Have Heart Race, which included the race and walk, as well as food and festivities.

Our fleet-footed team composed of alumni, students and law school staff placed 7th out of 28 teams in the corporation division of the annual Lawyers Have Heart Race, held in Washington, D.C., on June 9, 2007.

The 10K race has raised more than $4.3 million for the American Heart Association since its inception. The funds support the AHA’s mission to reduce disability and death from cardiovascular diseases and stroke, the No. 1 and 3 killers, respectively, of all Americans. The money also underwrites heart-healthy education programs.

Please SAVE THE DATE and join Team CUA Law! 2008 Lawyers Have Heart Race on June 14, 2008.
There is a well established view of law that holds it as something nearly organic: a living, growing body of jurisprudence that continually adapts to the human condition as it strives to meet the social and intellectual needs of the populace it serves.

That view of the law, as something not safely mapped and settled but in need of further bold exploration by disciplined intellects, is one that the Columbus School of Law has traditionally encouraged and, more important, supported, often with institutional and/or financial backing.

A number of CUA law faculty members have launched unusual initiatives within the past several years that provide forums for some of the most important and cutting-edge legal research and discussion going on anywhere in academia. Professors William Wagner, Karla Simon and Marshall Breger have stepped off of the well-worn trail of predictable legal scholarship to bushwhack new academic paths. Enjoying the organizational support of the Columbus School of Law, with major funding often coming via grants from outside sources, these ongoing legal and academic initiatives invite students and professionals alike to consider the law — and all of its possibilities for the betterment of humankind — in a new and exciting light.
The Center for Law, Philosophy and Culture

Current lectures with such titles as “God in an Evolutionary World,” “Orestes Brownson’s The American Republic: A European Point of View,” or “On the Question of Nomos, Prayer, and Love: An Anti-Antinomean Approach” might sound like an elegant evening lecture series sponsored by the Smithsonian. This nourishing intellectual buffet, however, is regular fare at Catholic University’s law school, whose students are treated to these and similar programs at least once each semester.

Under its director, Professor William J. Wagner, the Center for Law, Philosophy and Culture “exists to promote inquiry into the role of law in relation to culture and culture’s orientation to the human good.” In theoretical terms, the speakers and programs offered by the center aim to contribute to the academic fields of jurisprudence, the philosophy of law and Christian political and social ethics. At the same time, the initiative seeks to foster the renewal and transformation of contemporary culture through law and law reform. The center has sponsored symposia and conferences on such topics as the death penalty, stem cell research, American exceptionality and the role of religion in democratic debate.

The work begins, in the view of Professor Wagner, with the understanding that the laws of any society can be interpreted as cultural phenomena. Church teaching asserts that by studying the cultural form of laws and legal institutions, one learns more about a culture’s relation to basic human values. Further, by critiquing culture in relation to those values, one can contribute to its renewal and transformation. In pursuit of its goals, the center coordinates academic conversation between legal scholars and scholars in such adjunct disciplines as philosophy, theology, history, literature, the arts and politics. Originally the theoretical branch of the law school’s 25-year-old Law and Religion Program, the Center for Law, Philosophy and Culture was already clearing its own intellectual path long before it was formally recognized in 2002 and received its separate standing and status as a university-level center of excellence in 2005. As far back as 1999, Professor Wagner was demonstrating his professional and academic interest in such topics as “Death, Dying and Burial: Approaches in Rabbinical and Canonical Law and Practice,” and “The Value of Free Speech and its Reasoned Limits in the Constitutional Systems of the United States of America and the Federal Republic of Germany.”

Today, the Center for Law, Philosophy and Culture is a recognized center of excellence by The Catholic University of America. In 2007, it launched the Journal of Law, Philosophy and Culture, a publication that, in the words of faculty editor Wagner, “is premised on the idea that the study of law and legal institutions can reveal underlying truths about human nature and conduct, and contribute to the transformation and renewal of both law and culture.” The inaugural issue published works from some of the nation’s best-known scholars in jurisprudence,
The Center for International Social Development

Refugees are on the move throughout the world seeking safety, food, shelter and the promise of a better life elsewhere. The issue deeply affects dozens of nations and has established itself as a dominant concern among voters in the United States. What rights must be accorded the refugee, regardless of citizenship or legal status?

The question was tackled head-on on Oct. 29, 2007, by Mitzi Schroeder, advocacy director for Jesuit Refugee Services USA, who came to CUA to discuss emerging issues concerning refugees.

Schroeder's subject was a natural fit for The Center for International Social Development, which co-sponsored her appearance. The talk, designed among other purposes to enhance American understanding of the complexities that drive the migration decisions of refugees, was a prime example of the kind of public education and social consciousness-raising that the CISD excels in.

An interdisciplinary program of research, teaching, service and public education that is co-directed by law school Professor Karla Simon (along with Fred Ahearne, Ph.D., of the National Catholic School of Social Service), the CISD is not solely a creation of the law school. Rather, it draws upon the resources of 21 faculty members from six of the schools at Catholic University. Their joint focus is the promotion of peaceful international development, guided by the principles of justice and respect for the totality of the human person.

The CISD's mission is to “develop an interdisciplinary group of scholars who will engage in research about the serious development problems of our time, paying special attention to their religious and ethical dimensions.” Through periodic public events and workshops, a graduate certificate program, and collaborative research, the center instills a broader understanding of development issues as they unfold in societies around the world.

This line of work is a familiar one for Professor Simon, who has devoted much of her career to social development causes and projects around the globe. She has written and taught extensively about issues regarding the legal environment for civil society organizations in emerging democracies and transition countries, and is currently completing a teaching book on comparative civil society law with Professor Leon Irish.

Professor Simon has also co-founded the International Center for Civil Society Law, an organization that roughly parallels the CISD but that has a distinctly different focus: it seeks to protect human freedoms everywhere by improving the laws that affect the freedoms of belief, expression, association, information and participation.

Spreading the gospel of civil society development from within the safe borders of the United States is one thing. However, taking the message on the road to societies not historically receptive is a riskier move. Nonetheless, Professor Simon took a semester's academic leave during the fall of 2006 to teach in Beijing, China, in a program on comparative civil society law at Peking University Law School.

"I really enjoyed teaching the Chinese students and learning more about their culture. I think the experience was as rewarding for me as it was for them," she said.
A sort of professorial ambassador-at-large, Professor Simon’s twin roles as director of centers for international social development and civil society has prompted her to acquire some new linguistic tools for the job. She speaks fluent German, good French and has a reading knowledge of Spanish and Portuguese. Just for good measure, she is learning Chinese.

Initiative for Portuguese-American Legal Dialogue

A debate has simmered in recent years over whether it is proper for justices of the U.S. Supreme Court to study foreign bodies of jurisprudence for guidance as they reach their decisions. Even the justices themselves appear to lack consensus about the practice.

In a way, the debate is a moot one for the Columbus School of Law, which already has a history of successful partnership and interaction with international bodies of law, especially as understood through the academic programs of sister law schools in other countries.

One of the best examples is the Initiative for Portuguese-American Legal Dialogue, a harmonious educational duet between the law school faculties of the University of Lisbon and The Catholic University of America. Begun in November 2000, when CUA hosted the first joint conference, gatherings were subsequently held in Lisbon in 2003, 2004 and 2006, and in Washington, D.C. in 2005.

The annual seminars were founded on the simple premise that American and Portuguese law professors had a great deal to learn from each other. Past programs have included Portuguese and American legal issues related to administrative law, civil law, civil procedure, commercial law, the conflict of laws, constitutional law, cyber law, electronic surveillance, election law, family law, federalism and religious freedom.

The initiative is intended to foster further exchanges between the two faculties, including conferences, scholars-in-residence and short courses of study. More than a dozen members of Catholic University’s law faculty have participated in the annual exchange.

It is enthusiastically supported by the Portuguese government and its embassy in Washington.

In 2004, the conference focused on European Union issues as they affect Portugal. The papers presented that year have now been edited and published in book form as Occasional Papers in Comparative Law: European Union Issues from a Portuguese Perspective (The Catholic University of America, Columbus School of Law, 2007).

There are considerable costs associated with running the international conferences, not the least of which is flying faculty members back and forth across the Atlantic. Much of the necessary fund raising has been ably managed by Professor Marshall Breger, whose track record of success recently resulted in a generous grant from the Portuguese-American Legal Foundation, as well as from other donors.

The program took a major step forward in 2007 and now benefits from the oversight of an advisory council. The group is chaired by His Excellency João de Vallera, Portugal’s ambassador to the United States. Other members include the Hon. Richard J. Leon, U.S. district judge for the District of Columbia; the Hon. Peter Messitte, U.S. district judge for the District of Maryland; the Hon. Phillip Rapoza, chief justice, Massachusetts Appeals Court; Douglas M. Bregman, Bregman, Berbert, Schwartz and Gilday, Rockville, Md; Amauri G. Costa, Bracewell & Giuliani, Washington, D.C.; Phillip L. Feliciano, The Phillip L. Feliciano Law Firm; Kensington, Md; and Dr. Larry W. Thomas, The Thomas Law Firm, Washington, D.C.

The Initiative for Portuguese-American Legal Dialogue enjoys strong new financial and institutional backing. It has secured the commitment of a distinguished group of advisers and earned the enthusiastic participation of both law school faculties. The stars are aligning nicely for this trans-Atlantic examination of differing legal systems, and the dialogue promises to continue long into the future.
Fred Warren Bennett, 65, a former public defender who served as lead counsel on death penalty appeal cases in Maryland and was regarded as one of the top appellate lawyers in the state, died July 1, 2007, after a two-car accident in Anne Arundel County.

Bennett had served for six years on the faculty of Catholic University’s law school during the 1990s, sharing his mastery of criminal law, evidence and trial practice issues with students and colleagues alike. Always a tenacious defender of his clients, he was driven by an insistence on a fair shake from the justice system. Never afraid to represent unpopular clients and causes, Bennett’s legal efforts resulted in reduced sentences, new trials or the outright release of dozens of criminal defendants over a legal career that began in the late 1960s. After leaving the classroom, Bennett began a law practice in Greenbelt, Md., that focused on state and federal criminal defense. He lectured widely and wrote more than 30 articles on criminal law, evidence and trial practice issues.
His former colleague at CUA, Professor Clifford Fishman, was moved to pen the memoriam below upon receiving the news of his old friend’s passing.

I want to share two thoughts about Fred — one personal and one professional.

I’ve been at CUA for 30 years now, and the years that Fred was on the faculty were definitely the most fun. One reason for that: Several times a week, Fred, Lou Barracato, Leroy Clark and I would get together in the faculty lounge for lunch, and the conversations were incredible. We talked about the law, and politics, and race, and religion, and our kids, and the school, and sports, and just about anything else. Others joined us too, from time to time, but we four were the regulars. It was always difficult to get up from the table and go back to work.

Another reason those years were so much fun was that Fred and I taught the same courses, and each of us came from a background of practical, in-court experience, but of course his was from the defense perspective and mine the prosecutorial, so we’d often lock horns and swap war stories.

I also have one particular “professional” moment I want to tell you about. In 1995, after the O.J. Simpson verdict came in, people at the law school were of course aghast, and someone had the clever idea of putting together a faculty presentation about it. Four faculty members made presentations to a packed auditorium. The first three speakers — all of them tenured full professors, by the way — explained how distressing the verdict was from a sociopolitical point of view, and tried to explain the jury’s aberrant and totally incomprehensible verdict from a racial point of view, and so on. All three presentations were well done, and each confirmed what pretty much all of us thought about the verdict in the first place.

