

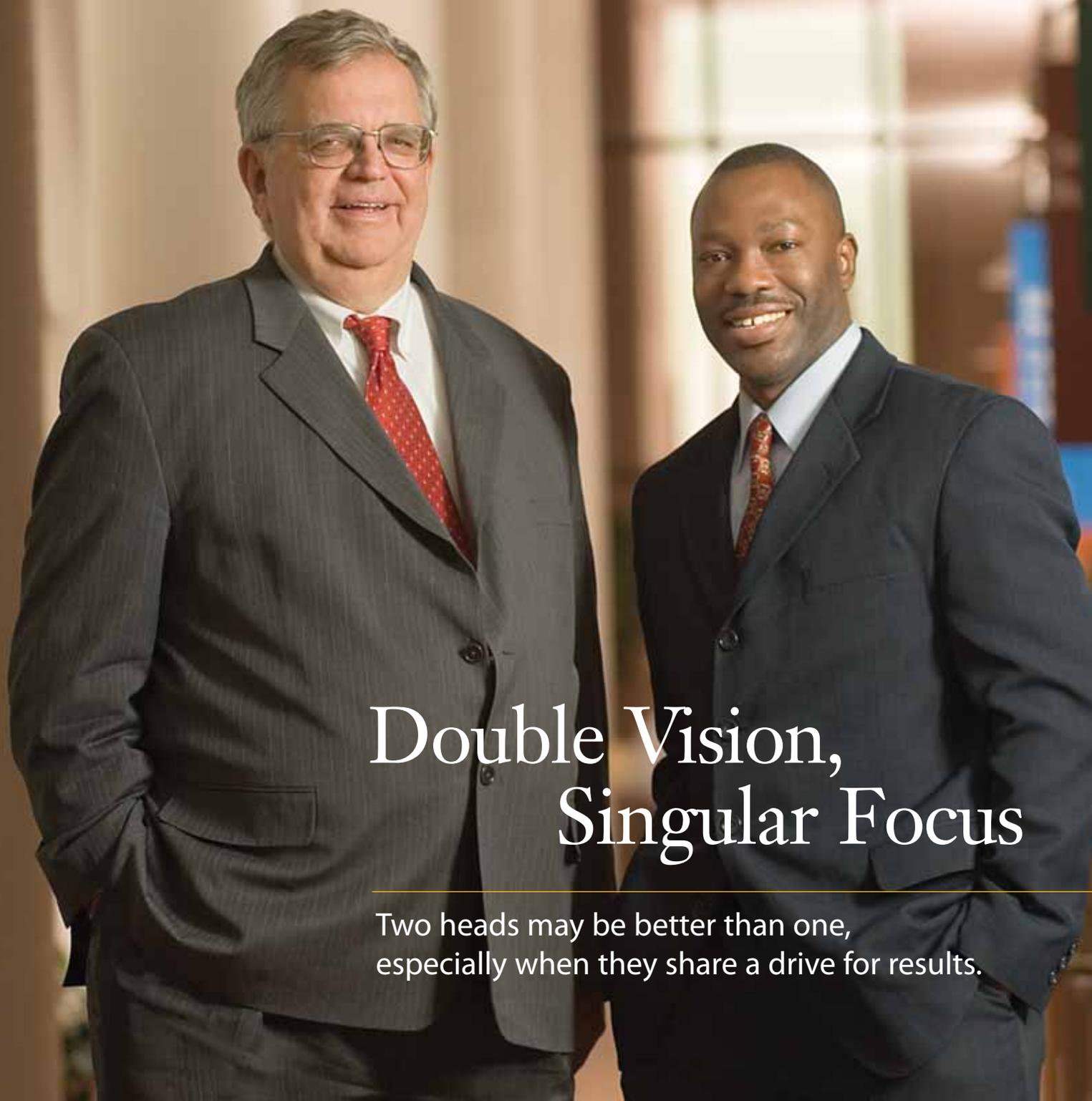
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# Deans' Perspective

This past fall, we had numerous opportunities to reflect on the purposes and goals of law and legal institutions in the 21st century. As we spent time with alumni in particular but also with faculty, students, staff, and friends of the Law School, part of our role was to articulate the Law School's *raison d'être*.

Too often in our culture, there is a tendency to underappreciate the important role of lawyers and the law in a free and democratic society. Lawyers are too frequently viewed as parasites who feed on society without contributing anything of value. Of course, we all know that nothing could be further from the truth.

Nearly two-thirds of the delegates who attended the Constitutional Convention of 1787 were lawyers. Lawyers have a long history of commitment to certain fundamental values that sustain a free society: respect for the rule of law, freedom of speech, equality, and the presumption of innocence. Lawyers' support of the law presents a framework for resolving private disputes, a forum for vindicating criminal offenses to persons and property, a mechanism for facilitating economic prosperity through the development of contracts and commercial transactions, and an opportunity for distinguishing relevant facts from irrelevant facts and falsehoods. And the list goes on.

These values and others are lacking in many places, both in this country and around the world, and their absence is deeply felt. But when they are upheld—and that reinforcement comes primarily from lawyers—they contribute to everything that is admirable about a free and democratic society.

As a public educational institution, the University of Minnesota Law School bears a special responsibility for inculcating these and other values into the hearts and minds of our students. It was not mere happenstance that the majority of the founding fathers were lawyers. It is not simple coincidence that a large majority of our elected officials and most influential leaders are lawyers. And it is not an accident that many powerful politicians and business leaders are graduates of this very Law School. (Watch for our coverage of alumni in public office in the next issue.) Lawyers, and especially our Law School graduates, are trained to uphold the best of our society's values, and they sometimes do so even when it is politically incorrect and socially uncomfortable.

Our aim at the Law School is to teach our students that we represent values beyond ourselves. Even in the mundane details of drawing up a contract, making an estate plan to pass property from one generation to another, representing an unpopular criminal defendant, passing legislation, or concluding a merger and acquisition, our vigilant attention to the law embodies the spirit behind a free and just society.

The lawyer's role is often complicated and nuanced; not everything is black and white. It is sometimes difficult, frustrating, and yes, even boring. But most important, by safeguarding cherished values, lawyers perform a noble role.



FRED L. MORRISON  
AND GUY-URIEL E. CHARLES

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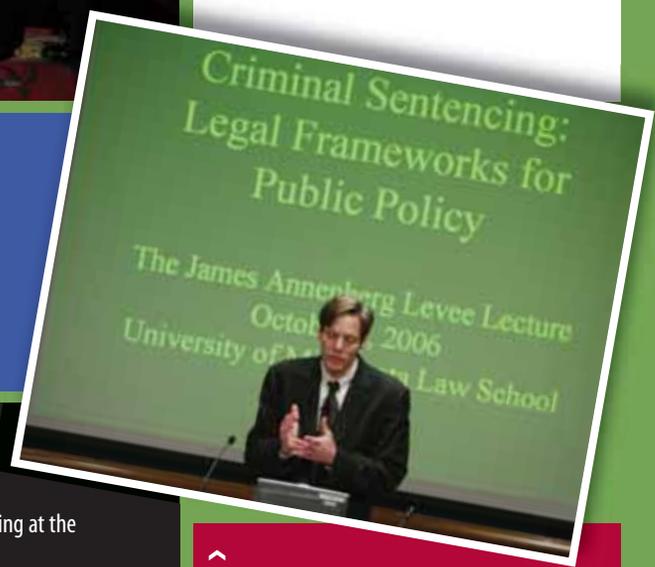
◀ Former recipients of the Julius E. Davis Chair celebrated with new Davis Chair Dale Carpenter and Mrs. Julius Davis (center). Front row: Professors Daniel Gifford, Jim Chen, Laura Cooper, Dan Burk, Brett McDonnell, Susan Wolf, Stephen Befort. Back row: Professors Brad Karkkainen, Richard Frase, Barry Feld, Dale Carpenter, Robert Levy, Oren Gross, John Matheson

**LAW BRIEF**

- 34 permanent endowed chairs/professorships

**LAW BRIEF**

- 61 full-time faculty (38% female, 18% minorities and 9 clinical faculty)
- 29 affiliated faculty



⤴ Professor Kevin Reitz delivering The James Annenberg Levee Land Grant Chair in Criminal Procedure lecture in October



◀ Dean Joan S. Howland speaking at the Hedin Alcove celebration.

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# Faculty R&D

Highlights of the numerous publications, presentations, and achievements of Law School faculty.

March 1–October 1, 2006



Edward S. Adams



Beverly Balos



Stephen F. Befort



Brian H. Bix

## EDWARD S. ADAMS

Professor Adams is preparing a treatise entitled *The Law of Nanotechnology*, intended to provide a detailed examination of relevant legal-related issues in the emerging field of nanotechnology and scheduled to be published by a leading academic publisher in 2008. He is finalizing “Bridging the Gap Between Ownership and Control,” which considers the benefits of a full-circle evaluation system of corporate management and advocates a means for institutional investors to implement such a system for companies and thereby improve corporate accountability. Professor Adams is also working on an article that addresses issues related to the bank statement rule under Article 4 of the Uniform Commercial Code and is drawing up a proposal for a multi-volume publication regarding the Uniform Commercial Code.

## BEVERLY BALOS

Professor Balos was awarded the Vaughan G. Papke Clinical Professorship in Law for 2006–2008, a two-year professorship established to support and honor clinical faculty members for their scholarship. She facilitated a panel on domestic violence for International Women’s Day, and she co-developed and presented training on advanced advocacy for the Minnesota Coalition for Battered Women at the organization’s statewide conference. Professor Balos also became a member of the Board of Directors of WATCH, a court-monitoring agency focused on the justice response to domestic and sexual violence. She gave numerous newspaper and radio interviews, in both local and national outlets, on domestic violence issues and the implications of a constitutional amendment banning same-sex marriage.

## STEPHEN F. BEFORT

Professor Befort was elected to the Executive Board of the International Society for Labour Law and Social Security. He wrote three law review articles: “The Regulatory Void of Contingent Work” in the *Employee Rights and Employee Policy Journal*, “When Quitting is Fitting: The Need for a Reformulated Sexual Harassment/Constructive Discharge Standard in the Wake of *Pennsylvania State Police v. Suders*” (with Sarah J. Gorajski) in the *Ohio State Law Journal*, and the forthcoming “A Perfect Storm of Retirement Security: Fixing the Three-Legged Stool of Social Security, Pensions, and Personal Savings” in the *Minnesota Law Review*. With Paul Gerhart, he co-edited *Arbitration 2005: The Evolving World of Work: Proceedings of the 58th Annual Meeting of the National Academy of Arbitrators* published by the Bureau of National Affairs, and he completed a supplement for *Employment Law and Practice*. He wrote two professional education pieces: “The Americans with Disabilities Act: The Most Troublesome Issues” published by the Labor Arbitration Institute in *Labor Arbitration and Labor Law* and “Public Sector Update 2005–06” in the 2006 *Employment Law Handbook*. Two of Professor Befort’s recent labor arbitration decisions were selected for publication in the Bureau of National Affairs’ *Labor Arbitration Reports*.

## BRIAN H. BIX

Several of Professor Bix’s essays were collected and translated into Spanish under the title *Teoría del Derecho: Ambición y Límites* (Marcial Pons, 2006). Forthcoming publications include “Perfectionist Policies in Family Law” in the *University of Illinois Law Review*; “On Questions and Answers in *Law’s Quandary*” in the *San Diego Law Review*; “Form and



## THE BENJAMIN N. BERGER PROFESSOR OF CRIMINAL LAW REAPPOINTMENT LECTURE

On Sept. 12, 2006, Richard S. Frase commemorated his reappointment as the Benjamin N. Berger Professor of Criminal Law with a lecture entitled “Sentencing Guidelines in Minnesota—Past, Present and Future” at the Law School’s Lockhart Hall. He was the 1988–1989 Julius E. Davis Professor of Law and has been the Benjamin N. Berger Professor of Criminal Law since 1991.

A Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Haverford College, Frase received his J.D. from the University of Chicago, where he was Comment Editor of the *University of Chicago Law Review*. Before joining the Law School in 1977, he clerked for Chief Judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit Luther M. Swygert, practiced at the Chicago-based firm now known as Sidley Austin LLP, and was a research associate and Arnold Shure Fellow at the Center for Studies in Criminal Justice at the University of Chicago Law School.

During his distinguished career, he has taught a broad range of criminal law courses. He has been a visiting professor at Christian-Albrechts-Universität in Kiel, Germany, and Université Jean Moulin in Lyon, France, and a frequent contributor to radio, television, and newspaper reports on criminal justice issues. Frase is a member of the American Law Institute, the American Society of Criminology, the International Association of Penal Law, and the American, Minnesota, and Hennepin County bar associations.

The Benjamin N. Berger Professorship of Criminal Law was established through the generosity of Benjamin Berger, a prominent Minneapolis businessman and humanitarian, and his wife Mildred. They believed that continuous and systematic examination of all aspects of crime and its impact on society was a logical, tangible means of reducing the level of crime in America.



## THE JULIUS E. DAVIS PROFESSOR OF LAW APPOINTMENT

On Sept. 19, 2006, Dale Carpenter was appointed the 2006-2007 Julius E. Davis Professor of Law. He was the 2004-2005 Vance K. Opperman Research Scholar and the 2003-2004 Stanley V. Kinyon Teacher of the Year. He graduated magna cum laude from Yale College in 1989 and received his J.D. from the University of Chicago Law School in 1992, where he was editor-in-chief of the *University of Chicago Law Review* and received honors for legal scholarship. After law school, he clerked for Judge Edith H. Jones of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit and practiced law in Houston and San Francisco. He teaches, writes, and speaks on constitutional and commercial law, the First Amendment, and sexual orientation and the law and is an editor of *Constitutional Commentary*. A member of the Texas and California state bars, Carpenter joined the Law School in 2000.

During the appointment ceremony at the Minneapolis Club, attended by Mrs. Davis and other family members, Carpenter thanked Julius Davis, calling him a man who “made his own way in life and in the law. He made, and is making even beyond his death, the rest of us better because he fought to make this country better.” Carpenter noted that inviting people in, “whether they are immigrants, slaves, women, religious and political dissenters from the majority’s values, or gay people,” is the nation’s finest endeavor. His life as a scholar is an evaluation of the country’s errors, he said, “but it is also an expression of love for this country’s core principles of respect for the life, the dignity, and the liberty of every person who inhabits it.”

Julius E. Davis (class of 1936) was a well-known Twin Cities lawyer and civic leader. His family, friends, colleagues, and law firm generously endowed the Chair in Law as a lasting memorial to his dedicated support of the Law School. The appointment rotates annually among faculty and recognizes excellence in teaching, research, and scholarship.



Dale Carpenter



Bradley G. Clary



Laura J. Cooper



Thomas J. Cotter

Formalism: The View from Legal Theory” in *Ratio Juris*; “Robert Alexy, Radbruch’s Formula, and the Nature of Legal Theory” in *Rechtstheorie*; “Theories of Justice” in *Encyclopedia of Legal History* (Oxford University Press); and “Legal Realism,” “Historical Jurisprudence,” and “Lon Fuller” in *The New Oxford Companion to Law*. Professor Bix also presented papers on contract law theory at the University of Illinois College of Law, and on legal philosophy and conceptual analysis at Macalester College.

### DALE CARPENTER

Professor Carpenter published “Unanimously Wrong” on the Supreme Court’s decision in *Rumsfeld v. FAIR* (Forum for Academic and Institutional Rights) in the *Cato Supreme Court Review*. He also updated his white paper for the Cato Institute opposing the Federal Marriage Amendment (Policy Analysis No. 570 entitled “The Federal Marriage Amendment: Unnecessary, Anti-Federalist, and Anti-Democratic”) in advance of the Senate vote last June on the amendment. Professor Carpenter spoke at the Conference on Censorship and Institutional Review Boards at Northwestern University Law School in April and will publish an article on the subject in a forthcoming issue of the *Northwestern Law Review*.

### BRADLEY G. CLARY

Professor Clary continues to serve on the Communication Skills Committee of the American Bar Association Section of Legal Education and is a principal contributor to the second edition of the *Sourcebook on Legal Writing Programs*, which ABA Publishing released in September. He and co-authors Sharon Reich Paulsen and Michael Vanselow have begun preliminary work on the third edition of their American Casebook Series text, *Advocacy on Appeal*. Professor Clary is also working on the next generation of the strategic plan for the Law school’s applied legal instruction program.

### LAURA J. COOPER

At their June international conference in Saratoga Springs, New York, members of the Labor Law Group presented an original oil painting to Professor Cooper in recognition of her four years of leadership as chair of this group of scholars who collaboratively write textbooks on labor and employment law. At the conference, she gave a presentation on the use of electronics in labor law pedagogy and moderated a panel on empirical studies of employment arbitration. Professor Cooper was recently elected to membership in the College of Labor and Employment Lawyers. Her article “The Process of Procedure: The Historical Development of Procedure in Labor Arbitration” was published by the Bureau of National Affairs in *Proceedings of the 58th Annual Meeting of the National Academy of Arbitrators*.

### THOMAS J. COTTER

Professor Cotter presented “Authors, Audiences, and Anonymous Speech” at Washington and Lee University in March and at the Intellectual Property Scholars Conference at the University of California-Berkeley, in August. The paper, co-authored with Professor Lyrrisa Barnett Lidsky, will be published in a forthcoming issue of the *Notre Dame Law Review*. In May at UC Berkeley, Professor Cotter presented “The Procompetitive Interest in Intellectual Property Law” at the American Law & Economics Association annual meeting, and it will be published in a forthcoming issue of the *William and Mary Law Review*. He moderated a discussion titled “Fifth Amendment Takings and Intellectual Property” at the Association of American Law Schools Workshop on Intellectual Property in Vancouver, and he prepared an amicus brief in a U.S. Supreme Court patent case: *MedImmune Inc. v. Genentech Inc.* Professor Cotter presented “Fair Use and Copyright Overenforcement,” a work in progress, at the University of Minnesota and UC-Berkeley. In November at George Washington University, he presented “A Burkean Perspective on Patent Eligibility,” for which he received a writing grant from Oracle Corporation.



Prentiss Cox



Barry Feld



Richard S. Frase



Daniel J. Gifford



Ralph F. Hall



Claire A. Hill

### PRENTISS COX

During the fall semester, Professor Cox launched the Consumer Protection Clinic, in which student attorneys are representing individuals in cases involving deceptive sales practices, debt collection abuse, lemon law claims, and other consumer law matters. He published “Goliath Has the Slingshot: Public Benefit and Private Enforcement of Minnesota Consumer Protection Laws” on the impact of the Minnesota Supreme Court’s imposition of a public benefit test in private actions to enforce consumer fraud laws in the *William Mitchell Law Review*. Among other continuing education courses and presentations, he spoke at the American Conference Institute in New York in October on state attorneys general enforcement actions in the area of consumer financial services. Professor Cox has been cited in numerous articles by the local media on consumer fraud and in an article in *Mother Jones* magazine on the rising rate of home foreclosures.

### BARRY FELD

For the past year, Professor Feld has used juvenile court records, police reports, tapes, and transcripts of interrogations to study how police question juveniles. His findings are described in the upcoming articles “Juveniles’ Competence to Exercise Miranda Rights: An Empirical Study of Policy and Practice” in the *Minnesota Law Review* and “Police Interrogation of Juveniles: An Empirical Study of Policy and Practice” in the *Journal of Criminal Law and Criminology*. Professor Feld has spoken at several events around the country in observation of juvenile courts’ centenary, most recently at a symposium on juvenile justice at Northern Kentucky University, Highland Heights. His lecture there will be published as “A Century of Juvenile Justice: A Failed Experiment or a Work-in-Progress?” in an upcoming issue of the *Chase Law Review*. Professor Feld recently presented “Politics of Race and Juvenile Justice” at the MacArthur Foundation’s National Conference on Juvenile Justice and Adolescent Development in Washington, DC. The Minnesota Supreme Court cited three of Professor Feld’s arti-

cles in *State vs. McFee* (September 21, 2006), upholding the inclusion of delinquency adjudications in an adult offender’s criminal history score.

### RICHARD S. FRASE

Professor Frase is working on a book on constitutional proportionality principles, to be co-authored with Provost E. Thomas Sullivan, and is writing a chapter for a book to honor celebrated comparative law scholar Mirjan Damaska. He has written an article on sentencing and three articles on comparative criminal justice, which are scheduled to be published within the next few months in law reviews or as book chapters. This past summer Professor Frase made presentations on the Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines to conferences at Stanford Law School and in Melbourne, Australia. In September, on the occasion of his re-appointment as Benjamin N. Berger Professor of Criminal Law, he delivered a lecture on the past, present, and future of the Minnesota guidelines.

### DANIEL J. GIFFORD

Professor Gifford’s article “Trade and Tensions” was recently published in the *Minnesota Journal of International Law*. The Chevron doctrine, which requires judicial deference to agency interpretations of ambiguous statutory terms, has been unsettled by Supreme Court decisions over the last several years, and Professor Gifford is working on an article that examines a revised Chevron doctrine. It identifies the direction in which the Court is heading and assesses the result. Professor Gifford and Humphrey Institute Professor Robert Kudrle are writing a paper that compares the laws prohibiting price discrimination in the United States, Canada, and the European Union. They examine statutes, treaty provisions, and case law and draw from economic analyses in the recent literature, especially those evaluating the effects of so-called fidelity and target rebate practices. Professor Gifford has also prepared an early draft of a paper dealing with transactions costs in antitrust and intellectual property settings.

In late September, he presented that paper at the Canadian Law and Economics Association conference. He is in the final stage of completing a book-length manuscript on U.S. labor policy.

