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A MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

DEAR FRIENDS OF GW LAW,

It gives me great pleasure to introduce this latest edition of the George Washington University Law School's alumni magazine. I am delighted to extend warm greetings to members of our GW Law alumni family, a group totaling more than 27,000 worldwide, as well as to the many friends of the law school.

News continues to abound at GW Law. Our yearlong 150th anniversary celebration concluded in September with a Constitution Day visit by U.S. Supreme Court Justice Elena Kagan. Justice Kagan not only met with faculty, students, and staff, but also capped her visit with a lively conversation-style presentation moderated by Professor Brad Clark in Lisner Auditorium. Earlier in the year, Justice Samuel Alito judged the final round of the Van Vleck Constitutional Law Moot Court Competition, marking the seventh time in nine years that a Supreme Court justice has anchored the bench at the Van Vleck final.

This issue of our award-winning magazine also provides a snapshot of some of the countless ways in which GW Law students, faculty, and alumni are making a difference here in Washington and around the globe. In our cover story, "A Second Chance at Life," you will read about the tireless efforts of GW Law clinic students to obtain clemency for two D.C. men, who are happily rebuilding their lives after decades in federal prison. "Paying it Forward" introduces you to the deserving recipients of this year's Morgan Lewis Foundation Diversity Scholarships, whose compelling stories of overcoming the odds truly inspire.

Rounding out this edition of the magazine are narratives focused on the late Justice Antonin Scalia's multidimensional connection to GW Law, a unique constitutional law seminar co-taught by former U.S. Attorney General William P. Barr and Professor Greg Maggs, and our community's response in real time to decisions in Washington.

Of course, no account of GW Law would be complete without news of the myriad accomplishments of our extraordinary alumni, and this issue does not disappoint. GW Law alumni form a remarkable group that continues to affect positively communities and markets all over the world. A highlight of my deanship has been the opportunity to meet many of you around the globe. I look forward to crossing paths with many more of you in the coming months.

Enjoy this fascinating edition of *GW Law* magazine, and please keep in touch. You continue to enrich the fine legacy that defines GW Law.

SINCERELY,

BLAKE D. MORANT

Dean and Robert Kramer Research
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A Supreme Conversation



GW Law Professor Brad Clark and Supreme Court Justice Elena Kagan

U.S. SUPREME COURT JUSTICE Elena Kagan doesn't consider that she was destined for the nation's highest bench. In fact, she told a packed audience at Lisner Auditorium that she went to law school "for all the wrong reasons."

"All of my career has been like that—a lot of serendipity, a lot of chance," she said during a relaxed—and often funny—on-stage conversation with GW Law Professor Bradford R. Clark, a longtime friend. The

“YOU ARE THE FUTURE OF THE LEGAL PROFESSION, SO TO THE EXTENT WE CAN COMMUNICATE WITH YOU, WE’RE SHAPING THE NEXT GENERATION OF LEGAL THOUGHT.”

—Justice Elena Kagan

event, held in honor of Constitution Day, closed the law school's yearlong 150th anniversary celebration.

After graduating from Harvard Law School, Justice Kagan clerked for Justice Thurgood Marshall, the pioneering former civil rights attorney and first African American to serve on the Supreme Court. She described it as a "heady experience."

"He was one of the few people to have served as a Supreme Court justice who would have been in the history books without being a Supreme Court justice," Justice Kagan said. "You sit there and you realize that you're working for one of the icons of American law—a hugely influential figure in American history."

After her clerkship, Justice Kagan worked for a few years as an associate at D.C. law firm Williams & Connolly, then taught at the University of Chicago Law School. She served as an adviser to President Bill Clinton from 1995 to 1999, first as associate White House counsel and then as deputy



Dean Blake D. Morant and GW President Steven Knapp flank Justice Elena Kagan.

assistant to the president for domestic policy and deputy director of the Domestic Policy Council.

Subsequently, she became a visiting professor and, eventually, the first female dean at Harvard Law School.

In 2009, President Obama selected her as the first female solicitor general—the lawyer who argues for the federal government before the country's highest courts. At the time, Justice Kagan had never before argued a case in an appellate court. Her first argument was on the government's behalf in *Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission*, a landmark campaign finance case before the Supreme Court.

"I have a pretty reasonable opinion of myself—I'm not suffering in the self-esteem department," she said, recalling the moments before she took the podium. "But my heart was pounding." Justice Kagan said she barely finished the first sentence of her argument when Justice Antonin Scalia leaned over the bench, booming, "No, no, no, no, no!"

"That kind of got me into it," she said, laughing.

Justices Kagan and Scalia were close friends until his death in February 2016, going on frequent hunting trips together. She said Justice Scalia's famously scathing and eloquent opinions were written with law students in mind.

"You are the future of the legal profession, so to the extent we can communicate with you, we're shaping the next generation of legal thought," she told audience members, a majority of whom were first-year students from GW Law.

Courting Victory



ABOVE Dean Blake Morant (left) and Caleb Raymond, President of the Moot Court Board (right), present Catherine Akenhead (center) with her plaques for Best Brief, Best Oralist, and Best Overall Competitor for the 2017 Van Vleck Moot Court Competition.

LEFT Judges Kathleen M. O'Malley (Federal Circuit), Raymond F. Kethledge (Sixth Circuit) and William J. Kayatta Jr. (First Circuit) question competitors during the Van Vleck Final.

BELOW 2017 Van Vleck finalists (left to right) Sarah Cornwell, Brittany Crosby, Michelle Ramus, and Elizabeth Upton with Associate Dean Alan B. Morrison

THE FINAL ROUND OF GW LAW'S 67th annual Van Vleck Constitutional Law Moot Court Competition took place on Jan. 25 at the Dorothy Betts Marvin Theatre. The competition, named for William C. Van Vleck—the longest-serving dean in GW Law history—is the law school's largest and longest-running upper-level advocacy contest.

This year's finalists, 2Ls Michelle Ramus and Elizabeth Upton v. 3Ls Brittany Crosby and Sarah Cornwell, argued before a bench featuring Judge William J. Kayatta Jr. (First Circuit), Judge Raymond M. Kethledge (Sixth Circuit), and Judge Kathleen M. O'Malley (Federal Circuit). Working in teams of two, the 3Ls represented the petitioners, while the 2Ls represented the respondents.

Judges fired questions at the four finalists, leaving the theater filled with uncertainty as to who would clinch first place. After hearing from both sides, the judges announced Ms. Ramus and Ms. Upton as the winners.

Following the oral arguments, the



finalists were given the opportunity to meet with the judges. "The opportunity to receive personalized and detailed feedback from a First Circuit, Sixth Circuit, and Federal Circuit judge is something that most

law students and lawyers are not able to receive this early in their legal career," Ms. Crosby says.

This marks the second consecutive year of an all-female Van Vleck final.



Professorial Lecturer of Law Janet Fries, JD '94, stands with her work at the new gallery.



"Woman" by Hersh Acharya, LLM '14

COMMUNITY ART GALLERY SHOWCASES PHOTOGRAPHY

THE NEW GW LAW COMMUNITY ART Gallery in the Law Learning Center is spotlighting the photography of seven law school community members. The exhibit was the idea of Professor Robert Brauneis, who says the law school can gain from sharing the arts.

Professor Brauneis and Associate Dean Scott Pagel sought and gained approval from Dean Blake D. Morant to form a committee made up of faculty, staff,

student, and alumni representatives. The group decided to focus first on photography, rather than sculptures, oil paintings, and other works that are more difficult to display and maintain.

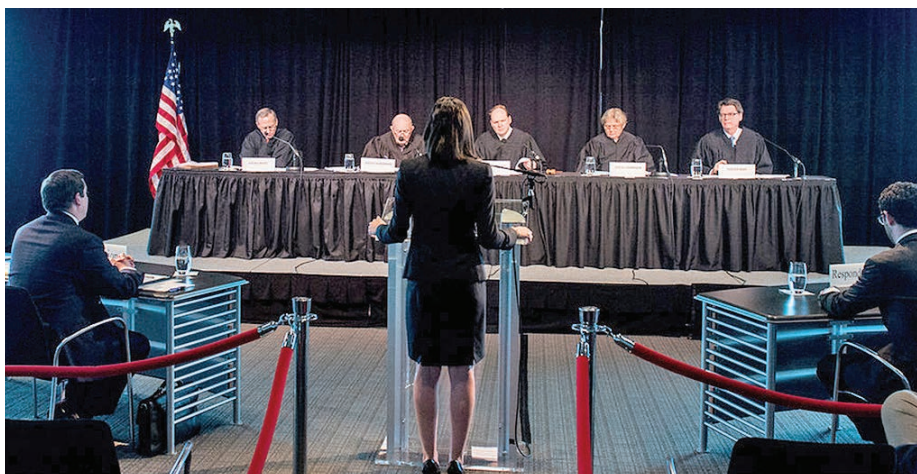
The exhibit features the photography of: Hersh Acharya, LLM '14; Dennis Brack, LLB '65; Associate Director for Student Academic Development Claire Duggan, JD '13; Professorial Lecturer in Law Janet Fries, JD '94; and professors of law Todd Peterson, Sonia Suter, and Wajihah Zahid Khuwaja, LLM '16.

Going forward, the gallery plans to add two new works of art per year. Those

interested in putting their work up for consideration can contact the committee at art@law.gwu.edu.

The welcoming statement at the GW Law Community Art Gallery notes: "You may learn that someone you knew only from her remarks on a legal topic is an individual of multifaceted depth. You may discover that amateurs and professionals alike can produce works of great beauty and insight. You may be encouraged in your own diverse pursuits, whether they involve art, or music, or cooking, or coding, or something completely different."

GW LAW: A TOP SCHOOL FOR MOOT COURT SUCCESS



Arguments in the Seigenthaler-Sutherland Cup National First Amendment Moot Court Competition at the Newseum. GW Law students Warren Kessler and Renee Reasoner were semi-finalists and won "Best Brief."

GW LAW IS ONE OF THE BEST schools in the country when it comes to moot court success, according to *preLaw* magazine.

Each year, the Blakely Advocacy Institute identifies top schools based on an intricate scoring technique that looks at the quality

of the competitions, the size of the events, and each school's overall performance. To develop its top 20 list, *preLaw* used data from the Blakely Advocacy Institute, combining schools' points from moot court competitions from 2009 to 2016.

"This is noteworthy because it looks at GW Law's moot court success over a significant period of time," says Assistant Dean for Pro Bono and Advocacy Programs David Johnson. "It takes a lot of hard work from our students and commitment from the law school—both financially and in teaching and coaching—to accomplish this."

Assistant Dean Johnson says the scores do not reflect international competitions where GW Law's moot court teams have posted success.

"GW Law has achieved excellent recent success in international moot courts in India, Brazil, Italy, England, Japan, and elsewhere. Additionally, the ranking also does not factor in the moot courts we host, and GW Law holds seven every academic year, including one where half the members of the current Supreme Court have presided over the finals," says Assistant Dean Johnson. "If they factored in our international successes as well as the moot courts we host, our ranking would most assuredly be even higher."

Students Selected for Diversity Legal Programs and Scholarships

DURING THE SPRING AND SUMMER of 2016, more than 20 GW Law students were selected for a variety of competitive programs promoting and enhancing diversity in the legal profession. Students were chosen to participate in law firm diversity programs, regional programs sponsored by law firms and corporations, and judicial internships with employers across the nation. Some students also received monetary scholarships typically awarded to students from underrepresented groups with demonstrated academic excellence and financial need.

The Leadership Council on Legal Diversity (LCLD) is one example of an organization committed to creating a diverse U.S. legal profession. According to Robert Grey, President of LCLD, “The

LCLD 1L Scholars Program gives law students the opportunity to work side-by-side with attorneys from LCLD member organizations—over 250 Fortune 500 in-house legal departments and AmLaw350 law firms. It provides them with substantive professional experience while introducing them to the value of relationships and building networks. The program includes a skills-building conference at the beginning of the summer and regular networking opportunities over the course of the summer.”

“Law remains one of the least diverse professions in the country,” says Associate Dean Abraham Pollack, head of the GW Law Career Center. “GW Law is committed to removing barriers so that our profession reflects society as a whole.”