Then Fred got up to speak, and unlike any of the others, he spoke about the case itself, and also the law. First, he reminded us of the elements of the crimes Simpson was charged with; then he reviewed the legal definition of “beyond a reasonable doubt.” Then he examined the evidence for us, pointing out all of the places where a rational jury could in fact find a reasonable doubt. In typical Fred fashion, he was blunt, he asked no quarter and gave none, and he pretty much took the other presentations to pieces. We didn’t have to like the verdict, we didn’t have to agree with it, he told us, but we had to respect it as a legitimate one, based on what actually happened in the courtroom.

I have only a vague recollection of who the other speakers were, let alone what they said. But I vividly remember Fred that day because it was so effective and so typical of him in so many ways: his passion for the law, his refusal to accept the collective viewpoint merely because it was the collective viewpoint, his insistence on examining the law and evidence and taking them apart piece by piece when necessary — and his determination to pass that passion and that insistence on to his students — and to teach them how to do it.

Fred was a loyal friend. In fact, his loyalty to CUA and our students continued even after he left the full-time faculty. He continued to hire CUA alumni, and he remained an active member of our Thurgood Marshall Inns of Court.

Of all the lawyers I’ve ever met, if ever I (or a loved one) was in serious legal difficulty, Fred’s the one I’d want to have in my corner. Our profession has lost one of its finest members.

Another friend, Professor Lou Barracato, offered this at a eulogy for Bennett:

“Raise your glass and bow your eyes. Do not mourn the death of Fred Warren Bennett but rather thank your God that such a man lived and touched your life.”
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Gaining or Slipping in the Workplace?

September — Some Americans might consider the issue of workplace discrimination settled. But America isn’t quite ready to close the book on the subject, according to Naomi Churchill Earp, chair of the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. Earp, Class of 1982 and appointed as chair of the EEOC by President Bush in 2003, delivered the 39th annual Pope John Paul XXIII lecture to the law school community on Sept. 5. Her remarks, “Perspectives on Discrimination in the 21st Century Workplace,” gave an insider’s view of the state of American prejudice in 2007 from the head of the federal agency charged with identifying and prosecuting examples of discrimination in the workplace. The “isms” — racism, sexism and ageism — have gone underground but not gone away, said Earp. “I wouldn’t have thought that we’d still be battling some of the same battles, the same issues, that we fought 40 years ago,” she said.

Fine-tuning the Cogs of Financial Regulation

September — The American securities industry is looking at seismic changes in coming years, but handled skillfully they could prove to be a great boon to investors. That forecast came from Erik Sirri, director of market regulation for the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, as he spoke to a crowd of 60 students at the invitation of the law school’s Securities Law Program. His remarks, “Mutual Recognition: Regulating the Global Securities Markets,” provided an insider’s educated guess about where the trend toward globalization of the world’s securities markets will ultimately end up. The likeliest scenario, predicted Sirri, is a relaxation of the rules that govern national stock markets in order to make it easier for foreign traders to do business between nations. “If that happens, it’s going to be a new world,” he said.

Pushing for Prudence and Diplomacy First

September — Is Iran ultimately the biggest regional threat to U.S. interests, as some believe? If so, how should the U.S. respond to the increasingly belligerent rhetoric from that country? Certainly not with an invasion, warned Sen. Chuck Hagel (R-Neb.) Perhaps the Senate’s toughest Republican critic of President Bush’s war policy, Hagel has said that the war in Iraq must not escalate into a larger conflict with Iran. “We are far wiser in pursuing, as we are, with the United Nations, a course of action in dealing with Iran,” says Hagel, a member of both the Senate Intelligence and Foreign Relations Committees. His talk at CUA law was sponsored by the law school’s Middle East Religious Dialogue Program, a component of its Interdisciplinary Program in Law and Religion.
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Professional Activities

Professor Helen Alvare will serve as a visiting professor of law at George Mason University in the spring of 2008. She will teach family law.

Professor Margaret Barry was a visiting Fulbright Scholar at the Universiteit Crne Gore, in the southeastern European nation of Montenegro, during the summer of 2007. She called the experience “a very rewarding trip in many ways: challenging, interesting and striking.”

Professor Marshall Breger taught a course in American public law to a class of 32 students at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem during the summer of 2007. While in Israel, he also held a workshop on the legal and cultural issues surrounding the treatment of religiously significant grave sites located in lands held by the Abrahamic religions. His work was part of CUA law’s grant-funded Holy Places project. In July, Professor Breger served as a moderator of a discussion of the play “Pangs of the Messiah,” staged at the Goldman Theater in Washington, D.C. The production tells the story of eight West Bank settlers who resist the dismantling of their settlement by the Israeli Defense Forces.

Professor Robert Destro served as moderator for a panel discussion, “Preserving the First Freedom in Virginia: the State of Religious Liberty,” held at the Old House Chamber at the State Capitol in Richmond, Va., on Oct. 25.

Professor Sarah Duggin was the chief organizer for the 2007 D.C. Area Legal History Roundtable, hosted this year at the Columbus School of Law. The topic of discussion was “Judges and Judging.” The annual informal gathering of D.C. law professionals and historians was on hiatus for several years until it was revived by the George Washington University Law School in the fall of 2006.

Professor A.G. Harmon participated in a conference held by the Southeastern Association of Law Schools in July 2007. He was part of a panel discussion that reviewed how issues of law are treated in fiction that is inspired by real-life events. Harmon and his fellow professors presented papers on such books at Jessamyn West's The Massacre at Fall Creek, Harper Lee's To Kill a Mockingbird, William Faulkner's Intruder in the Dust, and selected short works of Andre Dubus.

Professor Roger Hartley was appointed by Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice to a two-year term on the Foreign Service Grievance Board, effective Oct. 1, 2007. The board is an independent body whose function is to adjudicate grievances filed by members of the Foreign Service. It provides a forum for the review and disposition of a wide range of grievances involving separation from employment, disciplinary actions, complaints relating to the employee’s working environment, prejudicial information in the employee’s personnel records, and denial of financial benefits. Its decisions generally are binding on the grievant and the agency alike, subject only to judicial review.

Research Ordinary Professor William Kaplin was named senior fellow of the Center for Excellence in Higher Education Law and Policy, Stetson University College of Law.

Visiting Associate Professor Tamara Lawson granted permission to the New York City Bar Association to reprint her article “Can Fingerprints Lie? Re-weighing Fingerprint Evidence in Criminal Jury Trials,” (51 Am. J. Crim. L. 1 2003) for use as part of its materials for a continuing legal education course. She was also asked to present on the use, misuse and appropriate challenges of fingerprint evidence and forensic expert witnesses in criminal jury trials. Professor Lawson was invited by the Dickinson School of Law to offer a scholarly presentation on the “Jena Six” — cases that stem from alleged hate crimes at Louisiana’s Jena High School, as well as allegations of overzealous prosecution of young black defendants in the nationally profiled incident. Her presentation focused on the legal and policy concerns underlying the exercise of prosecutorial discretion.

Professor Lisa Lerman served as chair of the planning committee for the ABA National Conference on Professional Responsibility, held in Chicago from May 30 to June 2, 2007. Professor Lerman also chaired two subject panels at the conference, and CUA law reference librarian Steve Young assisted in leading a discussion titled “Legal Ethics Research, Online and Off: A Workshop.” The annual conference is the preeminent educational and networking opportunity in the field of ethics and professional responsibility.

Professor Mary Leary made a presentation before the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children on Oct. 24, 2007. Her subject, “Meeting Defenses in Child Pornography Cases,” was part of a larger program that addressed protecting children online. Leary has also been invited to address students at the University of Virginia about the issue of online self-exploitation.

Professor David Lipton was appointed in August to a three-year term as a director of the Municipal Securities Regulation Board. The self-regulatory organization develops rules regulating securities firms and banks involved in underwriting, trading and selling municipal securities. In April, he was...
among five featured speakers for a program titled “How Boards of Directors Can Overseen Strategic Decisions and Get Investigations Right,” held on April 24, 2007, in downtown Washington, D.C. In September, Professor Lipton conducted a luncheon panel for about 25 alumni in New York City that featured Marc Menchel, FINRA general counsel, as speaker. He also organized an address at the law school by Erik Sirri, the SEC’s director of the division of market regulation, who spoke to the students about the globalization of regulating the international securities markets. Professor Lipton has continued his work on behalf of his colleagues as sponsor of the faculty luncheon speakers. This year’s began with a presentation by an editor from Moment Magazine on “The Spirituality of Einstein.” Professor Lipton also traveled to Jerusalem to help evaluate a proposed CUA/HU joint summer program in law between Catholic University and Hebrew University. And in November, he moderated a talk at the law school by SEC Commissioner Paul Atkins.

Professor Suzette Malveaux attended a meeting of the New South Wales Bar Association and the New South Wales Centre for Legal Education held in Sydney, Australia, during the summer of 2007. At the conference, she was invited to give an impromptu talk about the Columbus School of Law to the deans of various law schools and legal institutions in New South Wales. Professor Malveaux was asked questions about a variety of legal issues by her Australian peers. “It was a great opportunity to learn and promote the law school,” says Malveaux. Her article, “Statutes of Limitations: A Policy Analysis in the Context of Reparations Litigation,” 74 Geo. Wash. L. Rev. 68 (2005), was entered into the record at a hearing before the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties of the Judiciary Committee in support of H.R. 1995, the Tulsa-Greenwood Race Riot Claims Accountability Act of 2007. The article was introduced on April 24, 2007, during the testimony of Professor Alfred Brophy, who characterized it as a “terrific article … specifically addressing state of limitations for old civil rights cases.” Professor Malveaux was part of a delegation that traveled to Macau in December. The group’s objective is to preserve the history, culture and heritage of Portuguese people in China. On Oct. 28, Professor Malveaux ran D.C.’s Marine Corps Marathon for the fourth time.


Dean Veryl V. Miles spoke about faith and professional life to the Young Members Fellowship of The John Carroll Society of Washington, D.C., on Sept. 27, 2007. On Oct. 20, Dean Miles was the keynote speaker at the 50th reunion of the Pomponkey High School class of 1957. Opened in 1922, Pomponkey was the first high school for African-American children in Charles County, Md. Her address celebrated the accomplishments of the historic institution and its community of students, faculty and parents.

Research Ordinary Professor Michael Noone was elected president of the Committee on Military Criminology and Crime by the board of directors of the International Society for Military Law and the Law of War in Brussels, Belgium. Noone also briefed the military law committee of the D.C. Bar Association on extraterritorial U.S. criminal jurisdiction over government contractors. His tutorial to colleagues was offered on Nov. 7, 2007.

Father Raymond O’Brien taught Decedents’ Estates at the summer school of the Georgetown University Law Center, upon his return from a trip to Sicily during the summer of 2007. In November, Father O’Brien baptized Ella Lovelace, the second child of Michael and Dawn Lovelace.