### RALPH F. HALL

Professor Hall continues to research, write, and speak on a variety of subjects relating to pharmaceutical and medical-device regulation. He has published articles on the applicability of the False Claims Act to off-label promotion of pharmaceuticals and medical devices and the trend toward imposing corporate and individual liability based on actions of the corporate compliance office. He has also published an article on the recent Abigail Alliance for Better Access to Developmental Drugs case, in which the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia found a substantive due process right under the Fifth Amendment for terminally ill patients to have access to experimental, unapproved therapies. Recently he was asked to join the Board of Editors of the *Food and Drug Law Journal*. Professor Hall has spoken at several regional and national conferences on such subjects as product recall, the interface between Food and Drug Administration requirements and product liability matters, and corporate compliance matters. He has been asked to serve as a consultant to Vista Research, a part of Standard and Poor’s, on the implications of pharmaceutical and medical-device recalls.

### CLAIRE A. HILL

In March and April, Professor Hill made presentations at the Law and Behavioral Biology Roundtable and the Society for Evolutionary Analysis in Law conferences at Vanderbilt University School of Law. In April, she presented “A Cognitive Theory of Trust,” co-authored with Erin O’Hara, at a symposium on regulating business held at Washington University School of Law. It will be published in a forthcoming issue of the *Washington University Law Review*. In June, Professor Hill presented “Rationality Reconceived” at a Gruter Institute for Law and Behavioral Research



### THE JAMES ANNENBERG LEEVE LAND GRANT CHAIR IN CRIMINAL PROCEDURE APPOINTMENT LECTURE

Kevin Reitz marked his appointment as the James Annenberg Levee Land Grant Chair in Criminal Procedure with a lecture entitled “Criminal Sentencing: Legal Frameworks for Public Policy” on Oct. 3, 2006, at Lockhart Hall. He joined the faculty in 2005 and teaches criminal law, criminal procedure, and professional responsibility. Having published widely in sentencing law and policy, Reitz focuses largely on the criminal bar and criminal justice community. He has been active in the National Association of Sentencing Commissions, which serves as a nationwide resource for states preparing for sentencing reform, since organizing the pilot meeting in 1993.

Reitz graduated from the University of Pennsylvania Law School, where he was Comment Editor of the *University of Pennsylvania Law Review*, in 1982. After graduation, he clerked for Alaska Supreme Court Justice Jay A. Rabinowitz and practiced criminal and civil law at Saul, Ewing, Remick & Saul in Philadelphia. From 1988 to 2005, he taught at the University of Colorado School of Law in Boulder, spending 2002 as a visiting fellow at the Institute of Criminology at the University of Cambridge.

He was co-reporter for the new edition of the American Bar Association’s *Standards for Criminal Justice: Sentencing* from 1989 to 1994. In 2001 he was appointed by the American Law Institute as reporter for the first-ever revision of the Model Penal Code’s provisions on sentencing and corrections, an ambitious project that has drawn considerable attention from policy-makers and scholars.

The James Annenberg Levee Land Grant Chair in Criminal Procedure was established through the generosity of James Annenberg Levee (class of 1969) and is a tribute to his strong commitment to the constitutional rights of all individuals. His mother, Polly Annenberg Levee, also was a generous supporter of the Law School.



Joan S. Howland



Brad Karkkainen



Heidi Kitrosser



Alexandra B. Klass

conference. In September, at the Canadian Law and Economics Association conference, she and Professor Brett McDonnell presented “Disney, Structural Bias and Good Faith,” which will be published in the *Journal of Corporation Law*. In October, Professor Hill presented “The Irrationality of Rational Choice” at a symposium of the *NYU Journal of Law & Liberty* titled Behavioral Law & Economics’ Challenge to the Classical Liberal Program. It will be published in the journal’s symposium issue.

#### JOAN S. HOWLAND

Associate Dean and Professor Howland published “Expressing Our Values Through Our Actions” in the proceedings of the 2006 Sovereignty Symposium, sponsored by the Supreme Court of Oklahoma, and is working to complete “Bibliocide: Banned in Boston, Burned in Berkeley; Silenced Authors and Freedom of Expression.” In August she presented “Protection and Preservation of Indigenous Cultures in the 21st Century” in Buenos Aires at a conference sponsored by the governments of Argentina, Brazil, Uruguay, and Chile. She continues to work closely with several remote indigenous communities in Uruguay in developing their libraries and technological capabilities. Professor Howland serves on the Law School Admissions Council and was recently appointed to the Council of the American Bar Association Section of Legal Education & Admissions to the Bar. She was treasurer for the Joint Conference of Librarians of Color in Dallas in October and served on a federal grant review panel for the 2006 Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program. She is a member of the executive board and treasurer of the American Indian Library Association. Professor Howland will chair the ABA sabbatical evaluation team visiting the Pontifical Catholic University of Puerto Rico Law School in spring 2007.

#### BRAD KARKKAINEN

In October Professor Karkkainen presented “Thinking Globally, Acting Locally: Clean Energy and Climate Change Policy

at the Sub-national Level in the United States” at an international conference on clean energy and climate change at Tsinghua University in Beijing, China. He published three law review articles: “The Police Power Revisited: Phantom Incorporation and the Roots of the Takings Muddle” in *Minnesota Law Review*, “Information-Forcing Environmental Regulation” in *Florida State University Law Review*, and “Managing Transboundary Aquatic Ecosystems: Lessons from the Great Lakes” in a forthcoming issue of *Transnational Lawyer*. He also wrote two book chapters: “Information-Forcing Regulation and Environmental Governance” in *Law and New Governance in the EU and the US*, edited by Grainne de Burca and Joanne Scott, and “NEPA and the Curious Evolution of Environmental Impact Assessment in the U.S.” in the forthcoming *Environmental Assessment: Law, Policy, and Custom*, edited by Jane Holder. In May, Professor Karkkainen presented “Adaptive Management and the Law of Environmental Decisionmaking” at the 2006 Water Law, Policy, and Science conference hosted by the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

#### HEIDI KITROSSER

Professor Kitrosser’s recent writings, scheduled to appear in forthcoming publications, include “Secrecy and Separated Powers: Executive Privilege Revisited” in the *Iowa Law Review*, a symposium article in the *Minnesota Law Review*, a symposium introduction in the *Brooklyn Law Review*, and several entries in the *Encyclopedia of the First Amendment*, edited by David Hudson, David Schultz, and John Vile. She recently presented “Classified Information Leaks and Free Speech” at the University of Florida Center for Information Research and Chicago-Kent College of Law, and “Macro-Transparency as Structural Directive: A Look at the NSA Surveillance Controversies” at the *Minnesota Law Review* fall 2006 symposium. Professor Kitrosser also spoke on civil liberties and national security for the American Association of University Women and on executive privilege at Washington University in St. Louis.



John H. Matheson



Fionnuala Ni Aoláin



Paula Seeger



David Stras

### ALEXANDRA B. KLASS

Professor Klass published “Adverse Possession and Conservation: Expanding Traditional Notions of Use and Possession” in the *University of Colorado Law Review*. Upcoming articles include “Modern Public Trust Principles: Recognizing Rights and Integrating Standards” in the *Notre Dame Law Review* and “Common Law and Federalism in the Age of the Regulatory State” in the *Iowa Law Review*. In April, Professor Klass spoke on the Endangered Species Act and National Environmental Policy Act at the Environmental Law Institute in Minneapolis. In July, she presented a paper at the first Big Ten UnTENured Scholars Conference at Indiana University School of Law-Bloomington. Professor Klass is lead counsel for Friends of Twin Lakes, a pro bono citizen group that filed an environmental lawsuit challenging a proposed residential and retail development in Roseville, Minnesota. In August, the Minnesota Court of Appeals held that the City’s approval of the development was contrary to its planning documents and had received insufficient environmental study under state law. Professor Klass is currently secretary of the Minnesota State Bar Environmental and Natural Resources Section and a member of the Board of Directors of the Minnesota Chapter of the Federal Bar Association.

### JOHN H. MATHESON

Professor Matheson has received, for the fourth time in 2005–2006, the prestigious Stanley V. Kinyon Excellence in Teaching and Counseling Award. As part of the Law School’s inaugural program in Beijing, China, Professor Matheson taught a course this past summer on comparative business entities to 26 American and Chinese law students. In addition, he published “Convergence, Culture and Contract Law in China” in the *Minnesota Journal of International Law*.

### FIONNUALA NI AOLÁIN

The book *Law in Times of Crisis: Emergency Powers in Theory and Practice*, co-authored by Professor Ni Aoláin and Pro-

fessor Oren Gross, has just been published by Cambridge University Press as part of its Cambridge Studies in International and Comparative Law series. Her article “Political Violence and Gender During Times of Transition” was published in the *Columbia Journal of Gender and Law*. In May Professor Ni Aoláin was a speaker at an international conference in Jerusalem, Israel, jointly organized by the Minerva Center and the International Committee of the Red Cross that explored the parallel application of humanitarian law and human rights law. She presented “Hamdan, the Supreme Court and Common Article 3” at the *Minnesota Law Review* symposium in October.

### PAULA SEEGER

Paula Seeger joined the library staff as Circulation Librarian this summer and is responsible for supervising the circulation department, library security and facilities, and the upcoming law library blog. She most recently held the position of Branch Librarian at the Dane County Legal Resource Center in the Dane County Courthouse, Madison, Wisconsin. Ms Seeger holds a bachelor’s degree in religion from Augsburg College, Minneapolis; a master’s degree in theology and the arts from United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities; and a master’s degree in library and information studies from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

### DAVID STRAS

Professor Stras is active on several projects relating to the institutional characteristics of federal courts, and to the Supreme Court of the United States in particular. He presented “Are Senior Judges Unconstitutional?,” co-authored with Ryan W. Scott, to the University of Minnesota Law School faculty and to attendees of the Big Ten UnTENured Conference at Indiana University School of Law-Bloomington, and it will be published in a forthcoming issue of the *Cornell Law Review*. He wrote a review essay, “Gatekeepers of the Supreme Court: The Role of Law Clerks in the Certiorari Process,” which will appear in a forthcoming issue of the *Texas*



### McKNIGHT PRESIDENTIAL PROFESSOR OF LAW, MEDICINE, AND PUBLIC POLICY

In July 2006, Susan M. Wolf was appointed the University’s McKnight Presidential Professor of Law, Medicine, and Public Policy. She is the Faegre & Benson Professor of Law; a professor of medicine; the director of the Joint Degree Program in Law, Health & the Life Sciences; and chair of the Consortium on Law and Values in Health, Environment & the Life Sciences. She has published more than 50 books and articles on health, medicine, and bioethics.

A summa cum laude graduate of Princeton University in 1975, Wolf received her J.D. from Yale Law School in 1980. After law school, she clerked for Judge Leonard B. Sand of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York and practiced at Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison in New York. She was a National Endowment for the Humanities Fellow at New York’s Hastings Center—a senior bioethics research institute—in 1984 and 1985 and became the Center’s Associate for Law. As an adjunct associate professor at New York University School of Law from 1987 to 1992, she taught law and medicine. She was a Fellow in the Harvard University Program in Ethics and the Professions in 1992–1993 and joined the Law School’s faculty in 1993.

The McKnight professorships, assigned by the president, are made possible by a \$15 million gift from the McKnight Foundation. They recognize distinguished faculty across all disciplines and help the University recruit and retain world-class scholars.



### UNIVERSITY AWARD FOR GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT AND INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS APPOINTMENT

In October 2006, Meredith McQuaid, Associate Dean of Administration and International Programs, was honored with the University Award for Global Engagement. The award is presented to faculty and staff members in recognition of outstanding contributions to global education and international programs in their field or discipline or at the University.

Since joining the Law School in 1994, McQuaid (class of 1991) has been largely responsible for a series of achievements in international education. Under her leadership, the Law School's LL.M. program for international graduate students grew from a handful of students to between 25 and 30 each year. To help these students prepare and understand the American legal system, McQuaid created Introduction to American Law, a course that provides an overview of U.S. history, legal history, civil and criminal procedure, constitutional law, and legal research.

McQuaid also has created exchange programs with universities in other countries, including the Law School's newest programs at the University of Montevideo in Uruguay and the China University of Political Science and Law in Beijing. She is president of the University's China Center Advisory Council and the immediate past chair of the Association of American Law Schools' Section of Graduate Programs for Foreign Lawyers.

In November, Dean McQuaid was appointed Interim Associate Vice President and Dean of International Programs at the University. In her new role, she will provide administrative oversight of the Office of International Programs and its new academic initiatives—International Student and Scholar Services, the Learning Abroad Center, the Center for Advanced Research on Language Acquisition, and the China Center.



Kevin K. Washburn



David Weissbrodt



Susan M. Wolf

*Law Review*. Professor Stras is also currently working on several papers that examine the reasons behind the Supreme Court's declining merits docket. Professor Stras has also been active in the local and national community, appearing frequently as a guest on radio and television programs to discuss the nominations and confirmations of Chief Justice John Roberts and Justice Samuel Alito. The University of Minnesota's College of Continuing Education invited Professor Stras to speak on the role of politics in judicial elections at the annual Conference on Policy Analysis in October.

### KEVIN K. WASHBURN

Professor Washburn and co-principal investigators Carole Goldberg and Duane Champagne from UCLA received a \$1.5 million grant from the National Institute of Justice for "A Study of the Administration of Criminal Justice in Indian Country." He presented a paper at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington, D.C., and testified before the U.S. House of Representatives' full Committee on Resources on an Indian gaming bill. Professor Washburn also gave presentations at the National Congress of American Indians mid-year conference and to the faculty of the Marquette University Law School. He published articles on American Indian law and criminal law in the *Connecticut Law Review*, the *Michigan Law Review*, and the *North Carolina Law Review*. As a member of the Executive Board of Editors, he drafted three chapter updates for the upcoming 2007 supplement to the 2005 edition of Felix Cohen's *Handbook of Federal Indian Law*. Professor Washburn has also joined the Criminal Law and Procedure Drafting Committee of the National Conference of Bar Examiners and will write questions for upcoming sittings of the Multistate Bar Examination. Professor Washburn was also appointed to a three-year term on the Board of Trustees of the Law School Admission Council. He will be a visiting professor at Harvard Law School for the 2007-2008 school year, teaching criminal law, gaming law, and American Indian law.

### DAVID WEISSBRODT

In March Professor Weissbrodt presented "Business and Human Rights Obligations" to the American Society of International Law in Washington, D.C., and in June he presented "Labor Protection Mechanisms: An International Perspective" to the Human Rights Law & Policy and Asylum Conference sponsored by Minnesota Advocates for Human Rights. In July he taught a three-week human rights seminar for master's students at Oxford University. In October he worked with law students Sarah Payne and Elizabeth Powers on an amicus curiae brief, which was submitted to the U.S. Supreme Court, regarding international human rights issues arising in the case of *Meredith v. Jefferson County Board of Education*. Professor Weissbrodt co-authored "Extraordinary Rendition: A Human Rights Analysis" in the *Harvard Human Rights Journal*. He also published articles on the absolute prohibition of torture and ill-treatment; on prospects for U.S. ratification of the Convention on the Rights of the Child; and on economic, social, and cultural rights. He continued service on the International Executive Committee of Amnesty International and the Board of Trustees of the U.N. Trust Fund on Contemporary Forms of Slavery.

### SUSAN M. WOLF

Professor Wolf was appointed McKnight Presidential Professor of Law, Medicine, and Public Policy. She and co-principal investigators, professors Gurumurthy Ramachandran, Efrosini Kokkoli, and Jennifer Kuzma, and Jordan Paradise, received a \$1.22 million four-year grant from the National Science Foundation to develop oversight models for nanotechnology. Professor Wolf published "Doctor and Patient: An Unfinished Revolution" in the *Yale Journal of Health Policy, Law, and Ethics*. As chair of the Consortium on Law and Values in Health, Environment & the Life Sciences, Professor Wolf edited a Consortium symposium, "The Responsible Use of Racial and Ethnic Categories in Biomedical Research: Where Do We Go from Here?," published in the *Journal of Law, Medicine & Ethics*. She and Professor Jef-



Judith T. Younger



Elizabeth Heger Boyle



John W. Budd

frey Kahn are working on an article and symposium for that journal on genetic testing and disability insurance, based on a National Institutes of Health (NIH)-funded project. Professor Wolf is principal investigator and professors Jeffrey Kahn, Frances Lawrenz, and Charles Nelson (Harvard) are co-investigators on a two-year NIH-funded project on managing incidental findings in human subjects research. They have a co-authored letter on the topic forthcoming in JAMA. Upcoming presentations include a talk on issues raised by pediatric biobanks for the American Society for Bioethics and Humanities and a panel on human embryo stem cell research for the American Philosophical Society.

### JUDITH T. YOUNGER

Professor Younger spent the late spring and summer working on “Lovers’ Contracts in the Courts: Forsaking the Minimum Decencies,” an article on premarital, postmarital, and cohabitation agreements that will appear in a forthcoming issue of the *William and Mary Journal of Women and the Law*. This fall, together with a group of students who initiated the idea, she sought and received approval for a new course to be called “Choice: The Law of Reproductive Rights.” She hopes to teach the new offering, along with her other courses, in the 2007-2008 academic year. Professor Younger is currently teaching courses on wills and trusts and working on her reappointment lecture as the Joseph E. Wargo Anoka County Bar Association Professor of Family Law. The lecture, “Across Curricular Boundaries: Searching for a Confluence between Marital Agreements and Indian Land Transactions,” is scheduled for March 27, 2007.

## Affiliated Faculty

### ELIZABETH HEGER BOYLE

Professor Boyle, who has a joint appointment in the Sociology Department and the Law School, continues to study human rights and international law. This year she co-authored “Institutional Vulnerability and Opportunity: Immigration and America’s ‘War on Terror’” with Erika Busse for *Law & Social Inquiry*, “International Master Frames and African Women’s Explanations for Opposing Female Genital Cutting” with Kristin Carbone for the *International Journal of Comparative Sociology*, and a chapter titled “The Rise of the Child as an Individual in Global Society” with Trina Smith and Katja Guenther for *Youth, Globalization, and the Law*, edited by Sudhir Alladi Venkatesh and Ronald Kassimir. Professor Boyle is chair-elect of the Sociology of Law Section of the American Sociological Association. She is also on the Board of Trustees of the Law and Society Association and is the Review Essay Editor of the *Law & Society Review*.

### JOHN W. BUDD

Affiliated professor and professor in human resources and industrial relations at the Carlson School of Management, Professor Budd recently completed “Values, Ideologies, and Frames of Reference in Employment Relations” for the forthcoming Sage Handbook of *Industrial and Employment Relations*. He has been working on a project analyzing employee ignorance of pay-for-performance compensation plans as part of a National Bureau of Economic Research and Russell Sage Foundation research project on shared capitalism. Professor Budd recently completed revisions for the second edition of *Labor Relations: Striking a Balance*, which received the 2005 Textbook Excellence Award from the Text and Academic Authors Association. The new edition will be available in January.

## NEW GRANTS

The Consortium on Law and Values in Health, Environment & the Life Sciences has received a 4-year, \$1.22 million grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF) to develop oversight models for nanotechnology. This project is an interdisciplinary effort and involves faculty from the Departments of Chemical Engineering and Materials Science, Mechanical Engineering, Chemistry, Applied Economics, Forest Resources, and Genetics, Cell Biology & Development as well as the Division of Environmental Health Sciences and Health Policy & Management. Professor Susan M. Wolf, Chair of the Consortium, is the Principal Investigator. The project began in September.

Professor Kevin Washburn and Professors Carol Goldberg and Duane Champagne at UCLA have been awarded a \$1.5 million grant from The National Institute of Justice. The project entitled, “A Study of the Administration of Justice in Indian Country,” will examine how the legal and administrative arrangements for law enforcement and criminal justice in Indian country may generate or exacerbate deficiencies in institutions for incarceration of Indian country adults and juveniles. The work began this fall and the project will be housed at UCLA.

The Institute on Race & Poverty recently received two 3-year grants for General Operations Support: 1) \$300,000 from the McKnight Foundation; 2) \$250,000 from the Otto Bremer Foundation. The funding will be used to fund a variety of new and ongoing research projects related to the Institute’s mission including the writing of “Region: A Vision for the Twin Cities” (working title). Both grants begin January 1, 2007.

# FACULTY WORKS IN PROGRESS FALL 2006

## SEPTEMBER

### 8 Professor Adam Samaha

University of Chicago Law School  
*Undue Process*

### 15 Professor Mary Pat Byrne

University of Minnesota Law School  
*From Right to Wrong: A Historical Critique of the 2000 Uniform Parentage Act*

### 22 Professor Max Schanzenbach

Northwestern University School of Law  
*Judging Under the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines*

### 29 Professor Lea VanderVelde

University of Iowa Law School  
*Dred Scott v. Sanford: A Case of Frontiersmanship*

## OCTOBER

### 6 Professor Tom Cotter

University of Minnesota Law School  
*Fair Use and Copyright Overenforcement*

### 20 Professor Susanna Blumenthal

University of Michigan Law School/  
Visiting Associate Professor University  
of Minnesota Law School  
*Law and the Modern Mind: The Problem of Consciousness in American Legal Culture*

### 26 Professor Leandra Lederman

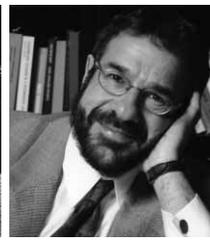
Indiana University School of Law-  
Bloomington  
*Making the Tax Court More Judicial*



Jane E. Kirtley



Robert Kudrle



Bernard M. Levinson



Scott McLeod

### JANE E. KIRTLEY

Professor Kirtley delivered several lectures, including “The War on Porn” at William Mitchell College of Law in April and “Openness in Government” at the League of Women Voters’ national convention in June, and she conducted a digital video conference on freedom of information for journalists in La Paz, Bolivia. She appeared on panels on media law and ethics at many conferences, including those of the American Society of Access Professionals, Association for Women in Communications, Media Law Resource Center, Native American Journalists Association, Society of Professional Journalists, and Society of American Business Editors and Writers. Professor Kirtley was quoted extensively, including in the *Guardian* (London), *Globe and Mail* (Toronto), *New York Times*, *Los Angeles Times*, *St. Petersburg Times*, *Providence Journal*, *Christian Science Monitor*, and *U.S. News & World Report* and by the Associated Press. She was a presenter at the Aspen Institute’s Arab-US Media Forum in June, and she was interviewed on numerous local and national radio programs. Her article “Transparency and Accountability in a Time of Terror” was published in the Autumn 2006 issue of *Communication Law and Policy*.

