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Thank you to all volunteers, organizations, and firms that participated in the 8th annual Partners at Work challenge, which ended on June 30, 2015. Overall, 62% of alumni at 36 organizations made a gift to the Law School. This year, 7 participants achieved 100% alumni giving.

The Partners at Work challenge is a friendly competition to increase alumni giving participation at organizations that employ University of Minnesota Law School alumni.

A special thank you to those organizations that finished at the top of each respective group!

GROUP 1 (UP TO 9 ALUMNI)
- Gaskins Bennett Birrell Schupp 100%
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- Zimmerman Reed 100%
- Monroe Moxness Berg 88%
- Bassford Remele 100%
- Lind, Jensen, Sullivan & Peterson 100%
- Fish & Richardson 94%
- Nilan Johnson Lewis 93%
- Henson & Efron 88%
- Maslon 100%
- Winthrop & Weinstine 92%
- Stinson Leonard Street 74%
- Dorsey & Whitney 66%
- Faegre Baker Daniels 65%

GROUP 2 (10-24 ALUMNI)

GROUP 3 (25+ ALUMNI)

For the full results of the Partners at Work challenge, go to www.law.umn.edu/generations/partners-at-work.html.
THERE ARE MANY REASONS TO ATTEND THE University of Minnesota Law School, but the biggest is the caliber of the faculty. Within these pages you will find many examples of their scholarly and community work. I’d like to highlight just a few.

This fall, Regents Professor David Weissbrodt was honored with a CLE panel and dinner at which guests from across the globe celebrated his extraordinary career in international human rights. Professor Weissbrodt has inspired thousands of students, published dozens of influential articles, co-founded multiple human rights organizations, and served as a member and chair of the United Nations Sub-Commission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights.

Professor Mark Kappelhoff recently received the U.S. Attorney General’s Award for Exceptional Service—the highest honor the Department of Justice gives—for work he did as a deputy assistant attorney general while on loan to the DOJ last year. Professor Kappelhoff oversaw investigations of police misconduct in Ferguson, Mo., and other cities.

Professor Richard Frase gave the keynote address at the U.S. Sentencing Commission’s recent roundtable on state sentencing guidelines. Together with Professor Kevin Reitz, Frase co-directs the Robina Institute on Criminal Law and Criminal Justice, which partners with local and state jurisdictions around the country to provide recommendations on sentencing and other aspects of the criminal justice system.

Professor Myron Orfield’s brief on the history of housing segregation was cited in a major U.S. Supreme Court fair housing ruling in June. Last month, he was a panelist with Andrew Young, Josie R. Johnson, and Taylor Branch in Washington, D.C., at a forum honoring Vice President Walter F. Mondale (’56).

Professor Dale Carpenter co-authored “The People’s Brief” for the Human Rights Campaign, the nation’s largest LGBT civil rights organization. The brief was signed by more than 200,000 people and filed with the Supreme Court in the case that legalized same-sex marriage this year.

Professor Fionnuala Ni Aolán was appointed by the International Criminal Court to provide an expert report to guide the Trust Fund for Victims in determining reparations in the first criminal case (Prosecutor v. Thomas Lubanga) decided by the court. She led a team of international experts over the past six months to complete the study. She also serves as advisory board chair of the Women’s Rights Program of the Open Society Foundations.

In October, Professor Robert A. Stein (’61) brought Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia to the Law School for a day of activities, including meetings with student leaders, faculty, and the Federalist Society. Justice Scalia also taught a class and addressed a packed Northrop Auditorium for a lecture and conversation with Professor Stein. Past speakers in the Stein Lecture series include Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Vice President Mondale.

As important as their research and outreach efforts are, our faculty ultimately have their greatest impact in the classroom. Sometimes that impact manifests itself in unexpected ways. Professor Judith T. Younger recently received an email from a former student, Jonathon Cody (’11), now serving as the chief of administrative law for U.S. forces in Afghanistan. He wrote:

“You will be happy to know that the knowledge you conveyed to me of varying property interests, laws, and even rules against perpetuity has been put to good use on a daily basis. For example, when recently confronted with the question of what ownership right, if any, a bona fide purchaser had to a previously stolen object, I was immediately—and miraculously, I thought—able to cite to the basic facts and results of O’Keeffe v. Snyder. An answer that seemed to satisfy all parties. It was a moment akin to the day that algebra or geometry really does save someone’s life. There are hundreds of similar examples I could provide you from our attempts to return possession of an entire country to the rightful owners.…”

These are just a few examples of our faculty’s dedication and expertise. Their work provides the best answer to the question, Why Minnesota Law?

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THIS FALL, THE LAW SCHOOL IS launching the Allen ('56) and Linda Saeks Public Interest Fellows Program, an innovative—perhaps transformative—initiative made possible by the Saeks’ generous contribution to the GENERATIONS campaign.

The competitive program supports students who are committed to working in public interest law. In their third year of law school, students will work full-time with top non-profit organizations and government agencies, while participating in a complementary classroom component with other Saeks Scholars. After graduating and taking the bar exam, the scholars will return to their partner organizations as full-time, paid fellows for one full year.

“It’s a win-win-win,” says Professor Mark Kappelhoff, director of the program, who believes the Saeks fellowships have the potential to transform legal education while expanding employment opportunities for students. “Students get excellent legal training from top-flight organizations. The organizations get top-flight law students to help meet their legal needs. And the Law School is on the cutting edge of legal education in this country.”

This winter, interested second-year law students will apply to the Saeks Public Interest Fellows Program.
through a rigorous process that includes a faculty approval board and agency interviews. Scholars will be selected by early spring to start next fall.

Allen Saeks was a founder of the Minnesota Public Interest Research Group (MPIRG), and he has a long history of commitment to the Fund for the Legal Aid Society and other public interest concerns. In planning their gift to the Law School, he and his wife wanted to do something that would have new and considerable impact. “I’ve learned a lot about public interest over the years, and one thing is clear: alleviating student debt through a job is key to success in public interest work,” says Saeks. “We wanted to do something unique with our contribution, and this fellowship program is it.”

For Kappelhoff, the Saeks Public Interest Fellows Program is a welcome challenge as he returns to the Law School after taking a one-year leave to serve in a temporary position as a deputy assistant attorney general for the Civil Rights Division at the United States Department of Justice (DOJ). During his sabbatical, he prosecuted some of the country’s highest-profile hate crimes. He previously had served as the chief of the Civil Rights Division’s Criminal Section and founded the DOJ’s Human Trafficking Prosecution Unit. In Minnesota, he has worked as a special assistant United States attorney, investigating and prosecuting human trafficking cases. Kappelhoff also directs the Criminal Justice Clinic at the Law School.

“We are pleased to have Mark lead this program,” says Saeks. “His distinguished service at the Department of Justice made him a top prospect for the Law School and an excellent choice for the director of a public interest program of this caliber.”

By Kathy Graves, a writer based in Minneapolis

Law School Institutes
S.J.D. Program

For individuals who wish to pursue advanced legal study and original research under faculty supervision, the Law School has created a curriculum leading to the S.J.D. (Scientiae Juridicae Doctor) degree. Each student enrolled will, in consultation with the director of graduate studies and the faculty advisor, pursue a course of study that will typically include 24 credits of course work/seminars, the advanced legal research course offered by the Law Library, the writing of a dissertation, and an oral examination, among other elements. The dissertation must embody research that makes a significant, original contribution of long-term value to legal scholarship. It must be of publishable quality and provide lawyers, scholars, or government officials with a useful understanding, not previously available, of a particular area of the law. Further details are available at www.law.umn.edu/academics.
THE LAW SCHOOL HELD ITS 127TH commencement ceremony May 16 at Northrop Memorial Auditorium. Dean David Wippman welcomed the Class of 2015, their families and friends, and several special guests: University Regent Darrin Rosha ('96), general manager and corporate counsel for Crutchfield Dermatology in Eagan, Minn.; Allen Levine, vice provost for faculty and academic affairs; and the keynote speaker, retiring Minnesota Supreme Court Justice Alan C. Page ('78).

In his introduction, Dean Wippman offered humor and wisdom from such diverse figures as Eric Idle of Monty Python fame, federal prosecutor Preet Bharara, and educator/entrepreneur Salman Khan. He then presented the annual Stanley V. Kinyon Teaching Awards for Excellence in Education, established by family and friends in honor of the late Professor Kinyon ('33), a recognized commercial law scholar and member of the Law School faculty for 40 years. The honorees were Ann M. Burkhart, Overall Teacher of the Year; Prentiss Cox ('90), Clinical Teacher of the Year; and JaneAnne Murray, Adjunct Teacher of the Year.

Three special student awards were presented. Jennifer Warfield, chair of the Student Commencement Committee, presented two of the awards, whose recipients were selected by their classmates. Lauren Roso was honored with the Outstanding Contribution Award, and Evan Gelles with the Excellence in Public Service Award. Dean Wippman presented the William B. Lockhart Award for Excellence in Scholarship, Leadership, and Service, whose recipient is selected by a faculty committee. This award, which honors the Law School’s fifth dean and 28-year faculty member, was given to Caitlinrose Fisher. The dean also called attention to numerous other students who were recognized for participation in journals, moot courts, and other activities at a special ceremony and reception on May 15.

Warfield announced that the class of 2015 would continue the 3L Pledge Drive established five years ago by making annual financial contributions to the Law School for the next three years. This gift means that one person from the class of 2015 will receive a $5,000 fellowship to engage in public interest work. In honor of the class’s generosity, the Law School will fund the installation of a whiteboard wall in a student area of the subplaza in Mondale Hall.

This year’s LL.M. class of 53 students from 18 countries selected Sanaa Assa, of the Netherlands, to deliver a graduation address. Assa spoke warmly of her time at the Law School and of her surprise at how much time law students spend volunteering. “This is something I hope to bring back home so that our society may learn from yours,” she said.

2015 COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES: EMBRACING THE FUTURE
Sushmitha Rajeevan was chosen by her classmates to give the J.D. address. She urged her fellow graduates to do work that matters, to be a force for good, and to take time every day to “show your gratitude for the bounty in your life.” In conclusion, she said, “Nothing we do will have meaning if we forget that we can see farther today because we stand on the shoulders of giants who came before us.”

In his commencement address, Justice Page combined reminiscences of his own time as a law student, hard-earned advice from his distinguished career, and incisive commentary on the racial issues and politics that had dominated the headlines of late. He also set forth a plan of action for the graduates: “Whether it’s providing pro bono legal services for those in need, and for which there is a great need, or spending time working with children in schools, as I do—whatever it may be, you have the power to change the future. Our destiny is inextricably linked with your willingness to give of yourselves.

Regent Rosha conferred degrees on the J.D., LL.M., and Masters of Science in Patent Law graduates. The J.D. class had selected Professors Laura Thomas and Brad Clary ('75) to present their diplomas; the LL.M. class chose Director of International and Graduate Programs Khary Hornsby ('05); and the M.S.P.L. class chose Program Director Chris Frank. Dean Wippman invited graduates and guests to a reception on the Northrop Mall and Plaza, and the ceremonies concluded with the singing of “Hail, Minnesota!” led by singers from Theatre of the Relatively Talentless (TORT): Jake Dona ('16), Andrew Glasnovich ('16), Tracy Ann Hoyos-Lopez ('15), Tim Joyce ('17), Robin Lehninger ('15), Jennifer Mayu Warfield ('15), and Andrea Miller ('15). The St. Anthony Brass Quintet provided accompaniment and departing procession music.
THE 174 MEMBERS OF THE J.D. class of 2018—a diverse group hailing from 35 U.S. states and 8 foreign countries—gathered in Mondale Hall at 8 a.m. on Sept. 1 for the start of their Law School orientation. The next three days would be a whirlwind of introductions, briefings, and overviews interwoven with legal writing sessions, faculty visits, technology training, a class photo, an ice cream social, and, of course, the Great Law School Scavenger Hunt (a great way to begin learning to find one’s way around).

In her opening remarks, Nubia Esparza, coordinator of student programs and diversity initiatives, told the students that they were embarking on an “incredible journey,” one that would test them academically and in many other ways. She characterized the Law School as a welcoming place where “you can be part of helping a real client in our clinics,” where “you can help plan incredible volunteer trips to various parts of the country with the Asylum Law Project,” and where “you can participate in amazing scholarship with professors.”

Law Council President Chris Ortega (‘16) urged the first-year students to get involved with the council or with one of the many other student organizations at the Law School. He also offered hard-won advice from his own time at the Law School. “Not everyone will earn those coveted A’s,” he said. “Not everyone will get that internship, not everyone will make law review.” What to do when setbacks and disappointments arrive? Don’t believe that intelligence and talent are zero-sum games; instead, cultivate the belief that these qualities can be improved through determination and practice.

“Do not let the law school process trap you in a fixed mindset,” he concluded. “Stay healthy, stay positive, and always continue to learn! If I can do it, so can you!”

Humphrey Fellows and LL.M. students

The 2015–16 Humphrey Fellows and LL.M. students arrived and began their orientation processes in early August.

This year’s LL.M. enrollment totals 73 students—38 women, 35 men. They come from 17 countries, with the largest contingent (34 students) from China. All LL.M. students have completed a law degree in their home country and come to the Law School to further their legal education and broaden their experience. Their backgrounds include politics and government, business, banking and finance, entertainment, science and engineering, arts and literature, law enforcement, education, and human rights. Their orientation included an intensive three-week Introduction to American Law course.

The 11 Humphrey Law Fellows (5 men, 6 women) come from 11 countries—Burma (Myanmar), Egypt, Haiti, Lebanon, Maldives, Nigeria, Pakistan, Philippines, South Africa, Trinidad and Tobago, and Yemen. In their home countries, they work in government, academia, law enforcement, the judiciary, and nongovernmental organizations. Each of the Humphrey Fellows took part in a three-week course—either Introduction to American Law or Human Rights in Minnesota. Their orientation included visits to Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey’s grave at Lakewood Cemetery in Minneapolis, the offices of The Advocates for Human Rights, and the Walker Sculpture Garden. The orientation ended with a three-day team-building retreat in Lanesboro, Minn.

Master of Science in Patent Law students

The Law School’s Master of Science in Patent Law program began its second year with a class of three full-time students, three part-time students, and one engineering student who is taking M.S.P.L. classes as part of a graduate minor. M.S.P.L. students began their academic year with a two-week course introducing them to the American legal system and the law school environment. Their subsequent coursework will focus on patent law, patent prosecution, patent portfolio management, and persuasive writing.
ENERGY TRANSITION LAB HOSTS ENERGY STORAGE SUMMIT

THE UNIVERSITY’S INTER-DISCIPLINARY ENERGY TRANSITION LAB (ETL), based at the Law School, held a summit on July 15 at which national and local experts examined the policy, technology, regulatory, and market drivers that affect energy storage in Minnesota. Of the more than 200 participants, roughly half were from the private sector, with the rest representing government, academia, and nonprofit organizations. Highlights included:
- Keynote speaker Janice Lin, founder/managing partner of clean-energy firm Stratagen Consulting, discussed how California created and has begun to implement its ambitious energy storage mandate of 1.325 gigawatts by 2020. She pointed out that storage can greatly improve grid quality and reliability and make renewable energy more valuable.
- A panel of University scientists brought attendees up to speed on the latest innovations in batteries, flywheels, pumped hydro, and other storage technologies, while James Tong of Clean Power Finance described what our future energy grid will look like.
- Professor Alexandra Klass moderated a panel—one of whose members was Professor Hari Osofsky, the ETL’s faculty director—that provided an overview of the legal, regulatory, and market structures governing energy storage. One takeaway: energy storage doesn’t fit neatly into most existing legal frameworks.
- State utilities Xcel Energy, Minnesota Power, and Great River Energy, along with the Wright-Hennepin Cooperative Energy Association, shared lessons learned from their energy storage projects to date, while Minnesota Public Utilities Commissioner John Tuma (’88) spoke on related state regulatory issues.