GW Law has a range of resources and programs developed by Jaya Saxena, director of the Dean’s Diversity and Inclusion Initiative, to prepare eligible students to compete for these opportunities. Students who received diversity scholarships and were selected to participate in diversity programs in the spring and summer of 2016 include:

Janisse Bruno (GlaxoSmithKline), **Sophia Chen** (Schnader Harrison Segal & Lewis), **Patrick Lee** (Comcast), and **Raymond Vanderhyden** (Flaster Greenberg) were placed through the Philadelphia Diversity Law Group Fellows Program, which matches eligible students with law firms and corporations in the Philadelphia area.

Shane Bryan (Lerch, Early & Brewer), **Stephnie John** (Walker, Murphy & Nelson), **Amber Orr** (Joseph, Greenwald & Laake), and **Nidhi Patel** (Stein Sperling) were selected to participate in the Montgomery County Summer Scholars Diversity Pipeline Program, which matches eligible students with law firms in Montgomery County, Md. They were four of 15 students selected to participate in this program from all D.C.-area law schools.

Iman Lyons (George J. Hazell, U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland) was placed through the Just the Beginning Foundation Judicial Internship Program,



A large contingent of GW Law students was selected for highly competitive diversity programs and scholarships in 2016.

which aims to place highly qualified diverse applicants in judicial internships throughout the country.

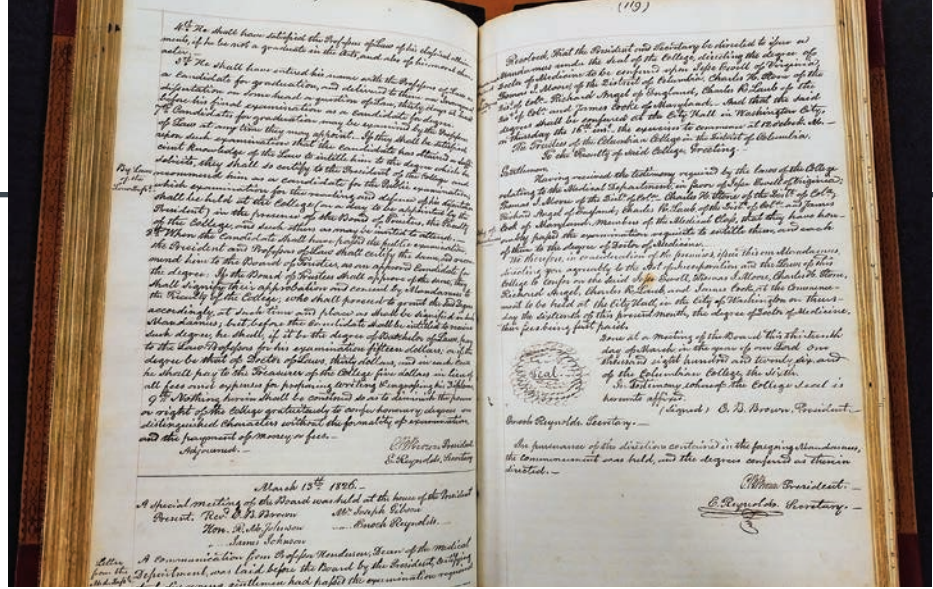
Jasmine Smith (Gladys Kessler, U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia) was selected for a judicial internship through the American Bar Association's (ABA) Judicial Intern Opportunity Program, which places diverse first-year law students in judicial internships throughout the country and provides them with awards of \$2,000.

Breanna Smith (Sara Ellis, U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois) was selected for a judicial internship through the ABA's Judicial Interns Opportunity Program and the Just the Beginning Foundation Judicial Internship Program, both of which were previously described.

Devron Brown (Fannie Mae), **Christina Kung** (King & Spalding), **Eman Lemu** (Carlton Fields), **Obiobodo Onyeozili** (Willis Towers Watson), **Ja Hyeon Park** (Prudential Financial Inc.), and **Razi Safi** (Bryan Cave) were selected to participate in the Leadership Council on Legal Diversity's (LCLD) 1L LCLD Scholars Program, which places students in summer internships with LCLD member organizations. The purpose of the program is to strengthen the legal pipeline by expanding the number of opportunities for diverse first-year law students. Ms. Lemu was also the recipient of the Morgan Lewis Foundation Diversity Scholarship and the Wm. Reece Smith, Jr. Diversity Scholarship. Ms. Park was also selected for the Prudential 1L summer internship through the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association's partnership with the company.

Beck Zucker was a recipient of the PracticePro 1L Diversity Scholarship Program, which is an all-inclusive training and coaching program that strives to help practice-ready diverse attorneys. Participants attend a number of conferences and training seminars to learn both substantive and soft skills and competencies required of attorneys in practice.

Samantha Lewis, Dennis Hui, Angela Jimenez, Trevor Tanifum, and Wuping Ye



A LEGAL MISCELLANEA WINS AALL 2016 PUBLICATIONS AWARD

THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF LAW LIBRARIES (AALL) SELECTED A *LEGAL Miscellanea: The Gazette of the Jacob Burns Law Library* as the winner of the 2016 Law Library Publications Award, Nonprint Division. The award was presented in July during the organization's annual meeting in Chicago. The Law Library Publications Award honors the creation of in-house library materials that are outstanding in quality and significance.

"The Jacob Burns Law Library is honored by the selection of *A Legal Miscellanea* for this prestigious award," says Jennie C. Meade, the publication's editor. "We have ventured into new territory, and our contributors are delighted with the result."

The online gazette is an eclectic mix of law book and legal history articles, with a focus on the law library's special collections and its rare books. It ranges from an in-depth look at rare legal texts and interviews with legal history "celebrities," to book reviews and historical analysis.

The most recent article posted to *A Legal Miscellanea* is "Life of a Library: A History of the George Washington University Law Library." For this article and others, visit alegalmiscellanea.com.

After its tenth anniversary in 2015, the gazette transformed from a print publication to a digital one. Before moving online, *A Legal Miscellanea* had won top awards from AALL in 2011 and 2008.

were selected to participate in the Spring 2016 Alliance of Securities and Financial Educators (ASAFE) Securities and Finance Law Seminar Series. This is a four-part seminar series hosted by law firms Davis Polk, Skadden, and Sidley for a select group of diverse second- and third-year law students in D.C. and Baltimore who are interested in securities and finance law.

Eric Hernandez (Vinson & Elkins) was a recipient of the firm's 2016 Diversity Fellowship, composed of a \$7,000 scholarship and a summer position in one of the firm's U.S. offices. Additionally, the firm is an active member of the Leadership Council on Legal Diversity (LCLD) and sends 1L summer associates to the LCLD Scholars Summit. This year, Mr. Hernandez was one of the students selected to attend the summit, held in Chicago, on behalf of the firm.

Antionette Carradine and Claudia Ojeda were recipients of the Minority Corporate Counsel Association (MCCA) Lloyd M. Johnson, Jr. Scholarship Program ("LMJ Scholarship") that grants scholarships of \$10,000 to students entering their first year of law school. Ms. Ojeda was also the recipient of the McGuireWoods' 2016 Annual Diversity Scholarship, featuring an award of \$5,000 toward tuition and books, and a Morgan Lewis Foundation Diversity Scholarship awarded to second- and third-year law students from underrepresented groups with demonstrated academic excellence and financial need.

Vincent Glynn joined **Eman Lemu** and **Claudia Ojeda** in receiving 2016 Morgan Lewis Foundation Diversity Scholarships (read their full story in "Paying it Forward," page 32.)

Class of 2016 Sets Records for Pro Bono Service



More than 200 members of the Class of 2016 enjoyed a pre-game celebration at Nationals Park in recognition of their pro bono service.

THE CLASS OF 2016 REACHED NEW heights for student participation in legal assistance projects and pro bono hours volunteered. A record-breaking 201 graduates contributed 68,369 pro bono hours, nearly doubling the previous year's high mark of 35,875.89 hours (itself an increase of 39 percent over 2014).

To celebrate the graduates' accomplishment, the law school held its annual Pro Bono Recognition Ceremony at Nationals' Park in May. The pre-game celebration is held annually at the Washington Nationals stadium because the Lerner Family, which owns the team, also endowed the Associate Dean for Public Interest and Public Service Law position, currently held by Alan Morrison. Associate Dean Morrison spoke at the beginning of the ceremony about the importance of public service and presented students with their awards. George Washington, the Nationals' mascot and university's namesake, also made an appearance to congratulate the students.

Graduating JD students completing



Alan B. Morrison, Lerner Family Associate Dean for Public Interest and Public Service Law, addresses the crowd at the 2016 Pro Bono Recognition Ceremony.

60 hours or more of pro bono legal services and LLM students contributing 30 or more hours were recognized by the law school with a dean's certificate and listing in the graduation program. Graduates who contributed more than 100 hours received further recognition from the Obama administration and the university.

"This truly impressive accomplishment

“ THIS TRULY IMPRESSIVE ACCOMPLISHMENT BY THE CLASS OF 2016 REFLECTS ONE OF THE CORE MISSIONS OF GW LAW'S PRO BONO PROGRAM. ”

—David Johnson



Alan B. Morrison and David Johnson flank honoree Aleksandra Pinkhasova, JD '16, at the 2016 Pro Bono Recognition Ceremony.

by the Class of 2016 reflects one of the core missions of GW Law's Pro Bono Program: to start the pro bono habit," says David Johnson, assistant dean for pro bono and advocacy programs. "If as a law student you begin to do this, it makes it that much easier to continue to make time to help others later in life when you have a family, a mortgage, and many other demands on your time."

BLENDING CLASSROOM LEARNING WITH REAL WORLD EXPERIENCE

PRO BONO IS ALWAYS A WIN-WIN for law students, who provide assistance to others while learning real-world skills. But the benefits multiply when students' pro bono projects overlap with what they are learning in class, as is the case with four pro bono projects here at GW.

Three years ago, the law school brought the Mid-Atlantic Innocence Project (MAIP) to GW, mainly to provide outside placement opportunities for up to 10 students each semester and during the summer. Working with MAIP, students learn how hard it is to free the wrongly convicted. All of the work involves real clients seeking release from prison, starting with case screenings (conducted by volunteers beginning their second semester of law school) and ultimately encompassing complete reviews of all records, interviews with witnesses, and preparing documents for court submissions. All students take criminal law, and many study criminal procedure and other advanced courses related to the criminal justice system. Their work with MAIP gives them a whole new perspective, which enriches them and those in their substantive courses.

Thanks to another new pro bono initiative, 23 law students assisted more than 100 GW students and staff members last year with preparing and submitting their federal and state income tax returns, all without leaving campus. The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA), revived at GW two years ago by Jinni Trusko, JD '16, and her colleagues, benefits volunteers and clients alike. Tax courses can seem rather theoretical, but seeing how the various provisions play out when working on actual tax returns provides new insights for student volunteers that cannot be learned in the classroom.

Similarly, the Self-Help Center at the

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Family Division at the D.C. Superior Court, now in its fourth year, provides students with valuable real-world experience. Under the supervision of former clinic attorney Caroline Rogus, LLM '13, upper-class students, who are taking or have taken family law, provide assistance to *pro se* parties (who constitute 90 percent or more of all people involved in divorces at the court). The majority of clients are referred to the center by judges handling their cases because the clients do not understand the basics of what happens in court. By volunteering at the center, students experience firsthand how the law plays out in situations where clients do not have an attorney and cannot get beyond the basics of filing a complaint.

GW Law students interested in bankruptcy law are reaping myriad benefits from a pro bono program established several years ago by the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in the District of Columbia. Jeffrey Sherman, JD '81, leads the program, which helps individuals without lawyers file for bankruptcy. Each semester, students enrolled in bankruptcy courses assist clients under the tutelage of Mr. Sherman and other experienced bankruptcy lawyers. The student volunteers help individuals complete a multitude of forms, while at the same time obtaining a greater appreciation of how bankruptcies work in practice.



Criminal Justice panelists (left to right) Kue Lattimore, JD '07 (former Prince George's County, Md., State's Attorney), Faithe Taylor, JD '85 (Assistant U.S. Attorney, Eastern District of Pennsylvania), Andrew Szekely, JD '04 (Federal Public Defender, Maryland), and Johanna Leshner, JD '02 (Maryland Public Defender), with Roger A. Fairfax, Jr. (GW Law Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs).