### ROBERT KUDRLE

Professor Kudrle continued collaboration with Professor Daniel Gifford on comparative antitrust policy; they are preparing a manuscript on the treatment of price discrimination in North America and the European Union. He published “A U.S. Policy Change Leads to a Surprising Discovery about Canada” in *Common Good: Ideas from the Humphrey*, edited by John E. Brandl, and “Cost-Benefit and Cost-Effectiveness Analysis of the Impact of Fluoridation” in *Healthcare in Kuwait*, edited by George Gillespie.

### BERNARD M. LEVINSON

Professor Levinson’s new book came out last spring in French (*L’Herméneutique de l’innovation: Canon et exégèse dans l’Israël biblique*). Over the summer, he attended

the International Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature in Edinburgh, Scotland, where he co-organized a series of panels concerned with the social and historical context for promulgation of the Pentateuch in the Second Temple period. This colloquium will lead to the publication of *Pentateuch as Torah: New Models for Understanding Its Promulgation and Acceptance*. Central to this volume will be the question of the relation of biblical law to the legal systems of the Persian Empire, the development of Jewish law, and the Graeco-Roman social world. A paperback version of his edited volume *Theory and Method in Biblical and Cuneiform Law: Revision, Interpolation, and Development* appeared recently. Another edited volume will appear by the end of November: *Judge and Society in Antiquity* will be published as a special double issue of *Maarav: A Journal for the Study of the Northwest Semitic Languages and Literatures*. The volume explores the various roles of the judge in relation to society in ancient Mesopotamia, Israel, and in rabbinic law, from antiquity through the medieval period. Especially noteworthy are societies in which the category of “judge” is absent and alternative means of adjudication through arbitration are practiced.

### SCOTT MCLEOD

In addition to teaching the school law courses for the College of Education and Human Development, Professor McLeod spent much of the year helping school districts and state departments of education with their data-driven accountability initiatives. He continued as evaluator for the Rochester Public Schools’ grant from the Smaller Learning Communities Program of the U.S. Department of Education and published several articles and a book chapter related to technology leadership issues in K-12 schools. As Director of the University Council for Educational Administration Center for the Advanced Study of Technology Leadership in Education (CASTLE), Professor McLeod created several new technology resources for school administrators, including [www.schooldatatutorials.org](http://www.schooldatatutorials.org) and his new



Robin Stryker

David E. Wilkins

blog, [www.dangerouslyirrelevant.org](http://www.dangerouslyirrelevant.org). In February he facilitated a faculty retreat at Microsoft headquarters for the universities involved in CASTLE's Postsecondary Partnership Program. Professor McLeod is in high demand as a keynote speaker and trainer and recently gave presentations and workshops for the Minnesota and South Carolina departments of education, the Minnesota Educational Media Organization, and the Red Wing (Minnesota) Schools. He is writing several technology-related articles for the forthcoming *Encyclopedia of Education Law*.

#### KAREN MIKSCH

Professor Miksch continues her research on higher education law and the transition to college. Her presentation at the American Educational Research Association (AERA) annual meeting in San Francisco, "Don't Bow to Peer Pressure: Legal and Policy Justifications for Race-Conscious Programs," will be included in a publication on access to higher education being developed by the Civil Rights Project at Harvard University. Professor Miksch also presented a four-hour workshop at AERA, "Legal Research as a Tool and Method to Advance Education Scholarship," along with colleagues Professor Phillip T.K. Daniel and Jeffrey C. Sun. The three co-presenters were invited to conduct a Presidential Invited Session regarding law and education policy at the Association for the Study of Higher Education annual conference in Anaheim, California, in November.

#### ROBIN STRYKER

Affiliated Professor Stryker (Professor of Sociology, Scholar of the College [2004-07]) continues her research project, "Social Science in Government Regulation of Equal Employment Opportunity," supported by the National Science Foundation. She received an Institute for Advanced Studies Fellowship to devote full-time efforts to this project in spring 2007. Professor Stryker continues participation in two national working groups on employment discrimination jointly funded by the American Bar Foundation, Ford

Foundation, and Center for Advanced Studies in the Behavioral Sciences. She is writing a chapter on alternative political-cultural framings of discrimination for a forthcoming book and on a review article titled "Half Empty, Half Full, or Neither? Law, Inequality and Social Change," to appear in the upcoming volume of the *Annual Review of Law & Social Science*. In November, Professor Stryker served on an expert panel in Boston to examine issues surrounding implementation and effects of consent decrees in sex discrimination cases. Panel discussions are intended to help update research being conducted by the Institute for Women's Policy Research and the WAGE (Women Are Getting Even) Project and funded by the Ford Foundation.

#### DAVID E. WILKINS

An adjunct professor of law and political science and associate professor of American Indian politics, Professor Wilkins taught a one-week seminar on tribal sovereignty at the Larom Summer Institute, Buffalo Bill Historical Center, Cody, Wyoming, and a series of classes for students employed by the San Manuel Band of Serrano Indians at Claremont Graduate University, Claremont, California. He completed work on the second edition of his book *American Indian Politics and the American Political System*, released in July. He wrote the chapter "Seasons of Change: Of Reforms, Melees, and Revolutions in Indian Country" in *American Indian Constitutional Reform and the Rebuilding of Native Nations*, edited by Eric Lemont. He also wrote the essay "Forging a Political, Educational, and Cultural Agenda for Indian Country: Common Sense Recommendations Gleaned from Deloria's Prose" in *Destroying Dogma: Vine Deloria Jr. and His Influence on American Society*, edited by Steve Pavlik and Daniel Wildcat.

Faculty Works In Progress, cont.

#### NOVEMBER

##### 2 Professor Tim Greaney

St. Louis University School of Law

*Thirty Years of Solitude: Antitrust Law and Physician Collaboration*

##### 8 Professor Colm Campbell

University of Ulster School of Law

*Wars on Terror and the Resilience of International Law: British Experience in Northern Ireland*

##### 17 Professor David Adelman

University of Arizona Law School/Visiting Associate Professor University of Minnesota Law School

*Patent Metrics: The Mismeasure of Innovation in the Biotech Patent Debate*

##### 24 Thanksgiving Break – No Presentation

##### 30 Dr. C. Ford Runge

Distinguished McKnight University Professor of Applied Economics and Law, University of Minnesota

*Schools as Fat Farms: Why School Lunch is so Bad*

#### DECEMBER

##### 8 Professor Kristin Hickman

University of Minnesota Law School

*Coloring Outside the Lines: Examining Treasury's (Lack of) Compliance with APA Procedural Requirements*

# Welcome Additions

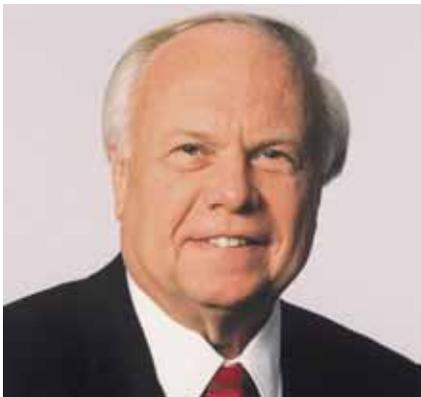
## New and returning stars add strength to the faculty

This fall, the Law School welcomed an unprecedented ten new faculty members—six permanent and four visiting professors—as well as the returning Robert Stein. These scholars hail from many different backgrounds, represent a variety of fields, and offer a wealth of diverse viewpoints. But all have two things in common: a dazzling list of academic and professional accomplishments, and outspoken enthusiasm for the bracing and vibrant intellectual environment they have encountered at the Law School. We invite you to meet, in the following profiles, the newest members of the Law School's academic community.

### Returning Faculty

#### ROBERT STEIN

After more than a decade as the executive director and chief operating officer of the American Bar Association, Robert Stein came back to the Law School this year. His storied history with the University of



Minnesota spans five decades, beginning with his undergraduate study in the 1950s. He received his J.D. in 1961 and joined the Law School faculty in 1964, where he stayed for the next 35 years, serving as Dean from 1979 until 1994,

when he took on his leadership role at the ABA. He remained affiliated with the Law School until 1999.

Despite spending decades successfully managing large staffs of people and multi-million dollar budgets, Stein views his return to the lectern as a homecoming of sorts and a chance to revisit his first calling. "I continue to serve on the boards of several large corporations, and so I still have plenty of opportunity to keep my hand in those kinds of operations. But I have always loved being in the classroom, and so I'm having a wonderful time," he says. "The students are smarter than ever and very dedicated. And the Law School is an exciting place to be right now, because it has so many talented faculty doing important work in their respective fields."

Stein's scholarly focuses are estate planning and the international rule of law, the latter an outgrowth of his many years of travel and study of legal systems throughout the world. He taught estate planning in the fall, and for the spring, he is developing two entirely new courses. "Rule of Law" will draw upon his work to promote the rule of law in developing democracies. "I'm excited about that course because it

will examine some major developments presently under way in the legal profession throughout the world," he says. "I am hoping that it will serve as a prototype that can be adopted by law schools in this country and elsewhere." His "Cases That Have Shaped and Shocked the Nation" is an upper-level undergraduate course designed as a primer on 20 of the best known and most significant cases in American history.

A Minneapolis native, Stein says it's good to be home. "Over the last 12 years, I have made friends all over the world, but it's great to be back with the people I've known so well, for so long. And Minnesotans are wonderful."

### New Faculty

#### THOMAS COTTER

Tom Cotter joins the Law School's intellectual property faculty on the heels of a year at Washington and Lee University and after five years directing the intellectual property department at the University of Florida College of Law. He has found the Law School's bustling intellectual



property department to be distinctly invigorating. "Having so many top-notch scholars as colleagues, both in my field and related ones, makes for a very stimulating environment and one that is highly conducive to the growth of good new ideas," he says.

Cotter is a firm believer in the educational value of simple conversation. "As much as possible, I try to elicit a good classroom discussion, especially around IP issues," he explains. "I try to approach the class much as I would any group of bright and interesting people sitting down for dinner or a drink and talking through an issue."

He also believes that the study of intellectual property is highly relevant for today's

law students. “Even if they do not become specialists in the field, many lawyers find it necessary to understand elements of intellectual property law,” he says. “Fueled by the Internet, information has become much more valuable, in so many different ways, and it creates a wide array of challenges for companies that want to exert some control over that information.”

The scope of Cotter’s own scholarly inquiry—such as unauthorized use of materials for religious purposes, Fifth Amendment implications of the federal government’s use of intellectual property, enforcement of copyrights on tattoos—reflects how the field cuts a broad swath over many aspects of commerce and society.

### CLAIRE HILL

After spending last year as a visiting professor, Claire Hill has joined the Law School’s regular faculty and is teaching a variety of corporate law courses as well as



seminars in law and economics, transactions, and corporate governance. Like other new faculty, Hill has noticed the Law School’s growing reputation for both intellectual vigor and congeniality. “The Law School and the University as a whole are really extraordinary places in successfully combining collegiality with serious scholarship and rigor,” she says. “One of the nice things about the school, and one of the reasons that I chose to be here, was that the faculty takes the students seriously, which in turn feeds the students’ enthusiasm.”

After nearly a decade in corporate law practice, Hill says she was drawn to academia by a desire to think deeply and reflect on the nature of law and its interplay with human behavior. “Much of my work falls under the umbrella of law and economics,” she explains. “As an academic discipline, it teaches us to take very seriously that there exists a good reason for any particular

behavior and to accept only as a last resort the explanation that people are illogical.”

As with many scholars, Hill’s years of practice continue to inform her work. In a series of papers on the role of legalese in business contracts, for instance, Hill turns an academic’s perspective on this much-maligned aspect of legal practice. “Legalese is something that people make fun of, yet the push toward plain English never seems to quite happen, and so I became interested in why contracts are written this way,” she says.

Hill’s other research interests include behavioral law and economics, capital structure, contract theory, and law and language. Currently, she is focusing her scholarship on challenging the rationality of the law and economics paradigm and is continuing her work on tax shelters, financial instruments, and development economics.

### HEIDI KITROSSER

Heidi Kitrosser accepted a permanent appointment at the Law School last fall after serving as a visiting professor during 2005-2006. She teaches and writes about constitutional law, with particular emphasis on free speech, separation of powers, and government secrecy.

Although her academic career has taken her from coast to coast, including several years at Brooklyn Law School, Kitrosser had never considered landing permanently in the Upper Midwest. But she has found Minneapolis much to her taste. “To the surprise of my friends and colleagues



in New York, I love Minneapolis,” she says. “It’s a real city and yet is both accessible and beautiful, with its many parks and lakes. The combination makes for a very homey and appealing place to live.”

Last year’s stint as a visiting professor also provided ample justification for a longer-

term commitment to the Law School. “I really loved the intellectual atmosphere here and felt very supported in my different endeavors and writing projects,” Kitrosser says. “I was particularly impressed by the way in which faculty members constantly talk about current events, and often debate from positions of complete disagreement, and yet remain entirely congenial.”

Kitrosser sees enormous value in students becoming conversant in constitutional law, regardless of their ultimate field of practice. “In today’s world, you needn’t look further than the front page of the paper to see the many ways that interpretations of constitutional law constrain our social and political debates,” she points out. “Lawyers are uniquely positioned, as citizens, to bring a special base of knowledge about the constitution to the broader public and political discussion.”

### ALEXANDRA KLASS

Alexandra Klass hasn’t had to pack much more than a briefcase between the major stops on her professional path. After many years as a partner with Dorsey & Whitney in Minneapolis, Klass moved



into academia in 2004, spending two years at William Mitchell before joining the Law School’s environmental law faculty last fall.

Klass describes her teaching and scholarly work as a natural reflection of her long experience in litigating environmental and land use cases. “I dealt with tort and property law constantly in my practice,” she explains, “and my academic work is similarly at the intersection of environmental law with either property doctrine or tort.” Her practical experience also influences her approach in the classroom. Very few students, even those in law school, feel comfortable talking in class, she says. “I like to call on people randomly, and often, and get them to talk about what they’ve

read, because a huge part of being a lawyer is being able to speak about legal issues, whether casually to a client or more formally to the court.”

Klass sees the Law School’s recent attention to developing its environmental law program as a logical response to broader social trends. “I think that the school has recognized not only that students are very interested in the field but that it is tremendously important to society, both locally and nationally,” she says. The field is evolving rapidly because of issues relating to climate change, land use, and development pressures, she points out. Plus, its many overlaps with such areas as biotech, intellectual property, and health make it uniquely suited for interdisciplinary collaboration. “It’s a great time to be part of the faculty in this field, at such a wonderful university, with its many opportunities for integrating work with the non-law departments,” remarks Klass. “And I’m just thrilled to be here.”

### WILLIAM McGEVERAN

William McGeveran, who is making his professorial debut at the Law School, brings a keen interest in information law



to the growing intellectual property faculty. He has a variety of subspecialties, including data privacy, communications and technology, and free speech.

Although a New York native, McGeveran is no stranger to Minnesota. He received his B.A. in political science from Carleton College, a choice made to avoid coastal myopia. “I was concerned that my view of the world might have too closely resembled that famous *New Yorker* cartoon showing a map of the U.S. as viewed from the perspective of a New Yorker,” he says.

With the well-wired connectivity characteristic of an information law scholar, McGeveran maintains a second home in cyberspace at “Info/Law,” a blog he started

with several colleagues while a research fellow at Harvard’s Berkman Center for Internet and Society. Intended as a way to continue their “water cooler” conversations, the blog covers developments and current events relating to information law and also provides McGeveran with a convenient sounding board. “Blogs don’t replace any part of scholarship, of course, but they can augment it by providing a place to work out early ideas and also make ideas more widely available,” he says. “They’re also a great way of maintaining conversations and engaging with the news of the day.”

McGeveran’s enthusiasm for his work is derived from his engagement with information and technology as a citizen, a consumer, and a scholar. He says that information law’s largely uncharted terrain provides fertile ground for academic inquiry, plus it is rapidly becoming key to everyday legal and business practices in almost every industry: “My standard line is that information is going to be to 21st century law what the railroads were to the 19th century and will be transformative of virtually every other field.”

### FRANCESCO PARISI

Francesco Parisi joined the Law School last fall as a full professor, bringing with him both prolific scholarship and an extensive background in law and economics, comparative law, and international law. Originally from Italy, Parisi maintains ties to the European academic community and recently accepted a joint appointment at the University of Bologna. After 13 years at George Mason—a law school with a curriculum focused intently on law and economics—Parisi says he was drawn to the challenge of testing his methodology and assumptions at a place like Minnesota, which is home to scholars from across a broad academic spectrum.

Parisi first encountered the field of law and economics while pursuing his J.S.D. at Berkeley in the late 1980s, but he says his interest in the discipline actually began in childhood, when he found himself drawn equally to his parents’ very different professions. “My mother was a mathematician and my father was a judge on the Italian Supreme Court, and so I had mixed loyalties,” he laughs. “With law and economics, I discovered for the first time that math had a bearing on the law, and so I ended up studying economics at Berkeley and starting my training all over again.”

When asked to explain the practical value



and social relevance of law and economics, Parisi offers a simple explanation: The basic goal of law is to design incentives that encourage individuals to behave to society’s best advantage. “But we know that private incentives, what individuals care for, and social incentives, what we want them to care for, do not always converge,” he explains. “By identifying a law’s economic consequences, law and economics can help policymakers design the proper set of incentives to overcome this divergence.” And because law and economics focuses on incentives rather than methodology, it is equally useful in both the American common law and European civil law traditions. “In the process of unification of law,” Parisi predicts, “economic language will be a valuable lingua franca.”

### Visiting Faculty

#### DAVID ADELMAN

David Adelman visits the Law School this year from the University of Arizona, where he is an associate professor of law and director of Law & Science Initiatives. Adelman, who holds a Ph.D. in chemical physics, sees his dual focus on intellectual property and environmental law as a natural extension of his scientific background, especially since these two fields, more than any others, exist at the juncture of law and science.

Not surprisingly, his scholarly work occupies the same intersection. In one recent article, he examined whether patent metrics can adequately measure the impact of patenting on biotechnology innovation. “I’m interested in the use of quantitative methods to understand more concretely the impact of law on innovation, including in the environmental area,” he explains. Although the issue sounds technical, it has profound societal implications, he is quick to point out.



“With an issue like global warming, for instance, innovation is going to be key,” he says. “We will have to be more sophisticated in stimulating research and innovation to achieve the necessary reductions in carbon emissions, even as economies are growing.” Most recently, Adelman has begun examining how lessons about

adaptive systems as learned from ecology and evolutionary biology can apply to systems of legal regulation.

**SUSANNA BLUMENTHAL**

Susanna Blumenthal is new to the Law School but not the Twin Cities, having grown up here. On leave from the University of Michigan Law School, she is teaching a course in American legal history this fall and will spend the spring completing a book about changing conceptions of human agency and responsibility in the history of American law.

Economics has become a dominant framework for analyzing law in recent years, says Blumenthal, but history remains an important analytic lens for understanding law and legal doctrine, for both practitioners and scholars. “It’s inspiring to see ways in which different

kinds of lawyers, judges, and politicians with legal training have taken bold, courageous, and sometimes far-seeing moves that have shaped where we are today,” she says. “And I think it is vital to appreciate how much intellectual capital they have accumulated, whether it is a source of inspiration, or embarrassment,



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or an objective lesson about how not to approach a problem.”

Blumenthal also believes that a solid grounding in legal history can help students become better lawyers. “In my teaching, I try to attune students to the ways that history is used in legal argument, because that understanding can be helpful, and perhaps even essential, to being an effective advocate,” she explains. “Lawyers need to be able to criticize others’ use of history and to mobilize history themselves when making a legal argument.”

### LISA STRATTON

Lisa Stratton is another of this year’s homegrown additions to the faculty. A member of the Class of 1993, she returns to the Law School as a visiting clinical professor to lead the Workers’ Rights Clinic. Before making the leap to academe,



Stratton spent many years building a successful nationwide practice representing plaintiffs in employment rights cases.

Stratton’s enthusiasm for the Workers’ Rights Clinic results from its mission to move beyond merely litigating cases and adopt a more holistic approach to legal representation. “We are part of a broad, national movement to develop workers’ clinics to protect the rights of immigrants, especially day workers whose rights are often cast aside,” she explains. “With clinics like ours, law schools are working hand-in-hand with nonprofit agencies to provide legal services, not just in the traditional sense of filing cases but also by educating workers about their rights, including the right to collectively organize.”

From Stratton’s perspective, directing the Clinic combines the best parts of teaching and practicing law. “It’s a luxury to choose cases based on your clients’ needs and the strength of the case, without worrying about making a profit,” she says. At the same time, she guides students through

the invaluable, real-world experience of meeting real people with identifiable needs and then working collaboratively to meet those needs.

### ALEATRA WILLIAMS

When Aleatra Williams joined the Law School’s faculty as a visiting professor this fall, it marked the culmination of long-held plans to transition from private practice to teaching. “Growing up, my dad always said that I had a teacher’s heart,” recalls Williams. “I had always struggled



between wanting to teach and wanting to practice law, and I essentially had a light bulb moment during law school when I realized I could do both.”

Williams brings to teaching a commitment not only to making sure that students understand the fundamentals of commercial law but to helping them realize their own capacity to find answers and solve problems. She has been impressed with the recipients of her method. “The students at the Law School have both intellectual stamina and a sense of courtesy that is sometimes missing in lawyers in private practice,” she observes.