“The energy storage market is growing fast, and Minnesota should be in the forefront,” said Ellen Anderson (’86), executive director of the ETL. “At the summit, the ETL served as a catalyst, bringing University experts in technology, law, policy, and electricity markets together with individuals of similar ability and vision from the private, public, and nonprofit sectors. The result was a fascinating and inspiring exchange of ideas that will help drive progress in this crucial area.”

The ETL is jointly supported by the University’s Office of the Vice President for Research, the Institute on the Environment, and the Law School.

RECENT CLINICAL SUCCESS STORIES

Immigration and Human Rights Clinic Obtains Asylum for Four Clients

SINCE APRIL 2015, THE IMMIGRATION and Human Rights Clinic has obtained asylum for three clients. Most recently, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) granted asylum to a Sudanese woman who had been forced to undergo female genital mutilation as a young girl. As she got older, her relatives attempted to force her to marry a man she found threatening. As a result, she attempted suicide. Eventually, the client became involved with a political opposition group in Sudan. During and after college, she worked for several human rights organizations. After aiding in a successful negotiation with the South Sudanese government for the release of her relatives, individuals whom the client believed were National Intelligence and Security Service officers began following her. The client’s home and office were broken into. When she arrived at the airport to board a flight to the U.S., uniformed agents interrogated her in a tiny, windowless room. The clinic prepared the client’s asylum application in November 2013, and USCIS granted the request on October 7, 2015.

Student attorneys included: Jaclyn Campoli (’14); Anu Jaswal and Tenzin Pelkyi (’15); Tracey Alexander (’16).

On July 2, the Fort Snelling Immigration Court granted asylum

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to a client from the Democratic Republic of the Congo. The client became involved in political opposition groups in the 1990s. After he criticized the government for using schoolgirls as concubines in 2004, police detained him in a small cell, interrogated him, and attempted to sodomize him. They then performed a false execution on him. A few years later, the client helped a friend who ran as an opposition candidate in the presidential election. As a result, soldiers beat and raped the client’s wife in front of his young children. His wife died from these injuries. In 2008, the government issued a warrant for him. During its search for him, soldiers beat and raped his second wife. The client applied for asylum in June 2009, and the clinic prepared for and represented the client at his individual hearing in June 2014.

Student attorneys included: Jordan Sundell and Matthew Webster (’11); Lindsey Greising, George (Willy) Madeira, and Phoebe Taurick (’12); Justin Erickson (’13); Jaclyn Campoli, Eleanor Lewis, and Julia Decker (’14); Courtney Baker, Anu Jaswal, Leah Leyendecker, and Maya Tao (’15); Tracey Alexander (’16).

On April 13, the Fort Snelling Immigration Court granted asylum to a young man from Honduras. After a coup in Honduras in June 2009, the client became involved with the Libre Party. As a result, the National Party tried to persuade him to support it instead. Men from the National Party beat up the client and threatened to kill him. He fled Honduras in December 2012 and arrived in the U.S. a few months later. The Department of Homeland Security commenced removal proceedings against him. The Clinic prepared and filed his defensive asylum application in February 2014.

Student attorneys included: Matthew Lemke and Eleanor Lewis (’14); Courtney Baker and Anu Jaswal (’15).

SCOTUS Victory in Center for New Americans Case

ON JUNE 1, THE U.S. SUPREME Court issued its opinion in Mellouli v. Holder, handing a victory to Moones Mellouli, a pro bono client represented jointly by the Law School’s Center for New Americans, Faegre Baker Daniels, and the Immigrant Law Center of Minnesota. The court ruled 7-2 that a lawful permanent resident cannot be deported for possession of drug paraphernalia where the conviction does not relate to a substance listed in the Federal Controlled Substance Act. In 2010, Mellouli was convicted on a misdemeanor charge of possessing paraphernalia in the form of a sock. He was subsequently deported without the federal government showing that the sock contained a controlled substance on either the state or federal controlled substance schedules.

The court rejected the Justice Department’s broad reading of the federal deportation statute, holding that it stretched the statute’s text “to the breaking point” and led to consequences Congress could not have intended. The decision is likely to preclude deportation of thousands of legal residents with low-level drug convictions.

In an unexpected postscript to the Supreme Court win, the 8th Circuit in July suggested Mellouli might yet be subject to further deportation proceedings. Mellouli challenged this in a second appeal. The solicitor general’s office has since informed the Supreme Court it agrees that Mellouli’s deportation cannot be revived, a concession that affirms his victory and will bring final closure to the case.

Student attorneys included: Julia Decker (’14); Caitlinrose Fisher and Anna Finstrom (’15).

Former Child Soldier

Nelson Kargbo Released from Detention

ON OCT. 8, NELSON KARGBO, a refugee from Sierra Leone, was released after more than two years of detention by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) in Minnesota. The Center for New Americans, working with Dorsey & Whitney and the American Civil Liberties Union of Minnesota, was instrumental in securing his release.

Kargbo was victimized as a child soldier in Sierra Leone before coming to the United States as a refugee. ICE took him into custody in 2013, and moved to deport him based on convictions for three misdemeanors that dated back seven to nine years. Kargbo had served a total of 14 days in jail for these offenses, but immigration officials had held him in different county jails for two years while he fought and won his immigration case.

On July 31, the immigration court granted Kargbo protection under the United Nations Convention Against Torture, meaning he could not be deported back to Sierra Leone, where he could face torture. However, ICE continued to hold him while looking for another country to deport him to. Then, on Oct. 2, U.S. Magistrate Judge Leo Brisbois ordered him released, citing a lack of evidence that he should be sent to another country and saying ICE had exceeded the amount of time it could lawfully keep him in custody.

Student attorneys included: Becky Cassler and Nicholas Hitlter (’16).
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Rachel Brass (‘01) and George J. Tichy II (‘67), 2015-2016 Partners in Excellence national chairs.

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MINNESOTA LAW REVIEW CELEBRATES 100 VOLUMES WITH “STANDING ON THE SHOULDERS OF GIANTS”

HUNDREDS OF MINNESOTA LAW Review alumni, other lawyers, and current students gathered at Mondale Hall on Oct. 2 for the journal’s annual symposium. This year’s event, “Standing on the Shoulders of Giants: Celebrating 100 Volumes of the Minnesota Law Review,” examined four of the most impactful pieces in the journal’s distinguished history. Speakers and panelists included former Vice President Walter Mondale, former Law School faculty member Daniel Farber, leading members of the bar, and prominent law professors.

The symposium kicked off with a keynote speech by Farber, now a professor of law at UC-Berkeley. Farber’s speech on legal scholarship analyzed the Law Review’s inaugural issue, published in January 1917, providing insight into what has changed since then and what remains true to legal scholarship today.

The first panel, based on a 1961 symposium issue of the Law Review with a foreword by Justice William O. Douglas, considered the right to counsel established in Gideon v. Wainwright in 1963. Former Vice President Mondale (’56, Minnesota Law Review Volume 39) opened the panel by discussing his involvement, as Minnesota’s attorney general, in initiating an amicus brief supporting Clarence Earl Gideon’s constitutional right to a criminal defense attorney. Professor Eve Brensike Primus of the University of Michigan Law School discussed the cultural problem surrounding indigent defense systems. Professor Paul Marcus of the William & Mary Law School examined the standards for evaluating ineffective assistance of counsel. Professor Mark Kappelhoff moderated a discussion between Mondale, Primus, and Marcus.

The second panel, based on a 1966 piece by Professor William Prosser, explored the development of strict liability. Professor Donald Dripps of the University of San Diego Law School, another former Minnesota Law professor, began by looking at the Supreme Court’s habitual failure to resolve Professor Amsterdam’s questions. Professor Tracey Maclin of the Boston University School of Law highlighted Amsterdam’s concerns with discretionary police power and their relevance in light of recent Supreme Court cases. Professor Andrew Crespo of Harvard Law School explained the viability of public and democratic forces as workable means to police reform. Professor Richard Frase moderated the ensuing conversation.

The third panel focused on a 1974 article memorializing lectures on the Fourth Amendment by Professor Anthony Amsterdam. Professor Andrew Crespo of Harvard Law School explained the viability of public and democratic forces as workable means to police reform. Professor Richard Frase moderated the ensuing conversation.

Representatives from more than 60 volumes of the Law Review attended the celebration.
antidiscrimination decisions and their counterintuitive role in passively enabling discrimination. Professor Mario Barnes of the UC-Irvine School of Law examined ways in which society has sought to declare itself a post-racial world and courts have avoided the challenge of lasting institutional reform. Professor Robert Chang of the Seattle University School of Law examined recent LGBT antidiscrimination jurisprudence in light of past racial antidiscrimination jurisprudence. Professor Nancy Leong of the University of Denver Sturm College of Law considered antidiscrimination law’s failure to reach private actors, honing in on newer service-sharing companies like Uber and Airbnb. Professor Perry Moriearty led the panel discussion.

Following the symposium, attendees adjourned to the nearby Courtyard Marriott hotel for a celebratory reception featuring reminiscences and toasts by Dean David Wippman; Professor Farber; Judge John Tunheim (’80, Volume 64); the first female president of the Law Review, Madge Thorsen (’77, Volume 61); and Judge Myron Bright (’47, Volume 31), the longest-serving United States Court of Appeals judge still on the bench. Representatives from more than 60 volumes of the Law Review attended the celebration.

Video from the symposium is available at www.minnesotalawreview.org. Panelists’ articles will be published in Issue 5 of Volume 100.

By Rajin Olson (’16), symposium articles editor
Events honoring the Law School’s leadership donors provide our alumni, faculty, and friends with a chance to reconnect with each other and with the Law School. At a **Celebration of Philanthropy** in June, guests heard remarks from Professor Paul Vaaler, who introduced the crowd to his innovative work in the intersection of business and the law. In September, our leadership donors gathered at the Campus Club at Coffman Memorial Union for the **2015 William B. Lockhart Club Dinner**. The University of Minnesota Law School’s Center for New Americans teaching fellow Kate Evans and Minnesota Law graduate Anna Finstrom (’15) discussed their work in the recent Supreme Court winning case, *Mellouli v. Holder*. 
1 Dr. Paul Vaaler
2 Bill Drake ('66), Bill Lindberg ('73)
3 Greer Lockhart ('53), Dean David Wippman
4 Tim Grimsrud ('04), Dan Sherburne, Kate Sherburne ('03), Joshua Colburn ('07), Heidi Gollet
5 Judge Donald Alsop ('52), Judge David Doty ('61), Ronald Hunter ('78), Gary Haugen ('74)
6 Jane Tilka, Andrew Dawkins, Ellen Anderson ('86), Sylvia Kaplan, Samuel Kaplan ('60)
7 Judge Donald Alsop ('52), Walter Mondale ('56)
Justice Antonin Scalia's argument against judicial activism is straightforward. As an unelected judge, he—and his eight colleagues on the nation's highest court—shouldn’t be making laws. “What are you, crazy?” he asked a capacity crowd of about 2,600 people at Northrop Auditorium on Oct. 20. “Are you going to let this group of people determine what the Constitution is? It’s so unrepresentative of this country. It’s so undemocratic.”

While many legal scholars and a majority of the current Supreme Court justices believe in a “living constitution” open to interpretation, Scalia does not. During his visit to the University for the 2015 Stein Lecture, sponsored by the Law School, the longest-serving associate justice engaged in a passionate defense of “originalism,” a legal philosophy dedicated to a literal reading of the U.S. Constitution.

In other words, if there’s nothing in the Constitution about gay marriage, abortion, or other social issues, the Supreme Court shouldn’t be making definitive judgments about them. “I’m not complaining about the result,” Scalia said. “I’m complaining about the manner in which it was achieved.”

After all, Scalia noted, the Supreme Court is an unelected body of mostly East Coast lawyers, all of whom attended one of two prestigious law schools—Harvard or Yale. “Its biggest problem is legitimacy,” he said. “There’s nothing in the Constitution that says we are the last word.”

Instead, Scalia argues, policy decisions should be left to those elected to local, state, and federal offices—or the Constitution should be amended. It’s a point he returned to again and again during a question-
and-answer session. “The way to bring about your ideals is to persuade your fellow citizens,” he said. “It’s hard work.”

When Scalia was appointed by President Ronald Reagan in 1986, some court observers predicted his “likeable personality” would make him a swing justice. But due to his unyielding judicial philosophy, that didn’t happen. “The originalist has nothing to trade,” he said, adding, “I have no aspiration to be a swing justice. I want to be right.”

So he’s often resorted to crisply written dissents that crackle with indignation. Articles and books have chronicled Scalia’s quotable indignation. Articles and books have chronicled Scalia’s quotable

Scalia encouraged students to read the Atlantic Monthly instead of USA Today and pore over the words of 19th-century novelists Charles Dickens and William Makepeace Thackeray. “As you read, so will you write,” he said.

On other topics, Scalia offered these pithy comments.

• On one person’s complaint about the court’s decision in Burwell v. Hobby Lobby Stores, a religious freedom case: “Oh, God, get over it.”

• On whether he believes in stare decisis, the legal principle of precedent: “I’m a textualist. I’m an originalist. I’m not a nut.”

• On why he lectures at colleges during his spare time: “I go to law schools to make trouble.”

Scalia also offered a glimpse into a possible future ruling. In recent years, the court has limited the ability of governments to enact the death penalty. Currently, Ohio, Oklahoma, and other states are delaying executions for a number of reasons. Soon, Scalia hinted, the practice may be abolished. If the court were to take that step, Scalia said, “It wouldn’t surprise me.”

Created by Professor Robert Stein (’61), the Stein Lecture series features talks by prominent judges, lawyers, and government officials on a topic of national or international interest. Past speakers include U.S. Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Vice President Walter F. Mondale (’56).

By Todd Melby, a freelance writer and radio producer based in Minneapolis

EMPLOYEE AND FACULTY MILESTONES

Thirty-two members of the Law School community reached a years-of-service milestone during the year ending Oct. 15, 2015. We extend our sincere thanks to all of the following employees for their commitment and contributions to the Law School.

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Khary Hornsby (’05), director of international and graduate programs, has been honored with a 2015 Award for Global Engagement by the University’s Global Programs and Strategy Alliance office.
NEW DIGITAL EXHIBIT TO CELEBRATE THE 800TH ANNIVERSARY OF MAGNA CARTA

IN CELEBRATION OF THE 800TH anniversary of Magna Carta, and to mark Constitution Day on September 17, the Law Library released a digital version of its yearlong exhibit in the Riesenfeld Rare Books Research Center, “Magna Carta, 800 Years: Rights and the Rule of Law.” Through this Web site, the legacy of Magna Carta is traced from its medieval origins and early modern renaissance to its influence in colonial America and on the U.S. Constitution. The exhibit extends to the modern period, exploring American documents and cases on due process, individual rights and the rule of law, and the impact of the Great Charter on recent human rights documents. The digital exhibit includes more than 60 images of rare books and archival items related to Magna Carta and its Anglo-American reception, drawn from the Law Library’s outstanding Arthur C. Pulling Rare Books Collection and preeminent Clarence Darrow Collection.