GW LAW HOSTS INAUGURAL PUBLIC INTEREST-PUBLIC SERVICE REUNION

A LARGE CONTINGENT OF PUBLIC-spirited alumni and students gathered on campus April 7-8 for GW Law's Inaugural Public Interest-Public Service Reunion.

The weekend honored accomplished public interest and public service alumni from around the country, who shared experiences and provided students with insights, networking opportunities, and first-hand knowledge about working in the field.

The reunion included a reception, breakout sessions, and panel discussions featuring GW Law alumni practitioners on Criminal Justice, Representing Low and Moderate Income Individuals, and Government Non-Litigation. Rounding out the program were updates by the law school's directors of clinics, field placement, career services, and pro bono on the current public interest and public service landscape at GW.

"It was wonderful to see so many alumni from around the country, as well as members of our current student body, united by a passion for public interest and public service," says Dean Blake D. Morant, who delivered the welcome address. "We look forward to this important reunion becoming a regular event at our law school."

GW RANKS FOURTH NATIONALLY IN STUDENT PRO BONO HOURS

IN ITS WINTER 2017 ISSUE, *PRELAW* MAGAZINE RANKED GW LAW AMONG THE TOP law schools nationally in three key areas: pro bono, trial advocacy, and international law.

GW Law students clocked the fourth highest number of pro bono hours in the country, behind Georgetown, Fordham, and Harvard universities. GW was also singled out as one of the best law schools in the country to study trial advocacy.

Christopher Bracey Discusses Dred Scott on C-SPAN

A NEW SERIES BY C-SPAN AND THE National Constitution Center features in-depth commentary by Professor Christopher A. Bracey on the Supreme Court case *Dred Scott v. Sandford*. In the series' segment on "Landmark Cases," Professor Bracey explains the history of the case, in which the court sided 7-2 on the side of slavery. The court declared that Dred Scott and other blacks could not be citizens of the United States and that Congress lacked the authority to prohibit slavery in the territories. During the C-SPAN program, Professor Bracey, who also serves as GW's associate provost, responded to questions and comments from the public.



Professor Christopher A. Bracey



Associate Dean Alan Morrison

ALAN MORRISON HONORED FOR SERVICE TO D.C.

D.C. APPLESEED, AN ORGANIZATION dedicated to improving the lives of those who work and live in the capital region, recently honored Alan Morrison, Lerner Family Associate Dean for Public Interest and Public Service Law. At a September awards dinner, Associate Dean Morrison was spotlighted for his work with D.C. Appleseed, where he was a founding board member and remains active. He was also recognized for his recent victory as co-counsel to Mayor Muriel Bowser. In that case, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia dismissed a challenge to the validity of the city's budget autonomy referendum.

NEW ASSOCIATE DEAN OF STUDENTS TAKES THE HELM

DEAN BLAKE D. MORANT HAS appointed Elizabeth Ewert as GW Law's new associate dean of students.

"She brings a wealth of experience to this position and a strong commitment to supporting students in their academic and personal endeavors," says Dean Morant. "We know that she will play a vitally important role in helping our students navigate the many facets of their GW Law experience for many years to come."

Previously, Ms. Ewert directed academic enhancement programs at Georgetown University Law Center, where she oversaw the Center for Wellness Promotion, created an academic support function, and worked on diversity and inclusion, student organization advising, academic policy and curriculum evaluation, and co-curricular program development. She also has taught as an adjunct professor of legal research and writing at GW Law.

A member of the District of Columbia, Maryland, and California state bars, Ms. Ewert is a graduate of Washington & Lee School of Law and Georgetown University. Before entering law school administration, she spent nearly two decades as a litigator in private practice, including as a partner in the Washington, D.C., office of Drinker Biddle & Reath.

"Success and well-being come when students are engaged in authentic expression of their core values in their academic, personal, and professional lives," says Ms. Ewert. "I look forward to partnering with GW Law's superb faculty and administration in continuing to create the best possible place for students to not only learn law, but learn to formulate, articulate, and live out those core values."

The Office of the Dean of Students provides academic, co-curricular, and personal assistance to help ensure student



Associate Dean of Students Elizabeth Ewert

success at GW Law. The office also oversees student organizations and orientation programs, offers student publication support, and coordinates the annual academic awards program.

NEW BOOK LOOKS AT SPEECH RIGHTS IN SCHOOLS

IN HER NEW BOOK, *LESSONS IN Censorship: How Schools and Courts Subvert Students' First Amendment Rights*, GW Law Professor Catherine Ross explores how court rulings affect the speech rights of students in U.S. public schools. The book also examines how well-intentioned efforts to combat bullying and hate speech may violate students' constitutional rights and proposes ways to protect free speech without disrupting education.



Professor Catherine Ross discusses her new book.

GW LAW WELCOMES ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF LEGAL RESEARCH ANITA SINGH

ANITA SINGH IS THE NEWEST associate professor of legal research and writing at GW Law, as well as associate director of the school's Legal Research and Writing Program. She previously served as chief of staff and counselor at the National Security Division of the U.S. Department of Justice, where she oversaw the operations of nearly 400 attorneys and other professionals responsible for protecting the country against international and domestic terrorism, espionage, cyber attacks, and other national security threats. She has a JD and an AM in criminology



Associate Professor Anita Singh

from the University of Pennsylvania, and a BA in English and sociology from Southern Methodist University. Prior to her legal career, she was a strategic management consultant with the Boston Consulting Group.

DMITRY KARSHTEDT WINS SELECTIVE IP AWARD



Associate Professor Dmitry Karshedt

CONGRATULATIONS GO TO Dmitry Karshedt, who was awarded the Thomas Edison Innovation Fellowship Award by the Center for the Protection of Intellectual Property in October. Prior to his appointment to GW Law's faculty in 2015 as an associate professor of law, he was an associate with Wilson, Sonsini, Goodrich and Rosati of Palo Alto, Calif., and served as a law clerk to Judge Kimberly A. Moore of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. He received his AB from Harvard University, his PhD in chemistry from the University of California, Berkeley, and his JD from Stanford University.

DEAN MORANT PRESIDES OVER AALS ANNUAL MEETING

GW LAW DEAN BLAKE D. MORANT, who served as president of the Association of American Law Schools (AALS) in 2015, presided over the 110th AALS Annual Meeting. The five-day event in New York was packed with discussion. Dean Morant hosted a program on "Challenges Facing the Legal Profession and Strategies to Address Them," moderated a discussion on "Preparing Professionals: Higher Education's Responses to the Demands of a Global Marketplace" and, during the institutional advancement section's plenary session, served on a panel titled "A Conversation: Re-framing the Narrative on Legal Education." He also hosted a conversation with U.S. Supreme Court Justice Stephen Breyer.



Dean Blake D. Morant, Greg Williams, Chris Howard, and Phoebe Haddon headlined GW Law's Presidential Summit on Higher Education.

OPENING DOORS FOR FIRST-GENERATION LAW STUDENTS

AT A PRESIDENTIAL SUMMIT ON HIGHER education, Dean Blake D. Morant raised the question of how law schools can ensure opportunity to first-generation students who may not traditionally have college in their sights. Rutgers University-Camden Chancellor Phoebe Haddon, Hampden-Sydney College President Christopher Howard, and former City University of New York and University of Cincinnati President Greg Williams joined other high-level administrators gathered for the summit hosted by GW Law.

U.N. General Assembly Elects Professor Murphy to Second Term



3Ls Zelda Vassar, Ashley Zatloukal, and Laura Withers with Professor Sean Murphy in Geneva, Switzerland in 2015. Ms. Vassar and Ms. Withers worked with Professor Murphy at the ILC, while Ms. Zatloukal worked for the Egyptian member of the Commission.

THE UNITED NATIONS (U.N.) General Assembly elected Professor Sean D. Murphy, Patricia Roberts Harris Research Professor of Law, to a second term on the U.N. International Law Commission (ILC). Last December, U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry nominated Professor Murphy to stand for re-election.

Professor Murphy is one of 34 members from around the world elected to the ILC, which is charged with “the progressive development of international law and its codification.” He is the only American on the Commission and was elected by receiving support, in a contested election, from 144 of the 193 U.N. member states.

During his first tenure, Professor Murphy was designated the ILC’s Special Rapporteur on Crimes against Humanity. In that capacity, he has been working on draft articles with commentaries that may serve as the basis for a treaty on the subject. This work has engaged him with numerous states from around the world, as well as with international lawyers in law faculties, non-governmental organizations,

and international institutions. His work is recognized as path-breaking and, already, the ILC has approved 10 draft articles with commentaries, focused on issues of defining and preventing, as well as adopting national criminal laws on crimes against humanity.

GW Law students have benefited from Professor Murphy’s tenure on the ILC. Each summer, the law school funds two students to accompany him as research assistants, while on occasion Professor Murphy has arranged for students to work with other members of the Commission. To date, 10 students have traveled to Geneva to gain first-hand experience in international law and to interact with leading international lawyers. Further, through the GW Human Rights Clinic, numerous other students have provided research and writing assistance for the crimes against humanity project, including a major report issued in 2013 at the outset of the project.

“It was an honor to be nominated by the U.S. government and a further honor to be re-elected by the U.N. General Assembly,” Professor Murphy said.



Associate Dean Alfreda Robinson

WBA NAMES ASSOCIATE DEAN ALFREDA ROBINSON TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS

ALFREDA ROBINSON, GW LAW’S associate dean for trial advocacy, professorial lecturer in law, and co-director of the Litigation and Dispute Resolution Program, has joined the board of directors of the Washington Bar Association (WBA).

“It is a tremendous honor to become a director of the Washington Bar Association, and I look forward to working with the WBA’s extraordinary officers and directors,” she says.

Associate Dean Robinson has been a member of the WBA for decades. She founded and chaired the WBA and GW’s Annual Military Award Luncheon and received three WBA Presidential Awards for Outstanding Service.

The Washington Bar Association was founded in 1925 by prominent African American attorneys, among them renowned civil rights lawyer Charles Hamilton Houston, who played a critical role in nearly every civil rights case before the U.S. Supreme Court between 1930 and *Brown v. Board of Education* in 1954. The organization seeks to enhance the legal profession and its members, advance the administration of justice, improve the standards of legal education, and encourage legal research and excellence consistent with the philosophy of Houstonian Jurisprudence.

ALUMNI, PROFESSOR NAMED PUBLIC JUSTICE TRIAL LAWYERS OF THE YEAR

PROFESSOR PETER RAVEN-HANSEN and two GW Law alumni are among the recipients of Public Justice's 2016 Trial Lawyer of the Year Award. The lawyers were cited for their work in obtaining a jury verdict against an international bank for providing material support to Hamas, a U.S.-designated foreign terrorist organization.

Gary Osen, JD '92, lead counsel during the 11-year litigation, was joined by Richard Heideman, JD '72, in receiving the honor. *Linde v. Arab Bank* was originally filed by Professor Raven-Hansen and Mr. Osen, his former student research assistant.

The lawsuit evolved into a mass tort case consolidating 40 wrongful death claims with claims of 117 plaintiffs who were injured in suicide bombings and attacks in Israel and claims of 440 family members of those injured or killed. The plaintiffs claimed that Arab Bank, with branches in Gaza and the West Bank, knowingly provided financial support to terrorist leaders and the families of terrorist operatives, including suicide bombers.

This case marked the first time a financial institution was brought to trial and held liable under the Antiterrorism Act, which provides a treble damage remedy for U.S. victims of international terrorism and their families.



Professor Peter Raven-Hansen

The plaintiffs proved that Arab Bank administered a Saudi-funded payment program for the benefit of Palestinian terrorists killed, injured, or apprehended by Israeli security forces. The program authorized payments of up to \$5,316 to identified terrorists and their families. The plaintiffs also showed that Arab Bank knowingly held active accounts for leaders and senior operatives of Hamas, as well as for Hamas fronts.

The jury found the bank liable for knowingly providing material support to

Hamas and facilitating terror attacks like those that killed or injured the plaintiffs.

Because of obstacles, including Arab Bank's refusal to give discovery on Hamas accounts, it took more than a decade for the *Linde* attorneys to bring the case to trial. The parties reached a confidential settlement agreement in August 2015, on the eve of the first scheduled damages trial.

The Public Justice award is given annually. Public Justice is a national nonprofit focused on ending injustice in the courts.