Professor Antonio Perez met with U.S. and Norwegian policy makers, defense officials and media representatives during a four-day swing through Norway from May 20 to 24, 2007. During a trip arranged in conjunction with the U.S. Embassy in Oslo, Perez discussed such issues as the war on terror, human rights, and the workings of the U.S. Supreme Court with various audiences. During the trip, Perez appeared as a guest lecturer before the law faculty at the University of Bergen. He also spoke with senior researchers at the Norwegian Institute for Defense Studies. In his capacity as a member of the Inter-American Juridical Committee of the OAS, Perez submitted two dissenting opinions to decisions of the Juridical Committee: “Explanation of Dissenting Vote on a Resolution Concerning the Right to an Identity,” and the “Explanation of Dissenting Vote on the Resolution Concerning Review of the Application of the Inter-American Democratic Charter.”

Professor Peter “Bo” Rutledge was an invited participant in a discussion about “Medellin v. Texas: Presidential Power and International Tribunals,” sponsored by the American Enterprise Institute’s Legal
Professional Activities


Professor Heidi Schooner testified before the council of the District of Columbia’s Committee on Public Services and Consumer Affairs on June 18, 2007. She spoke about Bill 17-166, the Bank Charter Modernization Amendment Act of 2007.

Professor Lucia Silecchia accepted an invitation extended during the summer of 2007 to serve on the executive committee of the Conference on Catholic Legal Thought. Founded in 2006, the group is self-described as an organization of “legal scholars interested in the Catholic social thought tradition.”

Professor Ted Sky attended the National Constitutional Convention in Washington, D.C. on Oct. 19. Sponsored by the University of Virginia’s Center for Politics, the convention’s purpose was to discuss the nation’s founders’ expectation for the Constitution to be revitalized on a “regular” basis and to consider a series of possible changes designed to encourage a greater level of civic engagement and raise the level of trust in government and politics. All in attendance had the opportunity to vote on each panel topic and render a tentative decision on the major reforms, giving the event the feel of a constitutional convention.

Professor George Smith was a visiting fellow in July at the University Center for Law, Ethics, and Health at the University of Michigan School of Public Health in Ann Arbor, working on the issue of public health emergencies and how the government should respond during international pandemics.

Publications

Professor Helen Alvaré has had an article accepted for publication by the Montana Law Review. “Gonzales v. Carhart: Abortion Law that Looks Like Family Law” deals with the Supreme Court’s April 2007 decision in the Gonzales v. Carhart abortion case. Her article will appear in 2008.

Professor A.G. Harmon had a work of fiction published in the journal Triquarterly (October 2007). He also had literary reviews published in Commonweal magazine, and was part of the American Writers Speaker’s Series at the University of Evansville in September, where he read from his work and talked about the discipline of law and literature.


Professor David Lipton’s treatise on “Broker-Dealer Regulations” has been expanded into two volumes by West Publishing. It was previously in a single volume.

Professor Stephen Margeton is the author of Introduction to Design for Law and Other Academic Libraries: Reflection and
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Father Raymond O’Brien has revised and updated the sixth edition of *Domestic Relations: Cases and Materials*, the casebook he co-authors with Professor Wadlington from the University of Virginia School of Law. Published by Foundation Press, the volume is dedicated to former dean and CUA law professor John Garvey, who served as dean when Father O’Brien joined the faculty. Father O’Brien has also signed a contract with Bar/Bri to teach Decedents’ Estates in Virginia and New York to those preparing for bar examinations.

Professor J.P. “Sandy” Ogilvy was a contributing author to *Best Practices in Legal Education*, published by the Clinical Legal Education Association, 2007. In collaboration with fellow CUA law professors Leah Wortham and Lisa Lerman, Ogilvy has released the second edition of our textbook for externships, *Learning from Practice: A Professional Development Text for Legal Externs*, 2d ed. (Thomson West 2007). The volume and its accompanying teacher’s manual were shipped in October. The edition adds five new chapters written by eight new contributors and retains chapters written by CUA law professor Margaret Barry, Stacy Brustin and Lucia Silecchia.


Professor Peter “Bo” Rutledge has had an article accepted for publication by the *Vanderbilt Law Review*. “Arbitration and Article III” is forthcoming in 2008, as is “Discovery, Judicial Assistance and Arbitration: A New Tool for Cases Involving American Entities,” slated for publication in the *Georgetown Journal of Law & Public Policy*. It is expected to appear in May/June of 2008.

Professor Karla Simon published an article on recent fiscal changes affecting charitable giving in China in the June 2007 issue of *Alliance* magazine. She continues to serve as editor in chief of the *International Journal of Civil Society Law* and as a member of the editorial board of *Alliance* magazine.


Professor William Wagner’s Center for Law, Philosophy and Culture published the inaugural issue of the *Journal of Law, Philosophy and Culture*. The first issue featured works from some of the nation’s best-known legal scholars, including Jeremy Waldron, E.J. Dionne Jr., John Haldane and his Eminence Cardinal Avery Dulles, S.J.

Professor Elizabeth Winston’s article, “What if Seeds were not Patentable?” has been accepted for publication by the *Michigan State University Law Review*.
Recent Media

Professor Helen Alvaré debated the U.S. head of Amnesty International about the organization’s decision to support abortion. The discussion took place on Aug. 23, 2007, during an appearance in the Washington, D.C., studios of Middle East broadcaster Al Jazeera television. Alvaré presented the Vatican's position in the debate. Amnesty International recently adopted a policy that aims to support the decriminalization of abortion. From Nov. 8 to 11, Professor Alvaré participated in “Dialogues in Democracy 2007,” jointly sponsored by By the People and the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation. The exercise brought together a random sampling of Americans from across the country in 11 communities to discuss what America’s founding fathers meant by the phrase “life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.” Citizens discussed such issues as health care, immigration, the environment and many other issues. The discussions culminated in a national town hall meeting at the historic House of Burgesses in Colonial Williamsburg, and are slated for broadcast on PBS in early 2008.

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Professor Clifford Fishman was interviewed in the Corning, N.Y., Star Gazette in mid-July 2007 for a story about the legal questions surrounding the use of cameras in public spaces. A couple of weeks later, he spoke to the Private Education Law Report for its article about how far a school system may go in treating student cell phones as contraband. Professor Fishman published a column in the Sept. 20 edition of Washington Jewish Week titled “Yom Kippur Challenges and Cleanses Me.” He was also quoted in the September 2007 issue of Classroom Management & Education Law Update about how and when school officials may search for (and how to deal with) student cell phones. In early November, Fishman was interviewed by the Dallas Morning News for a story about the recent creation of a Conviction Integrity Unit and a new DNA conviction standard by the Dallas County District Attorney’s office.

Professor Lisa Lerman was quoted for an article on law firm bullying that was featured in the June 2007 electronic newsletter of the American Bar Association. The article was titled “Bullying in Law Firms: Hard to Define, Easy to Spot” and explored the avenues open to young associates and others who feel they are being taken advantage of or mistreated by higher powers in the firm. In August, Professor Lerman was interviewed by the ABA Journal about Frank Armani, a lawyer who handled a famous case involving attorney-client privilege in 1973.

Research Ordinary Professor Michael Noone was interviewed by the National Journal on Sept. 14, 2007, about military rules of engagement. In May, he spoke to a journalist with Sao Paulo, Brazil’s Estado de about military law. In late August, Professor Noone was guest on BBC World (Radio), discussing the preliminary hearing for Marine Sgt. Frank Wuterich, who was charged with war crimes in Iraq. A day earlier, he spoke to the New York Times about the same subject. On Oct. 11, Professor Noone was interviewed by Al Al Jazeera television about a law suit just filed against the private security company, Blackwater USA. The interview came just a week after he was interviewed by the Baghdad bureau of The New York Times for a story about the move to dismiss murder charges against three Marine infantrymen charged in the Haditha, Iraq killings.

Professor Peter “Bo” Rutledge was interviewed by Alaska Public Radio on Aug. 23, 2007, for a story about the filing of a petition by ExxonMobil that asked the U.S. Supreme Court to review the $2.5 billion punitive damage judgment against the company in the 1989 Exxon Valdez oil spill case. Rutledge was also quoted in the Oct. 14, 2007, edition of The Atlanta Journal-Constitution for an article about a massive class-action lawsuit against the U.S. Department of Interior brought by Indian tribal members. Titled “American Indian trust suit could total billions,” the story outlined a case currently before a federal judge that will determine how much the government owes to some 500,000 Indians whose land has been leased to timber, ranching, farming, oil and mining operations.

Professor Lucia Silecchia was a guest columnist for the Washington Post in its Sunday edition of May 20, 2007. Silecchia, who teaches property law, replied to a real estate question from a reader about how to buy a condo in a building that is still under construction.

Professor Karla Simon was interviewed by the Economist Intelligence Unit for an article on the Charity Law in China. The article was published in October 2007.
Conferences and Symposia

Professor Helen Alvaré made several presentations on various aspects of women, the family and Catholic social thought throughout the summer and fall of 2007. She spoke to the Diocese of Charlotte’s Eucharistic Congress on Sept. 22; at the Knoxville Tennessee Diocesan Day on Aug. 25; at the Catholic Medical Association on Oct. 6; and before the Baltimore Diocese Diaconate Convention on Nov. 2.

Professors Robert Destro and Marshall Breger were instrumental in organizing a conference, “Creating an Active Role for Religious Leaders in Bringing Peace to the Holy Land,” held at the Pope John Paul II Cultural Center in Washington, D.C., on Nov. 5, 2007. The event brought together the Council of Religious Institutions of the Holy Land - religious leaders from the Jewish, Christian and Muslim faiths — for a daylong discussion about ways to break the endless cycle of interfath violence in the Middle East. With the support of Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, the United States Agency for International Development funds peace efforts, such as the Nov. 5 conference, as a part of its Interfaith Cooperation Initiative. Catholic University’s Interdisciplinary Program in Law and Religion, which Professor Destro directs, is the administrator of the ICI and provides it with expert and technical advice and support.

Professor Sarah Duggin presented one of three principal papers at Georgetown University Law Center’s Oct. 4, 2007, symposium on corporate compliance. The academic gathering was sponsored by the Georgetown Journal of Legal Ethics and the Georgetown Center for the Study of the Legal Profession. The topic of Professor Duggin’s paper was “Corporate Cooperation and Legal Ethics.”

Professor A.G. Harmon delivered a paper on legal themes in the work of writer Tobias Wolfe at the Southeastern Association of Law Schools conference in July 2007.

Research Ordinary Professor William Kaplin made two presentations at the University of Vermont’s 17th Annual Legal Issues in Higher Education Conference in October. He addressed “Affirmative Action in Admissions: Now Where Do We Stand?” and “Key Law and Policy Developments 2006-2007 and Implications for Practice.”

Visiting Associate Professor Tamara Lawson presented a paper on Oct. 5 titled “Beyond the Verdict: The CSI Infection in Criminal Jury Trials,” at the Latina and Latino Critical Legal Theory 12th Annual Scholarship Conference, in Miami.

Professor Mary Leary attended and spoke at a conference, “Promoting Children’s Interests: Preparation, Practice & Policy Reform,” held April 13-15, 2007, in Cambridge, Mass. The meeting was jointly sponsored by the ABAs 12th National Conference on Children and the Law in partnership with the Harvard Law School Child Advocacy Program. Leary is also a scheduled speaker for “On the Dignity and Vocation of Women,” a conference set for Oct. 2008 in Washington, D.C., and co-sponsored by the Columbus School of Law and Ave Maria Law School.