In addition to the exhibit, the Web site offers a visual showcase for each volume of the library’s collection of early printed Magna Cartas. The Library holds 14 of the 18 editions of Magna Carta printed before 1600, an almost unrivalled collection in North America and the centerpiece of the library’s rich English law collection. Acquired largely in the 1930s by Arthur C. Pulling, then the University of Minnesota law librarian, each Magna Carta in the collection is unique, complete with early autographs, annotations, and even doodles. For students and scholars, the books reveal intriguing editorial and printing choices, and not only underscore the importance of the Great Charter but also reflect the reading practices of law students and lawyers in Renaissance England.

To enhance the site, there is a detailed timeline covering the medieval context from which Magna Carta arose, and its early history to 1300. With the new digital site, visitors are encouraged to discover the significance and legacy of Magna Carta in its first 800 years.

The site can be found at digitalspecialcollections.law.umn.edu/magnacarta/index.php

By Ryan Greenwood, curator of rare books and special collections
ON SEPTEMBER 30, THE LAW School community gathered to honor and celebrate the distinguished career of Suzanne Thorpe (’89), associate director for faculty research and instructional services and professor of legal research instruction, upon her retirement. At this celebration a portrait of Professor Thorpe was unveiled which will be hung in the Law Library to recognize her 28 years of exemplary service to the Law School and the University.

Thorpe began her career in the Law Library in 1987, while a second-year law student, as a part-time reference librarian and Scandinavian law bibliographer. Upon her graduation from the Law School and admission to the Minnesota bar in 1989, Thorpe became a full-time member of the library staff and her duties expanded to include significant administrative responsibilities. Over the next 26 years, Suzanne embraced and became central to the Law School’s intellectual life.

Setting the highest standards of excellence, Thorpe provided faculty and students with knowledgeable, skilled, and exceptional reference support, anticipating, rather than merely responding to, research needs and consistently “going the extra mile.” Always cognizant of technological innovations and the fluidity of the legal environment, Thorpe customized the library’s reference, document delivery, collection management, and circulation services to meet the evolving needs of all its patrons, including lawyers, judges, and members of the public. An expert in Anglo-American law, as well as foreign, comparative, and international law, Thorpe taught a wide variety of courses focusing on research methodologies, and she worked especially closely with those students involved with the Law School’s moot courts and five law journals.

Generous in sharing her knowledge and a dedicated scholar, Thorpe has authored numerous articles and books, including *Minnesota Legal Research* (Carolina Academic Press, 2010). Committed to professional service nationally and institutionally, she recently completed a four-year term on the executive board of the American Association of Law Libraries. Last spring, she was named a recipient of the University of Minnesota President’s Award for Outstanding Service, which recognizes service to the University community that has “gone well beyond the regular duties of a faculty or staff member.”

In reflecting upon Thorpe’s extraordinary career, Joan S. Howland, Roger F. Noreen Professor of Law and director of the Law Library, stated, “Suzanne has served and led with dedication, self-motivation, vision, and integrity. She has been a wise counselor, mentor, and role model for generations of students. Her career exemplifies ‘service beyond self’ and a true commitment to excellence.”
Chances are that few law students wander the halls with C’s in their heads—certainly not as course grades, and not as career goals, either. Yet often a legal education builds a solid foundation for the demanding roles of CEO, COO, and CFO, as the alumni we spoke with will attest. Whether they face leadership challenges in the railroad or hospitality industry, or obstacles inherent in commercial real estate development or life science technology start-ups, they rely on certain key skills. The ability to analyze complex situations, read people, assess risk, and translate technical details into practical applications has served them all well, no matter how long or circuitous their business paths have been.
THE C-SUITE:
INTIMIDATING FROM AFAR

“I KNEW I WANTED TO BE IN THE CORPORATE world, not in a law firm, and not a litigator,” says Mark Gergen (’88), who became executive vice president and chief operations officer of Mirati Therapeutics, San Diego, in 2013. “I had my eyes set on being a corporate lawyer, but my career has undergone an evolution.”

For Gergen, both role and industry evolved. He worked at a law firm and tried litigation, too, before becoming in-house counsel at Jostens, the Minnesota firm best known for class rings and yearbooks. Gergen was working in the educational software division when an opportunity emerged at Medtronic.

“I was completely unqualified—no health care or FDA experience—but I got hired anyway,” he says. His transactional work as a corporate lawyer stood him well, as did his education. “Many skills you learn in law school are beneficial in a corporate environment—being objective, analyzing pros and cons, narrowing in to identify critical issues. In the business world, ultimately everything is driven by some kind of contract, whether written or not.”

The chance to become more than a lawyer pulled him into management. “I wanted to be more broadly involved in the business,” he says. “I have a high level of innate curiosity and am always willing to learn new things. The legal skills are transferable across industries, and I found health care interesting.”

So interesting, in fact, he got hooked. A Medtronic transfer to California introduced him to temperate winters, and when Medtronic left, he stayed, thriving in San Diego’s life science startup mecca. He served in key roles with several companies before essentially co-founding Mirati, which develops genetically targeted drugs to fight cancer.

“If someone had told me previously that I’d be involved in a high-science, genetically driven company, I would have laughed,” he says.

After wearing an executive hat for more than a decade, he has come to identify more with business than law.

“When you look at the C-suite from afar, you think, ‘Ooh, ah, these people must be super smart.’ As you get closer, you find that they all have talents, but so do you. I have advised others that if their ultimate goal is business and they have any interest in law, they will be 100 times better off entering a corporation as a junior lawyer than on a management track. The day you come in, you’re interfacing with the C-suite. Even at lower levels, if you’re smart, talented, and motivated, doors will open and create opportunities to make an impact.”

A legal background is especially valuable in public companies that deal with global commerce and increasingly complex compliance issues. “You don’t just need domain industry expertise. You have to understand the regulatory environment, and I don’t see that changing,” says Gergen, who helped reinvent a Canadian company by reincorporating it in the U.S., physically moving it to California, and listing it on the U.S. stock exchange while delisting it on the Canadian exchange—simultaneously. “I shudder to think how I would have handled that without a legal background.”

Still an avid student who bores easily, Gergen enjoys his current job. “Every day is new and interesting,” he says, “and developing novel treatments for cancer is cool.”

THE COO:
CONNECTING PEOPLE

FOR ANNE BEHRENDT (’04), THE ROAD TO THE C-suite was a natural path through a good neighborhood. Now ensconced at Doran Companies in Bloomington, Minn., as chief operating officer—a title she says she is still getting used to—Behrendt had real estate in her sights long before management. Entertained by her attorney father’s colorful landlord-tenant stories gleaned from student legal aid service, and mentored by her real estate attorney stepfather, she took several real estate classes in law school. Professor Ann Burkhart’s reminder that real estate deals end with happy people shaking hands stuck with her.

“I like land, property development, and property law. Every piece of real estate is different. I find the historical aspects fascinating, and reviewing the title and survey is like reading a story. I was drawn to litigation in law school but didn’t see myself as a long-term litigator. I was afraid I would burn out,” she says. Behrendt practiced real estate law with her stepfather at first, but in-house counsel posts
intrigued her. When the opportunity arose, she joined Doran, a family-owned, family-run company that owns, develops, and constructs commercial properties such as the Mill & Main apartments in Minneapolis and numerous student housing projects in the Dinkytown area.

"Initially my role was strictly legal, but over time I became more involved in strategic decisions and problem-solving meetings that encompassed all aspects of the company. I enjoy that, so the transition to COO was very natural," says Behrendt. Good attorneys have many skills applicable to corporate environments: strategic thinking, maneuvering vast amounts of data to focus on relevant pieces, tailoring messages to a particular person or audience. Business management skills, however, must be learned elsewhere.

As COO, Behrendt sees herself as a people connector and works hard to be fair and decisive while remaining accessible and responsive. “One challenge is remembering that I was put in this position because of my decision-making ability and not my ability to create consensus. I can never be 100 percent certain I’m making the right call,” she says. “The CEO is the visionary, the idea person who steers the overall direction of the company. My role is to make sure we execute that vision and do it well. I’m the glue that bridges the gap between the CEO and everyone else.”

Her support system at home and at the office is critical to her success, she adds. She is excited about her latest hire: another attorney to take on the heavy lifting while she focuses on management. “I’m so fulfilled by my role in this company,” she says. “It’s a great fit for me.

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— Anne Behrendt (’04)
His legal background has proved valuable. “Just the ability to read legal documents is an important, useful skill,” he says. “When you employ a lot of lawyers, which we must do in this heavily regulated business filled with property, environmental, and liability issues, it gives you a good sense of what they do and do effectively.”

At heart, though, he is an entrepreneur who has more in common with C-suite executives. “The entrepreneurial experience is an interesting one. Of course there is a measure of risk, which is attention-focusing, and it also requires you to make decisions without full knowledge or full information. That’s very frustrating sometimes, but it’s also very satisfying.”

Gilbertson treasures his colleagues and “fascinating” customers, who represent industries as diverse as agricultural commodities and Toyota automobiles. His love for the industry has only grown in recent times. “One of the great validators of the railroad business, the seal of approval for its reclaimed acceptability, was Warren Buffett’s purchase [in 2009] of BNSF Railway. We would never get calls from private equity people or banks before that. Now they think something is going on,” he says. “It’s good to have the macro trends on your side.”

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— Peter Gilbertson (’79)
privacy concerns issues more predominant. Market changes also affect career opportunities. “Today, with more money available through the capital markets, generally management teams have more people, each with a specialized skill set,” says Simpson. “But when money is tight, management teams are smaller, so you need generalists with broader skills. So how you position yourself is important, based on the economy.”

Having founded and sold several companies, Simpson moves fluidly between executive and legal roles and remains committed to life science. “I could make more money developing an app,” he says, “but I like to work on things that have a profound effect on the lives of human beings, to radically change the ability to diagnose disease and direct the right drugs to the right people who will benefit.”

THE CEO: SPEAKING OUT

WHEN INDIANA ENACTED ITS CONTROVERSIAL “religious objections” bill last March, Arne Sorenson (’83) took to the podium. The president and chief executive officer of Marriott International was one of many top executives across the country who spoke on behalf of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) rights.

“I don’t look for the opportunity to speak on topics of the day, not because I don’t have opinions but because I don’t think my opinions are relevant. But when it comes to LGBT issues or marriage equality, they are very germane to our business. Thousands, if not tens of thousands, of LGBT people and their associates are staying with us every day. Hospitality is about welcoming people,” he says.

After nearly 20 years with Marriott, which has more than 4,000 properties in 79 countries, Sorenson says he loves the hotel business because it is so intensely focused on people and service. But in college days, executive management never crossed his mind.

“I went to law school without really knowing much about the practice of law. The available jobs [after college] didn’t really turn me on, so some form of graduate school made sense. I thought law school would provide training filled with rigor but also be good grounding for a few different careers,” he says. “I did have in mind an idea of doing more than just one profession.”

But as it turned out, he loved practicing law, both serving clients and trying cases, at the Washington, D.C. office of Latham & Watkins. He began representing Marriott in 1992, helping the company through an SEC investigation, a federal jury trial for securities fraud, and other litigation matters. In 1996, he was invited to join the in-house legal team. He declined.

“I was happy to consider joining them, but not as their lawyer. I loved my firm; if they needed a lawyer, they could hire me. I figured that was probably a better perch than in-house counsel.”

Instead, he joined Marriott’s business team and embraced the steep learning curve that entailed. Asked to become CFO just two years later, he was “blown away. I was reasonably familiar with the transactional side but not the accounting and control side of the job. Fortunately, I had great experts on my team, and it was surprising how well my legal training prepared me,” he says, noting that dispute resolution often involves litigating complicated technical matters. “I could never be the expert, but I could make sure the experts were understood in common language.”

Named CEO in 2012, Sorenson now focuses more on team-building and strategy but still relies on his legal training to synthesize conversations and influence team decision-making. His litigation experience has been especially helpful. “Having great lawyers on the other side trying to make you look wrong helps you develop a tough skin and maybe a calmness that is helpful in any senior executive role,” he says. “I suspect that I still have a lot of what I learned as a lawyer built into my muscle memory.”

Cathy Madison is a Twin Cities writer and the author of The War Came Home With Him: A Daughter’s Memoir.
WHEN PRENTISS COX WAS IN LAW SCHOOL AT THE University of Minnesota, he found himself drawn in two directions that seemingly had little overlap: representing the powerless and delving into the economics of business. That unusual combination of interests first led him to work on financial regulation representing the Commerce Department in the Minnesota attorney general’s office. There, he learned that the most wide-ranging authority the attorney general had for addressing market misconduct was consumer protection law, but his then-boss cautioned him that consumer protection was a “dead end”—a warning Cox says he is glad he ignored.

Thousands of consumers can also be glad. Over the past two decades, Cox has been at the forefront of some of the country’s thorniest consumer protection issues. Today, he is one of the nation’s leading voices on such consumer issues as preacquired account marketing, payday lending practices, and subprime mortgages.

“He is the dean of consumer lawyers in the state of Minnesota, no question about it,” says Ron Elwood, supervising attorney at Legal Services Advocacy Project, a division of Mid-Minnesota Legal Aid. “Prentiss is the go-to person for all of us consumer protection folks, both in and outside the legal community.”

Leading the charge against preacquired account marketing

Elwood and Cox’s connection dates to 1999, when Cox brought the first important case related to preacquired account marketing. “This was an issue I had worked on for almost a decade at the attorney general’s office,” says Cox. “It had grown from an odd, single consumer complaint into an understanding of how an entire industry works. In sum, banks were selling access to consumer accounts to marketing companies.” The practices particularly preyed upon vulnerable populations, such as elderly and non-English-speaking people, Cox says. His work eventually led to a series of cases regarding privacy and the relationship between marketing companies and giant financial institutions.

His efforts paid off: The Federal Trade Commission adopted a rule to restrict the sale of special access to consumer accounts in telemarketing. Cox was invited to testify before the U.S. Senate Commerce Committee on the issue in 2009, and in 2010 he published an article, “The Invisible Hand of Preacquired Account Marketing,” in the Harvard Journal on Legislation. That Senate appearance helped lead to the passage of the Restore Online Shoppers Confidence Act (ROSCA) of 2010, which restricts a company from passing along a consumer’s billing information to a third-party seller in Internet transactions.

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For Cox, the preacquired account marketing issue brought together all aspects of his career. “I came to the University of Minnesota Law School in 2005 with this background, and here I was able to combine my litigation experience with legislative rulemaking, advocacy, and scholarship,” he says.

Ed Mierzwinski, consumer program director and senior fellow for U.S. PIRG, puts it more succinctly. “This was a clear case of companies selling you stuff you didn’t want to buy. Prentiss’s work resulted in lawsuits that recovered money for bank customers in Minnesota and nationally, people who had been tricked into signing up for junky products. He became the leading figure in establishing privacy rights for bank customers. He had a formidable task to explain and win these cases, and he did.” In the four years since ROSCA was passed, the Consumer Protection Bureau has recovered nearly $11 billion for consumers.
“Prentiss doesn’t toil away in the proverbial ivory tower,” Mierzwinski says. “He is able to teach students how they can use the law to protect the public from powerful and predatory special interests. He has real-world experience in taking on crimes against your pocketbook.”