GW LAW JOINS CROSS-DISCIPLINARY NUCLEAR SCIENCE AND SECURITY EFFORT

THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY'S National Nuclear Energy Security Administration has awarded a grant of \$25 million to a consortium of eight universities, including GW, for research and development in nuclear science and security. Professor of Law Emily Hammond will work with three other researchers from the Elliott School of International Affairs, the School of Engineering and Applied Science, and Columbian College's Department of Chemistry to create educational programs.

"I'm proud of the depth and breadth of expertise in nuclear energy here at GW. This is truly a cross-disciplinary

effort, and it is exciting to be part of such a diverse and intellectually dynamic team," Professor Hammond says. "The grant positions GW to collaborate with a number of other universities' nuclear research efforts."

Professor Hammond will focus on educating nuclear scientists about law and policy in their field. She will teach a course with Allison M. Macfarlane, a former chairman of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission and current GW professor. Other GW researchers include Philippe Bardet, a nuclear engineer, and Christopher Cahill, a nuclear chemist.

The GW team is also developing the curriculum for a summer boot camp that will bring nuclear scientists and engineers from across the consortium to Washington, D.C. The students will also visit Capitol Hill and relevant agencies to supplement their classroom experience.

"The nuclear energy and security fields are tightly intertwined with law and policy issues," Professor Hammond says. "I hope that our nuclear scientists and engineers will gain law and policy literacy through the boot camp, and I look forward to learning what issues are of most relevance to them."

GW will receive \$1.7 million of the grant money. The University of California, Berkeley leads the consortium.

GW Law Unveils Portrait of Paul Schiff Berman



Dean Blake D. Morant and GW President Steven Knapp joined former Dean Paul Schiff Berman for the unveiling of his official portrait.

UNIVERSITY LEADERS, DISTINGUISHED alumni, faculty, staff, and students gathered for the unveiling of a commemorative portrait of former GW Law Dean Paul Schiff Berman and to honor his extraordinary career and accomplishments.

Professor Berman joined GW Law in July 2011 and served for five years—first as dean and then as university vice provost for online education and academic innovation, overseeing more than 100 online degree and certificate programs. In January, he returned to full-time teaching as the Walter S. Cox Professor of Law.

“It’s a tremendous privilege to join so many distinguished guests, colleagues, friends, and members of the GW Law community today for this very special occasion,” GW Law Dean Blake D. Morant said at the June 29, 2016, unveiling. “I have known Paul for 15 years and he is well deserving of this honor.”

The portrait, on permanent display on the second floor of Stockton Hall, was

painted by Gavin Glakas, an award-winning Bethesda, Md., artist whose work hangs in the U.S. Capitol.

Speakers at the event included GW President Steven Knapp, University Trustee James Humphreys, GW Distinguished Alumni Award recipient Bobby Burchfield, and members of the faculty, staff, and student body who praised Professor

Berman’s dedication to the law school and its students, his innovative spirit, and his ability to empower faculty and staff.

Mr. Burchfield cited initiatives launched during Professor Berman’s tenure: alumni mentoring programs, the innovative Inns of Court program for first-year students, expansion of the school’s Pathways to Practice Program to help support students entering the job market, and creation of an interdisciplinary major in law and government contracting.

Mr. Burchfield says Professor Berman also “reached out energetically to alumni, speaking with over 2,500 alumni. This helped the law school raise a historic \$11.5 million over a 14-month period and allowed the law school to balance two consecutive budgets in a very challenging economic environment.”

“He really empowered the students to have a voice, and he really understood the value that they brought to the institution,” says Monica Monroe, former dean of students.

Mary Wells, former assistant to the dean, describes Professor Berman as humble, passionate, and tireless. “I hope this portrait inspires current and future members of the law school to follow Paul’s example and approach their work with humility and authentic self, a collaborative spirit, and a penchant for innovation,” she says.

Professor Berman thanked those who honored him and collaborated with him. “What I loved about being dean,” he says, “was creating a space where other people could feel safe to contribute ideas and then building a context where those ideas could take flight. It’s not about implementing my ideas, it’s about empowering others to create a better future together.”

JONATHAN SIEGEL NAMED TO ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE OF THE U.S.

THE ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED STATES NAMED JONATHAN Siegel, the F. Elwood and Eleanor Davis Research Professor of Law, as a public member for a two-year term. The administrative conference is an independent federal agency that conducts applied research to provide nonpartisan expert advice and recommendations to improve federal agency procedures.

Professor Siegel previously served as the conference’s director of research and policy upon its reestablishment in 2010. At GW Law, he teaches administrative law, civil procedure, federal courts, and intellectual property law. His scholarship focuses on administrative law and federal courts, particularly issues of statutory interpretation and lawsuits against governments.

A SALUTE TO GREGORY MAGGS

PROFESSOR GREGORY E. MAGGS, A colonel in the United States Army Reserve, has won the Commandant's Distinguished Writing Award. Professor Maggs was recognized at the Joint and Combined Warfighting School at the Joint Forces Staff College in Norfolk, Va., in September 2016. The award is given to a military leader whose paper best demonstrates the development of joint attitudes and perspectives concerning critical issues in modern day society.

In a 40-week course with senior officers, Professor Maggs learned how to plan joint military operations involving the Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, and allied nations. His paper, "Cybersecurity Is Not Just About Blocking Electronic Intrusions: Protecting the Physical Architecture of the New Joint Information Environment," was one of the requirements of the course.

"The Department of Defense needs to



Professor Gregory E. Maggs

do more to protect the security of its data centers, which may be vulnerable to natural disasters or hostile action," says Professor Maggs, an expert on cybersecurity. During a graduation ceremony at the U.S. Army War College in 2014, he was recognized for another paper "Cyber Attack: A Declared U.S. Cyber Defense Policy."

GW LAW PROFESSOR NAMED VICE PROVOST FOR FACULTY AFFAIRS

GW LAW PROFESSOR CHRISTOPHER A. BRACEY WAS APPOINTED GW'S vice provost for faculty affairs.

"GW has an excellent faculty, and I'm very excited to serve in this role so I can work to ensure the continued excellence of the faculty," Vice Provost Bracey says.

Vice Provost Bracey is an expert on U.S. race relations, individual rights, and criminal procedure. He joined the GW Law faculty in 2008 as a teacher and researcher. For four years, he served as the law school's senior associate dean for academic affairs.

"This is a crucial role and Chris's background and experience will enable him to hit the ground running," says Provost Forrest Maltzman. "I am confident he will continue the model of excellence set by his predecessor, Dianne Martin, to serve our outstanding faculty throughout their careers at GW."

Vice Provost Bracey says he hopes to provide a pathway for faculty to participate in university policy making. He also wants to connect administrators with faculty members they can draw on for insight. He says he embraces Dr. Martin's philosophy of shared governance within the university.

"The most important feature is to make sure the voice of the faculty is heard at critical moments in administrative decision making," he says. "When you position faculty to succeed, you position students to succeed as well."

"I am thrilled that Christopher Bracey was selected for this important role in the GW administration," says GW Law Dean Blake D. Morant. "Chris is a bright and skilled administrator with a deep commitment to faculty success. We are fortunate to have him as part of the leadership team."

Vice Provost Bracey is a graduate of the University of North Carolina and Harvard Law School, where he was supervising editor of the *Harvard Law Review*. He clerked for Royce C. Lamberth of the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia. Before joining GW, he taught at Northwestern University School of Law.

JEFFREY ROSEN PUBLISHES BOOK ON LOUIS D. BRANDEIS

A NEW BOOK BY PROFESSOR Jeffrey Rosen, *Louis D. Brandeis: American Prophet*, positions the justice as the most prescient constitutional philosopher of the 20th century. Professor Rosen is a constitutional law scholar who also serves as president and CEO of the National Constitution Center.



Professor Maeva Marcus

MARCUS TO EDIT PRESTIGIOUS SUPREME COURT HISTORY SERIES

MAEVA MARCUS, RESEARCH professor of law and director of GW's Institute for Constitutional History, will serve as general editor for the *Oliver Wendell Holmes Devise History of the Supreme Court of the United States*.

Congress created the Oliver Wendell Holmes Devise in 1955 to document and disseminate the history of the U.S. Supreme Court. To date, 10 volumes have been published; three others, covering 1789-1976, have been commissioned. Former Librarian of Congress James H. Billington appointed Professor Marcus, a constitutional scholar with special expertise in the history of the court, to serve as only the third editor in the publication's history.

Celebrating Women in Government Contracts



Siemens President and CEO Barbara Humpton, a member of the GW Law Government Contracts Industry Advisory Board, discussed her career trajectory with Aimee Rider, 3L.

BARBARA HUMPTON, PRESIDENT and CEO of Siemens Government Technologies, anchored a GW Law discussion celebrating the work of women in the field of government contracts. The event was sponsored by *The Public Contract Law Journal* in conjunction with the Government Contracts Student Association and the Law Association for Women at GW Law.

Aimee Rider, JD '16, served as a moderator in discussing Ms. Humpton's career journey from IBM to Lockheed Martin and Booz-Allen and, eventually, to the lead role at Siemens. Ms. Humpton, who is a member of the GW Law Government Contracts Industry Advisory Board, says she was drawn to government contracts work once she understood "that what we create is meaningful."

Describing her early years at IBM, she noted that "the technology we put into place was used to save the life of a pilot shot down behind enemy lines. So my job affected the lives of families. It had real enduring power."

Ms. Humpton discussed the changes she has seen since she joined the traditionally male field in the early 1980s. "Back then, I was literally called into smoke-filled rooms by a group of men to discuss work," she says. She recalled one male boss who suggested a deserving man should have her job.

In an industry that draws employees from the ranks of the military and defense communities, Ms. Humpton says much of her career growth was fostered by female bosses, mentors, and peers.

As the ranks of women in the military and defense industries grow and more JD students are exposed to the field, the

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—Jessica Tillipman

number of women working in the government contracts arena has steadily increased.

GW Law has the oldest government contracts program in the country and the only one to offer an LLM degree. Its program features specialized courses not given elsewhere, along with the opportunity to work on the *Public Contract Law Journal* and to earn academic credit in externships through the school's Field Placement Program.

In particular, the externship experience can draw students' attention to the field, bridging theory with practice. That is what happened with Jessica Tillipman, assistant dean for field placement.

"Once I began practicing, I fell in love with government contracts," she recalls. "It's a subset of every practice: a subset of criminal law, mergers and acquisitions, labor and employment law, you name it. Government contracts touches on all practice areas. You don't have to choose just one area of law."

She theorizes that such a breadth of law in action may be attracting more people, including women, to government contracting. GW alumni in the field include Maria Swaby, LLM '12, a suspension and debarment official in the General Services Administration; Judge Ruth C. Burg, JD '50, an administrative judge retired from the Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals; Beth A. Kelly, JD '89, deputy assistant general counsel at the U.S. Department of Energy; Karen L. Wilson, LLM '82, director of acquisition policy and industrial affairs at Boeing Co.; and Rebecca E. Pearson, LLM '96, a partner at Venable LLP.

"Part of the appeal for women, in terms of GW, is that we have such prominent examples of successful female graduates in the field," says Dean Tillipman.

Ms. Humpton says the field "has room to expand" when it comes to recruiting women. Her advice to women? "Raise your hand, step in, and do the job."



GW BLSA members received the Regional Chapter of the Year Award in Philadelphia in 2016.



GW Law's BLSA chapter received two regional awards at the 49th Annual Mid-Atlantic Black Law Students Association Convention in Pittsburgh this year.

GW BLSA RACKS UP TOP AWARDS AT REGIONAL CONVENTIONS

GW'S CHAPTER OF THE NATIONAL BLACK LAW STUDENTS Association (BLSA) won the Regional Chapter of the Year Award for the organization's Mid-Atlantic Region in 2016.

The award recognizes GW BLSA's commitment to community service, professional development, and academic and social support. In a lengthy application to the national body, the BLSA students detailed their extensive work over a year. Letters of support from alumni were also submitted.

Jordan Harvey, president of GW's chapter at the time of the award, says he was most proud of the group's 1L-focused programming. BLSA kicks off each semester with an orientation designed to prepare 1Ls for a range of challenges, from exam preparation to summer job searches. The chapter also holds academic workshops.