As for her future scholarly work, Williams is in the early phases of two new projects. She is examining municipal ordinances that forbid landlords from leasing to illegal immigrants, and she is studying aspects of commercial deals in countries such as China and North Korea that are outside the commercial monitoring norms of the international community.

## And in the Wings

The Law School stands poised to welcome its two newest faculty members in the fall of 2007:

### RICHARD W. PAINTER



Richard W. Painter is a renowned scholar of professional responsibility, corporate governance, and securities regulation. He is the co-author of casebooks on securities enforcement and legal ethics and has extensive expertise on the Sarbanes-Oxley Act. Painter is currently Associate Counsel to the President in the White House Counsel’s Office, serving as the chief ethics lawyer for the Administration.

### CHANTAL THOMAS



Chantal Thomas joins the Law School from Fordham University, where she was an associate professor of law from 1996 to 2006. She teaches and writes on international law and developing countries, corporations, and law and globalization, with a particular focus on the relationship between international law and social justice.

## ➤ Faculty Profile

# Ruth Okediji

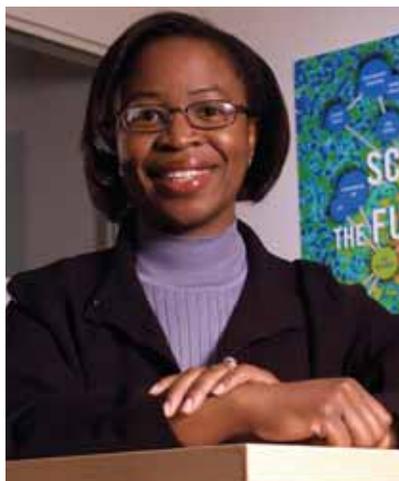
## *Professor of Law*

Ruth Okediji joined the Law School faculty in the 2002-2003 academic year. She is the William L. Prosser Professor of Law, the inaugural Solly Robins Distinguished Research Fellow, and teaches and writes in the areas of contracts, intellectual property, and international trade.

As a precocious 9-year-old in New York City's upper west side, Professor Ruth Okediji regularly dragged home a garbage bag full of books from the public library. She sometimes read three a day. Her family had moved to New York, where her father taught at Columbia University, from Nigeria, and she and her siblings were the only black students at her exclusive private school. She buried herself in books to cope with the isolation she felt. Now when Okediji reflects on her passion for reading, the devout Christian and member of Living Word Christian Center in Brooklyn Park, Minn., sees it as an outworking of a favorite scripture: "God works all things together for the good of those who love Him."

Her future area of expertise came into focus in college when a professor gave her literature he got at a conference. "It was about patents and technology transfer," Okediji recalls. "The rest is history. For 21 years, I have been in love with this body of law that tries to systematize intellectual endeavor and provide a framework to encourage sustained creative expression and the dissemination of those works to the public."

Okediji got her LL.M. in 1991 and S.J.D. in 1996 from Harvard, taught at the University of Oklahoma College of Law (1994-2002), and then came to the University of Minnesota. Still an avid reader, she now writes her own books. She co-authored *Copyright in a Global Information Economy*, a casebook on copyright law now in its second edition, and recently, Oxford Uni-



versity Press accepted proposals for two books on international aspects of intellectual property law.

Her latest undertaking involves the intellectual history of intellectual property rights. "If we are going to make meaningful changes in the regulation of global proprietary rights over technology, it is very important to understand where current doctrines get their life force," she says. Another book in the works is *What Being a Lawyer Has Taught Me About Effective Prayer*. "Lawyers and the legal system need a lot of prayer. Anyone who has attended law school knows this," she says with a smile.

Okediji's scholarship has real-world impact. She has worked for United Nations and U.S. programs to help developing countries comply with international intellectual property treaties and consulted with foreign-government trade officials from South Africa to Central America. She has been at the forefront of efforts to design methods to expand access to

copyrighted works for education and economic-development objectives and to protect non-Western forms of creative expression, such as oral literature and traditional knowledge.

Closer to home, Okediji co-chaired the System-wide Academic Task Force on Forging an International University, an initiative to make Minnesota one of the world's top three public universities. Co-chair Allen Isaacman, Regents Professor of History, says, "She was a powerful voice for the value of indigenous systems of knowledge and the role of local intellectuals in the global production of knowledge."

To keep her skills sharp and teaching relevant, Okediji spends time with the intellectual property group at Robins, Kaplan, Miller & Ciresi, where she has opportunities to "learn from those who have the challenging task of breathing life into the legal theory and rules I teach daily." Partner Ronald J. Schutz (class of 1981) says Okediji has made invaluable contributions in high-profile cases and mentoring young lawyers: "She has been a great role model and teacher."

Students remain her top priority, Okediji says. She and her husband, Tade Okediji, a visiting associate professor in the Department of Applied Economics, tirelessly mentor students in various aspects of their lives. "Nothing is more important to us than our students," she says. "They are the reason Tade and I work this hard and believe so strongly in the mission and role of institutions of learning."

Says Okediji: "On my tombstone, I don't want them to say I was a great scholar or that I wrote wonderful books. I want them to say I was a great friend and impacted their lives, not just in how they thought about the law but in how they lived their lives as people."

By Scott Russell, a Minneapolis-based freelance writer.



# Double Vision, Singular Focus

Two heads may be better than one,  
especially when they share a drive for results.

BY CATHY MADISON

As a guest seated on the comfy couch in the corner office with the spectacular sky views, you have only to look beyond your nose to see how the University of Minnesota Law School's two interim deans are different: younger and older, darker and lighter, slimmer and not so. On this day, Guy-Uriel E. Charles sports a turtleneck sweater with his suit; Fred L. Morrison wears one of his 220 collectible silk ties with his. And if these obvious distinctions aren't enough, they'll supply more.

Charles grew up in a big city on the East Coast. Morrison is from a tiny town in Kansas. "He speaks French and I speak German," Morrison says with a grin, pointing at his colleague. "And the only thing we fight about is that he likes to use Word and I like to use WordPerfect." Shaking his head, Charles retorts: "WordPerfect is a dying breed." But Morrison doesn't miss a beat: "I still speak Latin, too."

They say that they have, on the surface at least, almost nothing in common. Yet listening to them, it is impossible to miss how well their gears mesh, how committed they are to their mutual mission, and how poised they are to pounce—together, as one—on the opportunities that their two-year stint offers. "We share a dedication to the

institution and the goals of the institution," says Morrison. "I've loved and served it for almost 40 years, and Guy wants to love and serve it for 40 years."

## A winning package

Morrison served as the Law School's interim dean once before. A recognized scholar of international law and comparative public law, he joined the faculty in 1969, after earning advanced degrees at Oxford and Princeton Universities and a J.D. from the University of Chicago. A Rhodes Scholar and Fulbright Professor, he has published widely, accumulated numerous professional accolades and, in 1997, won the University of Minnesota President's Award for Outstanding Service.

Morrison's experience, not only in teaching and research but also in administration, runs wide and deep, especially given the fact that he has carefully observed not one or two but five deans take their turns at the Law School's helm. In his words, he has seen which things work and which don't. "Fred really does know everything," says Charles. "He's done everything at this University except become president."

Charles, a director of the Institute on Law and Politics and senior fellow in law and politics at the Institute on Race and Poverty, is the newbie. He joined the faculty in 2000 after earning his J.D. from the University of Michigan, where he was also a graduate student in political science. He was editor-in-chief of the *Michigan Journal of Race & Law* and an adjunct professor at the University of Toledo School of Law, and he clerked for the Honorable Damon J. Keith of the U. S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit. He focuses on constitutional law, civil procedure, election law, law and politics, and race. While he can't yet match the degree of wisdom Morrison has gleaned from his years of experience, Charles can provide the youthful energy and enthusiasm necessary to sustain the momentum both will need to accomplish their shared goals.

### Stretching the box

The decision to hire two deans had more than a few onlookers—students, faculty, and alumni alike—scratching their heads. Observers won't admit that they were skeptical, exactly. But most readily agree that the decision was, well, unexpected. Among them was Walter F. Mondale (class of 1956), who keeps close watch on all that happens in the hall that bears his name.

"Yes, I was surprised," Mondale says. "But it was a unique, and I think very successful, decision to make. It just never occurred to me."

Amy Bergquist (class of 2007) and editor-in-chief of the *Minnesota Law Review*, concurs. "My initial response was that it is kind of odd to have co-deans, but it doesn't seem to be problematic." She points out that not only are two heads better than one but also it's now possible to have a dean in two places at once. "Given the different qualities that these two deans bring to the job, it makes a lot of sense," she adds.

"We like to think out of the box here in Morrill Hall," says E. Thomas Sullivan, who made the decision to double up. Now Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, he had prior experience with interim deans at the Carlson School of Management, and he thought the model worked "exceedingly well." As former Law School dean, he also knew the candidates; he hired Charles and worked closely with Morrison for years. He realized that although they are different individuals, their experience, interests, backgrounds, and skill sets are complementary. A co-dean combo, he decided, is a good fit for the moment.

"Structure should follow purpose, form, and function. In this case, we changed the structure to fit the needs of

the Law School at this time," Sullivan says, adding that he often fields questions about the unusual setup from other administrators around the country. "Together, you have a real wow package."

A national search for a new dean (singular) is planned, of course, but Sullivan and others say that it will be a deliberate, thoughtful process that won't begin until spring 2007 and will probably last until early 2008. That schedule leaves enough time for the co-deans to settle in and get something done. That something, however, won't be keeping the ball rolling or maintaining status quo. In fact, the co-deans face substantial challenges, and Sullivan hopes the timeline will give them a nimbleness they wouldn't otherwise have.

"A longer term as interim deans will give them greater discretion and authority to move forward with strategic planning and visionary thinking," Sullivan says. "We want them to be very assertive as leaders of the school. These are not caretaker positions."

### Forward in double time

The deans are well aware of their non-caretaker designation and refer to it often. In broad-brush terms, they see their goals as "bigger, better, faster." But their mission contains specific points as well.

Near the top of their to-do list, and perhaps a factor in the decision to tap two brains instead of one, is completing and submitting a proposal for the Robina Foundation, the legacy of James Binger (class of 1941). Already one of the Law School's most generous contributors, Binger left behind a philanthropic fund when he died in 2004. Estimated to be worth as much as \$200 million, the fund is to be dispersed within two decades among four of his favorite beneficiaries: Abbott Northwestern Hospital, Yale University, the Council on Foreign Relations, and the Law

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School. It is up to each institution to propose funding for major, transformative initiatives. Although it is too early to speculate on details, Morrison and Charles say that much work has already been done to determine how restructuring the curriculum, operations, or research might transform the Law School. They intend to complete the proposal process before a new dean comes on board.

Funding, or compensating for the lack of it, looms large in the co-deans' agenda. The significant loss of state funding in recent years makes private-sector fund-raising more crucial than ever before, especially as faculty recruitment stakes rise, law schools compete for the best students, and tuition costs climb. (Charles says the current tab of \$23,516 for in-state tuition and fees and \$33,016 for out-of-state residents has nearly doubled since he arrived.) The

“The issue goes beyond the narrow conception of diversity. We’re talking about broad access, a commitment to high-quality, affordable public education.”—*Guy-Uriel Charles*

deans say they will be doing a lot of development; fortunately, both are good at the communicating that development entails and plan to step up the pace. Morrison is frank: “If we lose momentum, we’re in trouble.”

“I expect to see a lot more connecting and relationship-building,” says Stacy Bettison (class of 1999), immediate past president of the Law Alumni Association Board of Directors. She is happy to have two persons available to handle such a wide range of duties, and she expects their progress to be faster than it would be under one individual. But progress takes resources, of course. “There are core things that alumni care about, and those are an outstanding faculty, an outstanding student body, and maintaining our reputation. The desire to be viewed as a national law school with a national student body and a nationally recognized faculty is always there.”

### Raising the excellence bar

The deans are adamant about building on the solid foundation laid by their predecessor, Alex M. Johnson, Jr. In the past year, seven individuals have joined the faculty. Two more have already been hired for 2007, and the deans say they will continue to hire aggressively. That is no simple task in such a competitive national environment. Just maintaining 19th place in the *U.S. News & World Report* ranking, which the Law School currently shares with George Washington University in D.C. and Washington University in St. Louis, means fending off much larger challengers with greater resources.

Even narrowing the gap between Minnesota and the schools directly above it in the rankings would constitute success, the deans point out. In addition to hiring aggressively and broadening the interdisciplinary nature of the faculty, they aspire to maintain and improve the scholastic quality of the entering classes. “We are to move the Law School ahead,” says Morrison. “If you stand still, you’re falling behind.”

The Law School’s academic reputation and the faculty’s scholarly productivity are “inexorably linked” to a student body with a stellar academic profile, says Sullivan. “One follows from the other.” This year’s entering class is the best ever, with a median LSAT score of 165 (equivalent to 650 on the old scale) and a GPA of 3.75 or better among at least a quarter of the class.

And while the applicant pool was down nationwide this past year, it was up at Minnesota, which receives about 3,500 applications a year. The deans say that the admissions folks have been working very hard, which means that the Law School is competing more effectively than it has in

the past. Sullivan’s near-term goal is for the Law School to be ranked in the top 15.

Although students of color comprise 19 percent of the class of 2009, diversity is another primary goal—not just racial diversity but also economic, cultural, political, and geographic diversity. “The issue goes beyond the narrow conception of diversity. We’re talking about broad access, a commitment to high-quality, affordable public education,” Charles says. “We’re talking about making sure that the door is open to the average citizen, the excellent student who comes from a different type of background and can’t afford the high price that legal education now commands.”

Mondale, for one, shares this concern. “In my day, you could just walk in and attend law school. You’ll never be able to do that again,” he says. “But there’s a real danger, not only in law schools but also medical schools and such, in bending to the tyranny of national rating services. I hope we don’t become just an elitist dot on the top of some outside analysts’ tote sheet. What about the human side?”

### The personal touch

Focusing on access is one way to address the human side; leadership is another. Bergquist says she was lucky to have Morrison for constitutional law for an entire year, even if the class was at 8 a.m., and she is confident that the deans will not lose sight of this goal. She finds Morrison a straightforward, personable, open man, and one who clearly enjoys what he does. From what she has seen so far, she suspects that the same is true of Charles. Both seem very involved in reaching out to alumni, students, and the community, she says—unusually so.

“I get the impression that they want to be responsive to any problems going on and to make sure that students feel they’re being listened to and supported by the dean’s office. Which isn’t to say there wasn’t that feeling during the previous administration, but they do seem to be taking more initiative in that regard,” Bergquist says.

Their ability to stay close to students and connected to the community is part of what appealed to both deans as they considered this uncommon working arrangement. As Charles explains, both had to take many teaching responsibilities, speaking engagements, and other commitments off their plates in order to accept this position. But neither had to forfeit everything. Both still teach. Morrison, who is heavily involved in international programs, travels often. Both retain their old offices, which they say gives them not only the comfortable security of “home” but also the realistic perspective they need to do a good job upstairs in the deans’ corner.

They keep the door between their administrative offices open and trust each other implicitly.

Apparently the co-dean combo is working. “I think it’s clicking,” says Mondale, who knows both men. “It sounds like I’m trying to gild the lily, but I’ve checked around over there at the Law School and in the President’s office, and people have a very good feeling about this. I’m very pleased.”

### Compare and contrast

“We’re exactly alike in all ways,” Morrison intones. Laughing, Charles fills in. “We’re both even-tempered individuals, not easily riled and not prone to extreme reactions or hysteria. We don’t panic right away. We’re both similarly creative; we don’t have a rigid, fixed outlook. It’s that rational way of looking at things that we both share. It would be hard if you had one very creative person and one very linear thinker, or if you had one who was extremely exuberant and another who showed no emotion. I think we have a little bit of each quality in both individuals.”

Morrison confesses that it’s much nicer this time than when he was a solo interim dean; now he can share his worries with someone. Charles calls Morrison his lead blocker, the guy who manages to eliminate all the opposition before Charles even walks into the room to present his proposals. And, he adds, their formidable joint front puts everyone else at a disadvantage.

As far as compatibility is concerned, they have plenty going for them. Their working relationship was already well-established. They know what needs to be discussed and what doesn’t. They don’t fight. They don’t interrupt each other. They keep the door between their administrative offices open and trust each other implicitly. And when Charles recently sprained his ankle playing soccer, Morrison remembered to pull the car up to the circle drive and offer a ride.

They say they have the same philosophy about most things in life. They even share an email address. “The first person to read them handles them,” Morrison says. “I know what he’d say without even talking about it.” They deal with about 60 to 70 percent of their correspondence without exchanging a word, which leaves time and energy for the important issues.

“We’re standing in similar places with a slightly different angle, but we see the same things,” says Charles. Adds Morrison: “I think it’s a marvelous arrangement.”

By Cathy Madison, a freelance writer/editor based in the Twin Cities.

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Alumni, faculty, students, and friends gathered Sept. 6, 2006, to celebrate the opening of the Barbara Steffens Hedin Alcove on Law, Literature, and the Arts. A recent graduate commented, "Students will be able to relax in the company of wooden bookcases, legal fiction, and artwork. This space will inspire and rejuvenate weary researchers as well as showcase the intersections between law and other pursuits, suggesting the importance of creativity within the structure and discipline of the law."

Barbara S. Hedin received her B.A. Phi Beta Kappa from the College of St. Catherine and her M.A. in public administration from Hamline University. Douglas A. Hedin received his B.A. from the University of Minnesota and his LL.B. from the University of Pennsylvania Law School. Both are voracious readers, especially of legal fiction.



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1. Barbara S. and Douglas A. Hedin



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2. Donald M. Fraser ('48), Arvonne S. Fraser, Mary Doty, Judge David S. Doty ('61)



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3. Walter F. Mondale ('56) (center) with students from the class of '07: Masha Yevzelman, Fredricka Ung, Megan Healy, Joshua Colburn, Jessica Johnson, Jason Zucchi, Amy Bergquist



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4. Associate Dean Joan S. Howland, Barbara S. Hedin, Douglas A. Hedin, Dean Guy-Uriel Charles



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5. Professor David S. Weissbrodt and Dean Charles

# At the Law School



Provost E. Thomas Sullivan (right) with Don ('39) and Lydia Engebretson at the Lockhart Dinner.



Arvonne S. Fraser, The Honorable Donald M. Fraser ('48), The Honorable Diana E. Murphy ('74), and Dean Guy-Uriel E. Charles at the Heaney Reception.

## LAW BRIEF

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Peju Solarin scans the baked goods at the 2006 Community Fund Drive bake sale this fall.

## LAW BRIEF

Staff participation in the Community Fund Drive was the most successful yet. The Law School received a Top 10 Participation Award for units with over 100 employees. Over \$31,393 was raised by Law School participants alone.



Professor Jack M. Balkin from Yale University Law School delivered The William B. Lockhart Lecture this fall.

## LAW BRIEF

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There was active participation in the employee recognition Jeopardy game. Co-workers learned: Ann Hagen has a Masters Degree in bassoon performance, 13 staff members are also lawyers, Bonnie Johnson has been at the Law School the longest—over 37 years and an Army veteran on staff, Anita Cole, recently spoke at the United Nations.

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## JACK M. BALKIN'S WILLIAM B. LOCKHART LECTURE

**O**N OCTOBER 10, 2006, AT Lockhart Hall, Professor Jack M. Balkin spoke about the impact of 21st century warfare and foreign policy on our government in "The National Surveillance State."



Such a state features an increase in the collection of intelligence and surveillance (particularly through new digital technologies) by an expanded network of security bureaucracies, and a further

shift of power from the Congress to the executive branch. A national surveillance state and the executive's growing war power, Balkin says, threaten civil liberties: First, they strip away the constitutional protections of the criminal justice system, since threats to the country are treated as matters of national security rather than as mere crimes. Second, they encourage the criminal justice system to adopt national security enforcement methods, which bypass the checks and balances provided by the judiciary and the legislative branch. (Check out Balkin's weblog at <http://balkin.blogspot.com>.)

Balkin is the Knight Professor of Constitutional Law and the First Amendment at Yale Law School. He received his Ph.D. in philosophy from Cambridge University and his A.B. and J.D. from Harvard University. A member

of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Balkin has written on legal issues for *The New York Times*, *Boston Globe*, *Washington Monthly*, and several others. He is founder and director of Yale Law School's interdisciplinary Information Society Project, which studies law and information technologies.

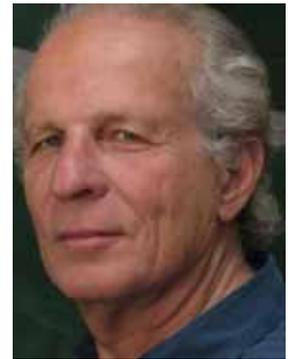
The William B. Lockhart Lecture honors William B. Lockhart, Law School professor (1946-74) and dean (1956-72). Dean Lockhart was instrumental in enriching the Law School curriculum, attracting exceptional faculty and students, and cultivating a strong relationship with the Minnesota Bar.

## GEORGE P. FLETCHER'S JOHN DEWEY LECTURE

**A**T LOCKHART HALL ON October 24, 2006, Professor George P. Fletcher explained his ideas about the body of customary international law that constitutes the law of war in his lecture, "The Law of War and its Pathologies." Fletcher, Cardozo Professor of Jurisprudence at Columbia University School of Law, writes and speaks on criminal law, constitutional law, and international affairs. One of the country's most widely cited legal experts, he has published more than 100 scholarly articles and several books. A review of his *Romantics at War: Glory and Guilt in the Age of Terrorism* described the book as "a wonderfully un-lawyerly account, a philosophical investigation, of individual agency, responsibility, and guilt."