Cox says this issue ties back to his forked path in law school. “Preacquired account marketing connects my deep interest in financial institutions with garden-variety consumer fraud problems, like telemarketing and such. It’s consumer finance crossed with street cop work.”

Over the years, Cox’s work has earned widespread respect in the legal community and in Congress. In the wake of the country’s financial crisis, he published several articles in 2009 in support of creating a new agency to oversee federal financial laws that specifically protect consumers. He subsequently was asked to testify before the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Energy and Commerce on the subject, and in 2010, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) was formed as a central part of the Obama Administration’s Wall Street reforms. Cox was appointed to the inaugural advisory board of the CFPB in 2012.

Taking on payday lending
On another thorny front, Cox is helping with efforts in Minnesota and nationally on the so-called “payday lending” issue. The Law School’s Consumer Protection Clinic, which Cox supervises, drafted a bill for the Minnesota Legislature to reform the state’s payday lending law. These types of loans typically carry annual percentage rates of 300 to 500 percent and are due in a lump sum on the borrower’s next payday, usually about two weeks later. The loans have been touted as an easy way to deal with unexpected expenses, but repaying them often consumes more than a third of an average borrower’s paycheck, leading to repeated borrowing at the same high rates. With his students, Cox testified in support of the bill, and while it didn’t pass, another bill that Cox helped draft was enacted in 2009.

As chair of the Consumer Lending Committee of the CFPB, now the federal agency with authority over payday loans, Cox also led production of a report on the topic that informed the CFPB’s recent proposal for a new framework to regulate these troublesome loans.

Protecting subprime mortgage victims
Cox is perhaps best known for his work in the subprime mortgage arena. “Prentiss was way ahead of that curve, shouting from the rooftops about the subprime problem,” says Elwood. “The subprime lending debacle had many tentacles, and Prentiss saw that very early on.”

Elwood is referring to the early- to mid-2000s, when housing values were rising dramatically and many people had tremendous equity in their property. “There was high equity, yes, but in an economic lull people were having trouble paying their mortgages,” Elwood says. “The situation was ripe for speculator scams, and Prentiss was the canary in the coal mine.”

Cox watched as homeowners in tough situations were approached by people with “foreclosure equity plans.” These plans, says Cox, were basically structured to make it impos-
sible to make payments. “They preyed upon people’s vulnerability, people who were desperate to keep their homes.” Still, knowing that the deals were not illegal but rather unethical, Cox conceived of a plan to build consumer protections into regulations.

“He brilliantly structured a statute so that it would allow ostensibly legitimate transactions while creating barriers to the unethical,” says Elwood. “It covered every base and effectively shut down this despicable cottage industry.” The Minnesota bill became a national model and has been adopted in most states. Cox also served as a consultant when the Federal Trade Commission promulgated a rule on the subject.

Expanding experiential education
In the past few years, Cox has turned his attention to another topic entirely: the creation of the cutting-edge Law in Practice course, which has proven to be one of the Law School’s most significant curricular innovations. As co-creator and co-director—with Professor Laura Thomas—Cox has developed this required course for first-year students to help them apply their growing knowledge of legal doctrine to the practice of law.

“Several years ago we agreed that there was a great need to improve how we educate law students to practice law,” says Cox. “Law in Practice is an immersive simulation that teaches students how the use of law actually occurs in practice.” While the topic appears quite different from consumer protection, Cox sees similarities. “Providing the best legal education we can is a consumer protection issue. I believe educating practice-ready graduates is an achievable goal that we faculty can hold ourselves accountable to through better and expanded experiential learning.”

He also is working on a first-ever broad empirical study documenting the work of consumer fraud enforcement agencies. “My hope is that this work helps us figure out how public enforcement could be more effective,” he says.

Elwood notes that despite Cox’s ever-expanding work, he continues to give generously of his time with consumer advocates. “Prentiss has a tremendous demand on his time, but he remains head and shoulders above anybody else in this field in figuring out legal responses to consumer fraud.”

By Kathy Graves, a writer based in Minneapolis
June Carbone was appointed associate dean for research and planning, effective July 1.

Jessica Clarke was appointed the Vance Opperman Research Scholar, effective July 1. Her article “Inferring Desire” was selected by the Williams Institute at the UCLA School of Law to receive a Dukeminier Award and the Michael Cunningham Prize. The Dukeminier Awards recognize each year’s best sexual orientation and gender identity law review articles. Cotter (ranked 209th) was one of nine professors listed whose field is primarily intellectual property law. An opinion of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit, Minden Pictures v. John Wiley & Sons, cited a paper Cotter coauthored with Roger Blair entitled “The Elusive Logic of Standing Doctrine in Intellectual Property Law” as support for the rationale for denying nonexclusive licensees standing to sue for infringement.

Allan Erbsen was appointed associate dean for academic affairs and to a Solly Robins Distinguished Research Fellowship, both effective July 1. The U.S. Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit cited Erbsen’s article “Constitutional Spaces” in the case of Thomas v. Lynch, which considered whether birthright citizenship extends to a person born on a U.S. military base in Europe. The cited portion of Erbsen’s article discussed the multiple meanings of “United States” in different parts of the Constitution.

Richard Frase was listed as a top 250 legal author (ranked 235th) by the database HeinOnline, based on an analysis of all its articles. At an Oct. 15 meeting of the United States
Sentencing Commission, Frase delivered the keynote address—an overview of state systems, drawing on his 30-plus years of study—and participated in a discussion of differences between sentencing guidelines in 17 states and the system used in the federal courts. Frase also provided an up-to-date multi-jurisdictional perspective on guidelines reforms, based on the research and materials collected as part of the Robina Institute’s Sentencing Guidelines Resource Center.

Barbara Frey received the Center for Victims of Torture annual Eclipse Award in recognition of her role in founding and supporting the organization 30 years ago.

Neha Jain was appointed to the Lampert Felser Fellowship, effective July 1.

Mark Kappelhoff received the prestigious U.S. Attorney General’s Award for Exceptional Service from Attorney General Loretta Lynch. The award—the Justice Department’s highest accolade for employee performance—honors Kappelhoff for his instrumental role in the civil rights investigation of the police department in Ferguson, Mo., following the fatal shooting of Michael Brown.

Heidi Kitrosser’s book, Reclaiming Accountability, was reviewed for the September issue of Choice, a periodical of the Association of College and Research Libraries. The book received Choice’s top rating of “essential” and was called “a must-read by anyone interested in presidential power, secrecy, and law.”

Herbert Kritzer was awarded the Law and Society Association’s (LSA) Ronald Pipkin Service Award for sustained and extraordinary service to LSA for more than 35 years. While serving on dozens of committees, the board of trustees, and as editor of the Law & Society Review, he has been an advocate for LSA’s work, recruiting new members and mentoring his students in socio-legal scholarship even when not serving in an official capacity.
The brief argues that such a cramped view to the right to sue for direct financial injury in order to sue. The brief argues that such a cramped view of standing to sue would unravel the careful balance struck by Congress in drafting the FCRA, and could undermine the right to sue for privacy-related harms under numerous other statutes as well.

Justice Anthony Kennedy in his majority opinion in the case of Texas Department of Housing & Community Affairs v. The Inclusive Communities Project. The court’s decision, handed down in June, affirmed the availability of a “disparate impact” cause of action arising under the Fair Housing Act (FHA). The brief coauthored by Orfield described the history of housing segregation in the United States, which led to the passage of the FHA in 1968. Orfield and the Law School’s Institute on Metropolitan Opportunity, of which he is the director, were involved in the case from its inception, preparing and analyzing data and doing legal research for the plaintiff, the non-profit Inclusive Communities Project of Texas.

Christopher N.J. Roberts was awarded the 2015 Gordon Hirabayashi Human Rights Book Award by the American Sociological Association for his book, The Contentious History of the International Bill of Human Rights. The award is given annually by the ASA Section on Human Rights to the author whose book “demonstrates the most thoughtful, competent, or innovative analysis of a theoretical or empirical issue” in the field of human rights. Roberts received the award at the ASA’s annual meeting in August.

Daniel Schwarcz was appointed to the Julius E. Davis Chair in Law, effective July 1. In April, he testified at a hearing on “Examining Insurance Capital Rules and FSOC Process” before the U.S. Senate Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance, and Investments. In his testimony, Schwarcz emphasized that the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act created a flexible and adaptive process for identifying systemically risky non-bank financial institutions. Although this design choice inevitably reduces transparency, Schwarcz suggested that the Financial Stability Oversight Council had done a reasonably good job of addressing this concern. Additionally, he testified that the design of regulatory capital rules may vary depending on whether the underlying regulatory goal is protecting a financial institution’s customers or preventing systemic risk.

Fionnuala Ní Aoláin was appointed to the Robina Chair in Law, Public Policy, and Society, effective July 1. Ní Aoláin attended the launch of the Global Study on Women, Peace and Security, where her work was extensively cited and relied upon. The United Nations Security Council unanimously adopted a new resolution to improve the U.N.’s agenda for issues relating to women, peace and security. This new resolution, marking the 15th anniversary of the landmark resolution 1325 on Women, Peace and Security, explicitly recognizes some of the roadblocks that have stymied the women, peace, and security agenda. It acknowledges that these roadblocks can only be “dismantled through dedicated commitment to women’s participation and human rights, and through concerted leadership, consistent information and action, and support, to build women’s engagement in all levels of decision-making[.]”

Myron Orfield was part of a group of housing scholars who wrote a brief cited by U.S. Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy in his majority opinion in the case of Texas Department of Housing & Community Affairs v. The Inclusive Communities Project. The court’s decision, handed down in June, affirmed the availability of a “disparate impact” cause of action arising under the Fair Housing Act (FHA). The brief coauthored by Orfield described the history of housing segregation in the United States, which led to the passage of the FHA in 1968. Orfield and the Law School’s Institute on Metropolitan Opportunity, of which he is the director, were involved in the case from its inception, preparing and analyzing data and doing legal research for the plaintiff, the non-profit Inclusive Communities Project of Texas.

Hari Osofsky received the University of Minnesota’s 2015 Sara Evans Faculty Woman Scholar/Leader Award, which is sponsored by the Office for Faculty & Academic Affairs and the Women’s Center. The award recognizes women faculty at the University of Minnesota–Twin Cities who have achieved significant national and international accomplishments and honors and who contribute as leaders on campus.

William McGeveran was appointed to a Solly Robins Distinguished Research Fellowship, effective July 1. He was one of the organizers and coauthors of a privacy scholars’ amicus brief submitted to the Supreme Court in Spokeo v. Robins, which concerns lawsuits under the Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA) over inaccuracies in the profiles that employers use when screening applicants. The defendant, a company that prepares profiles, argued that a plaintiff needs to show a company that prepares profiles, argued that a plaintiff needs to show direct financial injury in order to sue. The brief argues that such a cramped view of standing to sue would unravel the careful balance struck by Congress in drafting the FCRA, and could undermine the right to sue for privacy-related harms under numerous other statutes as well.

Perry Moriearty was reappointed to the Vaughan G. Papke Clinical Professorship in Law, effective July 1.

Brett McDonnell was appointed to the Dorsey & Whitney Professorship in Law, effective July 1.
Francis Shen's research on law and neuroscience was cited in “Gray Matters: Integrative Approaches for Neuroscience, Ethics, and Society,” a set of recommendations published by the Presidential Bioethics Commission in response to a request from President Obama to review the ethical issues associated with the conduct and implications of neuroscience research.

Robert Stein ('61) received the Center for Victims of Torture annual Eclipse Award in recognition of his role in founding and supporting the organization 30 years ago.

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CLINICAL PROFESSOR NANCY COOK RETIRES

Professor Nancy Cook, whom Dean David Wippman describes as “a national leader in clinical legal education, an expert on legal pedagogy, and a strong social justice advocate,” retired from the Law School on Aug. 15. Among Cook’s many accomplishments during her seven years on the faculty was the creation of a new course called Practice and Professionalism, which introduced first-year students to concepts and skills associated with the practice of law. It was the precursor to the Law in Practice course that is now a required part of the 1L curriculum.

Before coming to the Law School, Cook was a tenured professor at Roger Williams University School of Law, director of the clinical program at Cornell Law School, and co-director of the Institute for Access to Justice at the University of New Mexico, among other posts. She has lectured around the country on such diverse topics as community-based lawyering, therapeutic jurisprudence, and racial justice. In addition to her J.D., Cook holds an M.F.A. degree; she has taught creative writing at correctional facilities and undergraduate colleges, and her fiction has appeared in a number of law and literary journals.

“IT’S INSPIRING”: PROFESSOR LAURA THOMAS ON HER NEW POST AS DIRECTOR OF LAW CLINICS

Professor Laura Thomas, who joined the Law School faculty in 2007, became director of the clinical program on July 1. Her career as an attorney has included practice in the areas of general civil litigation, insurance and products liability defense, and family law. Thomas partnered with Professor Prentiss Cox ('90) in designing the Law School’s innovative experiential learning course Law in Practice, which is required for all first-year J.D. students.

Thomas speaks eloquently about what the Law School’s 23 clinics offer, not only to students but to the legal profession and to society at large. Learning the law in a clinical setting, she says, “is incredibly rich because it’s intimate.” Feedback occurs in groups of two or three, she points out, which means the depth of professors’ critiques—on writing, client counseling and advising, and oral advocacy—is unparalleled because of the teacher/student ratio. “Every single clinical instructor at the Law School is committed to developing lawyers that we want to see across the table in our own cases. This means lawyers who understand their tremendous power bounded by their ethical obligations. It also means we stress law and procedure because we want detail-oriented practitioners well versed in the law and procedure,” Thomas says.

“What’s really cool,” she continues, “is that we are able to offer a broad range of legal services to Minnesota’s indigent and working poor. We are essentially a full-service law firm for our clients, able to represent them in asylum, bankruptcy, tax, family, criminal, juvenile justice, and detention hearings. It’s inspiring to direct the law clinics because the primary motivation is helping people.”

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A SALUTE TO PROF. DAVID WEISSBRODT, HUMAN RIGHTS DYNAMO

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FACULTY BOOKS

1. LAURA J. COOPER, MARIO F. BOGNANO, STEPHEN F. BEFORT (’74)
   More Than We Have Ever Known About Discipline and Discharge in Labor Arbitration: An Empirical Study (Vandeplas Publishing, 2015)

2. CLAIRE A. HILL AND RICHARD W. PAINTER

3. HERBERT M. KRITZER
   Justices on the Ballot: Continuity and Change in State Supreme Court Elections (Cambridge University Press, 2015)

Other faculty publications can be found at: law.umn.edu/our-faculty/recent-publications

FACULTY PERSPECTIVE

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FALL 2015 FACULTY WORKS IN PROGRESS

Lectures on works in progress at the Law School and other institutions are held on Thursdays from 12:15-1:15 p.m. in Room 385. For more information, contact Bria Goldman at 612-626-5048 or goldm075@umn.edu.