"I have heard many BLSA 1Ls thank the upperclassmen for helping them through their transition to law school, and for taking a genuine interest in their well-being and success," says Mr. Harvey. The winning chapter also put an emphasis on helping the homeless in D.C. Students teamed with local nonprofit So Others Might Eat and served meals to the homeless every month. They also organized a successful warm-clothing drive.

In making its selection, the regional board says it was impressed by the number and variety of events that GW BLSA hosts.

Awards continued to roll in for the chapter at this year's Mid-Atlantic BLSA convention in Pittsburgh. GW BLSA received the 2016-2017 Mid-Atlantic BLSA Large Chapter of the Year Award for best embodying the spirit of the association.

This year's winning chapter, led by President Iman Lyons and Vice-President Jordan Green, both 2Ls, hosted more than 60 programs and initiatives in FY 2017 for the GW Law community and beyond. Participants volunteered at So Others Might Eat, the MLK Day of Service, and the Capital Area Food Bank; organized an on-campus voter registration drive prior to the general election, and helped prepare 1Ls for the academic rigors of law school.

Also honored at this year's convention were 2Ls Breanna Smith and Tyler Hill, who won the Frederick Douglass Regional Moot Court Competition. After winning six rounds of arguments, the team advanced to the finals and took the first-place title. They were also awarded the Judge Eugene Hamilton Scholarship of \$5,000, which they will split. Adjunct faculty member Patrice Sulton, JD '08, coached the duo.

NATASHA BAKER AWARDED PRESTIGIOUS FELLOWSHIP

NATASHA BAKER, 3L, IS THE THIRD student in the history of GW Law to be awarded a Skadden Foundation Fellowship. Described as a "legal Peace Corps," the prestigious two-year fellowship provides recipients with a salary and benefits to join forces with a non-profit legal organization that provides civil legal services to vulnerable populations.

A dual American and Brazilian citizen from California, Ms. Baker interned after her 1L year with Open City Advocates (OCA), a D.C.-based non-profit legal organization that provides post-disposition representation to youth who are committed to the D.C. Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services. "I provided holistic representation that addressed many of the collateral consequences of



system-involvement and gained tremendous perspective on what it actually means to be indigent and to be under the control of the criminal justice system," she says. "That summer convinced me to pursue a career in criminal justice."

For her fellowship proposal, Ms. Baker

talked to the founders of OCA about developing a foundation to address the needs of incarcerated females, both while imprisoned and during their transition back into the community. For the first time in D.C.'s history, the District's juvenile prison began housing females last year, she explains, and as a result, OCA will begin receiving female clients this fall. "The foundation I create will allow OCA to continue to serve females once I leave and to train generations of new law students," she says.

"The Skadden Fellowship is the gold standard in public interest fellowships and I could not be more honored to have been selected," says Ms. Baker, who will begin her fellowship in the fall. Once she completes the fellowship, she hopes to pursue a career in public defense.

Corinne Ball Receives Alumni Achievement Award

CORINNE BALL, JD '78, IS AMONG six GW graduates recently honored with Alumni Achievement Awards. The awards are presented annually to alumni who have distinguished themselves through notable achievements in their professional and personal lives.

Ms. Ball is co-head of Jones Day New York office's Business Restructuring and Reorganization Practice and leads the firm's European Distress Investing Initiative. Her 30 years of experience include leading a team of attorneys representing Chrysler with its successful Chapter 11 reorganization. She is also a director of the American College of Bankruptcy and the American Bankruptcy Institute.

"It is hard to believe that it has been almost 40 years since I became an alumna of GW Law," says Ms. Ball. "No matter where

I've gone, it always seems to come back to Washington and GW."

In 2009, Ms. Ball endowed a scholarship that provides financial aid to GW Law students. She is chair of the Dean's Advisory Board.

Ms. Ball received the award at a November 2016 ceremony. Two GW Law graduates also were among the alumni honored in 2015: former University of Cincinnati President Gregory H. Williams, JD '71, MPHIL '77, PhD '82, and Richard D. Heideman, JD '72.

Dr. Williams is a former lawyer who entered academia in 1977, ultimately serving as president of the City College of New York from 2001 to 2009 and president of the University of Cincinnati from 2009 to 2012. He also is a former president of the Association of American Law Schools. Mr.



Corinne Ball won GW's top award for alumni.

Heideman is senior counsel at Heideman Nudelman & Kalik PC and represents victims of terrorism whose rights have been violated. His firm has brought actions against Iran, Libya, Syria, and banking institutions accused of funding or sponsoring acts of terror. He is a past president of the GW Law Alumni Association.

The Alumni Achievement Awards are the highest form of recognition given by the university and the George Washington Alumni Association to a GW graduate annually. Past recipients include 16-time NBA champion Arnold "Red" Auerbach, BS '40, MA '41; Nobel Prize winner Julius Axelrod, PhD '55; and former U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell, MBA '71.

WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO REPRESENT NBA LEGENDS?

DAVID FALK, JD '75, HAS REPRESENTED NBA superstars Juwan Howard and Allen Iverson. In the mid-1980s, he negotiated for Patrick Ewing what was then the highest contract in NBA history. And he is the agent for the legendary Michael Jordan—even originating the idea for the Air Jordan sneaker campaign.

Despite that success, Mr. Falk says the real lessons come from failure.

"When you err—and you're going to err—you have to learn from it," says Mr. Falk, who has launched the Falk Academy of Management and Entrepreneurship (FAME), a new initiative hosted by GW Law's Center for Law, Economics and Finance (C-LEAF). FAME will emphasize experiential learning, entrepreneurship, and innovation.

"Unlike most benefactors who put



David Falk speaks at the Jack Morton Auditorium.

their name on the building and walk away, fortunately or unfortunately I plan to be very involved," says Mr. Falk, who will teach as part of the FAME program and establish its advisory board.

Imposing but personable, Mr. Falk has shared recollections of his storied career, dispensed no-nonsense advice, and urged GW students and alumni "never to settle for second-best."

He says one of his great career successes was also his most memorable failure. When he came up with the idea of Air Jordans, he failed to foresee how wildly successful they would be, negotiating a major up-front payment instead of a smaller one with larger sales royalties.

"Nothing's foolproof," he admits. "If I could go back, I'd ask for a dollar and 50 percent."

And what does he recommend for GW Law students? "High aspirations."

"You're in a place that can help you fulfill your goals, but you have to really want it and go after it," he says. "Break the walls down."



Carmen Ortiz stands with officers of GW Law Association for Women. From left to right: Erica Koser, Carmen Ortiz, JD '81, Nicole Henry, and Katherine Watkins

CARMEN ORTIZ RECEIVES BELVA ANN LOCKWOOD AWARD

THE GW LAW ASSOCIATION FOR Women and the GW Law Alumni Association honored Carmen M. Ortiz, JD '81, as the 2016 Belva Ann Lockwood Award recipient. The award is given each year to a successful and inspiring alumna who is considered a trailblazer in her field—all apt descriptions of Ms. Ortiz.

President Barack Obama named Ms. Ortiz U.S. attorney for the District of

Massachusetts in 2009, making her the first female and first Hispanic to represent Massachusetts in that capacity. From 2009 until December 2016, she directed more than 200 attorneys and support staff in Boston, Worcester, and Springfield.

In 2010, she implemented the district's first civil rights initiative, aimed at reinvigorating enforcement efforts of federal civil rights laws and increasing visibility among

affected communities through extensive outreach efforts.

As U.S. attorney, Ms. Ortiz oversaw the criminal prosecutions of Massachusetts Speaker of the House Sal DiMasi, James "Whitey" Bulger, and the Boston Marathon bombers. She also led the District of Massachusetts to some of the largest civil settlements in U.S. history, among them a settlement with GlaxoSmithKline. From 2012 until January 2014, she served on then-Attorney General Eric Holder's Advisory Committee.

Before becoming U.S. attorney, she was an assistant U.S. attorney in the Economic Crimes Unit of the U.S. Attorney's Office in Massachusetts and grand jury supervisor. Ms. Ortiz also served for eight years as a state prosecutor in Middlesex County, where she oversaw the District Court and prosecuted homicides, sexual assaults, robberies, and other felonies. She delivered the Diploma Ceremony address to the GW Law Class of 2012.

The Lockwood award is named for Belva Lockwood, who graduated from the National University School of Law (now GW Law) at a time when few women worked in the field. A towering historical figure, Ms. Lockwood was a lifelong suffragist and the first woman to argue before the U.S. Supreme Court.



HARRY REID RETIRES FROM SENATE

HARRY REID, JD '64, WHO LED THE U.S. SENATE DEMOCRATS since 2005, retired on Jan. 3, 2017, after a 30-year career in Congress.

While studying law part-time at GW in the 1960s, Mr. Reid worked six days a week as a policeman at the U.S. Capitol. He returned to the university in May 2005 to deliver the law school's Commencement address.

"My advice to you graduates is that you each use your education to stand for the rule of law, not of man," he said. "My advice is that you play the game hard, but play by the rules. And if the game goes against you, work harder, train harder, and play again."

In recognition of the senator's lifetime of achievements, Dean Blake D. Morant presented him with the George Washington University Dean's Medallion in September 2015—the highest honor the law school can bestow. In 2014, he received the George Washington Law Alumni Association's William Fulbright Distinguished Public Service Award.

Assistant Attorney General Leslie Caldwell Visits GW Law



(From left) Dean Susan L. Karamanian, Leslie Caldwell, JD '82, and Karen Popp share their opinions about the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act.

LESLIE R. CALDWELL, JD '82, ASSISTANT attorney general of the Criminal Division of the U.S. Department of Justice, and Karen A. Popp, chair of the White Collar Group at Sidley Austin LLP, spoke to a GW Law audience about the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA). Roger A. Fairfax, Jr., senior associate dean for academic affairs, introduced the event and welcomed guests, students, and members of the media.

Associate Dean Susan L. Karamanian, Burnett Family Professorial Lecturer in International and Comparative Law and Policy, moderated the conversation.

Ms. Caldwell highlighted the role of the Department of Justice's (DOJ) Criminal

Division and the emerging issues of international corruption and white-collar crime. The World Bank estimates that more than \$1 trillion is paid every year in bribes, equivalent to about 3 percent of the world economy. The discussion at GW Law addressed how foreign corruption not only affects emerging economies but also U.S. firms' operations. The ongoing fight against international corruption is a DOJ priority, with transparency as a key component," Ms. Caldwell says.

Ms. Caldwell told the audience that transparency allows the public to understand how and why cases are resolved a specific way. It also informs "corporate actors and their advisers what conduct

will result in what penalties," she says. Corporate officials and advisers who choose cooperation and self-disclosure during an investigation may receive some sort of credit, she added. From the DOJ's perspective, being open about corporate misconduct helps the Criminal Division promote lawful corporate behavior.

Ms. Popp responded to Ms. Caldwell's push for transparency: "I commend the DOJ for all the efforts being made to be more transparent because I think that is extremely important to corporations, individuals, and anyone that comes under investigation... It's extremely helpful for those out there who are attempting to have effective compliance programs and other decision-making that goes on in corporate America."

The conversation specifically addressed a DOJ pilot program that encourages companies to voluntarily self-disclose FCPA-related misconduct and to cooperate with the DOJ's Fraud Section. The voluntary disclosures provide information needed to prosecute culpable individuals.

"Companies can't go to jail. Individuals can... and the biggest deterrent to wrongdoing is prosecuting individuals," Ms. Caldwell says.

JEROME BARRON RECEIVES JACOB BURNS AWARD

WHETHER AS A STUDENT, FELLOW, professor, or dean, Jerome A. Barron, LL.M. '60, has become an institution at GW Law. In light of his more than 50 years connected to the school, it is not surprising that Mr. Barron was asked to write a short history of GW Law to commemorate its 150th anniversary.

In recognition of his contributions, Mr. Barron received the Jacob Burns Award for Extraordinary Service in October 2016. The award was bestowed by GW Law Dean Blake D. Morant at a dinner attended by more than 200 alumni and friends.

RIGHT Former GW Law Dean Jerome A. Barron (second from right) was joined by wife Myra, Dean Blake D. Morant (left), and Barry Nigro, JD '86, at the October 2016 dinner honoring him for extraordinary service to the law school.



David Buchen of Actavis PLC



Bruce Sewell of Apple Inc.