Professors Lisa Lerman and Faith Mullen were among the presenters on a panel titled “Challenging Students’ Assumptions about Ethics,” which was part of the AALS Workshop on Clinical Legal Education. The conference was held in New Orleans May 2-6, 2007. Professor Leah Wortham was also a speaker at a different session that week, discussing “Examining our Assumptions in Developing Clinics Abroad.”

Professor Suzette Malveaux led a roundtable discussion on Oct. 5 about “The Roles of Law Schools in Fostering Commitment to Pro Bono Publico,” a national conference held at the Columbus School of Law. On Oct. 18, she served as a continuing legal education instructor for the Old Dominion Bar Association in, Richmond, Va., where she discussed “Statutes of Limitation: A Policy Analysis in the Context of Reparations Litigation.” Professor Malveaux was also a panelist for an Oct. 22 discussion titled “Survivor Series Symposium: Terror in Tulsa — Part II,” sponsored by Temple University Beasley School of Law, Harvard Law School’s Charles Hamilton Houston Institute for Race & Justice & the Lomax Companies.

Dean Veryl V. Miles was a presenter at the AALS 25th Annual Workshop for New Law Teachers, held June 19, 2007, in Washington, D.C. Her panel topic for the gathering of new law faculty from across the country was “Assessing Faculty Performance and Institutional Citizenship.” The workshop offers new law teachers ideas about teaching techniques and scholarly development, and enables them to share excitement, experiences and concerns about entering the academic world. Dean Miles also participated as a moderator for a meeting of the New Scholars program for the Southeastern Association of Law Schools in Jacksonville, Florida, on July 29, 2007.

Research Ordinary Professor Michael Noone attended advisory board meetings of the Geneva Center for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces in Geneva, Switzerland, in June 2007. More are scheduled for December. In mid-September, he presented a paper, “Legal Doctrines for War Among the People” at a conference sponsored by the Combat Studies Institute at Fort Leavenworth, Kan. A few days later, he traveled to Spain to discuss “Legal Lessons Learned from Operation Enduring Freedom” at a conference on justice and cooperation in criminal matters during international military interventions. Near the end of the month, Professor Noone participated...
Conferences and Symposia

in the annual meeting of the International Association of Peacekeeping training Centers, held this year in Stockholm. Keeping up a busy conference schedule through the fall, Professor Noone presented his paper, “Friction Points Between Common and Civil Law Military Justice Systems,” at a conference on “New Battlefields and Old Laws: from the Hague Conventions to Asymmetric Warfare,” sponsored by Syracuse University’s Institute for National Security and Counterterrorism. The event was held in Washington, D.C., in October. He also delivered “Non-judicial Punishment; a Cross Cultural Survey,” a paper presented at the Biennial International Conference of the Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society held in Chicago.

Professor Heidi Schooner participated in a discussion of “The Role of the Corporation in America: How Are the Rules of Corporate Governance and Antitrust Law Evolving?,” sponsored by the Hudson Institute on May 21, 2007. The event was televised live on C-SPAN. She was also a presenter/discussant at two symposia in April 2007 — “Banks and Internet Commerce” at the Sixth Conference on Portuguese and American Law, held at the Columbus School of Law; and “Is Excessive Regulation and Litigation Eroding U.S. Financial Competitiveness?”, organized by American Enterprise Institute and the Brookings Institution. Professor Schooner presented “The Fantasy of Money and Banking” at the Storytelling and the Law Conference held in City University, London, on July 20, 2007. In early October, she was a discussant at the fall 2007 roundtable, “Globalization and International Financial Regulation,” sponsored by the Vanderbilt International Legal Studies Program of Vanderbilt University Law School.

Professor Lucia Silecchia spoke on Sept. 21, 2007, about “The Preferential Option for the Poor and Environmental Law,” at a conference that addressed Catholic perspectives on environmental law. The event was sponsored by St. Thomas Law School in Minneapolis. She was also a featured speaker at a program held Nov. 1 on “Ecological Guidance for the 21st Century,” sponsored by Fordham law school’s Institute on Religion and The Guild of Catholic Lawyers of the Archdiocese of New York.

Professor Karla Simon spoke at a conference in Utrecht, Netherlands, in November 2007, about “Removing Tax Limitations on Cross-border Philanthropy.” The following month, she attended and spoke at an “International Seminar on Nonprofit Organizations,” held Dec. 14–15 in Beijing, China, under the auspices the German Association for Technical Cooperation’s Rule of Law Program.

Professor George Smith presented a paper in September 2007 titled “God, Caesar, and Darwin: Re-defining the Boundaries of The Town Square through Law, Religion, and Biotechnology” at a conference on “Pluralism, Politics and God,” hosted by McGill University, Canada.

Professor Elizabeth Winston gave a talk titled “Terminator Licenses: How Licensing has Changed the Landscape of Agriculture” at the Works in Progress Intellectual Property Colloquium on Sept. 28, 2007, at American University.

Community Service

Professor Suzette Malveaux continued her pro bono efforts on behalf of the few living survivors of the Tulsa Race Riots of 1921, testifying at a symposium in Philadelphia on Oct. 22 that was meant to bring higher visibility to a nearly forgotten chapter of American history. “Terror in Tulsa,” part two, was the continuation of the Survivor Series Symposium sponsored by Temple University’s Beasley School of Law. The event invited surviving victims of the riot, academic experts, and the pro bono litigation team of which Malveaux is a part to retell the story of the racial attacks that killed more than 300 people and destroyed Greenwood, Okla., known at the time as the “Negro Wall Street of America.” Malveaux has been involved for years in a pro bono effort to search for new legal remedies for justice for the victims and their descendents.

Dean Veryl V. Miles spoke to area high school and middle school students in July about her career as a lawyer and as a law school dean. The students were participants in a Youth Leadership Foundation program for girls called the Program for Academic and Leadership Skills. Program Administrator Michael Barvick extended the invitation and later told the dean that “your personal and professional journey is a wonderful example to our girls, and I know that your words have inspired them to shoot high and never give up.”

Professor J.P. “Sandy” Ogilvy was the chief organizer of a landmark conference hosted by the Columbus School of Law on Oct. 5 and 6, 2007. “The Role of Law Schools in Fostering Commitment to Pro Bono Publico” was designed to bolster the dialogue about the best ways to teach law students that the free provision of legal services to those who cannot afford representation is an obligation and a commitment to justice. The meeting provided a forum to investigate innovative ways in which law schools can expand pro bono opportunities for students. It also examined the creation of partnerships with alumni and other legal professionals to make free and low-cost legal services more available to those who cannot afford such services. Among the approximately 120 pro bono experts from across the country in attendance were those from law schools, legal clinics and members of the bench and bar.
What's New with CUA Law Students

3L Megan Askew, president of the law school’s Federalist Society, was elected in July 2007 to serve as Mid-Atlantic regional coordinator for the Federalist Society Student Division. Her duties involve keeping more than a dozen greater D.C.-area law schools in contact with each other and keeping the national organization aware of the events and news of the regional chapters.

3Ls Myung Kim and Emily Lambert were selected for 2007 Equal Justice Works Summer Corps Program. Summer Corps members engage with a broad range of issues, including civil rights, community economic development, death penalty, disability rights, housing, domestic violence, education, public benefits and workers’ rights. The two students spent the summer serving with non-profit public interest law organizations as a part of the Equal Justice Works Summer Corps program. Each student earned a $1,000 education award voucher through this national AmeriCorps-funded program. They were among 592 applicants for 350 participant slots nationwide. Kim served with the Asian Pacifica American Legal Resource Center and Emily Lambert worked for The Children’s Law Center.

Annie MacLean, Tyler Van Voorhees, Susan Gibson and Brian Luhman represented the Columbus School of Law, with Van Voorhees being selected as the competition’s Best Overall Advocate. In this competition, teams try a criminal case as the prosecution and as the defense. Eight moot court teams competed. The final round was presided over by the Hon. Mark Kravitz, United States District Court, District of Connecticut.

As president of Students for Public Interest Law, 3L Lisa Franchini was a chief organizer of “Welcome to the State of Poverty,” a program held at the Columbus School of Law on Oct. 14, 2007. It included a “poverty simulation,” an exercise designed to teach what living in poverty feels like and the daily obstacles faced by the indigent.

An article by Sean Gard, 4E, has been selected for publication in the University of Baltimore Intellectual Property Journal. The article deals with tax patents and is titled “Revival of the Origination Clause in Patent Law: Old Clause Trumps New Practice.” Gard is deputy director of governmental affairs for the National Association of Bond Lawyers.

A four-student team from Catholic University competed in the Eighth Annual Quinnipiac University Criminal Justice Trial Advocacy Competition in New Haven, Conn., over the weekend of Oct. 20–21.

Four third-year students, Cecilia Celeiro, Joseph Carlson, Megan Green and Justin Levenstein, represented CUA at the University of Puerto Rico Trial Competition held Oct. 25–28, 2007. Pitted against seven other law schools, the team won the final round against Brooklyn Law School and was declared champion at the award ceremony. The competition was co-sponsored by the ABA Criminal Law Section, with the winner being offered a spot in the National ABA Competition in Chicago next spring. At the end of the preliminary round, CUA had the highest point total and received the vote of every evaluator. Justin Levenstein received an individual award for the Best Closing Argument in the entire competition. Megan Green was awarded the Best Overall Advocate award. “All four students were exceptional in their roles,” said Professor Lou Barracato, director of the National Trial Teams.
1963
Dena C. Feeney is included in the 2008 edition of Best Lawyers in America, to be released in December 2007. Feeney is a member of the Columbus School of Law’s Board of Visitors and a partner in Feeney and Kuwamura P.A. of Silver Spring, Md. Best Lawyers compiles lists of outstanding attorneys by conducting exhaustive peer-review surveys in which thousands of leading lawyers confidentially evaluate their professional peers. Its annual referral guide, The Best Lawyers in America, includes 29,575 attorneys in 78 specialties, covering all 50 states and the District of Columbia.

1965
Henry W. Cummings has decided to close his solo legal practice and retire after 20 years as a trial attorney in St. Louis, Mo. He specialized in intellectual property law, and occasionally handled contract, civil or criminal cases, often pro bono for the Missouri Bar Association. Cummings was recognized with an award from Legal Services of Eastern Missouri, Inc., for more than 10 years of service to the Volunteer Lawyers’ Program. He was also granted a patent in 1998 for his own invention, a variable replacement diesel engine.

1967
Gary W. Brasseur retired in 2003 as director of compliance and rules, as well as an administrative law judge for the Michigan Department of State. He recently received a certificate for 25 years of continuous membership in Mensa.

T. David Stapleton was the subject of a feature story in the Syracuse, N.Y., Post-Standard in an article about the development of his firm’s elder practice.

1971
Robert “Bob” Deeny was selected to be on the list of the Top 100 Labor Attorneys in the U.S. for 2007, compiled by Labor Relations Institute Inc. He was selected from a field of 8,600 attorneys based on his active representation of companies in National Labor Relations Board elections and a substantial win rate of the election outcomes, placing him in the top 1 percent of labor attorneys in the country. Deeny practices law with Sherman & Howard in Phoenix.

1972
Rev. James P. Farmer was elevated to monsignor and installed as pastor at St. Ursula Parish in Parkville, Md., during the summer of 2007.