OCTOBER

1. Nancy Leong
   University of Denver Sturm College of Law
   Identity Entrepreneurs

8. Hurst Hannum
   The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University
   The Lasting Utopia: Human Rights Strategies for the 21st Century

15. Michael Zakim
   Tel Aviv University
   Accounting for Capitalism: The World the Clerk Made

22. Aaron Sojourner
   Carlson School of Management, University of Minnesota
   Effects of Unionization on Workplace Safety Enforcement: Regression Discontinuity Evidence

29. Ganesh Sitaraman
   Vanderbilt Law School
   The Crisis of the Middle Class Constitution

NOVEMBER

5. Deborah L. Brake
   University of Pittsburgh School of Law

12. Jennifer H. Arlen
    New York University School of Law

19. Erik P.M. Vermeulen
    Tilburg University Law School

DECEMBER

3. Christopher N.J. Roberts
   University of Minnesota Law School

10. Alex Stein
    Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law
June Carbone joined the Law School faculty in 2013 from the University of Missouri at Kansas City, where she was the Edward A. Smith/Missouri Chair of Law, the Constitution and Society. An expert in family law, assisted reproduction, property, and law, medicine and bioethics, she was named the first Robina Chair in Law, Science and Technology in 2014.

When she’s not training her rowing team, June Carbone is busy writing books. Or exploring the legal and intellectual aspects of landmark Supreme Court decisions and technological advances with the potential to dramatically change society. Or polishing her techniques for challenging students to clear her high bar and learn what they must. Chances are, she’s doing all these things simultaneously, and with gusto. Which is not surprising for someone who grew up in a large Italian, Catholic, working-class family in Rochester, New York.

“My parents married in their 30s and were utterly devoted to us,” Carbone explains. “I was a nerd. My mother thought I should read fewer books and pay more attention to boys.” By age 10 she had fallen in love with politics and relished reading about the Kennedys. In high school, she joined the debate team. But eventually the intellectual challenge of law lured her away from a future in politics, although advocating for social justice remained her mission. An A.B. from Princeton’s Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs (’75) and a J.D. from Yale (’78) led her to the U.S. Department of Justice as a trial attorney, then into academia as an assistant professor at George Mason University School of Law.

“I hated being a litigator—putting out fires instead of preventing them in the first place. I dealt with my frustrations by writing about them,” she says. “When I started teaching, I was familiar with civil procedure and administrative law but knew nothing of contracts. I decided that doing a contract analysis of divorce was a nice way to learn contracts. In the ’80s, there were three main articles on the topic, so it was great fun writing about an undeveloped field. I got hooked. I’ve been writing about it ever since.”

Carbone writes about the intersections of law and economics, law and science, or law and society. Early on, she found a soulmate in co-author Naomi Cahn. “We were both curious about evolutionary biology—‘my genes made me do it’—and decided to teach each other the field by writing something together,” she says. The two remain close collaborators. Their books, unlike textbooks, aim to integrate them into a single story.

“Classic legal analysis is narrow and deep. Authors take an idea, apply it rigorously down to the minutiae, and focus on application. As a scholar, I go broad and synthesize. I look at different bodies of literature and integrate them into a single story,” Carbone says. Her most recent work with Cahn, Marriage Markets: How Inequality is Remaking the American Family (Oxford University Press, 2014) uses socioeconomic structure as a way to understand changes in the family. “Now that the marriage institution is premised on equality, marriage has become riskier,” she explains—particularly as it applies to financial responsibility and custodial rights. “The legal system created marriage and non-marriage as different. The split between who marries and who doesn’t is increasingly economic.”

Carbone spent two decades teaching at Santa Clara University School of Law, where she delved into patent law critiques and bioethics. During six years at the University of Missouri, Kansas City, she added health law, which she finds intriguing in this era of individualized medicine. “Assisted reproduction sits at the intersection of family law and bioethics. Who are the parents? Where is the genomic revolution going to be implemented? In fertility clinics.”

Persuaded in 2013 to join the Law School, home to faculty she admires (some of whom she’d previously tried to recruit), she is thrilled to find both a teaching culture that makes her feel relevant and students who appreciate her efforts. “I love teaching. I think it’s the most important thing I do,” she says.

Which is not to say that students don’t grumble. “I like to throw out lots of information and shoot above their comfort level. I push them. I’m a Socratic teacher who doesn’t like to slough it off. But if they work hard, they learn a lot.”

By Cathy Madison, a freelance writer and editor based in the Twin Cities
STUDENT PROFILES

JA AUNG LU
2015-2016 HUMPHREY FELLOW

SNEAKING ACROSS NATIONAL borders makes Ja Aung Lu nervous, but it doesn’t scare her as much as leeches.

Aung, a human rights activist from Myanmar, encountered the nasty bloodsuckers in 1999. A student uprising against the country’s military dictatorship had shuttered colleges; unable to attend classes, Aung volunteered to teach at a remote village instead. The only way to get there was via a two-day hike through leech-infested jungle. There were other obstacles, too. Some members of her party carried swords to ward off attacks from tigers and wolves.

In the end, she arrived safely and spent a year teaching children math and writing.

“It changed my life,” she says. “I always want to do something good for the people who live in the jungle.”

Aung—and the people who live in the cities and villages of northern Myanmar—are Kachin, one of seven ethnic minorities in the country. The largest, most powerful group are the Burmese. Their desire to control the Kachin region is the reason for Aung’s secret border crossings.

While studying law at Myitkyina University, Aung became involved in the pro-democracy All Kachin Students and Youth Union, of which she is now the chair. Since most Kachins practice Christianity, churches became places to strategize against the Burmese-led government. Soon, she was learning English, serving as a youth librarian, and grappling with ways to challenge authority.

In 2004, Aung earned a bachelor of law degree and slipped across the Thai border for human rights training. Three years later, with the start of the Saffron Revolution—so named because it was led by Buddhist monks—Aung swung into action, leading protests in the Kachin region against a government-proposed dam.

2015-2016 HUMPHREY FELLOW
Soldiers jailed her for three days. “It was a life-changing moment,” she says.

After her release, Aung fled to Thailand. “I didn’t feel safe,” she says. “Many people disappear and no one knows where they are.” Soon she was working for a Thai-based NGO and returning home under a pseudonym to advocate for human rights. When her year as a Humphrey Fellow ends, she plans to return to her work, which is likely to include activities most people would consider dangerous.

Says Aung, “I think I will be OK.”

YEN-HSIANG CHANG DIDN’T SET out to be an activist attorney.

At first, all he wanted was to pass the bar exam—no easy task in Taiwan, where the pass rate is 10%. On his first two attempts, Chang failed. But on his third try, in 2011, he placed 16th among 963 competitors.

Chang landed a job at Di-Yang and Partners, a Taipei firm that juggled an array of cases among three partners. He liked the work, but wanted to learn more. So he returned to Soochow University, his alma mater, to study constitutional and administrative law. By 2013, he’d earned a master’s degree in law.

What happened next changed his life. Outraged by a proposed trade agreement with China, Taiwan’s longtime enemy, student demonstrators stormed the country’s parliament building. During the occupation, which came to be known as the Sunflower Movement, many protesters arrested by the government needed legal representation. Dozens of lawyers, including Chang, rose to the challenge.

“We must protect democracy,” he says. “And we must protect the students.”

Since its inception in 1949, following defeat by Mao Zedong’s communist forces on mainland China, the island nation of Taiwan has been ruled by the Kuomintang party (KMT) of Chiang Kai-Shek. But student activists in the Sunflower Movement—and Chang—say the KMT is in need of reform.

That’s why Chang shares the views of the opposition Democratic Progressive Party (DPP), and why he co-founded the Taiwan Jury Association, whose aim is to integrate an American-style jury system into Taiwan’s current legal structure, which Chang says is ruled by tyrannical judges.

“They are like dictators in the...
AT FIRST GLANCE, JAMES OLSEN looks like a lot of other students. He wears jeans and a “Brew Crew” T-shirt in support of his beloved Milwaukee Brewers. But to talk with him about his undergraduate studies, you’d better understand the basics of biotechnology and cell culture.

In May, Olsen earned a bachelor’s degree in biomolecular engineering from the Milwaukee School of Engineering. For his senior design project, he focused on chitosan, a biomaterial found primarily in the shells of shrimp and other crustaceans.

Humans have found many creative ways to use chitosan, including weaving it into bandages to halt bleeding and blending it into pills to facilitate drug delivery. Currently, the only way to get chitosan is to extract it from dead shrimp. However, notes Olsen, “If you can grow your own cells, that’s a lot easier.”

In theory. In practice, the best way to acquire chitosan for commercial growing purposes is to extract it from baking yeast. And baking yeast contains only about 2% chitosan. So Olsen needed to figure out how to separate it from other cells. Doing that was the focus of weeks of experiments—which led to a possible breakthrough.

In a paper titled “Generation of glucan-free chitosan from modified yeast strands,” Olsen and his student colleagues detailed their findings. Since a company suggested and paid for the research, Olsen signed an intellectual property confidentiality agreement.


At the Law School, Olsen has had to learn a new discipline peppered with words like jurisdiction and malfeasance, not cryopreservation and gel electrophoresis. In the beginning, that led to lots of time with a legal dictionary while reading about cases and writing briefs.

After graduation, Olsen hopes to get a job as a patent agent in his hometown of Milwaukee. In college, Olsen worked at his father’s dental firm as an assistant, sterilizing equipment and decontaminating operating rooms. Watching his father work influenced him.

Says Olsen, “I’m interested in helping people like he does.”

DREW GLASNOVICH
CLASS OF 2016

AS A BOY, DREW GLASNOVICH didn’t always need an alarm clock. “When the Space Shuttle came in for a landing, it woke me up in the morning,” he says.

Yes, he lived a short drive from Kennedy Space Center on the Florida coast. As a teen, he attended the local public school—Astronaut High—but the whole science thing didn’t take. Choir and theater captivated him. Glasnovich starred in musicals and won a scholarship to Stetson University in DeLand, Florida.

At Stetson, he shifted gears and majored in political science. Just before his graduation, in 2009, the American economy collapsed. Governments had ceased hiring, so Glasnovich grabbed an underwriting job at Brown & Brown Insurance. He worked on complex business deals, but also spent lots of time reading about regulations and court cases affecting the industry.

A few years later, he asked himself, “Do I want to do insurance the rest of my life?” A month later, he took the LSAT, scored high, and moved to Minneapolis. Glasnovich believes his parents’ occupation influenced his career choice. Both worked as juvenile probation officers and sometimes chatted about the law at home.

At the Law School, Glasnovich experimented with several career paths. In the summer after his first year, he interned at a federal agency and served as a judicial extern for U.S. District Court Magistrate Judge Jeffrey J. Keyes. The latter experience inspired him to take more litigation-focused classes, including an insurance law clinic.

That led to a 2015 summer associate position at Stinson Leonard Street in Minneapolis. The firm has since hired him. “I am excited,” he says.

Highlights of his final year at the Law School include serving as editor-in-chief of Law and Inequality: A Journal of Theory and Practice and organizing “Playing with Pride,” a symposium on LGBT inclusion in sports. Glasnovich also plans on performing in the next Theatre of the Relatively Talentless production.
His stage experience helps him in the courtroom. “Acting is much more than the words you say,” he says. “It’s listening. I’m very aware of how people are reacting to me. And that’s an advantage.”

BOJAN MANOJLOVIC CLASS OF 2017

THE SWING ON THE BIG WALNUT

tree outside Bojan Manojlovic’s Serbian home attracted nearly every kid in the neighborhood, and he loved that. “I’ve always been very gregarious,” he says.

But the rural brick-and-mud house, which was surrounded by cherry and plum trees, roaming chickens and cows, didn’t have a basement. So when the NATO bombing of 1999 began—Bojan was 12 at the time—his family slept on cots in the lower level of a relative’s house.

Two years later, the Manojlovics moved to Chicago—Bojan’s mother was born in the U.S.—and the teenager began learning the idi- om-filled language spoken by Americans. “It’s a piece of cake,” a teacher told Manojlovic just before a math test. He remembers staring at the piece of paper, perplexed.

Manojlovic soon adapted to his new surroundings, thanks in part to his outgoing nature. He wasn’t shy about joining others in the school cafeteria. “I wouldn’t take no for an answer,” he says. “I was a gay, immigrant kid who listened to Britney Spears and loved to read.”

A voracious appetite for learning catapulted him from “immigrant kid” to the top 10% of his high school class and into Northwestern University. He majored in economics, made the dean’s list, and tried out for the cheerleading squad. Despite a lack of experience, he made the team.

“They only took me because I was a boy,” he says.

That said, he had a blast. His most memorable moment was waving the purple-and-white Northwestern flag in front of 105,000 Ohio State fans in Columbus. “They were booing so loud, my bones were shaking,” he says.

After graduation, Manojlovic joined Teach for America. He led algebra and geometry classes for two years in Fall River, Mass., before directing institute operations at the organization’s Boston office for another year.

The Law School’s strong international offerings attracted Manojlovic, but he also enjoyed his contracts and civil procedure courses. That led him to apply for a summer associate position at Sidley Austin, an international business law firm in Chicago. After the all-day interview, he had dinner with his mother, who still lives in the city.

“Wouldn’t it be a great present if you got a job offer?” she asked, as he’d recently celebrated a birthday. The next day, an offer arrived. Says Manojlovic, “I’m ready to come back.”

JONATHAN MANSKER
CLASS OF 2018

JONATHAN MANSKER IS THE
Texas-born son of a single mother who spent his childhood bouncing around Army bases. As a teen, he partied more than he studied, and got expelled from a Michigan high school. He eventually graduated from an alternative school before signing up with Uncle Sam.

“I’ll just go to the Army,” he remembers thinking, “because that’s where people like me went.”

Within a year, the 19-year-old was patrolling the streets of Baghdad as an infantry scout. One day, an improvised bomb planted in a building’s exterior wall exploded nearby, blowing off part of his face. A medic saved his life. At a military hospital in Germany, a surgeon reconstructed his face, adding a metal plate near his right cheekbone.

After recovering, Mansker could have asked for a medical discharge, but he refused. “I was good to go,” he says. “I didn’t want one.”

He returned to Iraq twice more. By his third deployment, he was a battle-worn soldier taking orders from an inexperienced officer whose college degree earned him a higher rank. Mansker decided it was time to get schooled. “I’m not going to be a chump anymore,” he told himself.

When his six-year Army commitment ended, Mansker enrolled at Western Michigan University. He sat in the front row, listened intently, and hit the books. Professors rewarded him with “A” grades, but the military came calling again. He’d joined the Michigan National Guard for extra cash, and now the government wanted his unit in Afghanistan.

Mansker could have been excused, but as a 26-year-old staff sergeant in charge of a platoon of mostly teens, he felt a sense of responsibility. “I didn’t want one.”

Upon his return to the U.S., Mansker transferred to the University of Michigan, earning bachelor’s degrees in political science and sociology. His new goal: become an attorney. He hopes to focus on international law and is aiming toward working for an NGO, the United Nations, or the U.S. Department of State.

“I want to try and help people,” he says. “That goes back to when I first got hurt.”