TWO GW LAW ALUMNI NAMED OUTSTANDING GENERAL COUNSEL

IN ITS LIST OF AMERICA'S 50 OUTSTANDING GENERAL COUNSEL, THE *NATIONAL Law Journal* recognized two GW Law alumni: Bruce Sewell, JD '86, who is Apple Inc.'s general counsel and senior vice president of legal and government affairs, and David Buchen, JD '89, chief legal officer of Actavis PLC. In creating the list, the publication evaluated the candidates' major transactions for their companies, pro bono efforts, and work to expand diversity, leadership, innovation, and legal results.

Mr. Sewell serves on Apple's executive team, managing all legal matters, including corporate governance, intellectual property, litigation and securities compliance, and government affairs. He recently found himself at the center of Apple's legal battle with the FBI over the unlocking of an iPhone that belonged to one of the suspects in the San Bernardino, Calif., shootings.

Mr. Buchen began his career at Watson Pharmaceuticals Inc. in 1998. The Dublin-based pharmaceutical company was later acquired by Actavis, where Mr. Buchen built a 40-attorney team from the ground up. The team has focused on acquisitions, including the \$25 billion acquisition of Forest Laboratories Inc.



Hon. Sarah Adwoa Safo

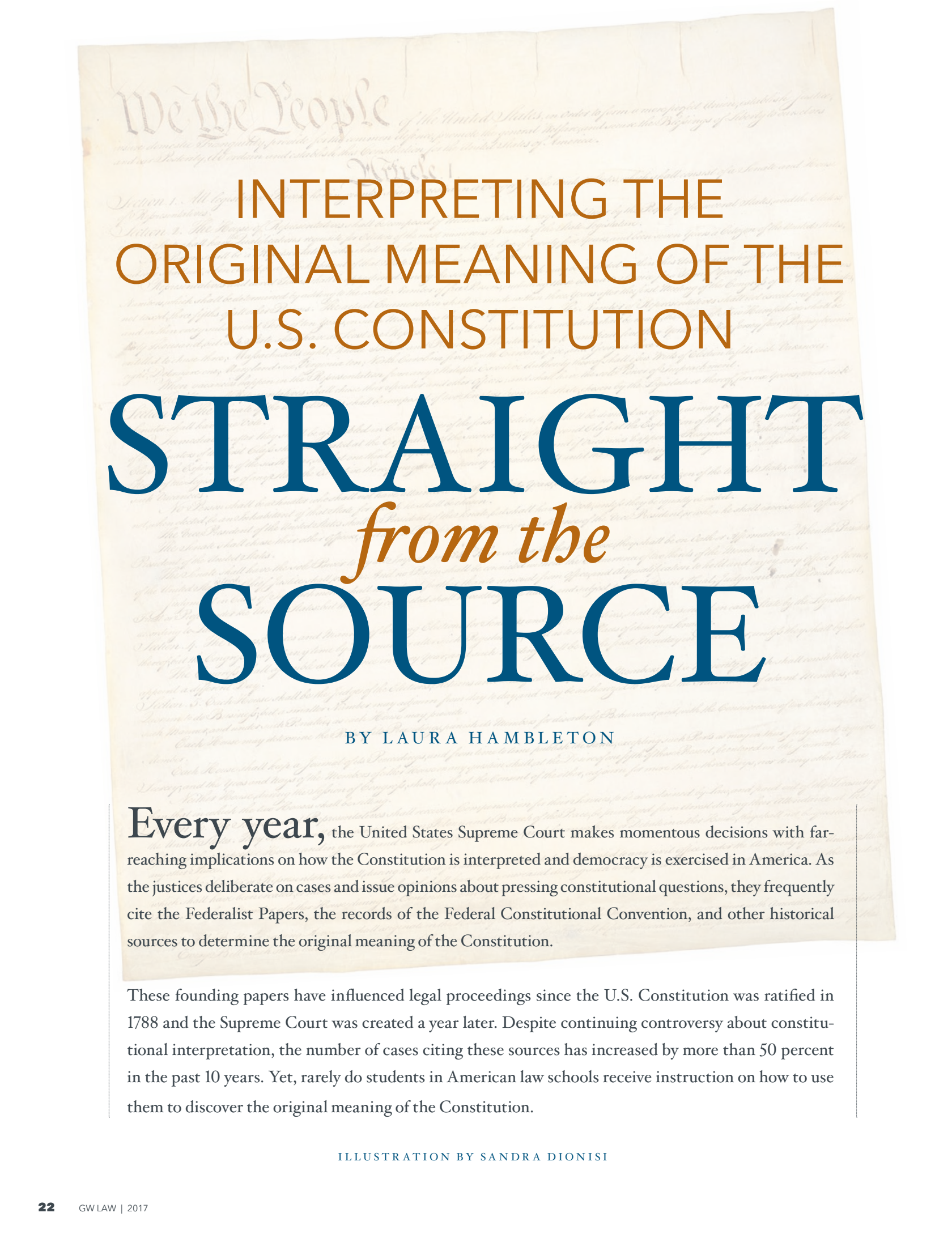
LLM ALUMNA APPOINTED MINISTER OF STATE IN GHANA

THE HON. SARAH ADWOA SAFO, LLM '05, was recently appointed minister of state in charge of procurement at the presidency of the Republic of Ghana. She continues to serve as the deputy majority leader of the Parliament of Ghana.

At GW Law, she specialized in government procurement, which helped her earn "a job as the first legal officer of the Public Procurement Authority of Ghana, which had just been established in 2006," she says. "I own my own law firm that specializes in government procurement and offers legal support to government agencies and private contractors," says the Hon. Adwoa Safo, who was the youngest Ghanaian admitted to the bar in 2004. "In my capacity as a senator or legislator of the Parliament of Ghana, my knowledge in procurement has a bearing on governance and the fight by government against corruption."

In November 2012, she was awarded the West African Nobles Forum's Nobles International Award. The award honors "men and women of immense integrity and character in their chosen fields of endeavor" and was presented to the Hon. Adwoa Safo for her work in the promulgation and passage of procurement laws and her pioneering role as the first female secretary to the committee that drafted the bill.





INTERPRETING THE ORIGINAL MEANING OF THE U.S. CONSTITUTION STRAIGHT *from the* SOURCE

BY LAURA HAMBLETON

Every year, the United States Supreme Court makes momentous decisions with far-reaching implications on how the Constitution is interpreted and democracy is exercised in America. As the justices deliberate on cases and issue opinions about pressing constitutional questions, they frequently cite the Federalist Papers, the records of the Federal Constitutional Convention, and other historical sources to determine the original meaning of the Constitution.

These founding papers have influenced legal proceedings since the U.S. Constitution was ratified in 1788 and the Supreme Court was created a year later. Despite continuing controversy about constitutional interpretation, the number of cases citing these sources has increased by more than 50 percent in the past 10 years. Yet, rarely do students in American law schools receive instruction on how to use them to discover the original meaning of the Constitution.

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We the People of the
United States, in order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defence, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do hereby adopt this Constitution for the United States of America.

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– PROFESSOR GREGORY MAGGS

Students at the George Washington University Law School recently had the opportunity to participate in a semester-long seminar taught by two professors steeped in constitutional law and the original meaning of the framers. Professor Gregory Maggs, a scholar who has spent years studying the work of the framers, partnered with the Hon. William P. Barr, JD '77, a legal luminary who served as U.S. attorney general under President George H.W. Bush, to develop and co-teach a unique Constitutional Law seminar titled Original Meaning Research.

The seminar, targeted at students interesting in deepening their understanding of constitutional interpretation utilizing fundamental sources, provided a framework for how arguments about the original meaning of the Constitution are made and how founding documents are evaluated today.

“All the justices of the Supreme Court cite these materials, but there isn’t much instruction about them in law school,” Professor Maggs says. “We looked at Supreme Court decisions, and then we looked at the actual sources, the strongest and the weakest.”

“Research into the original meaning of the Constitution plays a major role in the resolution of most constitutional issues,” he adds. “What I hope the students came away with was a good understanding of these documents and some of the pitfalls in relying on them.”

Students dissected modern-day methodology for applying more than 200-year-old thinking to real disputes in which the Supreme Court had decided difficult constitutional questions. For their final project, they wrote research papers focusing on current issues in today’s courts.

Professor Maggs has firsthand knowledge of the U.S. Supreme Court. He clerked for both Justices Clarence Thomas, from 1991 to 1992, and Anthony M. Kennedy, from 1989 to 1990. He was also a special master for the U.S. Supreme Court from 2000 to 2005.

Mr. Barr, who was the 77th United States attorney general, filled in examples in class from his time in the White House. In 1990, for example, he counseled President Bush that, according to his interpretation, the U.S. Constitution allowed the president to move U.S. troops without congressional approval. President Bush did win congressional support for a war, which became known as “Operation Desert Storm” or the Gulf War, and maneuvered soldiers through Saudi Arabia into Kuwait to confront Saddam Hussein.

During the seminar, Mr. Barr said he “explained the genesis of my thinking and why I thought my decisions were justified. I talked about my analysis. I often consulted the writings of James Madison, the father of the Constitution. I used him a lot. He was among the most salient thinkers.”



Mr. Barr didn’t start his career wrestling with questions of constitutional intent. After he graduated from Columbia University with a master’s in government and Chinese studies, he worked for the CIA. He credits his mother for pushing him toward law school.

“She kept nagging I needed a profession, so I went to law school at night,” Mr. Barr says. From there, he worked in private practice and for the Department of Justice and finally as the U.S. attorney general. He retired from the law in 2008 after a long tenure as executive vice president and general counsel of Verizon Communications.

When he was attorney general, his house was often filled with lawyers and prosecutors discussing issues of the day. He believes those scenes made an impression on his three daughters. They have followed in his footsteps, becoming lawyers. Two graduated from GW Law, Margaret E. Barr, JD '10, and Patricia A. Barr, JD '07.

“My daughters came to law on their own,” he says. “It’s a difficult profession. My eldest daughter is a prosecutor in Virginia, the middle one is counsel to a House committee, and the youngest is a prosecutor in D.C.”

Mr. Barr spends much of his time now mentoring young lawyers. The GW Law class was a logical extension of that. “The biggest take away for me was how bright and articulate GW students are,” he says. “I found them really strong intellectually and, the class, stimulating.”

Victoria Hubickey, JD '15, signed up for the class because of the backgrounds of the two professors, their facility with constitutional law, and the content of the seminar. She especially liked the small class size, the close-knit group, and in-depth discussions.

“To be in close proximity to two people with their kinds of experience was beneficial,” she says. “I enjoyed their multifaceted approach to a complex subject, and knowing what the framers thought really helped me.”

For her seminar research paper, she picked a case in which Nebraska and Oklahoma sought leave to file a complaint in the Supreme Court against Colorado over its legalization of marijuana. The states contended that since marijuana became a legal drug for



LEFT Former U.S. Attorney General William P. Barr, JD '77, and Professor Gregory Maggs touch base prior to their weekly constitutional law seminar at GW. **ABOVE** Seminar participants utilize fundamental sources to research the original meaning of the U.S. Constitution under the tutelage of their co-professors, constitutional law experts William P. Barr and Gregory Maggs.

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medical and recreational uses in Colorado, more of it was showing up within their borders, where it remains illegal. Ms. Hubickey argued that the Supreme Court should not have discretion to deny jurisdiction over the lawsuit.

“It was so interesting to study this case this way,” Ms. Hubickey says. “History comes alive. The founders were worried states were disrupting the harmony of the union at the time. Now, it seems to me unconstitutional to deny Nebraska and Oklahoma their states’ rights.”

Ms. Hubickey, who won the Government Contracts Moot Court Competition at GW Law, now works at Morgan Lewis in Washington, D.C., where she specializes in civil litigation, telecommunications, and real estate law.

Kolya Glick, JD '15, explored the extent to which the Second Amendment limits the states’ power to regulate handguns. In his paper, he acknowledged “that the state and federal lawmakers understood the amendment to encompass more than just a right to self-defense,” but he argued that “historical evidence of the original intent, original understanding, and original public meaning of the Second Amendment all show that the right to bear arms can permissibly be regulated to require objective need showing for the public carry of handguns.”