1973
John G. Carberry has joined Prudential Huntoon Paige, the FHA commercial mortgage loan business of Prudential Mortgage Capital Company, as a principal in the originations unit. Carberry will open Prudential’s new lending office in Boston and will be responsible for financing transactions in the New England region. Prior to joining Prudential, Carberry was president of Charles River Mortgage Company, an FHA-approved multifamily mortgage lender he formed in 1984. Carberry is a member of the Columbus School of Law’s Board of Visitors.

1974
Lee DeHihns III will serve as the section chair of the ABA’s section of Environment, Energy and Resources. He was elected at the ABA’s annual meeting in San Francisco on Aug. 12, 2007. This section is composed of approximately 10,000 ABA members from the public and private sectors — including law firms, major companies, government, public interest lawyers and academia — and is the premier forum for lawyers working in areas related to the environment, natural resources and energy. Based in Atlanta, DeHihns is a partner in Alston & Bird’s environmental land-use group. A former deputy regional administrator of the EPAs Region 4, he has more than 30 years of experience in environmental law.

1975
Alyce M. Halchak was featured in the August/September issue of Working Mother magazine in an article that featured the “50 Best Law Firms for Women.” Halchak is partner and chair of the tax department of Gibbons, Del Deo, Dolan, Griffinger & Vecchione, P.C., of Newark, N.J.

Hon. Juanita Bing Newton has been appointed by the governor of New York to the State Commission on Sentencing Reform. Her appointment was announced in April 2007.

1976
Hon. Carmen H. Alvarez is now a judge in the New Jersey appellate court of the Atlantic/Cape May Criminal Division.

William E. Brew is the majority staff director for Senate Veterans’ Affairs Committee.

1977
Kenneth J. Bossong, director of the New Jersey Lawyers’ Fund for Client Protection, was awarded the Isaac Hecht Award for Excellence in Client Protection by the National Client Protection Organization. The award was given at the ABA national forum on client protection in Chicago on June 1, 2007. The annual award recognizes a person or an organization whose work in the field of law client protection is distinguished by significant achievement in promoting public trust and confidence in the administration of justice and the integrity of the legal profession. Bossong served as the first chair of the ABA advisory commission on client security funds and as chair of the ABA Standing Committee on Client Protection. He has co-authored several ABA model rules in the area of client protection.
E. Dennis Oakes has joined CapitalSource Inc. as vice president of investor relations. He will be based in New York City and will serve as the company’s primary investor relations contact. Oakes joins CapitalSource after 14 years at Aetna where he held several roles of increasing importance, including head of investor relations for the Fortune 100 company. CapitalSource is a leading commercial lending, investment and asset management business focused on the middle market.

Hon. Audrey Wall Scott was appointed administrative law judge with the Social Security Administration, effective October 2001. She is based in Memphis, Tenn.

Eileen J. O’Connor has joined Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP as a partner in its Washington, D.C. office.

1979

Robin S. Conrad has been appointed executive vice president of the National Chamber Litigation Center, which is the U.S. Chamber of Commerce’s public policy arm. Conrad joined the center in 1983 as environmental counsel and has since held numerous positions within the organization. She has assisted in increasing the center’s non-labor docket, upping its Supreme Court presence and in managing a growing staff.

1980

Patrick H. DeLeon addressed graduates at spring commencement on Alliant International University’s San Diego campus in May 2007.

Hon. Jack A. Panella was recently elected to chair of the Judicial Conduct Board for the state of Pennsylvania. He is the only attorney/judge in the state to have been elected both chair of the Judicial Conduct Board (the investigatory and prosecutorial arm of judicial discipline in Pennsylvania) and president judge of the Court of Judicial Discipline of Pennsylvania.

1981

Kathleen Hochul Courtney was appointed as the clerk for Erie County, N.Y., by Gov. Eliot L. Spitzer on April 9, 2007.

Kathleen H. McGuan returned to Reed Smith LLP, rejoining the firm as a partner in its regulatory litigation group in Washington, D.C.

1982

Sandra H. Robinson was installed as the first African-American president of the Public Justice Foundation on July 17, 2007, at the organization’s 26th Annual Gala held at the Field Museum in Chicago. A malpractice attorney in Washington, D.C., Robinson was also recognized with the American Association for Justice Women’s Caucus Annual Award for leadership and mentoring of women lawyers at its annual convention in Chicago.

Valerie J. Stanley is an adjunct professor of animal law with Georgetown University Law Center and the University of Maryland School of Law. Stanley and her husband, Brook Susman, are the parents of Benjamin Anthony and Kathryn Rebecca.

1983

Paul M. Gamble was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal for service as commanding officer of the Naval Reserve Fleet Forces Command JAG Detachment 106, Norfolk, Va., in December 2006. In May of 2007, Gamble was certified as a general court-martial judge after completion of the 50th Military Judges Course at the Army JAG School in Charlottesville, Va.

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Laura P. Lodge and Susan H. Russell, 1979, work for the Maryland Department of Legislative Services in Annapolis, Md. Lodge is counsel for the Environmental Matters Committee in the state House of Delegates, and Russell is part of the committee counsel for the Judicial Proceedings Committee in the state Senate. They worked together on legislation that has modernized Maryland’s system of ground rents, a form of property holding that dates back to colonial times.

Leonard R. Stamm was selected by his peers for inclusion in the 25th anniversary edition of The Best Lawyers in America, in the category of DUI/DWI defense. A criminal defense lawyer who specializes in representing individuals accused of crimes and traffic offenses in state and federal courts, Stamm is recognized as an authority in the area of drunk driving defense and Motor Vehicle Administration hearings in Maryland and has lectured and written extensively about the subject. Stamm’s firm is located in Greenbelt, Md.

1984
Mary Ann Mancini joined Bryan Cave LLP’s new private client practice.

1985
Lauren M. Bloom starred as Mame in the Tantallon Community Players production of the well-known musical of the same name in the spring of 2007. A former adjunct instructor for the Columbus School of Law, Bloom is also in charge of fund raising and grants for the Southern Maryland ensemble-based community theater company.

Robert B. Judd was among 22 attorneys from the offices of Florida-based Gunster, Yoakley & Stewart, P.A. to be named “Super Lawyers” by Florida Super Lawyer magazine, an annual publication that recognizes the top 5 percent of attorneys in the state. The list is compiled from peer nominations, a panel-review process and independent research on candidates. Judd practices estate planning and probate law in the firm’s Ft. Lauderdale office.


Michele L. Varnhagen is the majority director of labor policy for the House Education and Labor Committee.

1986
Catherine “Cait” Clarke heads the public interest law opportunities group of Equal Justice Works. The group administers the largest postgraduate legal fellowship program in the nation, placing new lawyers in two-year assignments at nonprofit public interest organizations where they implement projects addressing community needs. Clarke has 18 years of experience teaching, training and consulting about the law and legal affairs. Most recently as the director of Clarke Consulting, she provided leadership and management consulting to nonprofit organizations, public defense and legal aid programs, including Equal Justice Works. Clarke was the founding director of the National Defender Leadership Institute at the National Legal Aid & Defender Association, which develops leadership capacity in public defense practitioners nationwide.

Frank X. Coonelly became president of the Pittsburg Pirates professional baseball franchise on Sept. 13, 2007. Coonelly was previously major league baseball’s senior vice president and chief labor counsel, where his duties included overseeing the arbitration process, negotiating labor contracts with the players and umpires, and developing a bonus scale for draft picks. A native of Philadelphia, Coonelly is now in charge of the Pirates’ day-to-day operations. His appointment as team president was the subject of a story in USA Today on Sept. 14, 2007.

Hon. Neil F. Doherty is a New York State family court magistrate currently presiding over cases in New York County family court. Judge Doherty met former President Bill Clinton on May 9, 2007, at the annual New York State Trial Lawyers Dinner. “Mr. Clinton congratulated me for my judicial service,” recalls Judge Doherty. “I thanked the former president for helping establish the historic peace accord and new independent government in Northern Ireland. This was very important to me because my parents, Mary and Joseph Doherty, are from beautiful County Donegal in Ireland.”

Tara K. Giunta gave a lecture titled “Who Will Referee the Global Game: The Intersection of Culture, Gender, Law, and Ethics?” at Middle Tennessee State University in the spring of 2007.

John Paul Hessburg has been elected to the executive committee of Detroit-based Kitch Drutchas Wagner Valitutti & Sherbrook. His appointment was announced in May 2007. Hessburg is the leader of the firm’s long-term care practice. He joined the firm as a law clerk in 1984.

Three CUA law alumni currently practicing at Venable LLP have been named to the 2007 Best Lawyers in America annual legal rankings guide, published by Woodward/White, Inc. Considered one of the leading lawyer-rating publications in the United States, Best Lawyers selects its annual rankings based upon more than 12,000 anonymous peer assessments of candidates’ legal abilities.

Constance H. Baker, 1975
William D. Dolan III, 1972
A. Christopher Sega, 1991
1987
Sheila R. Caudle recently joined Cozen O’Connor’s Houston office as a member in the insurance department. Prior to joining the firm, Caudle was a partner with Ross, Dixon & Bell in Washington, D.C. A member of the insurance coverage claims/litigation practice group, Caudle has extensive experience representing clients in coverage litigation involving environmental and mass tort matters, including general liability and property coverage. Caudle is a member of the Defense Research Institute and serves on the editorial board of the Insurance Coverage Law Bulletin.

Cherie R. Kiser was featured in the August/September issue of Working Mother magazine in an article which featured the “50 Best Law Firms for Women.” Kiser is a managing partner at Mintz Levin in Washington, D.C., and was one of two CUA law alumnae featured in the story.

1988
Michele Masiowski Puiggari is in private practice in Missoula, Mont. She and her husband, Marcos, became parents in December 2006.

Andrew W. Quinn recently accepted the position of division counsel at QUALCOMM MEMS Technologies, Inc., a business unit of Qualcomm that is bringing new flat panel display technologies to the market. Quinn married Patrice Harrison in June 2007. The new blended family lives in Southern California and includes six children, three from each parent: Rob (16), Aidan (15), Sergei (13), Kate (13), Steve (13) and Sara (9).

1989
Curtis D. Rooney has joined SmithBucklin as an association executive serving as the executive director of the Health Industry Group Purchasing Association and the newly formed Healthcare Industry Supply Chain Institute. He will work out of SmithBucklin’s Washington, D.C., office to manage all aspects of the organizations’ operations.

1990
Carol “Jodie” Breece has joined Miami-based Lewis B. Freeman & Partners, a forensic accounting and consulting firm, as a principal. Breece is a former chief assistant statewide prosecutor for the state of Florida. She has extensive complex litigation experience and will assist the firm in providing forensic accounting and consulting services including expert testimony, assisting counsel in strategy, trial preparation and investigation.

Susan A. Turner has joined the Washington, D.C., office of Ober|Kaler. She will represent health care providers on regulatory matters, with a particular emphasis on Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement, long-term care regulatory matters, survey and certification, and fraud and abuse. Prior to entering law school, she operated her own physician office management consulting practice, assisting individual physicians and clinical groups with documentation issues, personnel management and third-party billing.

1991
Lisa Giorgini Horning has accepted a new position as corporate counsel in the health care division of Navigant Consulting, Inc. She and her husband, Andy, are the parents of Julianna, 9, and Blair David, 6.

Steven B. Merolla has been appointed to handle criminal prosecutions in Block Island, R.I.