By Todd Melby, a freelance writer and radio producer based in Minneapolis
THOMAS HALE-KUPIEC (’15) WINS LAW/TECHNOLOGY WRITING AWARD

Thomas Hale-Kupiec, who is on track to receive his J.D. in December with a dual concentration in health law and intellectual property law, was awarded first place in the 2014-15 National Student Writing Competition hosted by the Richmond Journal of Law and Technology. Hale-Kupiec received a prize of $1,500 for his paper, “Differential Liability: How Neuromodulators and Emerging Technologies Have Achieved Windfalls in Tort Liability Claims.” The paper will be published in the journal, which is based at the University of Richmond (Va.) School of Law.

After graduating from the University of Virginia in 2011 with a double major in chemistry and cognitive neuroscience and a minor in environmental science, Hale-Kupiec received a Master of Public Health degree in 2013 from George Washington University in Washington, D.C. While in the nation’s capital, he worked as a public health analyst at the Food and Drug Administration. Since coming to the Twin Cities, he has been a volunteer legal associate at the Children’s Law Center of Minnesota, a summer associate at Alliant Techsystems, and student representative to the Hennepin County Lavender Bar Association board of directors. He has also worked as a law clerk at the intellectual property firm Kinney & Lange in Minneapolis.

In his award-winning paper, Hale-Kupiec looks closely at the legal ramifications of neuromodulation, a term that refers to various means (electrical, chemical, biological) of treating the nervous system in order to improve function and quality of life. He finds that the term itself is poorly defined, which has led to the medical device industry marketing a wide range of “neuromodulation” products that are difficult to categorize and thus difficult for the FDA to regulate. After reviewing the recent relevant case law, he recommends policy changes that would better protect
public health and provide for more equitable handling of tort claims related to neuromodulation treatments and technologies.

**SUKANYA MOMSEN (‘16) WINS ABA AND MSBA AWARDS**

Sukanya Momsen (‘16) was awarded second place in the American Bar Association Tort Trial & Insurance Practice Section’s 2014-15 law student writing competition. Her article, “Discharging the Duty to Warn with Multilingual Warning Labels,” appeared on the Section’s Web site and was publicized in its magazine, *The Brief*. Momsen was also named the winner of the Minnesota State Bar Association’s 2015 Law Student Award for Excellence in Employment Law.

Momsen earned her B.A. at the University of Minnesota in 2013, graduating summa cum laude—having completed all her coursework in two years—with a major in English and a minor in Asian languages and literature. At the Law School, she has served on the staff of the *Minnesota Journal of International Law* and as president of the South Asian Law Student Association, among many other roles. This year she worked as a summer associate at Nilan Johnson Lewis in Minneapolis; she has previously been a legal intern at the Minneapolis office of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, a judicial extern for U.S. District Judge Susan Richard Nelson, a summer associate at Briggs and Morgan, and a legal counseling advocate at the non-profit organization Tubman.

In her ABA award-winning paper, which she originally wrote for a product liability course with adjunct professor Kenneth Ross, Momsen discusses issues arising from multilingual warning labels in the United States and abroad, and offers possible solutions to these problems. She analyzes relevant U.S. case law, looks at labeling rules in other countries, and advocates for a new approach to reducing injuries that can stem from the increasing presence of non-English speakers in American workplaces.

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**STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS**

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Announcing a Law School chapter of the Minnesota Supreme Court Historical Society, which was founded, organized, and developed by lawyers, educators, judges, and other legal professionals who have a deep and abiding interest in the history of Minnesota and the profound role that the state’s courts have played in that history. Interested students can find more information at sua.umn.edu/groups/directory/group/3538/.

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“THE LAST OF THE MOHICANS,”
Judge Bright calls himself with a chuckle. At 96, he has served more than 47 years as a working judge and is the last remaining appointee of President Lyndon B. Johnson, who nominated Bright to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit in 1968. Although his annual caseload is now about 50, down from 175, and his walker helps him reach his chair, Bright still sits, and still cares about all people.

Raised by Russian immigrant parents among Serbs, Slovenians, Finns, and Italians in Eveleth, Minnesota, Bright sought career advice from his college counselor, who told him he’d excel at either law or advertising, but “you won’t hurt yourself by learning a little bit of law.”

Bright reminisces in Goodbye Mike, Hello Judge: My Journey for Justice (North Dakota Institute for Regional Studies Press, 2015), which Touro Law School professor Jeffrey Brandon Morris deems “as sprightly and irrepressible as the man.” Young Republican Bright turned Democrat early on, befriend many of that era’s influencers, plunging into politics, and, after practicing law for two decades in Fargo, North Dakota, wielding substantial influence from the bench.

“A legal issue is to me like a mathematical problem that requires a reasoned solution. I loved it as a student, loved it as a lawyer, and of course I love it as a judge,” says Bright, whose 50 years of federal service includes nearly four years in World War II.

“LBJ was probably the first president in history to bring civil rights to the people in this country suffering from discrimination. Judge Gerald Heaney (‘41), Judge Donald P. Lay, and I spearheaded significant cases that extended those rights to women and minorities,” he says.

Litigation has changed during his tenure. Discovery is more important and expensive, raising costs enough to
“keep ordinary people out of federal courts.” Since 1985, sentencing guidelines have subjected more criminal cases to appellate review.

“A person charged with a crime who wants to try the case gets a heavier sentence by losing than by pleading guilty, so we don’t have as many trials,” explains Bright. “Too many people are serving too long without any good reason”—especially Native Americans on reservations, he says, which is “wrong and prejudicial. I am interested in equal rights for everyone.”

THAT CHRIS COLEMAN IS THRIVING in his third term as mayor of St. Paul should surprise no one. Personable and popular, he beat incumbent Randy Kelly with 69% of the vote in the 2005 election, won again with 69% in 2009, and hit 78% in 2013. The St. Paul native and son of Nick Coleman Sr., state senate majority leader from 1973 to 1981, also served on the St. Paul City Council from 1997 to 2003, lost the U.S. House 4th District DFL nomination to Betty McCollum in 2000, and considered running for governor in 2010.

“Politics is in my blood,” he says, but that didn’t drive his initial career path. He spent eight years serving Hennepin County as both prosecutor (a short stint) and public defender (a longer one). “That’s somewhat unusual,” admits Coleman, who declined to say which he preferred. “The facts are generally on your side as a prosecutor, but you have more creativity as a public defender. They are both important roles in the justice system.”

He learned much, especially in juvenile court, about family structure, neglect, and what leads kids down the wrong path. His civic work often focuses on education, youth development, achieving equity, and closing the achievement gap. Despite serving during one of the worst recessions in our country’s history, he is proud of surviving the mortgage foreclosure crisis and emerging stronger than before.

“We have absolutely changed the face of St. Paul and revitalized it in ways that I always knew were possible but not fully realized. The vibrancy downtown, with light rail serving the community, is really fun to see,” Coleman says, “although I haven’t moved the ball as far as I would have liked. The disparity between whites and communities of color is
still a huge challenge.”

“I’m not sure what the future holds,” Coleman says when asked about his aspirations for a fourth mayoral term or possible run for state or federal office. “Twelve years is a long time in one position,” he adds, but he does like the impact his work has on a local level, where interaction is personal and results are evident.

And while he brings the house down in comedic skits at MinnRoast, hosted annually by the online news source MinnPost, Coleman has no stage aspirations. “I’ll keep my day job,” he says.

MELISSA HORTMAN
CLASS OF 1995

THE BEST PUBLIC SERVANTS HAVE
done it all: made Zantigo chili cheese
burritos, sold dresses at Donaldson’s, retrieved Minneapolis Auto Parts inventory, interned for Senator Al Gore, drafted letters for Senator John Kerry, etc. These qualifications are a mere fraction of Melissa Hortman’s long list, which of course includes her current role as assistant Hennepin County attorney, plus 11 years representing Brooklyn Park in the Minnesota House of Representatives.

Hortman recently added a new line to her curriculum vitae: vice president of the Uniform Law Commission (ULC), a nonpartisan group of 350 volunteer commission-ers (lawyers, judges, professors, legislators) who draft model state legislation on issues ranging from property and trusts to family and criminal law.

Public service has long guided Hortman’s legal aspirations. Few in criminal law. Legislation on issues ranging from legislators who draft model state

For most law students, arguing cases before the U.S. Supreme Court is a dream rarely realized. For Nicole Saharsky, however, it was a goal set, pursued, and achieved. As assistant to the solicitor general at the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), she has argued 23 such cases, ranging widely from criminal law and intellectual property to immigration, securities fraud, and civil rights.

“It’s all about whether the stars align,” she says, though perhaps her effort and diligence nudged those stars. A high-school debater who earned a bachelor’s degree in chemical engineering at Northwestern University as a backup, she had always wanted to go to law school. “I thought it would be exciting to go to court, have cases, and make speeches. It seemed like fun,” she says.

At law school, she set her sights on appellate work. “Law professors will tell you that’s what smart people do,” she says. She found constitutional issues “super interesting,” though constitutional law jobs are hard to come by and seldom lucrative. After a clerkship with the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit and a fellowship in the solicitor general’s office, she focused on appellate legislation as an associate at O’Melveny and Myers in Washington while waiting for DOJ openings. One showed up; she applied and was hired.

The tough job demands 60 to 80 hours a week, but Saharsky thrives on the challenge and variety. “One of the best parts about working for the government is the different subject matter for everything we litigate. You have to be good at appeals, at understanding what goes on in a case so you can explain it to generalists,” she says. Few realize that her office manages all the government’s appeals, amicus curiae participation, and other functions as well as preparing Supreme Court briefs.

Arguing before the Supreme Court is stressful, she admits. “Everyone still gets nervous, no matter how many times they’ve done it,” she says. “The court is not at all forgiving of government lawyers. They expect you
to know everything the government is doing, and that's difficult.” Nevertheless, it’s where she wants to be. “I had this idea, and I was doing what I thought I could to make it happen. Sometimes things work out and sometimes they don’t, but this worked out pretty well.”

“I LOVE PEOPLE, AND I LIKE helping them,” says Heather Ring. Early in her career, the new Innocence Project of Minnesota executive director has already demonstrated a passion for and commitment to a wide swath of society, from drunk drivers and wrongly convicted murderers to philanthropists occupying the top tiers of the 1%.

Amused by the fact that her criminal defense attorney father and prosecutor stepfather frequently oppose each other in court, Ring has a longstanding interest in criminal law but didn’t initially consider law school. Global Service Corps volunteer work on sustainable agriculture in Tanzania fueled her interest in international affairs, which led her to earn an M.A. in conflict and sustainable peace at Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium. Eventually, law school beckoned.

Entering students come in two flavors, says Ring: half want to make a good living, and half want to change the world. “I was a student who was going to stay nonprofit, but only about 10 percent of us were left at the end.” She focused on criminal and international law but didn’t want to work for a big firm. Instead, she joined Chicago-based Heartland International, a nonprofit dedicated to democracy and economic development, then returned to Minneapolis to become a litigator with her father’s firm, Jeffrey B. Ring & Associates.

“I really enjoyed criminal defense,” she says, but financial motives and advocacy skills led her back to the University. As a regional development officer, she spent the next years scouring the East Coast in search of Gopher pride and honing important fundraising skills.

“It’s not what you think,” she says of fundraising. “It’s about relationships. People are incredibly open and offer a chance for real honesty and sharing.” She deems development experience a highly marketable asset that is ideal for her current position. Through the Innocence Project she minglest with people of all kinds, from high-profile donors to exonerees from challenging socioeconomic backgrounds who have just been released from years in prison and are struggling in the outside world.

Her goals are as energetic as she is: faster screening and case investigation, best practices for witness identification, more legislation like the state’s recent wrongful conviction compensation bill. “I’m not a policy expert, but I get to be part of the full circle,” Ring says. Seems perfect for a people person.

By Cathy Madison, a freelance writer and editor based in the Twin Cities
WALTER F. MONDALE (’56) SPEAKS AT HUD

In a speech delivered Sept. 1 to a standing ovation at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in Washington, D.C., former Vice President Walter Mondale (’56) said that America is witnessing “the most important moment for fair housing since 1968.” That year saw the passage of the landmark Fair Housing Act, which then-Sen. Mondale co-authored. However, he said, citing recent riots in cities such as Ferguson, Mo., and Baltimore, as well as nearly 50 years of governmental foot-dragging and legal fights over the law’s intent, “the Fair Housing Act has unfinished business.” Now, thanks to a recent Supreme Court ruling and new rules requiring communities that receive HUD funds to “affirmatively further” fair housing, the time is right, said Mondale, for the inclusive, integrative vision enshrined in the Fair Housing Act to become a reality.

SAMUEL D. HEINS (’72) NOMINATED AMBASSADOR TO NORWAY

The White House announced in May that President Obama had nominated Samuel D. Heins (’72) as the United States ambassador to the Kingdom of Norway.

After earning his J.D., Heins embarked on a legal career that spanned more than 40 years, becoming known as one of Minnesota’s most talented plaintiff’s lawyers. Heins is also one of the state’s most dedicated champions of international human rights. In 1983, he co-founded The Advocates for Human Rights and served as its first board chair. In 1985, he played a pivotal role in establishing the Center for Victims of Torture and chaired its inaugural board; he continues to serve as a board member and vice chair. Heins has also been a longtime advocate of the Human Rights Center at the Law School, where he has established endowed funds to support fellowships and research conducted by students on topics related to the advancement of international human rights.

JACK BAKER (’72) AND HIS HUSBAND PROFILED IN NEW YORK TIMES

John R. Tunheim (’80) succeeded Michael J. Davis (’72) as chief judge of the U.S. District Court, District of Minnesota, effective July 1. Davis will remain with the court as a senior judge.

Tunheim has served with the U.S. District Court since 1995. At the Law School, he was president of the Minnesota Law Review and graduated cum laude. After clerking for U.S. District Judge Earl Larson (’35) and working in private practice, he was appointed Minnesota’s solicitor general in 1985 and its chief deputy attorney general in 1986, a post he held until his appointment to the federal bench. From 1994-98, Tunheim chaired the
Assassination Records Review Board, the independent agency charged with overseeing the collection and release of records relating to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

In 2010, Tunheim was presented with the University of Minnesota Outstanding Achievement Award. He has taught federal and state constitutional law as an adjunct faculty member at the Law School, and is a current member of the Board of Advisors.

NATALIE E. HUDSON ('82) APPOINTED TO THE MINNESOTA SUPREME COURT

Minnesota Gov. Mark Dayton appointed Natalie E. Hudson ('82) to the state's high court in August, replacing Justice Alan Page ('78), who retired after reaching the state's mandatory retirement age of 70. Hudson had served on the Minnesota Court of Appeals for the previous 13 years, issuing more than 1,100 written opinions and, in Dayton's words, "demonstrating clearly her unique aptitude for ruling on some of the most challenging legal issues facing our state today."

Before serving on the appeals court, Hudson worked as an assistant Minnesota attorney general in the Criminal Appeals and Health Licensing Divisions, as St. Paul's city attorney, and as assistant dean of student affairs at Hamline University Law School.

Hudson is the second African American woman to serve on the Minnesota Supreme Court. She is a member of the American Bar Association’s Judicial Division and of the Minnesota Women Lawyers Advisory Board.

RON OUSKY ('82) WINS ABA PROBLEM SOLVER AWARD

The ABA’s Section of Dispute Resolution presented Ron Ousky ('82), who lives and practices in Edina, Minn., with the Individual Lawyer as Problem Solver Award for 2015. This award is given to a member of the legal profession who has exhibited extraordinary skill and creativity in promoting the concept of the lawyer as problem solver.