He chose the topic based on the problem presented at the 2015 Van Vleck Constitutional Law Moot Court Competition. Mr. Glick, who served as senior projects editor of the *GW Law Review* and was awarded the Imogen Williford Constitutional Law Award at graduation, used historical documents to build his case. “The idea of taking current, litigated issues and basing arguments on original meaning was practical and really interesting,” says Mr. Glick, who now clerks for Judge Liam O’Grady on the Eastern District of Virginia.

The first six classes in the course covered sources and methods of researching the original meaning of the Constitution. Students read articles about commonly cited historic materials and the arguments writers might use based on these documents. They evaluated the merits and weaknesses of opinions using sources from real Supreme Court cases. The class also looked at scholarly works pertaining to the original meaning of the Constitution.

As part of the syllabus, students read a series of articles written by Professor Maggs. *A Concise Guide to the Records of the Federal Constitutional Convention of 1787 as Evidence of the Original Meaning of the U.S. Constitution* and *A Concise Guide to the Federalist Papers as a Source of the Original Meaning of the United States Constitution* are two examples.

They also read cases, history pieces, and excerpts from Michael Bhargava’s *The First Congress Canon and the Supreme Court’s Use of History* and David P. Currie’s *The Constitution in Congress: Substantive Issues in the First Congress, 1789-1791*.

“This was really an advanced constitutional law seminar,” Professor Maggs says. “Students focused on how to determine the original meaning of the Constitution.”

Mr. Barr offered many real-life scenarios. He cited situations from his time at the White House as attorney general when he wrestled with constitutional issues almost on a daily basis. “Preparing for the class wasn’t hard,” he says. “I was the constitution lawyer for the administration.”

Professor Maggs and Mr. Barr would consider teaching the seminar again or another class together on a topic yet to be determined. In the meantime, Mr. Barr continues to maintain his relationship with GW Law, as he has since he graduated. He delivered the Commencement address when he was attorney general and has received various honorary degrees. The dean’s suite is the William P. Barr Dean’s Suite.

“GW Law prepared me well,” Mr. Barr says. “A law degree is a valuable degree to have. It helps you think analytically; it helps you write. Certainly a lot of our culture is saturated with law, even in the business world. And I am really interested in questions of originalism and interpreting the Constitution.”



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SECOND CHANCE LIFE

BY MARY DEMPSEY

GW Law Clinic Students Score Two Clemency Victories

Fred Glover had expected to celebrate his 70th birthday in prison, just as he had every November for the past two decades. But he ended up revising those plans. Thanks to the work of two students from GW's Prisoner & Reentry Clinic, he was freed from prison.

In late August, President Barack Obama granted clemency to Mr. Glover, releasing him from a life sentence without parole.

PHOTOGRAPHY BY ELLIOTT O'DONOVAN

Two years after his release from prison, Rudolph Norris is living life to the fullest. He credits his grant of clemency to the tireless work of GW Law's Prisoner & Reentry Clinic.



Rudolph Norris and his fiancée are planning to marry later this year.

“When we met him, he was an older prisoner with a life sentence, destined to die in prison. In our estimation, he didn’t need to be there. He had already served a very long sentence for a low-level crime with zero violence.”

“It’s still an unreal feeling, that something I worked on was put in front of the president and he signed it and this man has his life back,” says Steve Magnusson, JD ’17. “And not just this man but also his family and friends.”

It is estimated that more than 84,000 people are in federal prisons on drug charges in the United States, many of them jailed under the harsh mandatory sentencing guidelines imposed decades ago during the so-called War on Drugs. In April 2014, the Obama White House launched a clemency initiative that encouraged federal

Making Up for Lost Time

Rudolph Norris is busy. The Suitland, Md., man may be holding down two jobs but that isn’t stopping him from also setting aside time to plan a wedding for 2017 and to scout out a house to buy.

There was a time when all of this would have been unthinkable.

Two years ago, Mr. Norris was in prison serving a 30-year sentence on a 1992 drug charge. Thanks to the Obama administration’s clemency program for prisoners serving excessive sentences, and the work of two GW Law students and their professor, Mr. Norris this summer will celebrate two years back in the community.

During their third year of law school, Courtney Francik, JD ’15, and Bart Sheard, JD ’15, under the direction of Associate Professor of Clinical Law Jessica Steinberg, prepared Mr. Norris’ clemency application as part of their work in the Prisoner & Reentry Clinic (formerly known as the Neighborhood Law & Policy Clinic). The Maryland man was among 22 prisoners released in July 2015.

The law clinic experience was so powerful for Ms. Francik that she pursued work as a public defender. She is now an attorney in the Public Defender’s Office of Shelby County, Tenn. Mr. Sheard, meanwhile, serves as labor counsel to U.S. Sen. Patty Murray, the ranking member of the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee.

Mr. Norris, 60, is making up for the 22 years he was in prison. In a big way.

He has a job at a warehouse distribution center, a position that provides benefits, including health insurance and a

inmates to petition to have such sentences reduced. The conditions? They had to be non-violent, low-level offenders whose same convictions today would bring substantially lighter punishment.

Under the supervision of Professor Jessica Steinberg, who founded and directs the Prisoner & Reentry Clinic (formerly known as the Neighborhood Law & Policy Clinic), Mr. Magnusson and Kaitlyn Mello, JD '16, prepared Mr. Glover's petition. Ms. Mello signed up for the clinic twice to see the work through to the end, spending close to a year on Mr. Glover's case.

"I found out [about the clemency approval] when I got an e-mail message from Professor Steinberg with the subject line 'I hope you're sitting down,'" says Ms. Mello. "I started crying. I couldn't believe it. The win percentage on these is so low."

After Professor Steinberg received the news from the Office of the Pardon Attorney, a conference call was immediately set up with the Colorado prison where Mr. Glover had been transferred some months earlier. He was called into the warden's office to speak by phone with the GW clinic team.

"I think he was a little shocked by the news," Ms. Mello says.

Remarkably, Mr. Glover's case is not the only clemency victory for the clinic. In 2015, Courtney Francik, JD '15, and her clinic partner Bart Sheard, JD '15, learned that the petition they prepared for Rudolph Norris had also brought a grant of clemency. In 1992, Mr. Norris was sentenced to 30 years in prison for possessing and selling cocaine.

The commutations preserve the convictions but end the sentences.

During his presidency, Barack Obama commuted an unprecedented number of sentences, releasing 1,715 prisoners, according to the Office of the Pardon Attorney in the U.S. Department of Justice. Most of the releases came as a result of the new clemency initiative. Although that is more than any president in history, it is just a tiny fraction of the petitions submitted. Another 23,001 were denied or closed without action.

"We have a lot of experience in the clinic ... doing cases that involve early release from prison," Professor Steinberg says. "So when President Obama announced his clemency initiative, we were well poised to begin accepting cases in this area." The Prisoner & Reentry Clinic has handled dozens of parole cases over the past five years, helping to end the criminal sentences of many individuals able to demonstrate extraordinary rehabilitation.

When Mr. Glover was convicted in 1996, he owned a small business that served as a gathering place for the neighborhood. His son was in high school. He had been arrested on a nonviolent drug charge but because of two minor drug convictions 25 years earlier, mandatory sentencing guidelines tripped into place. At age 50, he was sentenced to life in prison with no chance of parole.

"When we met him, he was an older prisoner with a life sentence, destined to die in prison," says Mr. Magnusson. "In our estimation, he didn't need to be there. He had already served a very long sentence for a low level crime with zero violence.

"And at the time of his arrest he had recently opened a restaurant that was a gathering point for old members of the community, a place where he gave breakfast to hungry kids for free," he adds.



Courtney Francik, JD '15, pictured at a GW Law event last year with Rudolph Norris, says that her work on Mr. Norris' victorious clemency petition cemented her decision to serve as an attorney in the Public Defender's Office of Shelby County, Tenn.

retirement account. In his spare time, he works as a driver. He is now trying to establish his credit with an eye on leasing a house on a rent-to-buy contract.

For now, he and his fiancée are living together in her home, which is down the street from his daughter and not far from his oldest son. Another son, who is in the U.S. Air Force, lives in

New Mexico but traveled to see Mr. Norris after his release—and to introduce him to his toddler grandson.

"My sisters sometimes say, 'you're really pushing it,' because I'm doing so much and have so many plans," Mr. Norris says. "I know Rome wasn't built in a day. But I want to make the best of whatever opportunities I still have left."



GW Law's Prisoner & Reentry Clinic celebrated its second clemency victory last year, when Kaitlyn Mello, JD '16 (left), and Steve Magnusson, JD '17 (right), prepared Fred Glover's successful clemency petition under the supervision of Professor Jessica Steinberg (center), the clinic's director.

Chalking up real experience while still in law school

PROFESSOR STEINBERG SAYS THE CLINIC IS DESIGNED so students can get behind a real legal case and, under close supervision, “tease out all the ethical considerations that go into handling it.” Her students learn how to prepare, interview, problem solve, and consider strategy.

“For many of them, it’s the first time they’re engaged in the messy, contradictory, exciting, joyous task of understanding a client’s real life,” she says.

She notes that clinic work forces students to see through the eyes of real clients and to witness “how this incarceration has affected this person’s spouse, friends, mother, sisters, brothers.”

Ms. Mello had planned to go into public relations after graduating with a communications degree from Catholic University, but the media law classes she took as an undergraduate sparked a serious interest in law so she applied to GW.

“I just knew that I wanted to do a clinic because I had a lot of friends in clinics and they had fantastic things to say about them,” she explains. She had little knowledge or interest in prisoners’ rights or reentry issues when she signed up for the clemency case.

Today Mr. Glover’s case has her thinking a lot about an issue that has received great media attention recently: the plight of older people who are incarcerated. Both students said Mr. Glover’s health seemed in decline at the time they began working on his petition.

“When you think of incarcerated individuals, you don’t think of a 70-year-old man with white hair and joint pain who is afraid to go outside during his recreational time in case he gets sick,” she says.

“There are different collateral effects that come with incarceration from long sentences, including mandatory life sentences.”

Mr. Magnusson, meanwhile, thought clinic work might help him decide what type of law he wanted to pursue. He has an undergraduate degree in psychology and business from Boston University.

In the Glover case, both students had to research whether their client met all the criteria for the clemency program. They pored over files of background material, including the sentencing transcript. Then, with Professor Steinberg, they met and interviewed Mr. Glover for about four hours at a federal prison in West Virginia, where he was being held before a transfer to Colorado.

They were astonished to find him shackled during the interview and to learn that he was being held in solitary confinement, not for breaches in conduct but because that is the prison’s standard procedure with inmates tagged for transfer.

Mr. Glover gave the students permission to interview his friends and family. In addition to his son and his son’s mother, the students spoke with several of his friends and three or four other people, among them counselors and additional professionals who knew Mr. Glover during his incarceration.

“Their outpouring of support for him was amazing. Everyone was willing to let him stay with them if he was released, to help him find a job, to spend time with him, to help him reintegrate,” Mr. Magnusson says. “And it was incredible to hear his story get fleshed out by them.”

Ms. Mello spent her second semester at the clinic fine-tuning the clemency petition. It went through more than 10 drafts before it was submitted.

The clemency program does not require that petitioners have plans for re-entering society, but it is a great advantage if they do. So the students also looked into viable resources to support Mr. Glover in the event clemency was granted.

“He had a nearly perfect disciplinary record, which is hard to come by when you’ve been incarcerated for 20 years,” says Professor Steinberg. “He had incredible support from friends and family,



people who really wanted him home and wanted to help him when he got home.”

Now out of school, Ms. Mello is doing a two-year fellowship with the Office of the General Counsel at the George Washington University. When he graduates, Mr. Magnusson will work with Jones Day in New York, lured in part by the firm’s commitment to pro bono work.

“I will do corporate work but their pro bono work—helping real people—was a big attraction,” says Mr. Magnusson.

He’s also hoping to stay in touch with Mr. Glover. And he’s still pondering the lessons learned from his clinic experience.

“It’s about looking back to consider if the punishment fits the crime, whether incarceration for life is really the answer, what we can do to smooth that disconnect between what is originally seen as justice but now, looking through the lens of our collective experience, needs to be leveled out a bit,” he says.