Michael J. Ryan Jr. is the executive director and senior vice president for the U.S. Chamber of Commerce’s new Center on Capital Markets and Competitiveness.

1992
Nelda Reyna Ackerman married Robert W. Ackerman in 2003, and they now have two children, Nicholas, born in 2005, and Katharine, born in 2007. Ackerman left the Department of Justice in 2004 after 10 years of service to become a stay-at-home mother.

Margaret “Peggy” Blake has joined Winston & Strawn as a partner in the firm’s corporate group. Blake advises foreign and domestic clients on securities regulations, focusing on assisting global custodian banks. Previously, she was a partner at Baker & McKenzie.

Lynne Simoneau Coonan and her husband, Scott, are the proud parents of a second daughter, Audrey.

A.B. Cruz III has been named an executive vice president of the E. W. Scripps
Stacy P. Silber, 1994, Charles ‘Chad’ Tiedemann, 1981, and Christopher H. Collins, 1978, were included in the Washington Business Journal’s 2007 list of Top Washington Lawyers, it was announced in September. Now in its fourth year, the annual survey recognizes 50 outstanding area attorneys, categorized by practice area. This year’s class was selected from more than 500 nominations. The finalists and winners were chosen by a jury of winners from previous years.

Company. Cruz, who joined the company in 2004 as general counsel, is responsible for coordinating and developing the company’s legal function across all of its operating divisions and media enterprises. Cruz joined Scripps after serving four years at Viacom Inc.’s BET television network. Before joining BET, Cruz was an attorney with the prominent Washington, D.C., law firm of Wiley, Rein & Fielding, where he represented various telecommunications companies. Carla Suesbery Jackson is an associate counsel with Magellan Health Services of Columbia, Md. Married to Brian Jackson since 1994, the couple has two sons, Khari (11) and Kane (9).

Jonathan G. Rose has joined the Washington, D.C., office of Sheppard Mullin Richter & Hampton LLP as a partner in the firm’s labor and employment practice group. His practice is focused on the representation of plan sponsors and fiduciaries involved in ERISA and related litigation. He has extensive first-chair trial experience, including a successful jury trial involving claims under Section 510 of ERISA, as well as successful bench trials involving complex ERISA claims representing plan fiduciaries.

1993

Robert R. Allen began a new position as the general manager of country affairs for Thailand and Lao PDR for a publicly listed Australian mining company in May 2007. He is responsible for all government and community affairs for operations in Thailand and Laos.

Hollis Bryan Brewer III has joined Crowell and Moring as a partner in the firm’s corporate group. He was most recently a partner at Nixon Peabody. Brewer focuses on public securities, private equity, mergers and acquisitions, and export controls, and he will also belong to the international trade group.

Christopher C. Campbell has joined Goodwin Procter’s intellectual property practice as a partner.

Kelly L. Donovan recently left the Manhattan District Attorney’s Office after 14 years of service, where she was the deputy chief of the Labor Racketeering Unit. Donovan has joined the Office of the Inspector General for the State of New York as the chief of investigations in New York City. She lives in Bronxville, N.Y., with her husband and two children.

Terrence J. Nolan recently joined Carrier Corporation as vice president, Employee and Industrial Relations. He is responsible for developing and executing the labor strategy for the company’s 45,000 employees world wide. Nolan and his wife, Donna, are the parents of three children and reside in Connecticut.

Michael P. Shaw has been named as managing director, Public Policy and Legal, for Certified Financial Planner Board of Standards, Inc. The organization is the professional regulatory body for more than 55,000 professionals holding certified financial planner certification. Shaw comes to CFP Board with more than 13 years of experience as a legal practitioner, particularly in the areas of public policy formulation and execution. In his new role, Shaw will develop plans for CFP Board’s public policy and legal activities, and work to ensure the organization’s visibility and credibility with legislators and regulators.

1994

John T. Aquino is the author of Saints for Lawyers, an inspirational book for attorneys and prospective attorneys. The slim new volume is intended to foster pride and passion about the legal profession and to negate negative perceptions about it. The book’s concluding section shares Aquino’s memories of praying before exams in Caldwell Hall chapel and is available through Amazon.com. Aquino is also the author of Truth and Lives on Film: The Legal Problems of Depicting Real Persons and Events in a Fictional Medium.

Alexandra Dapolito Dunn has joined Pace University School of Law as assistant dean of environmental law programs. In this capacity, Dunn will direct the curriculum and operations of the Center for Environmental Legal Studies and interact with students and alumni of the law school’s environmental program, which is celebrating its 30th year.

D. Michael Lyles has declared his intention to run for mayor of Bowie, Md. He has held the District 4 City Council in the town seat since 2004. A 14-year resident of Bowie, Lyles is a trial attorney for the Department of Defense. He is also a former president of the Columbus School of Law’s Black Law Student Association.

Hon. Cheryl Nora Moss was elected as a district court judge for the state of Nevada in 2000. Judge Moss was re-elected in 2002 and is currently serving a six-year term. She is married to James T. Lowery and resides in Las Vegas.

Christopher R. Robinson has announced his intention to run for
Maryland’s 1st district seat in Congress in the election of 2008.

Jeannine Rustad has been hired as an associate planner for Portland-based Winterbrook Planning. Rustad has 12 years of land-use planning, zoning and advocacy experience at the state and local levels.

1995 Charles M. Clapton is the minority staff director of the Health Subcommittee for the House Ways and Means Committee.

David A. Fitzgerald has joined the firm Schiff Hardin LLP as a partner. He focuses his practice on representing electric utility clients with respect to transactional, regulatory, litigation and legislative matters. Fitzgerald resides in Seattle.

Todd H. Gazda became the principal at Gateway Middle School in Springfield, Mass., during the summer of 2007.

Heather Levin Greiner gave birth to a son, Jackson Scott Greiner, on Feb. 10, 2007.

Harold H. Kim was nominated by President George W. Bush to be special assistant to the president for legislative affairs. The nomination was announced on July 19, 2007. Kim previously served as deputy chief counsel of the Committee on the Judiciary of the United States Senate.

Michael C. McGarrity and his wife, Faith, 1993, have relocated back to Virginia. McGarrity was serving as FBI deputy on-scene commander in Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The couple has two children.

Erin M. Verneris has joined Faegre & Benson LLP as a staff attorney in the firm’s litigation practice. She is based in the firm’s Minneapolis headquarters. Verneris has extensive experience representing clients in a wide range of pre-litigation and litigation matters arising from commercial and employment disputes. She concentrates her practice in the defense of mass tort and product liability cases, with a focus on the pharmaceutical industry.

1996 Uyen Thuy Dinh was appointed senior director for government affairs for GeoEye. Headquartered in Dulles, Va., the company is a leading producer of satellite, aerial and geospatial information.

William D. Duhnke is the minority staff director for the Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee.

Kathleen M. Krygier Dunn an associate with Knott & Knott and serves as treasurer of the Bridgeport, Conn., bar association. She and her husband, Kevin, reside in Fairfield and are the parents of Ryan Matthew Dunn, born Jan. 4, 2006.

Toni Gilbert Haddix and her husband, Chase, are delighted to announce the birth of their second daughter, Elizabeth Barnes Haddix, born July 7, 2006. She joins her big sister, Sarah Barnes Haddix, who is 3. Haddix is currently in-house counsel for Sprint Nextel Corp. The family resides in Cary, N.C.

Lakon Holloway was appointed vice president and general counsel to Crown Europe, effective Sept. 1, 2007. Located in St. Ouen, France, Holloway has practiced in Europe since 2000. She joined Crown Europe from Dechert London in 2004 as senior legal counsel.

1997 Kevin J. Campion has been elected to partnership in the Washington, D.C., office of Sidley Austin LLP. His promotion was announced in late July. Campion, 34, is a partner in the securities and futures regulatory practice. He advises an array of financial services firms on a broad variety of regulatory, enforcement, compliance and transaction matters. He also assists clients in the defense of SEC, NASD, NYSE and state enforcement actions and investigations, as well as securities law class actions.

Robert W. Dean has joined Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP in the firm’s Appleton, Wis., office. He practices insurance defense, general liability and medical malpractice. Dean’s wife, Susan, just completed her training as a child and adolescent psychiatrist and now practices in DePere, Wis.

Michael J. Francesconi has been appointed vice president of public affairs and strategic communications for UPS airlines. He and his wife, Trish, are the parents of three boys and reside in Louisville, Ky.

Michael M. Gallagher and wife Stephanie announce the birth of Maisie Rose on Jan. 30. They live in Miller Place, N.Y.

CDR Sean P. Henseler, JAGC, USN, is the author of an op-ed, “Pushing for Rule of Law Crucial for Iraq,” published in the Providence Journal on April 22, 2007. Henseler is an instructor at the Naval War College and recently served as chief of detention, judicial and legal policy on the Multi-National Forces Iraq Legal Staff.

Major Eugene “Gene” Kim is currently deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Kim is assigned to the Multi-National Security Transition Command - Iraq in Baghdad, and serves as the chief of the contract and fiscal law division for the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate. Prior to deploying to Iraq, Kim earned an LL.M. degree in military law (with a specialty in contract and fiscal law) from the Judge Advocate General’s School, U.S. Army, in Charlottesville, Va. Kim is scheduled to deploy from Iraq in June of 2008.

Scott M. Perry is a member of Bruce J. Klores & Associates in Washington, D.C. Firm founder Bruce J. Klores is also a CUA law alumnus, 1981. During
the past two years, the three-attorney trial firm, which specializes in national medical malpractice, wrongful death and consumer class actions, has obtained two of the largest verdicts in the country with a $28 million verdict in a military malpractice case in federal court, and a $24 million medical malpractice verdict in Washington, D.C. Last year, the firm also obtained what is believed to be the largest Maryland wrongful death verdict of its kind when a Montgomery County jury awarded $6.4 million to Perry’s client.

Pejman F. Sharifi has been elected partner in the New York City office of Winston & Strawn LLP.

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Attorney’s office for Colorado’s 2nd Judicial District. He is a prosecutor for all manner of criminal charges, as well as an advocate for victims, and is still active in the Colorado Democratic Party.

2000

Elizabeth N. Beacham was named chief counsel to the National Republican Congressional Committee in January 2007.

Stanley W. Glenn is the assistant public defender for the municipality of Fort Pierce, Fla. Almost completely deaf since early childhood, Glenn was the subject of an admiring profile in a local newspaper, the TC Palm, on Nov. 8, 2007. The story recounted Glenn’s method of lip reading to track what the judge, prosecutor or witnesses are saying in court to know what’s going on. It includes not only the words a person is using, but body language and other visual clues. In the past six years with the public defender’s office, Glenn has gone from handling misdemeanor cases to becoming a supervisor and overseeing the prosecution of major felonies.


Cecilia O’Connell Miller and her husband, Chris, welcomed their first child, a daughter named Lucy Ann, on March 14, 2007. The family resides in San Diego.

Liza Ray Orr and her husband, Shane, 2000, welcomed Addison Reese on June 4, 2007. She joins big brother Christian. Shane is an associate with Jacobs Chase Frick Kleinkopf & Kelley LLC. Liza is an assistant general counsel with Fiserv ISS. They live in Denver.

J. Morgan Phelps has joined GeoEye as legal counsel in the satellite imaging firm’s Dulles, Va., office. Phelps is responsible for helping GeoEye draft, negotiate and finalize commercial and government contracts as well as assisting on other legal matters. He joins GeoEye after approximately seven years in private law practice in northern Virginia. Prior to that, Phelps served as an officer in the U.S. Army.