As a public commentator, Fletcher appears often on television as a pundit on legal issues. He has written articles

and op-ed pieces for publications such as the *New York Times*, *Washington Post*, and *New Republic*. In 2001 he delivered the prestigious Storrs Lectures at the Yale Law School, and in 2003 the *Notre Dame Law Review* devoted an issue to commentary on his work. Fletcher's diverse legal experience includes prosecuting cases in Los Angeles, running summer programs in Budapest for Eastern European lawyers, editing a magazine on Jewish law philosophy, and moderating "Socratic dialogues" on PBS.



The John Dewey Lecture in the Philosophy of Law honors John Dewey (1859-1952), an American philosopher, educator, scholar, and proponent of legal realism. Dewey's philosophy related his concept of a moral life to a variety of contemporary social, economic, and political issues. He spent one year as a professor of philosophy at the University of Minnesota. The Lecture is funded by a grant from the John Dewey Foundation and is sponsored by the Law School to provide a forum for significant scholarly contributions to the development of jurisprudence.

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Presented by *Minnesota Law Review* and the Minnesota Center for Legal Studies

## Symposium on Global Response to Terrorism Post 9/11



**T**he nation's leading scholars in national security and emergency powers law gathered at the Law School on Oct. 13, 2006, for a symposium presented by *Minnesota Law Review* and the Minnesota Center for Legal Studies entitled "9/11, 5 Years On: A Comparative Look at the Global Response to Terrorism." Panelists included William Banks of Syracuse University, Mariano-Florentino Cuellar of Stanford University, Patrick Gudridge of the University of Miami, Sanford Levinson of the University of Texas, Jules Lobel of the University of Pittsburgh, Bernard Trujillo of the University of Wisconsin, Mark Tushnet of Harvard University, and Fionnuala Ni Aoláin, Oren Gross, Heidi Kitrosser, and David Weissbrodt of the University of Minnesota.

One panel discussed "The Preventive Paradigm," which has been invoked to

justify the use of state power to detain suspected terrorists, engage in extraordinary rendition of aliens to foreign states, interrogate detainees, and wage war against Iraq. The panel also included a discussion of the effects of 9/11 on immigration law, particularly regarding the Mexico-U.S. border.

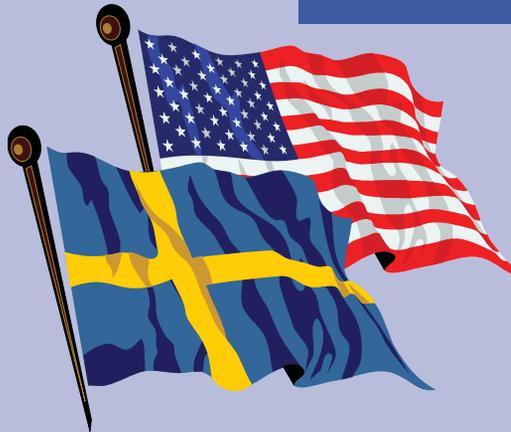
Another panel considered "The Executive Branch and Secrecy" and discussed reconciling government needs for both transparency and security following 9/11. Analysis of the issues included a comparison of the frameworks of our government and political networks employing terrorist methods, concluding with the observation that despite deep ideological differences between the two, both face similar challenges in accountability, surveillance of discretionary activity, and inclusion of dissenting views. One panelist called his presentation a "requiem for FISA [the Foreign

Intelligence Surveillance Act] and a plea for our government to restore the constitutional values that FISA wisely straddled—promoting national security while safeguarding civil liberties."

A focal point of the symposium was *Hamdan v. Rumsfeld*. One panelist considered the legislative response in conjunction with the editorial reactions to that decision and argued that the decision has been misinterpreted as providing a purely legal solution to what is more fundamentally a political problem. One speaker characterized Justice Stevens' majority opinion in the case as "casual constitutional analysis, focusing mostly on statutes, treaties, and standard practices and depicting those legal materials, even if sometimes seemingly intricate, as at bottom straightforward."

By Shana Bachman ('07) symposium editor.

## Celebrating 25 Years with the University of Uppsala Faculty of Law



In 2008, the University of Minnesota Law School will celebrate 25 years of cooperation and exchange with the University of Uppsala Faculty of Law.

Festive gala events will be held in both the Twin Cities and Uppsala in September 2008.

If you are interested in volunteering to help, contact Debbie Gallenberg at [gall0237@umn.edu](mailto:gall0237@umn.edu).

Please watch for more information in the next issue of *Perspectives*.

### › Loyalty Runs Deep at the Law School

In October, several staff members were recognized for their years of service. Pictured with Dean Morrison and Dean Charles from left to right are: Kay Johnson (20 years), Daniel Matthews (5 years), Laurie Newbauer (35 years), Mary Suek (20 years), Mary Stoehr (25 years), Thanh Ho (5 years), Paula Swanson (10 years) and LaVonne Molde (35 years)



### › People and Changes

#### Alumni Relations

The Office of External Relations has been re-named the Office of Development and Alumni Relations. Staff includes:

- Martha Martin, Director of Development
- Scotty Mann, Director of Alumni Relations & Annual Giving
- Sara Jones, Assistant Director of Development
- Anita Cole, Assistant Director of Alumni Relations & Annual Giving
- Kelsey Dilts, Donor Relations Manager
- Mark Swanson, Executive Assistant, Development Office

#### New Staff Hires July 1–December 31, 2006

- Kelsey Dilts, Donor Relations Manager, Development
- Tryphena Fields, Executive Office and Administration Specialist/Faculty Support
- Zehra Gumus-Dawes, Research Fellow, IRP
- Cynthia Huff, Interim Director of Communications
- Julie Hunt, Executive Office and Administration Specialist/Faculty Support
- Riddhi Jani, Program Director, International Programs

- Caryn Lantz, Office Support Assistant, Admissions
- Lori Peterson, Executive Office and Administration Specialist/Faculty Support
- Rima Reda, Office Support Assistant, Human Rights
- Paula Seeger, Circulation Librarian
- Nicole Smiley, Principal Officer and Administration Specialist, Law Clinics
- Moncia Wittstock, Executive Administrative Specialist, JDP & Consortium

# The Alumni–Student Connection

*Repay your mentor by being one.*

**F**rom astrophysicists to zoologists, most successful professionals can point to at least one person who offered help and encouragement at some stage in their careers. An experienced and trusted adviser—a mentor—is an important and valuable asset, whether the relationship began with a supervisor, colleague, networking contact, or friend of a friend.

You can help law students take their first steps on the path to professionalism by reaching out through the Alumni–Student Connection, a new program sponsored by the Career & Professional Development Center (CPDC), Law School Public Service Committee, and the Office of Alumni Relations.

A true 21st century mentoring program, the Alumni–Student Connection embraces available technology, offering several options for school-year and year-round electronic activities. Attorneys across Minnesota, throughout the country, or around the world can make connections with a student through email and phone. Even those who live in the Twin Cities and prefer traditional in-person mentoring will appreciate the convenience of email to schedule meetings and keep in touch.

We hope you will consider mentoring a student who is interested in your practice area or is in your part of the country. We recommend making at least three contacts with your student each semester and during the summer. Priority for mentor matches will go to second- and third-year law students.

Some additional options:

- **Host a Spring Break Shadow program during the week of March 12, 2007.** This program, geared primarily for first-year law students, allows beginners to “shadow” a professional on the job to get a look at real-world situations. Programs have featured informal chats, trips to court, and meetings with new attorneys, practice group leaders, and recruiting professionals. Hosts have opened their offices or chambers for a single student or more than a dozen for programs lasting an hour or an entire day with lunch included. It’s up to you.
- **Contribute to “Graduates At Work,”** a growing collection of interviews and essays in a password-protected location on the CPDC Web site. Soon you will be able to post audio essays and interviews on the site.
- **Become the Alumni Connect for your employer.** Whether your employer recruits 100 associates every summer or an attorney or law clerk every five years, your connection to the CPDC helps pave the way for students and alumni to find work.

You can register for the Alumni–Student Connection at [www.law.umn.edu/cso/alumni.html](http://www.law.umn.edu/cso/alumni.html) or find the link for alumni relations at [www.law.umn.edu](http://www.law.umn.edu). If you have questions or suggestions, please contact Susan Gainen at (612) 624-9881 or [gaine001@umn.edu](mailto:gaine001@umn.edu).

By Susan Gainen, who began her 15th year at the Law School in July. She currently chairs the National Association for Law Placement’s new Law Student Professionalism Section.



*“Mentoring is a scary proposition, but when I came to the table with an open mind and heart it made for an amazing experience. By being in a mentoring partnership with a fellow attorney who both cared about where I went in my career and valued my experiences, I felt comfortable sharing my insight and ‘wisdom,’ and inevitably I helped him find some direction in his own legal career. It was pretty amazing how something that seemed scary became a truly rewarding partnership.”*

—Roshan N. Rajkumar (’00),  
Bowman and Brooke LLP

## Law to a different drummer

If you are working in an alternative career—outside of traditional law practice or without the title of lawyer—***the Alumni–Student Connection needs you.***

Many more students than ever before come to law school with no intention of practicing law, and they are looking for ways to create their own career path. Your insights and experiences are vital to their decision making.

# Judge Heaney Honored for Lifetime of Service

**O**N OCT. 10, 2006, THE Law School and Deans Fred Morrison and Guy-Uriel Charles hosted a reception honoring Judge Gerald W. Heaney for his public service achievements and outstanding 40-year career on the bench. Appointed to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit in 1966 by President Lyndon B. Johnson, Judge Heaney dedicated his career to equal justice and equal opportunities for all citizens. Tributes touching on his accomplishments, compassion, and community service were delivered by the Honorable Warren R. Spannaus (class of 1963), the Honorable Walter F. Mondale (class of 1956), the Honorable Donald P. Lay, the Honorable Myron Bright (class of 1947), Provost E. Thomas Sullivan, Professor Mary Patricia Byrn (class of 2003), and Professor Myron Orfield.

Judge Heaney reflected on his early days at the Law School, which included a six-week illness that prompted then-Dean Everett Fraser to recommend his starting over the following year. With the help of his counselor, Horace Reed, Judge Heaney convinced the Dean that he should stay in school and he went on to graduate in 1941.

Noting the cost of a Law School education today compared with what he paid (\$23,516 versus \$500 annually for residents), Judge Heaney expressed concern that current graduates don't have the same opportunity to do what they want with their degree because of the high debt they carry after graduation. He voiced his gratitude for being able to make choices in his own career, and said he hopes to get the Minnesota Legislature to provide more funding for good students from modest-income families.



The Honorable Judge Gerald W. Heaney ('41)



The Honorable Myron Bright ('47) and Warren Spannaus ('63)

Throughout his life, Judge Heaney has worked as a volunteer and advocate for financial aid for education. In 2006, he and his wife Eleanor made a major gift to the Gerald and Eleanor Heaney Law School Scholarship fund, created in 1989 by former law clerks, colleagues, and friends. The Heaneys' gift made the scholarship, which was estab-

lished to perpetuate the inspiration and courage that Judge Heaney demonstrated throughout his career, eligible for the University of Minnesota President's Scholarship Match program.

If you'd like to contribute to the fund, contact Director of Development, Martha Martin at (612) 625-2060.



Mark your calendar for the 5th Annual  
**2007 Race for Justice**  
 5K Fun Run & Walk  
**April 15, 2007**

# East Meets Midwest

## 2006 Summer Program Highlights

**F**ROM MAY 27 TO JUNE 30, the Law School conducted its first summer Study Abroad Program in Beijing, China. The Law School offered the five-week program in conjunction with the prestigious China University of Political Science and Law (CUPL). Focused on comparative economic law, the program allowed 22 J.D. students from the University of Minnesota and other law schools to study firsthand the Chinese economic, legal, and political systems.

Participating faculty members from the Law School were Associate Dean Meredith McQuaid, who served as program director; Professor John Matheson, who served as on-site co-director and taught Comparative Business Entities; and Professor Ann Burkhart, who taught Comparative Land Use. From CUPL, Dean Stephen Hsu served as on-site co-director and taught Introduction to Chinese Economic Law. Students also had the opportunity to enroll in beginning or intermediate Mandarin Chinese courses.

As part of their hands-on learning experience, students visited important legal institutions in Beijing, such as the Supreme People's Court, the National People's Congress, and the Beijing Municipal Institute of City Planning. They also experienced the rich culture and history of China through a trip to a kung fu demonstration and Chinese acrobatic troupe performance, a hutong tour by pedicabs, a reception held by the Beijing American Chamber of Commerce, and a lesson in paper cutting by a renowned Chinese artist.

Before and after classes started, students explored the city on their own—by bicycle, by taxi, and on foot—and

practiced their recently acquired Chinese skills as they shopped and ate out. Some students traveled on the weekends to Shanghai, Xian, and Inner Mongolia.

The program in 2007 will build on the success of the first program by adding a weekend trip to Shanghai for professional and cultural events.

Recently, the Chinese Ministry of Education approved the LL.M. Program in Beijing, the first of its kind in China designed to familiarize international lawyers with the U.S. legal system. Classes will begin in summer 2007 and will be taught by U.S. faculty in Beijing. The program will add yet another international dimension to the Law School.



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1. View of the Great Wall of China.
2. Emily Kraack ('08) and Matt Janiga ('08) tour Beijing hutongs.
3. Matt Roman ('08), Karin Larson ('07), Emily Kraack ('08) enjoy the company of CUPL students.
4. At night outside the Forbidden City.

# Corporate Externship Gives Students Practical Experience

**T**HE LAW SCHOOL WELCOMED its newest transactional skills opportunity in the 2006 summer session—the Corporate Externship Program, a component of the Center for Business Law. Students who took this two-credit course spent at least 100 hours in the corporate legal department of one of 14 Minnesota companies.

Professor John Matheson, co-director of the Center, had no problem signing up externship placement supervisors. He has perfected the art of recruiting volunteers from among his former students. As mentors, they provided a rich array of on-site experiences for the students. Mary Alton, Program Director and Clinical Faculty for the Center, administered the program.

Students encountered the transactional tasks faced every day by in-house counsel in medium-to-large corporations. One researched different countries' laws on independent contractor intellectual property rights. Another made the company's employee manual more user friendly. Others drafted and redrafted documents, such as vendor agreement templates and licensing documents.

When they weren't researching and writing, students could be found brainstorming solutions for antitrust issues, helping prepare for a negotiation between parent and subsidiary companies, or crafting a list of corporate governance questions that shareholders might ask at an annual meeting.

For the classroom portion of the externship, students interviewed their placement supervisors about their careers, the roles of corporate counsel, and the relationships between business and law. In another assignment, they edited an existing corporate document according to the principles of plain English drafting.



Tony Jones (class of 2007), whose externship was at the Donaldson Company, said "I wanted to gain real-life transactional experience, and this was the perfect opportunity to do just that. I plan on working for a law firm after graduation, and that made the externship an outstanding opportunity to view the legal services from a client perspective."

Gordon Hage (class of 2007) spent his 100+ hours at H.B. Fuller Company. "This was a great chance to find out whether a corporate legal department will be a good fit for me," he said. "I worked on diverse projects, from contracts to securities issues, and I had a chance to learn about fields that I had no prior class experience in, like patent law."

Hage was particularly positive about the placement itself. "The H.B. Fuller legal team worked hard to ensure I had a good experience. I truly appreciated how much effort they made to make the externship worthwhile."

The Law School will offer the program again in the 2007 summer session.



Tony Jones ('07)



Gordon Hage ('07)

## PARTICIPATING COMPANIES

3M Company  
Alliant Techsystems  
Allina Health System  
Donaldson Company  
Ecolab  
Graco  
H.B. Fuller Company  
Land O'Lakes  
Lifetouch  
Medtronic  
MoneyGram International  
NCS Pearson  
Pentair  
Piper Jaffray Companies

## Interdisciplinary Lectures

**Thursday, January 25, 2007**

### Lunch Series on the Societal Implications of the Life Sciences

**SPEAKER** Prof. David Relman, MD, Stanford University  
**TITLE** "Dual Use and National Security"  
**TIME** 12:15pm–1:30pm  
**THEATER** Coffman Memorial Union

*Co-sponsored by the Consortium on Law and Values in Health, Environment & the Life Sciences and Joint Degree Program in Law, Health & the Life Sciences*

**Thursday, February 1, 2007**

### Deinard Memorial Lecture on Law & Medicine

**SPEAKER** Prof. Stephen J. Morse, JD, PhD, University of Pennsylvania  
**TITLE** "New Neuroscience, Old Legal Problems: The Case of Juvenile Responsibility"  
**TIME** 11:30am–1:00pm  
**THEATER** Coffman Memorial Union

*Co-sponsored by the Joint Degree Program in Law, Health & the Life Sciences and the Center for Bioethics*

**Wednesday, February 7, 2007**

### Lecture Series on Law, Health & the Life Sciences

**SPEAKER** Prof. David Castle, PhD, University of Ottawa  
**TITLE** "Genomic Nutritional Profiling: The Ethics of Nutrigenomics"  
**TIME** 11:30am–1:00pm  
**THEATER** St. Paul Student Center

*Co-sponsored by the Consortium on Law and Values in Health, Environment & the Life Sciences and Joint Degree Program in Law, Health & the Life Sciences*

**Monday, February 26, 2007**

### Annual Conference

**TITLE** "Creating Stem Cells by Research Cloning: Scientific, Ethical, Legal & Policy Challenges"  
**TIME** 8:00am–5:00pm  
**THEATER** Coffman Memorial Union

*Sponsored by the Consortium, Joint Degree Program, Academic Health Center, and Stem Cell Institute*

**Wednesday, March 7, 2007**

### Lecture Series on Law, Health & the Life Sciences

**SPEAKER** Prof. Jose Ordovas, PhD, Tufts University  
**TITLE** "Nutrigenomics: Science, Regulation, and Policy"  
**TIME** 11:30am–1:00pm  
**THEATER** St. Paul Student Center

*Co-sponsored by the Consortium on Law and Values in Health, Environment & the Life Sciences and Joint Degree Program in Law, Health & the Life Sciences*

**Thursday, April 12, 2007**

### Lunch Series on the Societal Implications of the Life Sciences

**SPEAKER** Scott Gottlieb, MD, U.S. Food and Drug Administration  
**TITLE** "Science & Politics: FDA Perspective"  
**TIME** 12:15pm–1:30pm  
**THEATER** Coffman Memorial Union

*Co-sponsored by the Consortium on Law and Values in Health, Environment & the Life Sciences and Joint Degree Program in Law, Health & the Life Sciences*

**Tuesday, May 1, 2007**

### Annual Symposium

**TITLE** "Managing Incidental Findings in Human Subjects Research: From Imaging to Genomics"  
**TIME** 8:00am–5:00pm  
**THEATER** Cowles Auditorium, Hubert H. Humphrey Center

*Sponsored by the Consortium on Law and Values in Health, Environment & the Life Sciences with support from a grant from the National Institutes of Health, National Human Genome Research Institute, #1R01HG003178-01A1.*



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### Congratulations Class of 2006

- 1. J.D. Class of 2006
- 2. Kurtis G. S. Parlin and Lisa Hird Chung sang a rousing Hail Minnesota.
- 3. LL.M. Class of 2006.
- 4. Karla Vehrs delivered the J.D. class graduation address.
- 5. Minnesota Supreme Court Chief Justice Russell A. Anderson ('68) offered commencement remarks to the graduating classes.
- 6. Commencement officials onstage.
- 7. Dean of Students Erin Keyes ('00), Karla Vehrs, Elie Beyrouthy (LL.M. Class Graduation Address), Al Vredevel (Most Outstanding Contribution to the Class of 2006), Tovah Flygare (Excellence in Public Service Award), Nena Street (William B. Lockhart Award for Excellence in Scholarship, Leadership, and Service), Kurtis G.S. Parlin, Lisa Hurd Chung.
- 8. Justice Anderson and Professor Emeritus Donald Marshall.



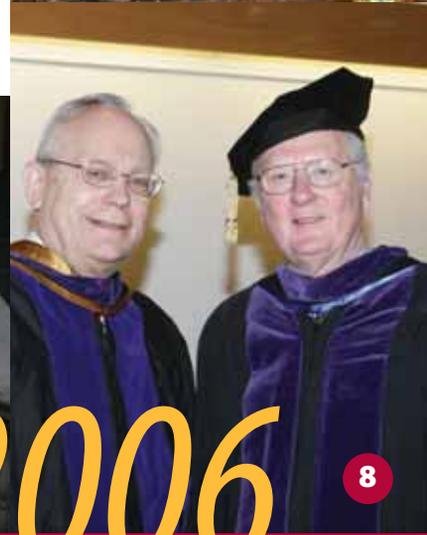
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# Graduation 2006

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# Student Perspective



◀ Dean Morrison and Megan Healy ('07) at the *Law Review* alumni reception

Minnesota *Law Review* staff

## LAW BRIEF

- 44% of students are Minnesota residents, 56% are nonresidents
- Student to faculty ratio is 13:1
- 258 first-year students
  - Selected from 3,147 who applied
  - LSAT median is 165
  - GPA average is 3.53

## LAW BRIEF

- Current enrollment is 850 students
  - 807 J.D. candidates
  - 18 international visiting students (6 countries represented)
  - 4 domestic visiting students
  - 21 LL.M. students (13 countries represented)
- 11 joint degree programs are offered

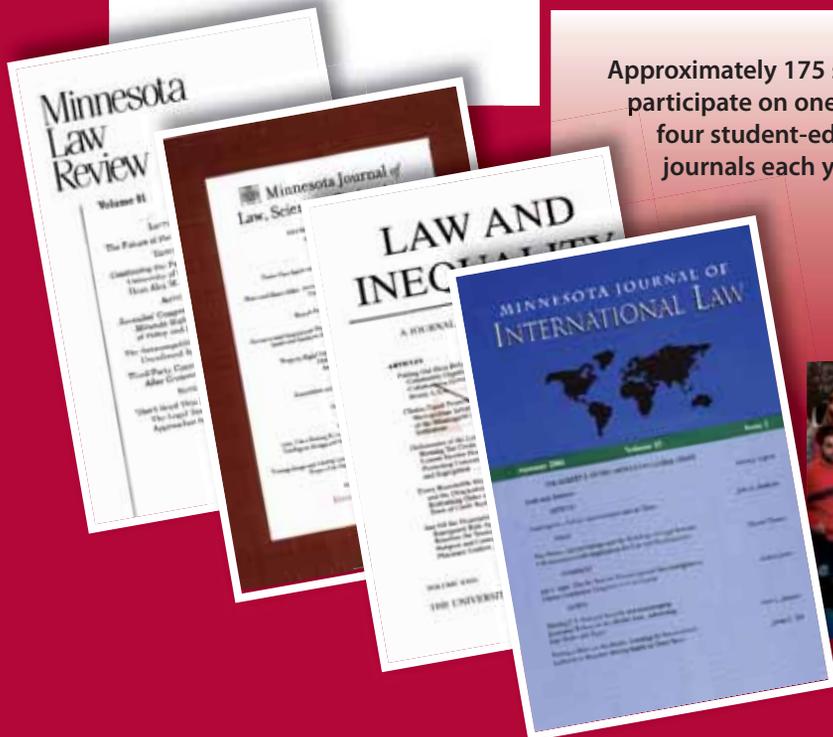


> 2007 LL.M. students Brian O'Leary, Katja Meitz, Martin Hall, Bum Soon Kim, Teng Wei Wang, and friends share a few moments around the fire at the Annual Fall Harvest Party.