For the past 20 years, Ousky has been an international leader in family law and the collaborative law movement, focusing on making legal and other professional services more accessible to divorcing families. He co-authored the widely used manual *The Collaborative Way to Divorce: The Revolutionary Method that Results in Less Stress, Lower Cost, and Happier Kids—Without Going to Court* (2006). He served on the board of the Collaborative Law Institute of Minnesota (the first collaborative law organization in the world) for 10 years, including 3 years as president. He has also served as a board member and president of the International Academy of Collaborative Professionals, which has more than 5,000 members in 24 countries.

B. TODD JONES ('83) MOVES FROM ATF TO NFL

In March, B. Todd Jones ('83) left his position as director of the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF) and assumed a newly created role as a special counsel to National Football League commissioner Roger Goodell. Chief among Jones’s duties will be serving as the league’s chief disciplinary officer.

Jones had led the ATF since 2011, when he became the bureau’s acting director. He was confirmed as director by the U.S. Senate in August 2013. Before going to Washington, D.C., Jones served as Minnesota’s U.S. attorney during the Obama and Clinton administrations. He got his start in that office during the early 1990s as an assistant U.S. attorney under Thomas Heffelfinger ('76).

PAUL R. SCOGGIN ('84) APPOINTED JUDGE IN MINNESOTA’S 4TH DISTRICT

Paul R. Scoggin ('84) was appointed by Minnesota Governor Mark Dayton to serve as a judge in the state’s 4th Judicial District.

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ALUMNI NEWS AND AWARDS

(Hennepin County), replacing Judge Marilyn B. Rosenbaum, who retired.

Scoggin spent three decades in the Hennepin County Attorney’s Office, including 10 years as chief of the violent crimes division. He was lead counsel in thousands of felony prosecutions, and he tried 150 cases before the Minnesota Court of Appeals and Supreme Court. He also chaired the Minnesota County Attorneys Association’s Criminal Committee for five years and was a co-author of the 2009 revision of the state’s rules of criminal procedure.

In 2009, Scoggin was assigned as an international prosecutor in the Republic of Kosovo; he has also served as a consultant to U.S. State Department missions in the West Bank and Jordan.

ROSALYN PARK (‘02) TO LEAD WOMEN’S HUMAN RIGHTS PROGRAM

Rosalyn Park, who graduated cum laude from the Law School in 2002, was appointed director of the Women’s Human Rights Program for The Advocates for Human Rights, an international nonprofit organization based in Minneapolis.

Park has been a staff attorney with the Women’s Human Rights Program since 2003, and its acting director since June 2014. In these roles, she has worked in Azerbaijan, Bulgaria, Tajikistan, Croatia, Mongolia, Serbia, Kazakhstan, and Sierra Leone, as well as at the United Nations, to reform laws and systems to more effectively respond to domestic violence. She has also authored numerous reports and submissions to the United Nations about domestic violence.

AMELIA WILSON (‘04) NAMED NGO LAWYER OF THE YEAR

The Immigration Law Section of the Federal Bar Association (FBA) presented Amelia Wilson (’04) with its NGO Lawyer of the Year award for outstanding achievement in the nonprofit sector. Wilson received the award at the FBA’s annual conference in May, where she was speaking on advancing the rights of mentally impaired immigrants facing deportation.

Wilson is the senior detention attorney with the Immigrant Rights Program of the American Friends Service Committee (AFSC) in Newark, N.J. She is an adjunct faculty member at both Rutgers School of Law and Seton Hall University School of Law. She credits her experience at the Law School with her desire to dedicate herself to assisting vulnerable populations. “As a law student I was exposed to asylum and international human rights law by marvelous professors and mentors—true leaders in the field,” she said. “Furthermore, the Law School nurtured my public interest ambitions by enabling me to work abroad with refugees, write articles alongside esteemed leaders in human rights, and network with alums doing important work around the world. Ultimately, my law school experience at the University of Minnesota shaped the person I wanted to be and the kind of law I wanted to do.”

ANDREA MILLER (’15) WINS BURTON AWARD FOR LEGAL WRITING

The Burton Foundation announced in April that Andrea Miller (‘15) had won a 2015 Distinguished Legal Writing Award—one of just 10 presented to students from U.S. law schools. While working toward her J.D., Miller was also pursuing a Ph.D. in the University’s Department of Psychology. Her winning paper was entitled “The Separate Spheres Ideology: An Improved Empirical and Litigation Approach to Family Responsibilities Discrimination.”

At the Law School, Miller was a managing editor on the Minnesota Law Review, a student instructor of legal research and writing, a Robina Public Interest Scholar, and president of the University chapter of Law Students for Reproductive Justice. She worked as a research intern for Minnesota Women Lawyers, as a law clerk for Gender Justice, and as a law intern for the Minnesota Department of Human Rights. She is now a doctoral fellow at the American Bar Foundation.

In the 16 years that the Burton Foundation has sponsored its highly regarded national legal writing awards program, the Law School has had 8 student winners. The seven previous honorees are Phillip Walters (’12), Eva B. Stensvad (’11), Noreen E. Johnson (’09), Emily C. Melvin (’08), Dan Robinson (’07), David Leishman (’06), and Kari M. Dahlin (’01).
Nearly 800 alumni returned to the Law School for SPRING ALUMNI WEEKEND April 24-25, 2015 for a variety of all-alumni events as well as individual reunions for those classes celebrating milestone anniversaries. SAVE THE DATES for Spring Alumni Weekend 2016: April 15-16. Details will be available at www.community.law.umn.edu/saw.

1. Richard Bowman (’65), Dick Kinyon (’65), Tom King (’65), and James Wagemaker (’65)
2. Ron Aucutt (’75) and Bill Ball (’75)
3. Deborah Ellingboe (’95), Jonathan Cleveland (’95), and Howard Roston (’95)
4. Lucinda Hruska-Claeys (’80), Phil Meidl, and William Utermohlen (’80)

ALUMNI WEBINAR SERIES

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1956
Allen Saeks of Stinson Leonard Street in Minneapolis was named a 2015 Minnesota Super Lawyer.

1965
Martha Mills wrote a memoir, published by the American Bar Association, entitled Lawyer, Activist, Judge: Fighting for Civil and Voting Rights in Mississippi and Illinois.

1967
Richard Nygaard of Schwebel, Goetz & Sieben in Minneapolis was named a 2015 Minnesota Super Lawyer. He was also recognized by The Best Lawyers in America for his work in personal injury litigation.

Melvin Ogurak has retired after practicing law for 46 years. Except for his two initial years, he was a member of his own law firm, most recently named Ogurak Family Law & Mediation, PA.

1968
Jim Schwebel of Schwebel, Goetz & Sieben in Minneapolis was named a 2015 Top 100 Minnesota Super Lawyer. He was also recognized by The Best Lawyers in America for his work in personal injury litigation.

1969
Joseph Dixon Jr. of Henson & Efron in Minneapolis was named a 2015 Minnesota Super Lawyer. He was also recognized by The Best Lawyers in America for his work in business litigation and alternative dispute resolution.

1970
Robert R. Weinstine of Winthrop and Weinstine in Minneapolis was named a 2015 Top 100 Minnesota Super Lawyer. He was also recognized by The Best Lawyers in America for his work in business litigation.

1971
William Forsyth of Henson & Efron in Minneapolis was named a 2015 Minnesota Super Lawyer. He was also recognized by The Best Lawyers in America for his work in family law.

1972
Sam Heins was nominated by President Obama to serve as the U.S. Ambassador to Norway. He was a partner at Heins Mills & Olson in Minneapolis from 1994 to 2013, specializing in complex litigation involving securities fraud and antitrust class actions. He has also been a dedicated advocate for international human rights throughout his career.

1973
Alan Eidsness of Henson & Efron in Minneapolis was named a 2015 Top 10 Minnesota Super Lawyer, marking the eighth time since 2005 that he has been recognized in the top 10 of the list.

1976
John Goetz of Schwabe, Goetz & Sieben in Minneapolis was named a 2015 Minnesota Super Lawyer. He was also recognized by The Best Lawyers in America for his work in personal injury litigation.

Hart Kuller of Winthrop & Weinstine in Minneapolis was recognized by The Best Lawyers in America for his work in corporate and securities law.

1977
Pamela Alexander, a judge in Minnesota’s 4th Judicial District, received the Minnesota Women Lawyers 2015 Myra Bradwell Award “for expressing the highest ideals of the legal profession and possessing qualities exemplified by Myra Bradwell such as courage, perseverance, and leadership on issues of concern to women.”

Edward Cleary, chief judge of the Minnesota Court of Appeals, received the Distinguished Humanitarian Award from the Ramsey County Bar Association for “humanitarian service to the bar and the community, and outstanding professional performance and achievement in service to the citizens of Ramsey County.”

Peter Riley of Schwebel, Goetz & Sieben in Minneapolis was named a 2015 Minnesota Super Lawyer. He was also
recognize the Best Lawyers in America for his work in personal injury litigation.

**Malpractice Law—Defendants.**

1978

**Jack Levey** of Plunkett & Cooney in Columbus, Ohio, was appointed chair of the Real Property Committee for the Columbus Bar Association. He was also recognized by The Best Lawyers in America for his work in real estate law.

**Alan Page** received the 2015 Excellence in Diversity Award from the Ramsey County Bar Association for his tireless support of racial fairness in the judicial system while an associate justice of the Minnesota Supreme Court. Page retired from the court earlier this year.

1979

**Reid Rischmiller** joined Meshbesher & Spence’s Minneapolis office as a personal injury lawyer.

**Lynn Roberson** of Miles Mediation and Arbitration Services in Atlanta, Ga., received the 2015 Georgia Association for Women Lawyers’ Kathleen Kessler Award, which honors a female attorney who exhibits the highest degree of professionalism and dedication to service in the legal community. She also received the Commitment to Equality Award from the State Bar of Georgia’s Committee to Promote Inclusion in the Profession, and the Distinguished Service Award from the Atlanta Bar Association.

1980

**Joe Finley** of Stinson Leonard Street in Minneapolis was named a 2015 Minnesota Super Lawyer.

**Max Hacker** of Schwelb, Goetz & Sieben in Minneapolis was named a 2015 Minnesota Super Lawyer.

1981

**Jon J. Hoganson** of Winthrop & Weinstine in Minneapolis was named a 2015 Minnesota Super Lawyer. He was also recognized by The Best Lawyers in America for his work in banking law.

**Jeannine Lee** of Stinson Leonard Street in Minneapolis was named a 2015 Minnesota Super Lawyer.

**David E. Moran** of Winthrop & Weinstine in Minneapolis was named a 2015 Minnesota Super Lawyer.

1982

**Natalie E. Hudson** was appointed an associate justice of the Minnesota Supreme Court. She previously served as a judge on the Minnesota Court of Appeals.

**Ronald Ousky** of the Ousky Law Firm in Minneapolis was named a 2015 Minnesota Super Lawyer. He was also recognized by The Best Lawyers in America for his work in real estate and corporate finance.

**Todd B. Urness** of Winthrop & Weinstine in Minneapolis was named a 2015 Minnesota Super Lawyer. He was also recognized by The Best Lawyers in America for his work in real estate law and corporate finance.

1983

**B. Todd Jones** was appointed the chief disciplinary officer of the National Football League. He had previously been the director of the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives since 2011.

**Tim Marx**, president and chief executive officer of Catholic Charities of St. Paul and Minneapolis, joined the HealthEast Care System board of directors.

1984

**Timothy M. Barnett** of Winthrop & Weinstine in Minneapolis was named a 2015 Minnesota Super Lawyer.

**Philip T. Colton** of Winthrop & Weinstine in Minneapolis was named a 2015 Minnesota Super Lawyer. He was also recognized by The Best Lawyers in America for his work in corporate finance and securities law.

1985

**Jeffrey R. Ansel** of Winthrop & Weinstine in Minneapolis was named a 2015 Minnesota Super Lawyer. He was also recognized by The Best Lawyers in America for his work in real estate and business litigation.

**Gregory Brooker** of the U.S. Department of Justice in Minneapolis was awarded the Minnesota State Bar Association Public Law Section’s Public Attorney Award of Excellence for his 30 years as a public lawyer.

**Patrick Seiter** of Taylor Porter in Baton Rouge, La., was recognized by The Best Lawyers in America as the Lawyer of the Year for Baton Rouge health care law.

1986

**Scott Forland** assumed the position of executive vice president and chief legal officer of MutualAid eXchange Insurance in Overland Park, Kan.

1987

**Michael Piazza** joined DLA Piper’s Los Angeles office as a partner in the litigation practice group, focusing on securities and white collar litigation.

1988

**Jan Conlin** of Ciresi Conlin in Minneapolis was inducted into the International Academy of Trial Lawyers.

**Dan Goldfine** joined Lewis Roca Rothgerber’s Phoenix, Ariz., office as a partner in the litigation practice group.

**Olivia Mastry** received the University of Minnesota School of Public Health’s 2015 Alumni Innovator Award. She is founding partner of The Collective Action Lab, a collaborative forum that fosters cross-sector, large-scale systems change in the health, older adult service, and disability arenas.

**Troy Mayne** of DeWitt Ross & Stevens’ Madison, Wis., office was recognized by The Best Lawyers in America for his work in corporate and real estate law.

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A group of about 20 alumni and students met for breakfast in downtown Duluth. The breakfast coincided with the Minnesota Defense Lawyers Association conference, to allow students and alumni traveling to Duluth for the conference to attend. Event hosts were Duluth-area alumni Matt Thibodeau (’97) and Paula Polasky (’13). Students Sam Thompson (’17), Harold Yun (’16), Jenna Shannon (’16), Lindsey Krause (’16), Alysha Bohanon (’17), Anthony Remick (’16), and Sukanya Momsen (’16) traveled to Duluth for the Minnesota Defense Lawyers Association conference.

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2. Alumni and students enjoy pastries, coffee, and conversation.
About 150 alumni from the classes of 2006-2015 and current law students attended a networking reception and happy hour at Mission American Kitchen and Bar in downtown Minneapolis. The event was hosted by recent graduates Tace James ('14), Erik Mosvick ('13), Henry Pfutzenreuter ('10), and Kate Swenson ('08), and current student Amber Kraemer ('16).

William Stock of Klasko Immigration Law Partners in Philadelphia was elected president of the American Immigration Lawyers Association for the 2015-2016 term. He was also named one of the Top 20 Practitioners in Immigration Law by the 2015 Most Powerful Employment Attorneys Guide.

Robin Ann Williams was elected chief operating officer and managing partner of Bassford Remele in Minneapolis.

Chad Jerdee was appointed general counsel and chief compliance officer of Accenture Legal Group in Chicago.

Jeffrey Bureau was named senior counsel at Thrivent Financial in Minneapolis.

Matthew R. McBride of Winthrop & Weinstine in Minneapolis was named a 2015 Minnesota Super Lawyer.

Fernando Orrantia joined Greenberg Traurig’s Mexico City office as a shareholder. His practice focuses on real estate, mergers and acquisitions, corporate finance, and commercial arbitration.

Laura A. Pfeiffer of Winthrop & Weinstine in Minneapolis was named a 2015 Minnesota Super Lawyer.

Rick Pins of Stinson Leonard Street in Minneapolis was named a 2015 Minnesota Super Lawyer.