2001

Eric A. Adolphe was selected as one of the winners of the 2007 Tibbetts Awards. The national awards are made annually to individuals judged to exemplify the best in small business innovation and research. Adolphe was selected from a pool of more than 4,000 potential recipients. A resident of Leesburg, Va., he was chosen for his work involving technological innovation that has been used by NASA.

Peter D. Antonoplos has joined Carter Ledyard & Milburn as counsel in the real estate group, where he focuses on real estate and corporate law, commercial litigation and securities and financial regulation.

Elizabeth J. Bechtold was appointed in June 2007 as an assistant attorney general in the Educational Affairs Division of the Maryland Attorney General’s office. She will provide counsel to member institutions of the state university system, including Coppin State University and Frostburg State University.

Nicole Hunt Foster and her husband, William, are the proud parents of Margaret Susan “Maggie” Foster, born May 26, 2007. Baby Maggie was 6 pounds 4 ounces and 18.5 inches long.

Maura Blue Jeffords has become the director of international trade affairs for Diageo, a beverage alcohol company based in the United Kingdom that owns brands such as Guinness and Johnnie Walker. Jeffords joined the company after four years with the Department of Commerce’s Import Administration.

Melissa Pedri Netram recently joined The Financial Services Roundtable. She is responsible for handling the roundtable’s regulatory activities, with a primary focus on securities issues. Her prior job was at The McGraw-Hill Companies’ government affairs office, where she worked on regulatory and legislative issues for Standard & Poor’s. Melissa is married to Christopher Netram, 2003, and resides in Washington, D.C.

Ariel I. Rayman was hired in April 2007 as managing attorney for the Washington, D.C., office of Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP.

Clair Espinosa Retek and her husband, Kyle, are the parents of Katie, 4, and Jacob, 2. The family recently moved to North Carolina to be closer to her family.

2002

Hugo J. Alfaro was selected to serve as chair of the Planning Committee for the Archdiocesan Board of Education for Washington, D.C. The appointment marks his third year as a member of the board. Alfaro is also the proud father of Daniel Jovitif Alfaro, born March 30, 2006.

Philip E. Culpepper joined the Baltimore office of Adelberg, Rudow, Dorf & Hendler, LLC as an associate in August 2007. Culpepper and his wife, Jennifer, were married in June 2006, and are the proud parents of a daughter, born in June 2007.


Shari F. Keiser recently joined the law firm Sedgwick, Detert, Moran & Arnold, LLP as an associate in their Newark, N.J., office. Keiser focuses her practice in the areas of products liability and mass torts and complex litigation.

Rachael T. Krueger obtained her LL.M. degree from NYU School of Law.
in May 2007, where she focused in the areas of intellectual property/entertainment law. While at NYU, she was also awarded the Jack J. Katz Memorial Award, given to the student who demonstrated the highest excellence in entertainment law. In June, Krueger accepted a legal analyst position with Bloomberg LP in the area of intellectual property.

Danielle M. Papa has left the Nassau County District Attorney’s Office and is now in private practice with the law firm of DerGarabedian and Dillon in Rockville Center, New York.

Keeshea Turner Roberts has joined the Washington, D.C., office of McKinney & Associates as an associate attorney. The law firm specializes in employment-related immigration.

Marie R. Sylla was named Verizon Inc.’s vice president for federal government relations.

2003

Brian R. Della Rocca has joined Rockville, Md.’s Stein, Sperling, Bennett, De Jong, Driscoll & Greenfeig as an associate. Della Rocca focuses on probate and estate planning, including family limited liabilities.

Lona J. Depew and her husband, Matt Boucher, have relocated to Austin, Texas, where he is legal counsel for St. Jude Medical and she is an associate with a health care firm. The couple are the parents of a 2-year-old daughter named Elke.

Kimberly Menashe Glassman recently joined the firm of James E. Brown & Associates, representing special education students in the D.C. public schools.

Jessica Egler Pannett married Patrick Leon Farquhar Pannett on Aug. 18, 2007. The ceremony was conducted by Monsignor Zupper, assisted by Kimberly Zitter. The ceremony took place at St. Joseph on the Brandywine in Greenville, Del., and the reception was at the Deerfield Golf Club in Newark, Del. The couple honeymooned on the Big Island of Hawaii.

Matthew N. Strawn has been named Iowa campaign manager for U.S. Sen. John McCain’s 2008 presidential campaign.

Emily K. Penney has accepted a new position as an associate in the Securities Enforcement Department at Wilmer, Cutler, Pickering, Hale and Dorr. She is recently engaged to Christopher R. O’Neill, a securities attorney at FINRA enforcement. The couple is planning a September 2008 wedding in Bristol, R.I.

Robert J. Witmeyer married Sara Grace Machi, in Shorewood, Wis., on May 25, 2007. The couple will reside in Tallahassee, Fla. Witmeyer is a new associate at the law firm of Broad & Cassel. Before joining Broad & Cassel, he served as a law clerk for Florida Supreme Court Justice Harry Lee Anstead.

2004

Birchard B. Allen III was recently appointed contracting officer for the Library of Congress, Office of Contracts & Grants Management. Prior to his appointment, Allen served as a senior contracting specialist supporting the library’s new national audio-visual conservation center’s digital preservation program.

Rebecca Seboria Greiner was married on April 28, 2007, in New Jersey. She recently accepted a new position as an associate attorney at the law firm of Pertierra and Toro, LLC, specializing in employment-related immigration.

Steven E. Kaplan and his wife, Maria, are the parents of two children, Benjamin, age 2, and Zachary, 3 months old. The family resides in Bethesda, Md.


Carolyn M. Maro, an associate in the litigation section of Curtin & Heefner LLP in Bucks County, Pa., was selected as a 2007 “Lawyer on the Fast Track” by American Lawyer Media. She is one of 35 lawyers across Pennsylvania to receive the statewide honor, which recognizes Pennsylvania lawyers under 40 who have shown outstanding promise and commitment in the legal profession and have made a significant contribution to the community at large. In addition to her practice, Maro is currently the chairperson of the young lawyers division of the Bucks County Bar Association.

Jakki Mathis-Hull joined K12 Inc., a premiere online educational curriculum and services provider for students in kindergarten through 12th grade, as assistant general counsel in June 2006. She and her husband, Jim, are the proud parents of a second son, James Cameron, born in May 2007.

Kelly T. Murphy has joined Miller Canfield in its intellectual property and life sciences and biotechnology groups in the firm’s Kalamazoo, Mich., office. As an associate, he specializes in patent, licensing and agreement matters, and represents large and small pharmaceutical, biotechnology companies and nonprofits. Murphy was previously with the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Disease, NIH, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in Bethesda, Md., where he was a technology development associate.

AnnaLisa Schmidt Nash married Murray Nash on Oct. 6, 2007, in Washington, D.C. She continues to
Kathryn ‘Kate’ Tarallo

Prior to forming the Tyra Law Firm, LLC in downtown Rockville, Md., her husband is a diplomat with the Office of the Naval Attaché at the Embassy of Australia. The couple bought a home in Takoma, D.C., and will reside in both the United States and Australia.

Armstrong “Army” Robinson was named chief of staff to Rep. Geoff Davis (R-Ky.), it was announced in August. He was promoted from the position of legislative director and counsel in the congressman’s Washington office. Armstrong was a volunteer during Davis’ 2004 congressional campaign.

Diego J. Rojas has joined Stein, Sterling, Bennett, Dejong, Driscoll & Greenfeig of Rockville, Md., where he focuses on personal injury, criminal law and traffic issues. Before joining the firm, he was an associate with Bierman, Geesing & Ward in Bethesda, Md.

Philip A. Ross has been appointed assistant United States attorney in the eastern district of Michigan. Based in Detroit, he represents the United States in criminal and civil asset forfeiture matters. Previously, he served as a contract attorney with the Department of Justice’s asset forfeiture and money laundering section, where he co-edited a treatise, Asset Forfeiture Law in the United States.

Kathryn ‘Kate’ Tarallo is a new associate in the Washington, D.C., office of Epstein Becker and Green. She practices in health care and life sciences group. Tarallo was previously with the FDA, where she was an attorney in the Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research.

Neil W. Tyra proudly announces the formation of the Tyra Law Firm, LLC located in downtown Rockville, Md. The firm specializes in personal injury, worker’s compensation, family law, elderly law and sports representation. Prior to forming the firm, Tyra was an associate at the firm of Simeone & Miller, LLP of Washington, D.C., where his practice focused on personal injury and premises liability litigation.

Jacob Royal Zissu married Aimee Elizabeth Bartol of Syosset, N.Y., on May 28, 2007. He is an associate in the New York office of Clausen Miller, a Chicago law firm. The bride is the senior copy editor at Esquire magazine in New York. She graduated from Boston University.

2005

Christopher J. Armstrong is currently investigative counsel to the Senate Finance Committee, serving under Sen. Chuck Grassley (R-Iowa). Before coming to Grassley’s staff, he worked for the U.S Office of Special Counsel in Washington, D.C., investigating and prosecuting retaliation cases against government whistleblowers.


Wesley A. Nicolas has accepted a position as intellectual property counsel at Novo Nordisk Pharmaceuticals, Inc., of Princeton, N.J. Nicholas was previously with Greenblum & Bernstein, P.L.C., in Reston, Va.

Stephen J. O’Connor has been serving as a trial attorney for the ICE Phoenix District Office of Chief Counsel of DHS since Oct. 1, 2007. He lives with his wife, Yingying, in Mesa, Ariz.


Virginia Koenig Scattergood has been named director of government relations and legislative counsel for the Alexandria, Va.-based Aeronautical Repair Station Association. The news was announced in May 2007. Scattergood was formerly the organization’s associate counsel. The association advocates on behalf of the aviation maintenance industry.

Maureen Curtin Sullivan and Brendan F. Sullivan, 2005, were married on March 24, 2007. Classmates in attendance included Brian Porter, Kurtis Acker, Sarah O’Donnell, Eileen Hopkins and Julie Gauther Marino. The couple currently resides in Boston. Brendan is working as an assistant district attorney in Middlesex County. Maureen has joined the public finance department of Edwards Angell Palmer & Dodge.

Stephen M. Waguespack has been appointed deputy chief of staff for policy to Louisiana governor-elect Bobby Jindal. Waguespack is a Washington lobbyist and former legislative aide to U.S. Rep. Joe Barton (R-TX). He worked as policy director on Jindal’s gubernatorial campaign, and is a native of the state.

2006

Rebecca L. Byrd recently started as a deputy attorney general for the Delaware Department of Justice. Byrd works in the administrative division, primarily on legislation but also on other kinds of legal work.


Candice Dee Cleere, a first lieutenant JAG officer in the U.S. Air Force, was promoted to the rank of captain in July 2007. She is currently stationed at Aviano AFB in Italy.