## LAW BRIEF

Approximately 175 students participate on one of the four student-edited journals each year.



Professor Matheson's Section C Contracts class on Halloween



## › Student Profiles

# Diversity Finds a Home at the Law School

### WEI LI

CLASS OF 2007



Wei Li with her son, Zimu.

**A**s Wei Li studiously listened to law professors at Shanghai's Fudan University in 1992, Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping was pushing for economic reforms. That year's party congress spoke of creating a "socialist market economy" by the end of the decade. The timing of that initiative turned out to be perfect for Li, a woman with a passion for corporate law.

After graduating in 1996 with a bachelor's degree in international economic law, she landed a job as a paralegal at a Chinese firm. But Li was not satisfied with that career path and returned to college, earning a master's degree in comparative law in 2001. Simmons & Simmons, a British law firm, recognized her talent and hired her as PRC (People's Republic of China) legal counsel at its Shanghai office.

Working at one of the largest international law firms in the country, Li had plenty of opportunities to work on joint ventures between U.S. or European firms and Chinese companies, cross-border mergers and acquisitions, and initial public offerings on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange. She interacted with lawyers from several western nations at both Simmons & Simmons and a subsequent job in the legal affairs department of a

multinational corporation and observed, "Their way of thinking was different." Li says, "In China, we apply the rule. We don't challenge the rule. But in common law countries, judges can interpret the law."

Inspired to learn more about that tradition and further her skills, Li entered the Law School's LL.M. program. She's found the work challenging.

"In law school, you are doomed to suffer for three years," Li says. Fortunately, her LL.M. program lasts just 12 months—long enough to experience life in the United States but not so long that she'll miss seeing her son grow up. Zimu, born in 2005, is at home in Shanghai with Li's husband, an information technology engineer for Microsoft China.

"I like Minnesota," she says, "but I will not stay here forever."

### DAN ROBINSON

CLASS OF 2007



**I**t took Dan Robinson six years to get his electrical engineering degree from Rice University. Writing songs and playing guitar as a member of the ska/funk band Sprawl during nationwide tours and recording sessions might have had something to do with that.

After graduating in 1992, the Duluth, Minnesota, native and his girlfriend

moved to California. She attended graduate school; he couldn't find a job. But counting greeting cards at one of his many temporary gigs quickly inspired him to write an inventory-tracking computer program and got him on the company payroll.

During the 1990s, he continued writing computer programs (e.g., a navigation tool for Rand McNally called Street Finder) and playing in rock bands (e.g., Moss, Chica). By 2000, he and his girlfriend were married and had a son, a happy occasion that soon turned to worry. Born with an extra chromosome, Zane had symptoms similar to Down's syndrome, was deaf, and required six operations in his first year of life.

Despite family healthcare coverage through his employer, suburban San Francisco-based Intuit, a mountain of bills and insurance statements piled up. When Robinson finally got it sorted out, he discovered that more than \$100,000 toward the \$1.2 million total had not been paid by the insurer. "I had no idea something like that could possibly happen," he says. He promptly wrote a software program to manage the paperwork related to Zane's healthcare. He eventually championed the product at Intuit, and Quicken Medical Expenses Manager was introduced in 2005, a year after Robinson started law school.

He had considered law school for years, but the deciding factor was a legal fight with a California state agency over Zane's healthcare. After studying the rules pertaining to children with disabilities, he prepared a case and won an administrative hearing. At Minnesota, Robinson represented clients at the nonprofit Minnesota Disability Law Center and served on the site council of his son's school in St. Paul.

Just months away from completing law school, he has been hired by San Francisco-based Heller Ehrman LLP to work as a civil litigator. He'll start there in 2008, after a year of clerking for U.S. District Court Judge Virginia Phillips in Los Angeles.

"I wish law school were four years," says 38-year-old Robinson. "There are hundreds of classes in the catalog and I only got to take 22 of them."

### ZAINAB AKBAR

CLASS OF 2009



Zainab Akbar (on left) with her parents, brother and sister.

**A**nti-Muslim fervor isn't new to Pakistani-American Zainab Akbar, who has rejuvenated the University of Minnesota's Muslim Law Students Association (MLSA). During the 1991 U.S. invasion of Iraq, kids tossed racial slurs at her. The intermittent threats her parents (both physicians) had been receiving at their office increased after the 9/11 attacks. More recently, the FBI and CIA questioned several relatives, simply because of their Pakistani origins. "I've always been sympathetic to people's struggles," Akbar says. These experiences might, at least partially, explain why.

As a student at Johns Hopkins University, she majored in anthropology, with a focus on South Asian studies. After graduation in 2002, she jumped into the politics of her home state of Michigan, organizing Muslim voters for Democratic gubernatorial candidate David Bonior. He lost.

Akbar moved on to graduate school, earning a master's degree in political theory from the London School of Economics. That program ended in September 2004, giving her just enough time to get in on that year's presidential race. Again, she stumped

for a Democrat, Senator John Kerry, among Muslim voters in Michigan. Next she worked at DC Vote, an organization advocating congressional representation for the District of Columbia, and the American Civil Liberties Union.

Now in her first year of law school, Akbar spends the vast majority of her time in class, studying, or sleeping. "I literally don't have a life," she says. But that's OK. She recalls that the best writing she read as a graduate student was by law professors, and now she's immersed in the same intellectual pursuit.

When she graduates in 2009, Akbar plans to avoid the big firms. She sees a national or local civil liberties or human rights advocacy organization as a better fit.

In the meantime, she will study, organize MLSA events next spring, and perhaps relieve law school stress by performing in the next production by TORT, the Theater of the Relatively Talentless. She recently sang "Happy Birthday" at her audition. "It's the only song I know I can sing," she says.

### LAUREL KILGOUR

CLASS OF 2009



Laurel Kilgour visiting a research institution in Ha Tay, Vietnam.

**A**s an undergraduate student at Amherst College, Laurel Kilgour majored in biology. But one term she took a property law class, and it sent her life in a new direction. She studied the Canadian case of *Monsanto v. Schmeiser*, in which patented canola seed was blown from an experimental plot onto a farmer's adjoining land. He grew and harvested the crop, and the seed company wanted compensation.

After graduation, says Kilgour, now 25, "My original plan was to study biology in graduate school." But the idea of spending years in a laboratory wasn't appealing, especially with her interest in legal issues. She spent a few months at restaurant jobs before landing a position at the American Association for the Advancement of Science in Washington, D.C. At about that time, she took the LSAT and the GRE.

When it came time to choose an educational path, the University of Minnesota's joint degree program seemed like the perfect fit. With four years of courses, Kilgour will earn a J.D. and a master's degree in genetics and molecular biology. She's in the second year of the program and has already found a way to combine the specialties and to advocate for sharing scientific knowledge through her position as an intern at the Public Intellectual Property Resource for Agriculture (PIPRA).

The University of California-based initiative encourages universities and nonprofit research institutions to make their agricultural technologies readily available so crops can be distributed "for humanitarian purposes in the developing world." Kilgour took the PIPRA message on the road in 2006 and conducted needs analysis at 14 sites in Vietnam.

That trip and her PIPRA work has made her passionate about pro bono intellectual property work. "It's definitely influenced the way I look at my career," she says. She believes that big firms and intellectual property boutiques should better share their knowledge. To that end, Kilgour co-founded the Health Law and Bioethics Association, a student group focusing on practical career guidance related to health law and bioethics. The group plans to sponsor a panel on public interest and pro bono intellectual property issues in the spring. Kilgour hopes that one day the University of Minnesota will join the PIPRA effort.

By Todd Melby, a Minneapolis-based freelance writer and independent radio producer.

## Raise the Bar Cleans Up

This past September, the group Raise the Bar sponsored its second Day of Service, and more than 120 students, staff, and faculty volunteered on a variety of projects throughout the Twin Cities. Raise the Bar was founded in January 2006 to commemorate Martin Luther King, Jr., and his legacy. Co-founders Sarah Corris (class of 2008) and Jane Gazman (class of 2007) believe that our responsibility as lawyers includes being involved in our community through volunteerism and advocacy and hope that creating a Day of Service for the law school community will foster that belief.

After an overwhelming response to the first Day of Service last January, Raise the Bar officers decided to organize a service day each semester, with special emphasis on Martin Luther King for the January event. In the future, Raise the Bar hopes to invite local alumni to participate in this worthwhile and rewarding service experience. This year's officers are co-chairs Lauren Baird (class of 2008), Betsy Flanagan (class of 2008), and Sarah Corris; treasurer Leaf McGregor (class of 2008); and officers Jane Gazman, and Angie Munoz (class of 2008).

The 2007 Martin Luther King, Jr., Day of Service will take place on January 27. For more information, contact Betsy Flanagan (flan0145@umn.edu) or Lauren Baird (baird045@umn.edu).



Josh Jones ('09)



Cyrus Jamnejad ('09), Meggie Choi ('09),  
Yeerik Moy ('09), and Scott Brown ('09)



Joanie Simon ('09), Jenny Huang ('08), Jeff Mulder ('08),  
Tiffanea Trice ('08), and Professor Carol Chomsky

# Alumni Perspective



## LAW BRIEF

The Law School has over 11,600 living alumni. Outside of Minnesota, the 8 most popular states for alumni (as measured by number of alumni in each state) are:

- California
- Illinois
- Texas
- Arizona
- Wisconsin
- New York
- Florida
- Virginia



## LAW BRIEF

More than 250 alumni currently serve as federal or state judges nationwide. 19.1% of the Class of 2005 began their legal careers as judicial clerks.

**LAW BRIEF**

In addition to their leadership roles in the Bar, private legal practice, government service, and business, more than 75 of our alumni currently serve on law faculties around the country (and countless others contribute to the education of the next generation of lawyers as adjunct faculty).

← Michael Zalk ('82), Kathleen Austin ('03), and Divya Raman ('05), at the 2006 Career Options Night hosted by the Career and Professional Development Center.



→ Rebecca Bernhard ('03), Rachel Hughey ('03), and Professor Mary Patricia Byrn ('03) (with back to the camera), at the *Law Review* Alumni Reception.

**LAW BRIEF**

More than 170 alumni are currently living and working outside of the United States.

← Professor Myron Orfield, Michael Freeman ('74), and Patrick Diamond ('86), at the Heaney Reception.

Cheryl Heilman ('81), and the Honorable Joan Ericksen ('81), at the Heaney Reception.

Associate Dean Meredith McQuaid ('91), James Rustad ('67), Dr. Kay Thomas, and Regent Dr. Patricia S. Simmons at the opening of the Hedin Alcove.



## › Distinguished Alumni Profiles

### DEENA BENNETT CLASS OF 1992

**T**his November, Deena Bennett embarked on the largest preliminary hearing in Riverside-San Bernardino history as she began steps toward group prosecution of 15 gang members for a shoot-out that left two dead. A deputy district attorney in Riverside County, Calif., Bennett has worked numerous horrific and tragic cases, from clergy sex abuse to the death of 6-month-old Kaitlyn Russell after being accidentally left in a hot van.



DEENA BENNETT

Bennett clerked for the district attorney's office during law school breaks and worked her way up to the homicide unit. The work affects each person differently, says Riverside's 2005 Felony Prosecutor of the Year. "I can tell you it does nothing but fuel my fire, passion, and drive to ensure that justice is done. I am not effective if I lose control emotionally."

It's not all about work. She coaches her 8- and 5-year-old sons' soccer teams and recently began training for next April's Ironman Arizona triathlon.

In 2003, she competed on CBS's "Survivor Amazon," and the resulting celebrity status has given her opportunities to promote the "unattended child in motor vehicle act," called

Kaitlyn's law, a child-protection measure the state passed after Kaitlyn's death.

The Survivor experience also brought Bennett, voted off ninth, role-model status. In a test of endurance against temptation, two of the women removed their clothes for peanut butter and chocolate. Bennett did not. When she got home, she was surprised by the impact of her actions on young girls. She says it's one reason she's invited to schools: to tell kids it's OK to be true to yourself and not give in to others' wishes.

Bennett knows the importance of role models. In fourth grade, her class visited Orange County Superior Court. She was so impressed by the presiding woman judge that she decided she wanted to be a judge. It remains a dream, but she hasn't run...yet. "I'm not even 40," Bennett says. "There's a lot more that I have to do at the DA's office before I could consider it."

### JOHN DOCHERTY CLASS OF 1986

**A**s an Assistant U.S. Attorney in Minnesota, John Docherty successfully prosecuted Minneapolis City Council member Gary Dean Zimmermann for taking bribes and Zomax chairman and CEO James T. Anderson for insider trading involving more than \$6 million in company stock.

This fall Docherty, his wife Marilyn Conklin (class of 1995), and their two young children moved to the Netherlands, where he is taking on a new challenge as a prosecuting trial attorney for the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia. The United Nations Security Council created the Tribunal in part to prosecute Geneva Convention violations, genocide, and crimes against humanity (for more information, go to

www.un.org/icty). In his first months on the job, Docherty says he is still finding his way around. "It is fascinating, exciting, and I am delighted to be here. I have a lot to learn."

Docherty was born in Glasgow, Scotland. His family moved to Canada and then Minnesota when he was still young. After graduating from law school, he worked for the U.S. Department of Justice's Antitrust Division. He spent 10 years with the Minnesota Attorney General's Office prosecuting narcotics and homicide cases and more than four years with the Office of the U.S. Attorney.

No single case stands out as most significant for Docherty. "Whatever case I was working on, I took the attitude that it was the most important thing I had ever done or would ever do, and that attitude has served me well," he says. "I am going to stick to it."

The Security Council has said it wants to complete all Tribunal trials by 2008 and appeals by 2010, Docherty says. "The cases I hope to be a part of are extraordinarily serious crimes and something very different from anything I would ever do back home."

### WILBUR FLUEGEL CLASS OF 1979

**W**il Fluegel has chaired the Law School for Legislators each biennium since its 2001 inception. House and Senate party leaders identify an emerging issue, such as family law reform, and Fluegel moderates a one- or two-day crash course for lawmakers. He also asks legislators to consider how new laws will affect the courts.

"If you are going to ask the judiciary to take on a new area and you haven't budgeted for new judges or support staff, that can pose challenges," he says.



WIL FLUEGEL

In the annual poll sponsored by *Minnesota Law & Politics*, his peers voted Fluegel Minnesota's top Super Lawyer in 2006. A personal injury attorney, he has handled approximately 50 trials and 300 appeals, from product liability to automobile accident cases, and he has helped shape the state's legal landscape.

During his tenure on the board of the Minnesota Trial Lawyers Association (1993-2005), including one year as president, the group lobbied to extend the medical malpractice statute of limitations and broaden compensation for people injured through government negligence. He also served on the Minnesota Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board (1998-2005), one year as chair.

Fluegel grew up in Mankato, the son of an auto mechanic and a teacher who valued education, he says. He knew by ninth grade he wanted to be a trial attorney: "I grew up on Perry Mason." He focused on transactional law during law school and then clerked for Third District Chief Justice Russell Olson and Judge Daniel Foley. "That confirmed that my childhood ambition of being a trial lawyer was something I not only had an interest in but probably the skill to accomplish," he says.

He began practice with the forerunner to Sieben, Grose & Von Holtum, then opened his own firm in 1992. He and his wife, Kathy (Baumann) Fluegel (class of 1980), have a teenaged daughter.

**SUMBAL MAHMUD**  
CLASS OF 2003

**S**umbal Mahmud recalls going into Prof. John Matheson's office ready to quit law school and saying half jokingly that she was going to be a wedding planner. She still laughs at his reply: "Sumbal, you're no J. Lo."

Mahmud felt torn between public service work and the corporate law

track, and she says Matheson "inspired me that you can do both." Today she is Associate Corporate Counsel on the litigation team for Best Buy. She also volunteers long hours at the Islamic Center of Minnesota.

After graduating, Mahmud worked for State Senator Satveer Chaudhary (class of 1995) and then as an associate at a law firm in downtown Minneapolis. Just before starting at Best Buy in 2005, she traveled to her native Lahore, Pakistan, to help earthquake victims. It fulfilled promises she made in her college entrance essays to help those less fortunate, she says. She and family members helped where they saw need.



SUMBAL MAHMUD WITH CHILDREN FROM A VILLAGE IN PAKISTAN.

*Alumni Reception in Los Angeles*

John Swenson ('67) and Kirk Patrick ('74), graciously hosted a reception for Law School alumni on November 14 in Los Angeles.

Pictured from left to right: Harry Lipmann ('68), James Ginsburg ('68), Dean Guy-Uriel Charles, Swenson, and Maura O'Connor ('88).



“I bought tents and blankets, but my role there was to listen,” says Mahmud, who speaks Urdu and understands Punjabi. “People wanted other people, especially in the United States, to know what was going on.”

Mahmud has taught Islamic history at the Islamic Center since 1995 and been a board member since 2003. As communication director, she speaks to church groups several times a week about Islam, and she handles media calls on hot political issues, giving her community a voice. “Many of my community members are afraid to speak,” she says. “Their actions are often misjudged. If they are anti-war, that somehow means they are unpatriotic.”

Mahmud also is president-elect of the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association’s Minnesota chapter. “I hope I am giving justice to both my legal career and humanitarian work,” she says. “They drive each other.”

**AZHAR USMAN**  
CLASS OF 1999

**A**sked for a joke, lawyer-turned-comedian Azhar Usman pauses briefly to think of one for a lawyerly audience: “Black people

have been complaining for decades that a black man can’t get a fair trial in America,” he says. “Nowadays, Arabs and Muslims are walking around like, ‘We can’t even get a trial in America.’”

Usman, a Muslim, co-founded “Allah Made Me Funny: The Official Muslim Comedy Tour,” which has taken him across the United States and to Europe and Australia. He has appeared on ABC’s “Nightline” and National Public Radio and received numerous newspaper write-ups (see [www.azhar.com](http://www.azhar.com)). Less noticed, he also helped found the Nawawi Foundation, a nonprofit group working to reconcile tensions between Islam and the modern world through religious scholarship.

Born in Chicago, Usman and his wife met as kids. They have two children, ages 2 and 4, and expect a third soon. Usman’s parents emigrated from India. He traces his comedic influences to Bill Cosby, Jerry Seinfeld, and his father’s Indian comedy albums.

He started law school at 20, the youngest in his class. “I was still figuring out what I wanted to do,” he recalls. After graduating, he started Xolia, an Internet business to help people choose online brokers. He sold during the dot-com crash and started a solo law practice, doing mostly transactional work. By 2004, his part-time standup act had



AZHAR USMAN

become so popular, he closed his practice to do comedy full time.

Usman wants laughs; he also wants to promote tolerance. He wants to remind Main Street America that he is American, too, he says, and that this nation of immigrants has accommodated a wide range of people. He also wants to remind fellow Muslims that Islam has adapted to many different cultures and countries. “Why shouldn’t Islam in America be American?” he asks.

By Scott Russell, a Minneapolis-based freelance writer.

**Alumni Reception in Hawaii**

On August 4, the Law School hosted a reception for local and visiting alumni and friends at the American Bar Association annual meeting in Hawaii.

Pictured at top from left to right: Dean Guy-Uriel Charles, James Kamo ('48), and Roy Kawamoto ('65)

Pictured at bottom from left to right: Judge M. Gay Conklin ('72), James Rodin ('73), and Amy Standefer ('00)



➤ Alumni Spotlight

# Joseph T. O’Neill

## *Outstanding Achievement Award Recipient*

The Law School hosted a vibrant celebration in honor of Joseph T. O’Neill (class of 1956) on April 27, 2006. The occasion was his receipt of the University of Minnesota Outstanding Achievement Award, the highest honor bestowed by the University on alumni. The Law School nominated O’Neill for his public service as a practicing lawyer, a Minnesota State Representative and Senator, and board member of the St. Paul Area Chamber of Commerce, St. Joseph’s Hospital, and St. Paul Civic Center Authority.



**K**nown by many as “Mr. St. Paul,” Joseph T. O’Neill is a respected community leader who has championed the cause of public education and the University of Minnesota over the decades. An overflow crowd attended the reception in his honor at the University Club of St. Paul. Remarks and recognition were offered by University of Minnesota Regent Dr. Patricia S. Simmons, former Law School Dean Alex M. Johnson, Jr., Archbishop of St. Paul and Minneapolis Harry J. Flynn, State Senator Cal Larson, Executive Director of Southern Minnesota Regional Legal Services Bruce Beneke (class of 1969), Judge John Connelly, and Law School Associate Dean Joan Howland.