Frank Douma was named director of the State and Local Policy Program at the University of Minnesota’s Humphrey School of Public Affairs.

Sarah Duniway was named a managing partner at Gray Plant Mooty.

John Bursch, a partner at Warner Norcross & Judd in Grand Rapids, Mich., was elected to the American Law Institute and to the American Academy of Appellate Lawyers.

Bill Otteson was named deputy general counsel for government and internal investigations at UnitedHealth Group in Minnetonka, Minn.

Jason Lien of Maslon’s Minneapolis office was appointed co-chair of the firm’s litigation practice group.

Mark Zitzewitz was named chief operating officer of TCI Business Capital in Burnsville, Minn. He joined the company as senior vice president and general counsel in 2014.

Stacey Slaughter of Robins Kaplan in Minneapolis was named a Rising Star in Finance in the fourth annual Euromoney Legal Media Group Americas Women in Business Law Awards.

Tracy Holmes Donesky of Stinson Leonard Street in Minneapolis was named a 2015 Minnesota Super Lawyer.

John Nolde of Winthrop & Weinstine in Minneapolis was recognized by The Best Lawyers in America for his work in real estate and corporate law.

Jill Radloff of Stinson Leonard Street in Minneapolis was named a 2015 Minnesota Rising Star by Super Lawyers Magazine.

Peter Wahl of Jackson Walker’s Dallas office was recognized by The Best Lawyers in America for his work in environmental law.

Benjamin Stromberg was named the head of the Public Health and Human Services Division of the St. Louis County Attorney’s Office in northeastern Minnesota.

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RECENT GRADUATE AND STUDENT NETWORKING RECEPTION

1 Alumni and students enjoyed the opportunity to connect and catch up in Minneapolis.
2 Rachel Gartner (’08), Charles Moore (’17), Lauren Meads (’17), and Kevin Kitchen (’17)
3 Allison Rochford (’16), Katarina Lee (’16), Amanda Roberson (’16)
Teresa Laviole, principal at Fish & Richardson’s Minneapolis office, received a 2015 Women Worth Watching award from Profiles in Diversity Journal. The award honors the “top 100 business trailblazers” in corporations, government agencies, and nonprofits across North America and Europe.

Rosalyn Park was appointed director of the Women’s Human Rights Program for The Advocates for Human Rights, an international nonprofit organization based in Minneapolis. Park had been a staff attorney with the program since 2003, and its acting director since June 2014.

Ethan E. Rii has joined the Chicago office of Vedder Price as a shareholder in the health care and health care finance group.

Court Anderson of Henson & Efron in Minneapolis was named an American Lawyer 2005 Up & Coming Attorney.

Nicole Druckrey was appointed to the Wisconsin Supreme Court Board of Administrative Oversight. She is a partner in Quarles & Brady’s Milwaukee office.

Aaron Simon joined Brownson & Linnihan in Minneapolis as a civil litigation associate focusing on professional liability, toxic torts, and insurance coverage litigation.

Anne Behrendt was named chief operating officer of Doran Companies in Bloomington, Minn.

Jaime Driggs of Henson & Efron in Minneapolis was named a 2015 Minnesota Rising Star by Super Lawyers Magazine. He was also recognized by The Best Lawyers in America for his work in family law.

Jared Hager started work at the Civil Division of the U.S. Department of Justice in Portland, Ore.

Amelia Wilson was named the NGO Lawyer of the Year for the Immigration Law Section of the Federal Bar Association.

Allison Woodbury of Stinson Leonard Street in Minneapolis was named a 2015 Minnesota Rising Star by Super Lawyers Magazine.

Christopher Cadem of Cadem Law Group in Fergus Falls, Minn., was named one of Minnesota Lawyer’s 2015 Up & Coming Attorneys.

Anne Cotter of Stinson Leonard Street in Minneapolis was named one of Minnesota Lawyer’s 2015 Up & Coming Attorneys.

Joseph C. Gratz of Durie Tangri in San Francisco was named one of Law360’s Top Attorneys Under 40 for his accomplishments in intellectual property law.

Ryan Miske of Faegre Baker Daniels in Minneapolis was named one of Minnesota Lawyer’s 2015 Up & Coming Attorneys.

Chang Wang, chief research and academic officer at Thomson Reuters, received the Asian Pacific Outstanding Contribution Award from the Minnesota State Council on Asian-Pacific Minnesotans. He also received a Diversity in Business Award presented by the University of St. Thomas Opus College of Business.

Heather Ring is now the executive director of the Innocence Project of Minnesota. She was previously the regional development officer for Human Rights, an international nonprofit organization based in Minneapolis. Park had been a staff attorney with the program since 2003, and its acting director since June 2014.

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Sean Foss was named partner at O’Keefe O’Brien Lyson Foss in Fargo, N.D., where he has practiced as a litigation associate for several years.

Phillip Kitzer joined Teske Micko Katz Kitzer & Rochel in Minneapolis as a partner practicing employment law. He was also named one of Minnesota Lawyer’s 2015 Up & Coming Attorneys.

Amelia Wilson was named the NGO Lawyer of the Year for the Immigration Law Section of the Federal Bar Association.

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2011
Jacob Coleman is seeking the Republican endorsement for the District 47 (Carver County) seat in the Minnesota Senate. He has served in the office of U.S. Representative Erik Paulsen since 2012.

2012
Zachary W. Froelich joined the Minneapolis office of Faegre Baker Daniels as an associate focusing on mergers, acquisitions, and private equity transactions, and particularly the tax implications of such deals. Previously, Froelich clerked for Judge Mark V. Holmes at the U.S. Tax Court.

2013
Edmond Ahadome joined the Minneapolis office of Faegre Baker Daniels as an associate in the intellectual property group. He was also named to The National Black Lawyers Top 40 Under 40 directory for 2015.

2014
Colleen Kelly, an Equal Justice Works fellow sponsored by 3M and Fish & Richardson to work at the Minnesota Assistance Council for Veterans, received a 2015 Veterans’ Voices On the Rise Award. The award recognizes Minnesotans who have honorably served in the U.S. Armed Forces and are making extraordinary contributions to their communities. She served in the U.S. Army Reserve for 10 years and is a two-time veteran of the Iraq War.

2015
Bryan Coe joined Honigman Miller Schwartz and Cohn in Detroit as an associate in the real estate department.
SEPTEMBER 19, 2015
UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
DAY OF SERVICE

Nearly 300 University of Minnesota alumni, including Law School graduates, participated in the second Annual Alumni Day of Service at sites all over the Twin Cities and the nation. New York-area Law School alumni ambassador Sitso Bediako (’08) organized the New York City project. Nearly 20 University graduates participated in the project at Van Cortlandt Park in the Bronx, where they removed invasive weeds from a wetlands area in the park.

1 U of M grads remove invasive weeds from wetlands at Van Cortlandt Park in the Bronx.
2 Day of Service participants from the New York City area
3 University students and graduates Sam Mosbrucker, Heather Dunlop, Joe Cherion, and Colleen Bharadwaj (’11) package meals for community members dealing with major illnesses at Open Arms in south Minneapolis.

OCTOBER 30, 2015
CLASS OF 2015
WELCOME TO THE BAR BREAKFAST

Graduates from the class of 2015 and their families and friends gathered for breakfast before the Minnesota Bar Admissions Ceremony at the St. Paul RiverCentre. Dean Wippman and David Potter (’80), chair of the Law School’s Board of Advisors, congratulated the recent graduates on their achievements and welcomed them officially to the bar and to the University of Minnesota Law School alumni community.

1 George Griffiths III, Amy Griffiths, and George Griffiths (’15)
2 The Welcome to the Bar Breakfast is always a family affair.
3 Nick Devine and Mikaela Devine (’15)
TRIBUTES

JOHN W. MOOTY
CLASS OF 1944

JOHN W. MOOTY, WHO GRADUATED first in his Law School class and became a leader in law, business, and philanthropy, died April 17, 2015, in Edina, Minn. He was 92.

Born in Adrian, Minn., Mooty earned a BSL degree at the University of Minnesota before enrolling at the Law School, where he served on the Minnesota Law Review and received the Order of the Coif. His first job, practicing corporate and merger-and-acquisition law at the firm now known as Gray Plant Mooty, lasted 70 years.

Highly respected for his business acumen, Mooty rescued two iconic brands from near oblivion. In 1959, he became part owner of and general counsel to National Car Rental, reversing the company's downslide before selling it in 1969. He did the same for International Dairy Queen, serving as board chairman for more than 20 years before Warren Buffett acquired the company in 1998. He served on the boards of numerous corporations, including Faribault Woolen Mill, and was inducted into the Minnesota Business Hall of Fame in 2003.

Among his many civic contributions, Mooty was president of the Citizens League, Rotary Club, and St. John's Lutheran Church, chairman of the Governor’s Task Force on Education, and acting chairman of the Minnesota Republican Party, as well as a frequent campaign chair and convention delegate. He coached his sons’ baseball teams and was deeply committed to both family and alma mater, where he presided over the Alumni Association, chartered the Law School’s capital fund campaign, and received the University’s Alumni Service, Outstanding Achievement, and Regent Awards. A professorship in honor of Mooty was established at the Law School in 1990, and Professor Paul M. Vaaler holds the John and Bruce Mooty Chair in Law and Business.

Mooty is survived by his wife of 43 years, Jane Glaser Mooty; children David (’78), Bruce (’80), Charles, Barbara Glaser, and Chip Glaser; and their spouses; 17 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

JOHN D. GOULD
CLASS OF 1953

JOHN D. GOULD, A FOUNDER OF the Minneapolis-based intellectual property law firm Merchant & Gould and a leading figure in the legal community for six decades, died May 13, 2015, in St. Paul. He was 88.

Born in Minneapolis, Gould had what he called a “rather idyllic” childhood and graduated first in his high school class in 1945. He enlisted in the Navy and served 13 months as a radio technician, then enrolled at the University, earning his bachelor’s degree in physics in 1950. After receiving his J.D. from the Law School, he worked briefly as a law clerk at the newly formed Honeywell Corp. before signing on with a small family law firm then known as Merchant & Merchant. He would remain there for 60 years, in time becoming name partner, managing partner, president, and board chair as the firm grew to have offices in eight U.S. cities and a staff of more than 100 attorneys.

Gould’s specialty was patent litigation, and in that capacity he represented clients ranging from lone inventors to such major corporations and institutions as 3M, Medtronic, and the Mayo Clinic. He served as president of the Minnesota Intellectual Property Law Association in 1997-98, received the Professionalism Award from the Hennepin County Bar Association in 2000, served as a court-appointed mediator and arbitrator, and frequently lectured at law schools around the country. In 2013, the Minnesota Law Review presented him with its Distinguished Alumni Award.

Gould is survived by his wife of 64 years, Mary Ravlin Gould, five children, ten grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.
IN MEMORIAM

CLASS OF 1942
Howard H. Gelb
September 1, 2015
St. Paul, Minn.

CLASS OF 1944
John W. Moooty
April 17, 2015
Bloomington, Minn.

CLASS OF 1948
Arnold H. Martinsen
November 6, 2014
Lenexa, Kan.

Robert C. Rice
July 23, 2015
Flandreau, S.D.

CLASS OF 1949
Sherman Garon
March 23, 2015
St. Louis Park, Minn.

CLASS OF 1951
Maurice C. Lizee
February 2, 2015
Excelsior, Minn.

Mac M. McGrew
December 11, 2014
Sauk Rapids, Minn.

CLASS OF 1952
Arnold W. Larson
May 25, 2015
Duluth, Minn.

Raymond C. Ploetz
August 3, 2015
Hanover, Minn.

CLASS OF 1953
John D. Gould
May 13, 2015
St. Paul, Minn.

Arthur S. Nelson
April 10, 2015
Edina, Minn.

CLASS OF 1954
Richard D. Allen
August 2015
Edina, Minn.

Roger W. Schnobrich
May 2015
Wayzata, Minn.

CLASS OF 1958
Richard C. Hefte
May 31, 2015
St. Paul, Minn.

Terry C. Klas
April 19, 2015
Chaska, Minn.

CLASS OF 1960
Roger D. Weisman
July 4, 2015
Westlake Village, Calif.

CLASS OF 1961
Lloyd Graven
March 23, 2015
Crystal, Minn.

CLASS OF 1965
Stephen A. Bard
April 8, 2015
West Palm Beach, Fla.

CLASS OF 1966
Richard J. Schieffer
September 12, 2015
Independence, Minn.

CLASS OF 1967
Ford M. Robbins
June 25, 2015
Santa Fe, N.M.

Floyd D. Rudy
August 12, 2015
Cloquet, Minn.

CLASS OF 1972
John G. Skogmo
April 4, 2015
Minneapolis, Minn.

CLASS OF 1977
Carolyn M. Viets
May 27, 2015
Cape Coral, Fla.

CLASS OF 1982
Michael T. Tierney
June 23, 2015
Lake Nebagamon, Wis.

CLASS OF 2003
Jason A. Koch
June 20, 2015
Maplewood, Minn.
THANK YOU, PARTNERS AT WORK

Thank you to all volunteers, organizations, and firms that participated in the 8th annual Partners at Work challenge, which ended on June 30, 2015. Overall, 62% of alumni at 36 organizations made a gift to the Law School. This year, 7 participants achieved 100% alumni giving.

The Partners at Work challenge is a friendly competition to increase alumni giving participation at organizations that employ University of Minnesota Law School alumni.

A special thank you to those organizations that finished at the top of each respective group!

GROUP 1  (UP TO 9 ALUMNI)

- Gaskins Bennett Birrell Schupp  100%
- Kaplan, Strangis and Kaplan  100%
- Schwebel, Goetz & Sieben  100%
- Zimmerman Reed  100%
- Monroe Moxness Berg  88%

GROUP 2  (10-24 ALUMNI)

- Bassford Remele  100%
- Lind, Jensen, Sullivan & Peterson  100%
- Fish & Richardson  94%
- Nilan Johnson Lewis  93%
- Henson & Efron  88%

GROUP 3  (25+ ALUMNI)

- Maslon  100%
- Winthrop & Weinstine  92%
- Stinson Leonard Street  74%
- Dorsey & Whitney  66%
- Faegre Baker Daniels  65%

For the full results of the Partners at Work challenge, go to www.law.umn.edu/generations/partners-at-work.html.
PLEASE JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE THE LAW SCHOOL AND ITS ALUMNI DURING A WEEKEND OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE ENTIRE LAW SCHOOL COMMUNITY.

FRIDAY, APRIL 15: STUDENT AND ALUMNI NETWORKING EVENT AND ALL-ALUMNI COCKTAIL RECEPTION
SATURDAY, APRIL 16: CLE PROGRAM, ALUMNI & FACULTY LUNCHEON, AND INDIVIDUAL CLASS REUNIONS

SPECIAL REUNION EVENTS WILL BE HELD FOR THE CLASSES OF:

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, OR IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN THE PLANNING OF YOUR CLASS REUNION, PLEASE CONTACT DINAH ZEBOT, DIRECTOR OF ALUMNI RELATIONS & ANNUAL GIVING:
612.626.8671 OR DCZEBOT@umn.edu

Spring Alumni Weekend is about returning to remember your years at the Law School and the friendships you built here. We hope you will be able to attend to celebrate and to reconnect with the Law School.
We look forward to seeing you in April!

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