Lori A. Grazio and her husband, Jason DeRoche, welcomed twins, Catherine Rose and Nathaniel Robert, on Nov. 10, 2006.
In Memoriam

1948

1949
Paula A. Minzing passed away on Sept. 11, 2007.

1951

1952
Paul J. Regan of Syracuse, N.Y., died on June 15, 2007.

1958
Richard Charles Dahl, professor emeritus of the Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law and its founding librarian, died April 16, following a seven-month battle with bone marrow cancer. He was 85. Dahl attended the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration for one semester before enlisting in the Army Quartermaster Corps. From 1942 to 1946, he served in England and France. Richard earned his bachelor of library science from the University of California at Berkeley School of Librarianship in 1951. After retirement, he earned a master’s degree in history from Arizona State University. He served as a law librarian at the University of California, and was the law librarian for the University of Nebraska, the Office of the Judge Advocate General for the Navy, and Washington State. Dahl also was the civil division librarian for the Department of Justice and the U.S. Treasury Department’s librarian. He co-authored several law books including: Military Law Dictionary, the American Judge, Effective Speaking for Lawyers, and Crime, Law & Justice.

1963
Thomas J. Davin Jr. died June 13, 2007. Born in St. Louis, Mo., in 1930, Davin served as a lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force from 1954 to 1956. After receiving his honorable discharge, he earned an M.A. in government and public administration from St. Louis University. He graduated first in his class from the Columbus School of Law, and then commenced a 30-year-long career as a civil servant. Davin was employed by the Department of Energy and its predecessor agencies, the Atomic Energy Commission and the Energy Research and Development Administration. He held a series of positions in procurement operations and policy and was admitted into DOE’s senior executive service in 1978. From 1983 to 1986 he served as the deputy director of the Department of Energy’s Procurement Directorate in Washington, D.C., where he received the agency’s Exceptional Service and Distinguished Career Service Awards. From 1986 to 1998 he served as vice president of corporate affairs and general counsel of Associated Universities, Inc. After retiring in 1998, he spent a significant amount of time volunteering at the Catholic Information Center in Washington, D.C. Davin is survived by his wife, Shirley, four children and four grandchildren.

1964
Michael J. Dowd Jr., 72, former division chief in the D.C. Corporation Counsel’s office, died of complications from pneumonia July 28, 2007, at Georgetown University Hospital. Dowd joined the corporation counsel’s office in 1965 after a three-year stint as an investigator for the Agriculture Department. He was named chief of the juvenile division in 1971 and remained in that position until his retirement in 1984. The eldest child and namesake of D.C. police inspector Mike Dowd, Dowd followed his father into law enforcement. When his father was in charge of security for the U.S. Senate, he became a Capitol page and ran errands for Prescott Bush, John F. Kennedy and Lyndon B. Johnson. He worked summers and part-time jobs in the Senate from 1948 to 1961. Mr. Dowd enjoyed travel, classical music, restaurants and 1940s movies. With his wife of 38 years, Judith Ann Donovan, he was a charter member of the American Film Institute and spent many nights attending AFI showings at the Kennedy Center. Survivors include his wife; two brothers, Martin Dowd of Burtonsville and Kevin Dowd of Rockville; and two sisters, Peggy Dowd and Maureen Dowd, both of Washington.

1966
Michael Reilly Jr., 66, a noted attorney in Hudson County, New Jersey, died Friday, Aug. 10, 2007, at his home in Sea Girt. Born in Jersey City, Mr. Reilly attended St. Aloysius Grammar School and went on to Marist High School in Bayonne, graduating in 1959. The son of the late Hon. Michael F. and Meave Reilly (nee Hamill), Mr. Reilly graduated from The Catholic University of America’s school of law in 1966. He was admitted to the New Jersey bar the following year and soon opened a solo general practice in Jersey City, which he maintained until earlier this year. His legal career included positions on staff at Legal Services and as director of Hudson County’s Office on Aging. Mr. Reilly is survived by his son, Christopher, of Madison, and his sister, Rosanne Reilly Poden and her husband, Robert Poden, of North Palm Beach, Fla. He is also survived by five nieces as well as numerous great-nieces and great-nephews.

1970
Michael J. Tully died on March 19, 2006, in Cortez, Fla.

1975
Joseph Randall Whaley died from heart failure on July 18, 2007, after battling cancer for more than a year. Whaley was born in 1946 in Lafayette, Ind. He attended Antioch College, earning his B.A. in 1968. He served in the Peace Corps in the Philippines as a volunteer teacher/trainer from 1969 to 1971. At CUA, he was a senior staff member of the Catholic University Law Review from 1974 to 1975. He was admitted to practice in Maryland and the District of Columbia, and was a member of the Montgomery County Bar Association and the Bar Association of the District of Columbia. He is survived by five nieces as well as numerous great-nieces and great-nephews.


Lt. Sean M. Thompson was selected as Naval Legal Service Command’s junior officer of the quarter for the period April through June 2007. Lt. Thompson was singled out for his expert management of the Navy’s largest and busiest docket, which includes six military installations in the Hampton Roads, Va., area. During the three-month period, he successfully prosecuted more than 250 misdemeanor cases and conducted more than 60 probation hearings.

Edward “Teddy” Davis has been promoted to deputy political director for ABC News, it was announced in June. Davis is covering his third election cycle for the network. Before being promoted to deputy political director, he covered the 2006 Democratic takeover of Congress and the 2004 re-election of President Bush. Throughout his time at the network, Davis has provided guidance on political coverage to ABC News’ broadcasts, on-camera political analysis to ABC News’ Web casts, and political writing to ABCNews.com.

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A Special Thank You to Our Reunion Committee

Thanks to all the alumni volunteers who served on Reunion class committees. The individuals listed below helped plan our Reunion events and encouraged classmates to support the law school by making a gift or pledge to their class gift.

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John C. Kucej, Esquire
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Professor Ellen M. Scully
Alexis Tucci, Esquire
Anthony J. Villani, Esquire
Professor John B. Wefing

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Nancy Palermo, Esquire
Adam Craig Paul, Esquire

Class of 2002
Kelly J. Fisher, Esquire
Amir Ali Patric Guerami, Esquire
Angela Marie Pegram, Esquire
Admir Serifovic, Esquire
Mia C. Zur, Esquire
Supreme Court Swearing In

CUA law was proud to present 44 alumni to be sworn into the Bar of the Supreme Court of the United States. The newest members of the bar are pictured here along with their guests and Dean Veryl Victoria Miles, 1980, and Chief Justice John Roberts. Congratulations on such a tremendous accomplishment!

Chief Justice John Roberts congratulates the newest members of the bar in the West Conference Room of the U.S. Supreme Court while Dean Miles and others look on.

Jennifer A. Cetta, 2002, her mother, Sharon, Dean Miles, and Associate Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg share a moment during the breakfast reception.
Cross Country

Alumni gatherings nationwide

Chicago Alumni Chapter
Area law alumni met for dinner after attending a reception in Chicago on Sept. 25, 2007, with the Very Rev. David M. O’Connell, C.M., president of The Catholic University of America, and Dr. James F. Brennan, university provost.

Richmond Bar Swearing In

ABA Annual Meeting
Alumni, faculty and friends took in the incredible views atop the Hotel Nikko in San Francisco during the American Bar Association annual meeting on Aug. 12, 2007.

Washington, DC

New York City Alumni Chapter
Professor David Lipton moderated a lunchtime lecture on Sept. 10, 2007, that was given by Marc Menchel, executive vice president and general counsel, NASD Regulatory Policy at Sedgwick, Detert, Moran & Arnold in New York City. Special thanks to Board of Visitors member Robert B. Budelman Jr., 1962, pictured with Professor Lipton; Edward J. Kirk, 1997; and J. Gregory Lahr, 1997, for hosting CUA law!
**Boston Alumni Chapter**
The Boston Alumni Chapter attended an Evening with the Dean at the Four Seasons Hotel on June 12, 2007.

**County Receptions**
To celebrate CUA Law’s presence in neighboring jurisdictions, a series of special receptions have been planned to connect member of local judiciary with our graduates. Receptions in Prince George’s County and Northern Virginia have already taken place and plans are underway for additional counties.

Join us for our Montgomery County event on January 16, 2008, at Bethesda Hyatt.

Adjunct Professor and alumna Kathleen B. Asdorian, 1990, and Dean Miles enjoyed the tented reception on the grounds of the historical Darnell’s Chance House Museum in Prince Georges County.

Our Northern Virginia reception was a great success. The Tower Club in Tyson’s Corner hosted over 40 alumni, friends, and members of the Fairfax, Arlington, Loudon and Alexandria City Bar and Bench.


**Securities Law Luncheon**
More than 60 alumni, students and guests gathered at the Army Navy Club for the 25th Annual Securities Law Luncheon. Pictured here is guest speaker NASDAQ Executive Vice President John Jacobs and Professor David Lipton.

Dean Veryl Miles hosted a luncheon at the City Club of Washington on May 4, 2007, to announce the endowment of the Arthur John Keeffe Memorial Fund. The fund was established in memory of Professor Arthur John Keeffe to provide financial aid to students interested in securities law. The luncheon was attended by Stephen Keeffe and Arthur John Keeffe II, the son and grandson of Arthur John Keeffe, as well as Peter Chepucavage, 1974, and Robert Lord, 1979, who spearheaded the effort to establish and endow the new scholarship fund. The fund contains more than $80,000 in total contributions, and the law school will make the first scholarship awards from the fund this academic year.

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Dear Alumni and Friends,

This letter marks the end of my two-year term as chair of the Law School Annual Fund and my final opportunity, as chair, to publicly extend my thanks to all our generous alumni and friends. Over the last two years I have witnessed a wonderful increase in the number of alumni and friends who are giving to the law school and in the amounts being given. So many of you have made your first gift to the law school, renewed your past support and increased the size of your commitment. I am pleased to have been part of such a successful two years, and I want you all to know that your gifts truly make a difference for the Columbus School of Law.

Over the last year, alumni participation increased from 14.5 percent to 15.6 percent, a sign that more of our alumni are making the law school a philanthropic priority. Overall, thanks to your generosity, contributions have nearly doubled over the last two years, reaching almost $1.5 million. We added nearly 300 new donors, and many alumni and friends have joined The 1897 Society by making their first gift of $1,000 or more.

Gifts to the Law School Annual Fund, our unrestricted fund that is being used for scholarships, grew to $685,000, a 21 percent increase over last fiscal year. We have also seen great participation and success in our newer programs, including the Graduation Class Gift and CUA Law Firm Challenge:

• Again this spring, graduating students committed more than $60,000 to the law school program or fund of their choice. Fifty-seven percent of the Class of 2007 made a gift or pledge, setting a new participation record. Special thanks to Larry Pilot and Stanley Samorajczyk, both Class of 1967, for their help in encouraging such great participation. They each made a challenge gift of $5,000, which became part of the class gift after 50 percent participation had been reached. Thank you also to committee co-chairs Sean Mahoney and Anna Kouba and to all members of the Class Gift Committee listed on page 78.

• The CUA Law Firm Challenge also experienced wonderful growth with 10 new firms joining the competition. Congratulations and thank you to all participating firms, especially Holland & Knight who won the challenge with 93 percent of alumni at the firm giving to the law school. You can see a full list of participating firms and the alumni chairs on page 11.

As members of the law school community, whether alumni or friends, we have the opportunity to impact the lives of current and future students by sharing our financial resources. Listed on the following pages are the generous individuals, companies, foundations and organizations that made a difference last fiscal year (May 1, 2006–April 30, 2007). I thank each of you for your wonderful commitment, and I encourage all our alumni to participate this year and in the years to come by giving back to CUA law. Every gift is an investment in the law school and its students — an investment that will bear dividends for years to come.

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