O’Neill concluded the program with gracious remarks attributing his achievements and successes to the dedicated efforts of others who have worked with him on the same causes.

By Sara Jones ('88), Assistant Director of Development

1. *Auxiliary Bishop Richard Pates and Joe O’Neill*
2. *University of Minnesota Regent Dr. Patricia S. Simmons and former Dean Alex M. Johnson, Jr., with Joe O’Neill*
3. *Warren ('63) and Marjorie Spannaus with Joe O’Neill*





## Grads Gather at the New Guthrie

More than 100 graduates from the classes of 1996 through 2006 attended the Recent Graduates Happy Hour on November 9, 2006, in the Target Lounge of the newly opened Guthrie Theater. The event, hosted by the Office of Alumni Relations, was scheduled to last two hours, but alumni were still catching up with old classmates, exchanging business cards, and enjoying hors d'oeuvres and drinks well after the 7 pm last call.



# Class Notes

## Send us your news

Tell us about the important things that happen in your life! We welcome submissions for inclusion in the Class Notes section of *Perspectives*. Submit your news through our Web site at [www.law.umn.edu/alumni/submit.html](http://www.law.umn.edu/alumni/submit.html).

You can also send your update to Scotty Mann via e-mail at [smann@umn.edu](mailto:smann@umn.edu), regular mail at N160 Walter F. Mondale Hall, 229 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis, MN 55455, or fax at (612) 626-2002. We need your submissions by March 20, 2007, for inclusion in the next issue. Anyone interested in serving as a Class Reporter please contact Scotty Mann.

Thank you for keeping in touch!

### 1936

**Myer Shark** is still practicing law—working pro bono through the Volunteer Lawyers Network to develop compromises with the utility companies so low-income clients who are behind in payments continue to receive heat and power. “I am 93,” Shark says, “and I realize the time is short. But I am not sitting around waiting for the call. I will continue to work on this [the power company tax issue] as long as I am able.”

### 1941

**Judge Gerald Heaney** has retired from the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit. After a life spent in public service, his ambition today is to help young people accomplish their own goals. On June 29, the city of Duluth honored Heaney with induction into the Duluth Hall of Fame for his volunteer efforts with the University of Minnesota Duluth, WDSE-TV, and the Duluth Seaway Port Authority. (See page 31.)

**Howard Kohn** has moved to Florissant, Mo.

### 1951

**Justice John Simonett** was honored with the Fidelis Apparitor Award (“faithful servant” in Latin) at the Red Mass at St. Benedict’s Monastery, College of St. Benedict, St. Joseph, Minn. The award is given to individuals who have demonstrated the virtues of exemplary service, outstanding competence and leadership, and adherence to the directive in the Rule of Benedict that no one is to pursue what is judged better for oneself, but instead, what is judged better for someone else.

### 1960

**Melvin Burstein** continues his more than 40 years of legal experience, principally in commercial

matters, by joining Larkin Hoffman Daly & Lindgren Ltd. as Of Counsel.

### 1962

**Jack McGill** retired from Leonard, Street and Deinard on December 31, at the age of 71 and after more than 44 years of law practice. He will be spending more time in the warmer climate of Arizona.

### 1965



**Richard Bowman** was named a top 100 Minnesota 2006 Super Lawyer by *Minnesota Law & Politics*. With more than 40 years of trial experience, he is Firm Managing Partner of Bowman and Brooke LLP, working largely in catastrophic loss and product liability, and has first-chaired cases in more than 30 states.

**Rolf Nelson** was elected President of the National Elder Law Foundation, the only elder law certifying agency approved by the American Bar Association. Minnesota’s first elder law specialist, he is a partner at Estate Crafters, Brooklyn Center, Minn.

### 1966

**Robert Alfton** participated in Terrorism and the Rule of Law, an international conference sponsored by the World Jurist Association, in Edinburgh, Scotland, in May.

### 1967

**Tom Thibodeau** received the 2006 Minnesota

Defense Lawyers Association President’s Award in appreciation for his many contributions and years of service. He is a partner at Thibodeau, Johnson & Feriancek in Duluth, Minn.

### 1968

**Joan Heim** has become a deputy assistant director at the U.S. Federal Trade Commission’s Bureau of Competition. Her division investigates proposed transactions on mergers in the food and retail sectors of the economy and recommends law enforcement action when appropriate.



**James Schwebel**, founding partner and President of Schwebel, Goetz & Sieben PA, was named a top 100 Minnesota 2006 Super Lawyer by *Minnesota Law & Politics*. He was also inducted as a Fellow of the International Society of Barristers at its annual meeting in Scottsdale, Ariz.

### 1971

**Judge Gary Krump** is now Vice President and Director of Federal Marketing for The Rhoads Group in Washington, D.C.

### 1973

**William Klumpp**, a Minnesota assistant attorney general for 20 years, was named an Attorney of the Year by the editors of *Minnesota Lawyer*. He was recognized for his role in the successful prosecution of a Ricori High School student for a school shooting that took the lives of two fellow students.

**William Mauzy** has joined Robins, Kaplan, Miller & Ciresi LLP as a partner to bolster its white-collar defense practice. Additional focuses are antitrust and trade regulation, financial litigation, business trial and litigation, and crisis management for corporate directors and officers.

### 1974



**Joseph Goldberg** was elected to the positions of Insurance Vice President and member of the Board of Directors of the International Association of Defense Counsel at its

annual meeting in Rome in July. He is Assistant General Counsel-Director of Legal Services at Sentry Insurance in Stevens Point, Wis., and was previously in private practice in Minneapolis with Miller & Neary, and following its merger, with Mahoney, Dougherty & Mahoney PA.

**Douglas Gregor** was awarded the Minnesota State Bar Association 2006 Public Attorney Award of Excellence: Public Law Office/Civil Law. The award is given annually to an attorney who has shown dedication and commitment to public service and the public practice of law or has made significant contributions to the operation of government or the practice of law. Gregor works at the Minnesota Attorney General's Office.

**Jim Wieland** has been named an Outstanding Physician Practice Lawyer for 2006 by *Nightingale's Healthcare News*, one of only 10 attorneys chosen nationwide for the latest annual listing. He is a principal in the Health Law Group of Ober, Kaler, Grimes & Shriver in Baltimore, Md., and works with physicians on such collaborative transactions as networks, mergers, and joint ventures.

### 1975

**J. Michael Dady** and the staff of Dady & Garner PA celebrated the firm's tenth anniversary by attending the dedication of their Habitat for Humanity project, completed in April. The ten lawyers and ten support-staff members, together with volunteer students from the Twin Cities Campus Chapters, started construction of the home in Heritage Park, north Minneapolis, in October 2005. Dady regards the firm's house sponsorship as a call to action for other small companies, noting "if you are committed to making a difference, anything is possible."

**Tom Heffelfinger**, former U.S. attorney for Minnesota, has returned to private law practice with Best & Flanagan, Minneapolis, where he was formerly a partner.

### 1977



**Judge Pamela Alexander** was recognized in May with the 2006 Communication and Leadership Award from Toastmasters International, which goes to an individual who has provided outstanding service to the community through communication and leadership.



**Peter Riley**, a shareholder at Schwebel, Goetz & Sieben PA, was named a top 100

Minnesota 2006 Super Lawyer by *Minnesota Law & Politics*. Recently, he was selected for the Woodward/White directory, *The Best Lawyers in America*, in the area of plaintiff personal injury. Riley has extensive experience in complex civil litigation, including personal injury, medical malpractice, and product liability.

**Thomas J. Shroyer**, President and CEO of Moss & Barnett PA, was re-elected Chair of the Board of Trustees of Courage Center Foundation, Golden Valley, Minn.

**James Strother** is Executive Vice President and General Counsel at Wells Fargo & Company in San Francisco.

### 1978



**Diane (Hollern) Rapaport**, formerly a trial lawyer in Minneapolis and Boston, has

a new career as a writer and frequent lecturer for historical and genealogical programs. Her column for *New England Ancestors* magazine, "Tales from the Courthouse," brings colonial legal history to life and has twice received the Excellence in Writing Award from the International Society of Family History Writers and Editors. Her first book, *New England Court Records: A Research Guide for Genealogists and Historians*, was published in 2006.

### 1979

**Grant Aldonas** has started a new venture—Split Rock International, located in the Washington, DC, area. The international consulting and investment firm helps corporations and government entities successfully navigate amid globalization.

**Gregory Bulinski** is a trial lawyer for Bassford Remele, Minneapolis, handling matters in all areas of civil and business litigation. He serves as president emeritus for the Minnesota Defense Lawyers Association and received an Exceptional Performance Award from DRI—The Voice of the Defense Bar, Chicago.

**Lois Helms** recently graduated from Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary in Columbia, S.C., with a Master of Divinity degree. She was commissioned as a pastor in the United Methodist Church in June and serves as the pastor of three churches near Walterboro, in the coastal area of South Carolina.

**Dave Huey** works for the Consumer Protection Division in the Attorney General's Office in Tacoma, Wash. He recently received the prestigious Marvin Award from the National Association of Attorneys General for his work on consumer protection issues, including nationwide settlements with two sub-prime mortgage lenders.

### 1981

**Carol Berg O'Toole** has been appointed an arbitrator on the Public Employment Relations Board by the Commissioner of the Bureau of Mediation Services for the State of Minnesota, James P. Cunningham Jr. She joins a roster of 43 arbitrators who will act as neutrals in impasse situations and disputes between employees and employers. She will also continue as instructor at the Industrial Relations Center at the University of Minnesota, assistant professor at St. Mary's University, and adjunct professor at Capella University, Minneapolis.

**Judge Michael Savre** was appointed to the First Judicial District Domestic Violence Coordinating Council.



**Ronald Schutz**, a partner at Robins, Kaplan, Miller & Ciresi LLP, has been elected

chairman of the Board of Directors of the Center of the American Experiment. The nonpartisan think tank is dedicated to advancing conservative and free market ideas and solutions to provide the tools needed to tackle the important issues facing Minnesota and the nation.

**Mark Sellner** joined the full-time faculty at the University of Minnesota Carlson School of Management in the Master of Business Taxation Program. He was previously a tax partner at LarsonAllen in Minneapolis.

**Michael Unger** has been selected to serve as the 88th president of the Hennepin County Bar Association, the ninth largest local bar association in the country at 8,000 members. His term of office is from July 2006 through June 2007.

### 1982

**Sally Stolen Grossman** has joined the Financial and Estate Planning practice group of Gray Plant Mooty. She assists individuals and families with estate planning, business succession planning, estate and trust administration, and charitable planning.

### 1983



**Shirley Lerner** has been named a top 100 Minnesota 2006 Super Lawyer by

*Minnesota Law & Politics*. Also recently designated a managing partner for the Minneapolis office of Bowman and Brooke LLP, she represents businesses in employment law with claims involving age discrimination, sexual harassment, breach of employment contracts, and competition and confidentiality violations.

**Calvin Litsey**, an intellectual property lawyer and adjunct professor at the Law School, will be filling the vacant seat on the Minnetonka, Minn., school board.



**Mary Vasaly** has been named president of Minnesota Women Lawyers,

after serving as president-elect for the past year. She is a partner at Maslon Edelman Borman & Brand LLP, where she has practiced in the areas of appeals, probate/trust litigation, and commercial litigation for more than 20 years. Vasaly has appeared before the U.S. Supreme Court and has tried cases and argued appeals in state and federal courts in Minnesota and other states. She was recently inducted into the American Academy of Appellate Lawyers.

**Joyce Yetter** has moved back to Minneapolis.

### 1984

**Debra Baker** has been promoted to Senior Vice President, Operations, for Warner Brothers Interactive Entertainment in Burbank, Calif. She heads multiple departments that collectively oversee the execution of marketing initiatives,

overall operations, and business and legal affairs of the division. Baker is also responsible for supervising creative development, the videogame green-lighting process, and the company's game publishing plan.

**John Bodick** is serving as chief legal counsel for the Alaska Department of Corrections.

**Victor Lund** has been re-elected for a two-year term on the Board of Directors for the Minnesota Defense Lawyers Association. He practices at Mahoney, Dougherty & Mahoney PA, Minneapolis.

**Doug Meslow** has been appointed by Governor Tim Pawlenty to serve as a judge in Minnesota's Tenth Judicial District.

**Ann Seha**, formerly Assistant Commissioner of the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, has joined Dorsey & Whitney's Minneapolis office as Of Counsel in the Environmental, Natural Resources & Energy Group. Experienced in air and energy law and policy, Seha will represent clients in environmental and utility regulatory matters.

### 1985

**Michael McKenna**, a colonel in the Wisconsin Army National Guard, recently received the Bronze Star Medal for his service in Iraq. He is the Corporation Counsel for Portage County, Wis.

### 1986

**John Docherty** has joined the Office of the Prosecutor at the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia in The Hague, Netherlands. (See profile on page 41.)

### 1987

**Timothy Dordell** has been named deputy general counsel at the Toro Company.

**Jenae (Bunyak) Naumann** has been elected to a three-year term on the Government and Public Sector Lawyers Division Council of the American Bar Association. She is chair for the 2006-2007 term of the E-commerce and Technology Section of the State Bar of Arizona, and at its annual convention in June, she received the President's Award for her work surveying and documenting the employment of women and minority attorneys in Arizona law firms. She recently completed a seven-year appointed term on the state bar's Committee on Minorities and Women in the Law. An assistant city attorney for Tempe, Ariz., Naumann handles telecommunications, software licensing, Internet issues, and intellectual property matters. She was

formerly articles editor of the Law School's *Law & Inequality: A Journal of Theory and Practice*.

**Michael Piazza** has joined Dorsey & Whitney LLP as a partner in the firm's Southern California office. Most recently regional trial counsel for the Los Angeles office of the Securities and Exchange Commission, he will specialize in securities litigation as well as other commercial and intellectual property litigation matters.

### 1988

**Thomas Atmore** is a shareholder in Leonard, O'Brien, Spencer, Gale & Sayre Ltd., practicing primarily in the areas of arbitration (including international), personal injury, product liability, appellate practice, and commercial litigation.

**Mary Bernard**, formerly a partner at King & Spalding LLP, has been named Global General Counsel for Investment Banking at Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC. She is responsible for providing legal advice to Credit Suisse First Boston's Investment Banking Division regarding its investment banking transactions and client relationships globally.

**Kathy DiGiorno** is the Vice President & Business Conduct Officer for Medtronic.

**Sheryl Morrison** has joined the Financial and Estate Planning practice group of Gray Plant Mooty. She focuses on the areas of estate and wealth planning, transfer tax strategies, business succession planning, estate and trust administration, charitable trusts and nonprofit organizations, guardianships, and conservatorships.

**Jay Quam** of Fredrikson & Byron PA has been appointed by Governor Tim Pawlenty to serve as a judge in Minnesota's Fourth Judicial District. Formerly a Hennepin County Conciliation Court Judge, he teaches trial advocacy at the University of St. Thomas School of Law and is an attorney coach for the Mounds View High School mock trial team.

### 1990

**Wayne Anderson** serves as the Examiner of Titles for Ramsey County.

**Jim Harries** has joined Parsinen, Kaplan, Rosberg & Gottlieb PA, Minneapolis, as a partner. He advises and counsels owners of small and mid-sized businesses.

**Joan Humes** recently concluded 12 years as an Assistant U.S. Attorney for Minnesota to work in litigation management for Ovations, a division of

UnitedHealth Group that provides health programs for people 50 and over.

**Josh Wirtshafter** works for the Environmental Protection Agency in Berkeley, Calif.

1991

**Michael Johnson** has joined the Minneapolis office of Dorsey & Whitney LLP as a partner in the corporate practice group. He will focus on mergers and acquisitions of private and public companies, including insurance companies.

**Peter Richardson** has joined the Law Department of the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company as Assistant General Counsel on the Products and Distribution Team.

**Stephanie Derby Sundlof** has joined Phelps Dodge Corp. in its Phoenix corporate headquarters as Senior Counsel for Employee Benefits. Previously, she was a partner and chair of the ERISA (Employee Retirement Income Security Act) practice at Jennings, Strouss & Salmon PLC.

1992

**Patricia Beety** is on the Board of Directors for the Minnesota Defense Lawyers Association. She currently works for League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Trust in St. Paul.

**Kimberly Hewitt Boyd** has been named Assistant Dean of Students and Multicultural Affairs at Hamline University School of Law.

**Tona Dove** started Paideia Academy, a charter school that opened in Apple Valley, Minn., this fall. She is currently acting as School Board Chair and Startup Coordinator.

**Jay Larry** accepted an associate position with Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP in New York City. His focus is corporate restructuring.

1993

**Daniel Pollmann** is General Counsel at Liberty Point Corp. in Scottsdale, Ariz.

**Lisa Stratton** has joined the clinical faculty at the Law School for 2006-2007 as a visiting associate clinical professor. She will teach the Workers' Rights Clinic both semesters, and in the spring she will teach a section on interviewing, counseling, and negotiating.

1994

**Peter Dardi** opened a new law firm, Dardi & Associates PLLC, in Minneapolis.

**Pacyinz Lyfoung** has joined Midwest Environmental Advocates as the managing director.

1995

**Satveer Chaudhary**, the first Indian-American member of the Minnesota legislature and the fourth Asian-Indian elected to any U.S. state legislature, won re-election to the Minnesota State Senate. He serves on nine committees and subcommittees, has been a strong champion of preserving Minnesota's natural resources, and hopes to continue his efforts to ensure adequate law enforcement tools to protect against identity theft and cyber crime.

**Ann E. Gabrielson** works for the U.S. Department of State in Dulles, Virginia.

**Daniel C. Hedlund** is a partner at Gustafson Gluek PLLC.



**Tim Mangan** is an associate attorney at Dinsmore & Shohl LLP in Cincinnati. He has been appointed to the board of the Friends of the School for the Creative and Performing Arts, a nonprofit organization that provides additional staffing, special awards, technical support, and financial support to the school.

1996

**Johanna Bond** has been appointed Associate Professor of Law and Director of the Externship Program at the University of Wyoming.

**Margie Enquist** is a District Court Judge for the First Judicial District of the State of Colorado.

**Neil Kliebenstein** was named a partner at Bowman and Brooke LLP of San Jose, Calif. He focuses on defending automobile manufacturers and material handling equipment manufacturers against products liability claims.

**Doug Nemeč** was named a partner at Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP in their New York office and focuses on intellectual property.

**Nancy Newark** was named a partner at Burns & Levinson LLP. She represents both employers and employees in all aspects of the employment relationship and litigation process. She works with clients ranging in size from family-owned businesses and entrepreneurial ventures to large non-profit charitable organizations and national corporations.

**Michael Pape** has joined Fish & Richardson PC in the Minneapolis office as an associate in the litigation group. He focuses on intellectual property litigation, has authored several publications, and was named a Rising Star in *Minnesota Law & Politics* in December 2005.

**Robin Preble** has joined Target Corp. as senior counsel in litigation.

**Rachna Sullivan** has joined the litigation department of Fredrikson & Byron PA. She focuses on general commercial litigation and has experience with breach of contracts, wind energy litigation, and other general business disputes.

**Amy Swedberg** was elected a partner in Maslon Edelman Borman & Brand's Financial Services Group. She focuses primarily on representing banks, indenture trustees, and commercial creditors in default situations.

1997

**Sascha Von Mende Henry** was made a partner at Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hamilton LLP in Los Angeles and is a member of the business trial practice group. She specializes in complex business litigation and has experience representing businesses in a variety of disputes, including class actions.

**David Jaffe** has taken up his family business at Cinderella Inc., a distributor of swimming pools, spas, chemicals, and related goods in Michigan, Ohio, and Indiana.

**Roshini Rajkumar** has returned to the Twin Cities to start her own company, Roshini MultiMedia. She works as a media consultant and presentation coach for attorneys, business people, and candidates and is also a talk radio host and commercial talent. She was previously a news reporter at the NBC affiliate in Detroit.

1998

**Thomas Beimers** is a senior associate in Ropes & Gray's litigation department in Washington, DC, focusing on media-related matters, American-Indian law, complex commercial disputes, and appellate litigation. He recently received the

Deborah Levi Award for Outstanding Pro Bono Service for his role in securing a \$9 million payout by Riggs Bank on behalf of more than 30,000 victims of Augusto Pinochet, the former Chilean dictator.

**Kristine Dunn** was named a partner at Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP in their Los Angeles office and focuses on banking and institutional investing.



**Michelle Bergholz Frazier** has moved back from Great Britain and rejoined von

Briesen & Roper SC as a principal associate in the healthcare practice group. She advises clients on general health law and regulatory matters, including certification and licensure, Medicare and Medicaid compliance, patient care, medical staff, and healthcare contracting issues.

**Alison Frye** has moved to Brattleboro, Vt.

**Ingrid (Blau) Hallett** has accepted a corporate counsel position in the Private Client/Trust/Asset Management division of the legal department of U.S. Bank.

**Jason Lien**, a litigation attorney practicing commercial litigation and real estate at Maslon Edelman Borman & Brand in Minneapolis, married **Emerald Gratz** (class of 2005) on January 7, 2006, at the Hill Reference Library in downtown St. Paul.

**Dennis Nguyen** is chairman of New Asia Partners, a Shanghai- and Hong Kong-based investment firm that assists Chinese companies in accessing the international capital markets. He is also vice chairman of Jiangsu-based Huiyin Group Ltd., a consumer appliance and electronics retail chain store operator, and director of Wuyi International Pharmaceutical Holdings Ltd., a Fujian-based manufacturer of specialty pharmaceutical products. He was formerly a director of Sino Environmental Technology Group Ltd. and M Dream China Holdings Ltd. Nguyen is a member of The Johns Hopkins University/Nanjing University Advisory Council and lives in Shanghai with his wife and two children.

**Clara Ohr** has joined the New York office of Chadbourne & Parke LLP.

**Cameron Seybolt** has been elected a shareholder in the trusts and estates practice group of Fredrikson & Byron PA. He assists clients with income and transfer tax planning, family partnerships and business succession, charitable giving, trust administration, and related matters and prepares wills, revocable and irrevocable trusts, premarital agreements, corporate buy-sell agreements, and other estate and business planning documents. Seybolt lives in Wayzata, Minn., with his wife and four children.

**James Woodward** recently relocated to Minneapolis from Chicago and works in the legal department at Fair Isaac Corp., handling licensing and technology agreements.

### 1999

**Michael Dolan** has joined U.S. Bancorp as Deputy Director of Enterprise Risk Management. He previously worked with Judge Bruce D. Willis of the Minnesota Court of Appeals and with Oppenheimer Wolff & Donnelly LLP. He has served as an adjunct professor with the Law School and is currently a member of Minnesota's State Central Committee for a major political party.

**Robin Caneff Gipson** is a shareholder and a member of Briggs and Morgan PA's trade regulation section. She concentrates her practice in business litigation, franchise and distribution law, antitrust law, and covenants not to compete.

**Ryan Johnson** has been elected a shareholder in Fredrikson & Byron PA and is a member of its corporate, health law, and advertising, media & entertainment groups. His experience ranges from day-to-day counseling of individuals and closely held businesses to planning and managing acquisitions for international corporations.

**Todd Lee** is a shareholder and member of Briggs and Morgan PA's financial institutions and real estate section. He has represented financial institutions in structuring, negotiating, and documenting various commercial finance transactions; companies in commercial real estate purchases and sales, lease transactions, and equipment leasing matters; and borrowers in complex financing transactions.

**Kathleen Premo** has been named JSA Healthcare Corp.'s new Chief Legal Officer and General Counsel.

**Emily Rome** and her husband, Eric Welter, welcomed their son, Jacob David Welter, on Oct. 27.



**Rebecca Simoni** has been promoted to shareholder of von Briesen & Roper SC in Milwaukee and is a member of the banking, bankruptcy and business restructuring practice group and the legal and professional responsibility section. Simoni advises corporations, financial institutions and individual clients in federal, bankruptcy, and state court matters. She is a frequent lecturer on matters of bankruptcy and state and federal litigation.

**Azhar Usman** is co-founder of "Allah Made Me Funny: The Official Muslim Comedy Tour." A devout Muslim and a stand-up comedian who has taken his unique act around the world, he is a member of the small fraternity of American Muslim comics. He has been featured on ABC's "Nightline," in the *New York Times*, and in many other media outlets. (See profile on page 43.)

### 2000

**Susan MacMenamin** has joined Halleland Lewis Nilan & Johnson PA as an associate in the commercial litigation group. She has a strong background in antitrust and consumer fraud class action law.

**Anna Nelson** has opened an intellectual property law firm, Campbell Nelson Whippis LLC, in St. Paul with **Keith Campbell** (class of 2003). Their practice is currently focused on patent matters in the chemical and biotechnology fields.

**Laura Stickse** is the Attorney Recruitment Manager for Jackson Lewis LLP, where she will be responsible for attorney recruitment nationwide. Her office is in New York City.

**Asmah Tareen** was chosen by the *Minneapolis/St. Paul Business Journal* for its "Forty Under 40" award honoring 40 Twin Cities professionals under age 40 for their business accomplishments and community contributions. She is a senior associate in Fredrikson & Byron PA's international and e-business groups and is helping promote trade in Southeast Asia, expand North Dakota's reach globally, and increase diversity in the Twin Cities legal community.

**Peter** and **Sara Wahl**, both of Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP in Dallas, were recognized recently for their legal practices. Peter, who is counsel to the firm and focuses on energy, land use, and environmental matters, was named as one of the best lawyers in Dallas under age 40 in the May issue of *D Magazine*. Sara, an associate focusing on a diverse array of financial restructuring matters, including

securitized real estate trusts and insurance litigation, was named a Texas 2006 Rising Star in the March issue of *Texas Monthly*.

## 2001

**Amos Cohen** has joined the Minneapolis office of Robins, Kaplan, Miller & Ciresi LLP as an associate. His practice focuses on business trial and litigation.

**Angela Hall** has been named an Up and Coming Attorney for 2006 by *Minnesota Lawyer*. She is an associate in Dorsey & Whitney LLP's Trial, Regulatory and Technology Group, focusing on government procurement and construction litigation.

**Florian Langbein** is working at Basell Polyolefine GmbH in Wesseling, Germany.

**Ruilin Li**, a member of Fredrikson & Byron PA's corporate department, securities group, and international practice group, has been elected a shareholder. She works on various business matters, including mergers and acquisitions, compliance with Securities and Exchange Commission requirements, and corporate formation and governance. She is also available to assist clients with legal work in China.

**Joshua Packman** works for the Oakland (Calif.) Unified School District as an educator. His goal is to work in public school administration.

**Luis Resendiz** has been elected a shareholder in the corporate, franchise, and international service areas of Fredrikson & Byron PA. His domestic practice covers drafting supply, distribution and licensing agreements, mergers and acquisitions, and other general corporate and business matters. With a particular expertise in regulatory and contractual issues related to franchising, he currently represents a fast-growing restaurant chain.

**Bill Robers** left Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP to start his own sports/entertainment representation practice concentrating on NFL and MLB players as well as college basketball coaches.

**Eric Sjoding** is Employee Relations Counsel with Target Corp.

**Kate Stendahl** is working at the London office of Eversheds LLP.

**Erica Volkir** is an Assistant Public Defender for the Public Defender's Office in Fairmont, Minn.

**Barbara Berg Windels** works for the Minnesota Attorney General's Office.

**Lindsay (Beck) Zamzow** has joined Fredrikson & Byron PA as a senior associate in the Employment and Labor Law Group, representing a wide range and size of corporations, both public and private. Her practice addresses such employment issues as sexual harassment, wrongful termination, discrimination (gender, disability, age, and race), retaliation, wage and hour matters, and noncompetes/employment contracts.

## 2002

**Rebecca Chapman** is the secretary of the Minnesota American Indian Bar Association and a Deputy Solicitor for the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe. Her practice areas include Indian law, zoning, construction, landlord/tenant, real estate, probate, litigation and intergovernmental relations. She is a member of the Hennepin County Bar Association and the Wyandotte Nation of Anderdon.

**Aaron Hartman** has joined Fryberger, Buchanan, Smith & Frederick PA as an associate attorney in the litigation department. He has experience in various business areas, including breach of contract, business torts, and shareholder and partnership litigation.

**Marisa Hesse** was inducted into the Athletic Hall of Honor at Austin College, Sherman, Texas, where she played for four years on the women's basketball team, serving as captain. She is an attorney with Dorsey & Whitney LLP in Minneapolis.

**Marshall Lichty** rejoined the Minneapolis office of Meagher & Geer PLLP as an associate. Lichty's practice is focused primarily on professional liability, medical malpractice defense, and general commercial litigation. Lichty, a member of the Law Alumni Association Board of Directors, also serves as the Law School's representative on the University of Minnesota Alumni Association's Board of Directors.

**Adam Morris** has rejoined White & Case LLP in Washington, DC, as part of the litigation/antitrust practice group. He lives in Alexandria, Va., with his wife and two children.

**Mary Schug** works for Lane Powell PC in Washington state, where she is a member of the Diversity Committee. Her litigation practice involves class actions, wage and hour disputes, healthcare insurance litigation, and business disputes.

## 2003

**Jackson Bigham** has joined the Minneapolis office of Meagher & Geer PLLP. He will work within the employment and commercial litigation practice.

**Keith Campbell** has opened an intellectual property law firm, Campbell Nelson Whipps LLC, in St. Paul with **Anna Nelson** (class of 2000). Their practice is currently focused on patent matters in the chemical and biotechnology fields.

**Kazutoshi Egami** is the Assistant General Manager of the Legal Affairs Department, Nippon Meat Packers Inc. He works as head of legal counsel at the company's Tokyo office.

**CPT Eric Hanson** is stationed in Bamberg, Germany, as UCMJ prosecutor and operational law attorney for the U.S. Army's 173rd Brigade Combat Team (Airborne).

**Jordan Kolar** has joined the New York office of Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP as an associate. He completed his LL.M. in Taxation at NYU in 2005.

**Catherine LaRoque** is an attorney with the Indian Child Welfare Law Center in Minneapolis. Her areas of practice relate to the Indian Child Welfare Act and Indian law. She is a member of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Tribe of Wisconsin.

**Nicole Morris** works as an associate for Robins, Kaplan, Miller & Ciresi LLP in Atlanta, focusing on the area of intellectual property litigation.

**Nicole Narotzky** has joined Maslon Edelman Borman & Brand LLP as an associate in the litigation group. She has previous experience in litigation with a focus on intellectual property.



**Laurel Pugh** is an associate at Bassford Remele in the Twin Cities and practices in all areas of civil litigation, including employment law, municipal law, and insurance defense.

**Susan Reed** has accepted a new position with Justice for Our Neighbors, the immigration legal services program of the United Methodist Committee on Relief. She will work with church and community volunteers in Grand Rapids and Holland, Mich., to run two monthly immigration legal services clinics, providing advice and representing clients in such areas as asylum, family-based immigration,

and domestic violence. She will also handle special services for unaccompanied immigrant children.

**Joseph Rotondi** will be working as a legal fellow at the Mercatus Center in Washington, DC.

**Wanwisa Thananan** works in the Bangkok office of Deissenberger & Partners Ltd.

**Wenzhao (Connie) Wang** has left Kelly & Fawcett PA in St. Paul and moved to Washington, DC, to join Mayer, Brown, Rowe & Maw LLP in the global trade group, focusing on China.

### 2004

**Altaf Baki** is an associate in the global real estate practice group of DLA Piper, based in the Chicago office. His practice focuses on transactional real estate law, and he represents corporations, developers, and institutional clients in acquiring, disposing, developing, leasing, and financing of office, industrial, retail, and residential properties.

**Lauren (Hancock) Barski**, after completing a two-year federal clerkship in the Eastern District of New York, joined Dickstein Shapiro LLP as a litigation associate in their Washington, DC, office.

**Rjay Brunkow** is the treasurer for the Minnesota American Indian Bar Association. He is Relationship Manager for the Midwest Region of Wells Fargo, where he works with Indian tribes and tribal entities. He is an enrolled member of the Turtle Mountain Chippewa Tribe.

**Alfred Coleman** was chosen by the *Minneapolis/St. Paul Business Journal* for its "Forty Under 40" award honoring 40 Twin Cities professionals under age 40 for their business accomplishments and community contributions.

**Lynn Schmidt** has joined Gislason & Hunter LLP as an associate in the Minneapolis office. She practices in the areas of civil litigation, insurance defense, medical malpractice, and construction defect litigation. She joins the firm after a two-year judicial clerkship for the Honorable Terry C. Hallenbeck of the Sixth Judicial District in Duluth, Minn.

**David Twitchell** works as an attorney editor at Thomson West.

**Jonas Walker** is the Assistant Attorney General for the government of American Samoa.

### 2005

**Catherine Biestek** recently finished her clerkship with the Honorable Bruce D. Willis and is working at Briggs and Morgan PA.

**Amanda Dalsing** is clerking in Minnesota's Third Judicial District. She and **Firooz Basri** (class of 2006) co-created the online Tabloid Fantasy League ([www.TabFL.com](http://www.TabFL.com)), which has been featured in newspapers across the country and in Canada. They are working to build play-for-charity leagues and form relationships with charities and media/celebrity sponsors to raise awareness and money for important causes.

**Julie Eum** has moved to New York City for a new job at Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP.



**Emerald Gratz** recently finished her clerkship with Judge **Richard H. Kyle** (class of 1962) in St. Paul and joined the Minnesota Attorney General's Office. She married **Jason Lien** (class of 1998) on January 7, 2006, at the Hill Reference Library in downtown St. Paul.

**Chris Greenman** works with Excelsior Energy practicing energy/regulatory law. Formerly known as Chris Wessman, Greenman changed his name after he married Sarah Green on August 7, 2005; the couple combined their last names. At the name change hearing in Hennepin County District Court, **Areti Georgopoulos** was clerking for the presiding judge, and classmate **Kara Slaughter** was the couple's witness.

**Nathaniel Gross** and **Michelle Marshall** were married on May 13 in Lake County, Ill. Nathaniel is serving in the Naval JAG Corps.

**John Kelly** is an associate at the Chicago office of Kirkland & Ellis LLP.

**Reid LeBeau** is an associate at Lockridge Grindal Nauen PLLP. He previously worked at the Hennepin County Attorney's Office and as a lobbyist for Hennepin County Intergovernmental Relations. He is a member of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe.

**Sasha E. Mackin** has opened Sasha Mackin Law in St. Paul, Minn., an immigration law practice devoted to researching and writing appellate briefs for immigration attorneys.

**Ryan Stai** has joined Leonard, Street and Deinard as an associate.

### 2006



**Firooz Basri** is a Presidential Management Fellow and Human Resources Consultant with the U.S. Office of Personnel Management in Kansas City, Mo. He and **Amanda Dalsing** (class of 2005) co-created the online Tabloid Fantasy League ([www.TabFL.com](http://www.TabFL.com)), which has been featured in newspapers across the country and in Canada. They are working to build play-for-charity leagues and form relationships with charities and media/celebrity sponsors to raise awareness and money for important causes. They hope the site will employ future Law School graduates.

**David Friedman** relocated to New York City and will be working as the Public Interest Fellow/Program Director at the Coalition for Consumer Bankruptcy Debtor Education, a nonprofit organization and joint project between Fordham and New York law schools.

**Franklin Gould** has received the Volunteer Law Student Award from the Minnesota State Bar Association. He has assisted the Volunteer Lawyers Network with their Family Law Clinic since his first year of law school.

**Jennifer Hanson** is working for Minneapolis-based Real Estate Recycling, an award-winning developer of contaminated real estate.

**Joshua Hanson** is working at the Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Department of the Interior.

**Mike Lehet** has joined Littler Mendelson PC as an associate in the Phoenix office. He represents and counsels employers in all types of labor and employment law matters arising under state and federal law, including claims based on the Arizona Wage Act, the Equal Pay Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

**Kristy Peters** works for Ryley Carlock & Applewhite PA in Phoenix, Ariz.

## ***What memories reunions stir up!***

Celebrate the Law School and its alumni in a weekend of activities for the whole Law School community. Special reunion events will be held for the classes of pre-1957, 1957, 1967, 1972, 1977, 1982, 1987, and 1997. Please join us!

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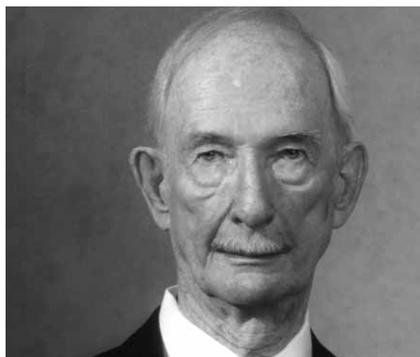
**C**urtis Bradbury Kellar, a dedicated volunteer and benefactor to the Law School, passed away on Nov. 18, 2006, at his home in New York City; he was 90. Son of the late Horatio Ellsworth and Laura Koontz, Kellar was a fourth-generation Minnesotan, born and raised in Albert Lea. He received his B.A. from the University of Minnesota in 1938 and graduated from the Law School in 1940.

Kellar served in the Navy for five years and saw action in every theater of naval operations during World War II, including the battle of Guadalcanal. At the end of his military service, he was a lieutenant commander and received both a Citation for Heroic Achievement and the Bronze Star Medal.

Once he was discharged, Kellar resumed his legal career. He followed some advice from Dean Everett Fraser and moved to Montclair, N.J., where he raised his family and joined former Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson's law firm—Winthrop, Stimson, Putnam & Roberts. Eventually he joined the Office of General Counsel at Mobil Oil Corp. as its corporate and finance lawyer; he later moved to the International Division. He retired from Mobil Oil in 1981 as associate general counsel.

After his retirement, Kellar devoted his time to pro bono work for the Innovative Design Fund, a charitable foundation established by his companion, Bonnie Cashin, to provide financial assistance to talented young designers.

Kellar served the Law School as a member of both the Board of Visitors and the Law Alumni Association Board of Directors. His generosity has had a profound impact on the educational offerings available to today's students: He endowed The Horatio Ellsworth



CURTIS BRADBURY KELLAR



RICHARD FITZGERALD

Kellar Distinguished Visitors Program, an interdisciplinary lecture series connecting emerging issues in law with other disciplines, such as art, drama, and literature. The series has brought distinguished visitors to the Law School since 1999. He also established the Curtis Bradbury Kellar Chair in Law, currently held by Professor Ann Burkhart. As thanks for these and his many other contributions as a volunteer and donor, the Law School named The Curtis B. Kellar Faculty Library in his honor.

Kellar is survived by a large and loving family, made up of children, stepchildren, grandchildren, a great-grandson, and others. Dean Fred Morrison and Professor Burkhart were privileged to join the extended Kellar family at the memorial service at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, where Kellar was a long-time parishioner.

Kellar exemplified the qualities that the Law School strives to foster in its students—integrity, compassion, and skill—and the law community is saddened by his passing.

### RICHARD FITZGERALD CLASS OF 1959

**R**ichard FitzGerald passed away on Oct. 14, 2006, of leukemia; he was 75. An outstanding and well-regarded attorney, FitzGerald was a strong supporter of the Law School. He served as a member of both the Board of Visitors and the Law Alumni Association Board of Directors and was a dedicated contributor to the Law School's Partners in Excellence program.

FitzGerald practiced business law for 34 years. He was a past chairman of the business law section of the Minnesota State Bar Association; his principal area of expertise was mergers and acquisitions. He served as Lindquist & Vennum's managing partner from 1980 to 1985, and in 1995 he became general counsel for Twin City Fan Companies in Plymouth. He also served a term as president of the Citizens League, a nonpartisan civic organization.

FitzGerald enjoyed fishing, golf, and handball, and he was passionately devoted to the practice of law, his political opinion, and his family. In addition to his wife, Beverly, FitzGerald is survived by his nine children: Shawne FitzGerald of Minneapolis, Kathleen and Sharron FitzGerald of St. Paul, Rick FitzGerald of Eden Prairie, Jaime Kassmir of New York City, Greg and Jon Kassmir of Minneapolis, Cori Sargenti of New York City, and Darcey Bar-On of Denver. He is also survived by 13 grandchildren.

The Law School community is grateful for FitzGerald's service and support. He will be missed.

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Oct. 4, 2006  
St. Paul, Minn.

### CLASS OF 1931

#### **Lloyd K. Johnson**

March 9, 2006  
Duluth, Minn.

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#### **Franz Jevne Jr.**

July 16, 2006  
Port Townsend, Wash.

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#### **Kenneth (Keva) Bender**

July 26, 2006  
Minneapolis

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#### **Curtis Bradbury Kellar**

Nov. 18, 2006  
New York, NY

### CLASS OF 1941

#### **William B. Randall**

April 13, 2006  
St. Paul, Minn.

### CLASS OF 1949

#### **Clifford Lee**

July 16, 2006  
Winter Park, Fla.

### CLASS OF 1950

#### **Richard Rohleder**

March 10, 2006  
St. Paul, Minn.

#### **Robert Share**

April 24, 2006  
Minneapolis

### CLASS OF 1951

#### **G. Alan Cunningham**

April 20, 2006  
Minneapolis

### CLASS OF 1953

#### **Judge James Johnston**

Aug. 10, 2006  
Naples, Fla.

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#### **Eugene M. Warlich**

April 24, 2006  
Arden Hills, Minn.

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#### **James Remund**

April 24, 2006  
Windom, Minn.

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#### **Richard FitzGerald**

Oct. 14, 2006  
Minneapolis

### CLASS OF 1960

#### **Judge Richard Menke**

May 13, 2006  
Prior Lake, Minn.

### CLASS OF 1962

#### **William Haugh**

May 23, 2006  
St. Paul, Minn.

### CLASS OF 1965

#### **Frederick Lawson**

May 29, 2006  
Plymouth, Minn.

### CLASS OF 1968

#### **Arthur Glazer**

July 9, 2006  
Cincinnati, Ohio

### CLASS OF 1985

#### **Jerilyn K Aune**

April 28, 2006  
Edina, Minn.

### CLASS OF 1989

#### **Richard Sako**

July 12, 2006  
Minneapolis

### CLASS OF 1991

#### **Earle F. Kyle IV**

Oct. 9, 2006  
McGregor, Minn.

### CLASS OF 1994

#### **Sunny C. Kim**

April 20, 2002  
Chicago, Ill.

### CLASS OF 1999

#### **Patti Frid**

July 11, 2006  
Golden Valley, Minn.

## Special Memorials– Non-Alumni

The Law School was saddened by the passing of two longtime members of our community this fall:

**Harriett Lee Carlson**, who worked as an assistant to staff and students at the Law School from 1980-2004, passed away on November 7, 2006. She is survived by her husband Marshall, daughter Deanna Carlson, son-in-law Gary Carter, and grandson Ben Carter; and daughter Paula Carlson and granddaughter Marie Forslund. The Law School extends its sympathy to her family.

**Geraldine "Gerry" Marshall**, wife of Professor Emeritus Donald G. Marshall, passed away on September 16, 2006 after a battle with leukemia. Mrs. Marshall was part of our community for almost 40 years, and she is sorely missed. Mrs. Marshall is survived by her husband, sons Andrew, '86, David, and Daniel Marshall; daughters-in-law, Georgia and Libby Marshall; and her grandchildren, Mathew, Aubrey, Max, Oliver, and Evelyn Marshall.

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