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Morgan Lewis Foundation Diversity Scholarships Awarded To Three Deserving GW Law Students

PAYING IT

When Grace E. Speights, JD '82, was a student, her GW Law scholarship made all the difference. "There's no way I could have gone to law school without it," she says. "I know what it means to be financially strapped." Ms. Speights and her law firm, Morgan, Lewis & Bockius, want to give that same advantage to others who have overcome great odds to get to law school. Started two years ago with funds from a pro bono case the firm won, the Morgan Lewis Foundation Diversity Scholarship awards \$20,000 for two years to deserving law students.

"We focus on ethnically diverse students who have completed their first year of law school," says Ms. Speights, who is a co-managing partner at Morgan, Lewis & Bockius. "We look at academic achievement, financial need, work and life experience, and leadership."



FORWARD

By Laura Hambleton



GW Law students (left to right) Vincent Glynn, Claudia Ojeda, and Eman Lamu—the recipients of this year's Morgan Lewis Foundation Diversity Scholarship—with Grace Speights, JD '82, co-managing partner of Morgan, Lewis & Bockius

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This year, the firm awarded scholarships to three GW Law students, in addition to students at Boston College, the University of Virginia, University of Pennsylvania, and University of California.

"I think the scholarship is very meaningful given the cost of a law school education," Ms. Speights says. "It can help students meet their needs, cut down on the amount of their loans. We know how burdensome loans can be. They can limit your options after law school."

Vincent Glynn

GW LAW SECOND-YEAR STUDENT VINCENT GLYNN has no shortage of dreams for when he graduates—clerking for a federal judge, working as a federal prosecutor, becoming a judge, and maybe running for public office. "I want to get my hands on a lot post-law school," he says.

The Morgan Lewis scholarship came at a perfect time, giving Mr. Glynn a financial boost and some flexibility as he explores his options in law school. This fall, he is taking a class in evidence and the second year of constitutional law. He also is a writing fellow and interns with Judge Reggie Barnett Walton, a senior federal judge of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia.

This summer his interests took him far afield. He clerked for Sheila Adams, a circuit administrative judge for the 7th Judicial Circuit in Maryland before attending GW's Oxford summer

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program in international human rights law at New College, Oxford, in the United Kingdom.

"I saw more of the local issues states deal with, and how the law impacts families," Mr. Glynn says about his time with Judge Adams. "Oxford was amazing because of the diversity of perspectives. It was almost overwhelming."

A decade ago, Mr. Glynn was following a different trajectory during a time he calls his troubled youth. "I had a lot of misplaced anger," he says of his years growing up in Bowie, Md. "I wasn't on a path to law school. I had such a bad temper."

His anger led to trouble in school, but his mother didn't give up on him. "She is my biggest supporter, even about things I don't get excited over," he says. "Same with the rest of my family—my aunts, uncles, and grandparents. They are especially proud of where I came from—that little boy who would get in trouble and had anger issues."

When he eventually overcame his temper, he started to excel in high school. He joined the mock trial team, where he became interested in legal proceedings. At Towson University, he found his calling.

"For the first time, I felt like I was a minority," he says. "My high school was predominately African American. I went to a college that is predominately white. There, I started learning about racial discrepancy in the criminal justice system. Until we diversify judges and lawyers, we can't effect change."

A desire to improve the legal system drew him to GW Law. "I am definitely interested in taking my skills and using them for change," he says. "I mentioned this in my interviews for internships with judges. Prosecutors hold a lot of power in charging. There are a disproportionate number of arrests, but the laws that are enacted in the first place are why I am interested in politics as well—to effect change."

Claudia Ojeda

AS A YOUNG CHILD, CLAUDIA OJEDA, JD '18, ESCAPED A country where one person controlled politics and the law: Fidel Castro. She and her mother made three attempts to leave Cuba by boat. They finally succeeded in 2001, when Ms. Ojeda was 7. Her father followed, but overland on a much more treacherous route across parts of Latin America.

Her family's desire and drive for a better life has inspired Ms. Ojeda ever since.

She attended the University of Florida on a full academic scholarship after graduating from Southwest Senior High School in Kendall, Fla., near Miami. At first, she aspired to be a doctor, following in her mother's footsteps. Her mother is a nurse practitioner and had been a doctor in Cuba.

"My first bio class was at 8:30 in the morning," she says. "I walked out. This was not for me."

She tried different subjects and joined the mock trial team. There, she thrived. She was chosen to go to the state competition, did well, and was sent to nationals in Washington, D.C., where, again, she won her trials.

Law school was a natural extension. She applied to a program for minority students interested in legal careers the summer after her junior year in college. She moved to Chicago and worked for the firm DLA Piper. That clinched it.

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Prior to commencing her legal studies at GW, she worked as a summer associate at Shearman & Sterling through the Sponsors for Educational Opportunity (SEO) program. The experience influenced how she approached her classes in her first year of law school.

Her favorites were legal writing and research — skills she used this past summer at a top law firm in Miami, Bilzin Sumberg.

When Ms. Ojeda saw the posting for the Morgan Lewis Foundation Diversity Scholarship on the law school’s digital home page, “it was calling out to me,” she says. “I am a minority. I have done well in law school.”

She applied in the middle of preparing for a mock trial, sending in her application an hour before the deadline. A month later, she was invited for an interview with Grace Speights.

“She told me why the scholarship got started,” Ms. Ojeda says. “It was an incredible story that resonated with my own.”

Eman Lemu

THE STORY OF 2L EMAN LEMU CONTAINS MANY OF the same elements: a strong sense of purpose and perseverance. Both she and Ms. Ojeda left their home countries at the age of 7.

At that time, Ms. Lemu and her family moved from Ethiopia to Kenya. Four years later, she was in Tampa, Fla., a middle school student taking English as a second language.

“The ESL teacher only spoke Spanish and English,” Ms. Lemu says. “No one spoke Amharic. Most of the other students in the class spoke Spanish, too. There was one kid from Russia. The good thing was that it forced me to learn English quickly to communicate.”

The more she learned the language and the more she read, the better she understood and could write in English. By her sophomore year in high school, she did well on the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT) and started really believing in what she could do academically.

She earned a full scholarship to Florida State University, where she studied finance. She also held down two jobs, one at a bank and the other as a leasing agent in an apartment building.

Her goal was to be an entrepreneur, but a summer course in prelaw with the Chicago-Kent College of Law changed her mind.

“I took different law courses,” she says. “I went to different law firms and to the courts. They showed us what it is to be a lawyer. Attorneys are problem solvers and that really intrigued me.”

After college, Ms. Lemu worked for a year to earn money. Then she entered GW. She treats her studies as she would a job. “I am up at 5 in the morning,” she says. “I take this very seriously. It’s an investment. It’s a lot of money. The first year was challenging, but I’ve always worked. Law school is an extension of work.”

She is thankful for the Morgan Lewis Foundation Diversity Scholarship. Because of it, she can borrow less money to finish her degree.

She hasn’t charted out her exact route after law school. This past summer, she worked for a mid-size firm in Tampa, doing litigation and antitrust law. During the fall semester, she worked for a district judge in Virginia.

She’s perfectly comfortable in the many facets of the legal arena, and does not hesitate in her abilities with her adopted language. “There are days I have to look up a word in the dictionary, but I am very comfortable in English,” she says. “America is my second home. I am grateful to be here.”

All three GW Law scholarship recipients inspire Ms. Speights. As they did, she has overcome a disadvantaged childhood, growing up in a poor neighborhood of Philadelphia, to reach great heights.

In 2015, she was awarded the NAACP’s Champion of Justice Award and the Washington Bar Association Legal Fund’s Maden Haden Trailblazer Award. And she has been named one of Washington, D.C.’s 100 most powerful women, a member of the Who’s Who of Black Lawyers, and one of the best attorneys in America.

“I see my role as somebody students can look to and say ‘if someone like Grace Speights from her background can make it at a major firm, there is hope I can do the same thing.’”

She mentors and sponsors as many diverse law professionals as she can, getting emails and calls every day. She relishes those contacts and believes they are important.

The scholarship is an extension of that belief in the importance of nurturing the next generation of lawyers from underrepresented backgrounds.

It also is a stroke of encouragement and a mark of excellence as students make their way in law school and beyond. “I was pretty impressed with them,” Ms. Speights says. “These students will try to make a significant contribution to the legal profession. It’s exciting.”

“I took different law courses. I went to different law firms and to the courts. They showed us what it is to be a lawyer. Attorneys are problem solvers and that really intrigued me.”

– Eman Lemu

Justice Scalia

A MANY-SIDED CONNECTION TO GW LAW

For nearly three decades—from his appointment to the U.S. Supreme Court in 1986 by President Ronald Reagan until his unexpected death on Feb. 13, 2016—Justice Antonin Scalia carved out a powerful legacy on the nation’s high court. The longest-serving justice also left his mark at the George Washington University, where he maintained a strong association with faculty and a generous interest in students.

Justice Scalia was a frequent visitor to the university, to speak about the Constitution and his experiences as a jurist, to take part in moot court competitions, to interact with students, and to collaborate with friends at GW Law.

Bradford R. Clark, the William Cranch Research Professor of Law, was one of those friends. The two men knew one another for more than 30 years—since 1989, when the Supreme Court justice hired Professor Clark to serve as his clerk.

“His passing is a personal loss for me ...,” Professor Clark says. “The justice’s passing is also a loss for GW Law, I think, because he was always very receptive to participating in our moot courts, symposia, and he even dedicated the opening of the E Building.”

The close connection between the justice and GW Law was evident when, just nine days after Justice Scalia’s death, the university community came together to acknowledge his impact on the judiciary. Professor Clark and alumnus Jonathan Bond, JD ’08, who also clerked for the justice, joined Professors Gregory Maggs, Paul Schiff Berman, Stephen Saltzburg, Orin Kerr, and Maeva Marcus to discuss “The Legal Legacy of Justice Antonin Scalia.” Associate Dean Susan L. Karamanian moderated the panel.

Professor Clark and Mr. Bond were also among those at a special meeting of the Supreme Court Bar on Nov. 4 to honor the late justice. In remarks in the Supreme Court’s Great Hall, Professor Clark said he attended to represent the justice’s clerks who now teach law.

“He once told me that law professors have the greatest impact through teaching rather than scholarship,” the GW Law professor told those gathered. “Not all of his clerks who teach law are of one mind. We do not all share a common legal philosophy or agree with everything Justice Scalia believed. But we all take with us his commitment to openness, to the power of ideas, to the value of debate and disagreement, to cherishing friends with whom we disagree, and to the idea that law, done right, is a matter of principle rather than expediency.”



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A year earlier, Justice Scalia and Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg had appeared before a sold-out audience at Lisner Auditorium for a lively conversation with National Public Radio's Legal Affairs Correspondent Nina Totenberg. The justices were contrasts: Justice Scalia with his broad-shoulders and solid build, Justice Ginsburg with her tiny 5-foot frame, and both with their often-opposing legal positions.

Justice Scalia's famous sense of humor was on display. "What's not to like?" he said of his colleague, before adding, "except her views on the law."

But it wasn't all about the justices' differences. That event organized by Smithsonian Associates also revealed the depth of their friendship and the congruence of their paths and passions. Both were graduates of Harvard Law School, both served on the D.C. Circuit Court, and both were energized by verbal sparring. They also shared a love of opera.

Two years earlier, almost to the day, Justice Scalia had been at Lisner, engaged in a wide-ranging discussion with Ms. Totenberg about his life and service on the court. The justice spoke about the Constitution as a living document, revisited memorable court opinions, and even detailed how he taught Justice Elena Kagan to shoot fowl.

Noted for his colorful dissenting opinions, Justice Scalia maintained that the reasoning behind—not the outcome of—the high court's decisions formed the core of U.S. law.

"The outcome is here today, gone tomorrow. It affects one situation, one case. But the reasoning will affect hundreds of cases in lower courts," he said. "So if you get the reasoning wrong, you get everything wrong, as far as I'm concerned."

During a 2013 Constitution Day celebration hosted by GW Law, Justice Scalia discussed the "immutable" quality of the Constitution. And at the Van Vleck Constitutional Law Moot Court Competition in 2009, he served as a judge. In 2002, he dedicated the new E Building at GW Law.

At GW Law's 2012 *Law Review* symposium, Justice Scalia's keynote address offered a strong defense of his belief that the U.S. Constitution should be interpreted according to the original meaning given by its framers. Prior to the symposium, the justice fielded questions from students in Professor Clark's advanced constitutional structure class.

The question-and-answer session "was an invaluable experience for my students, who received intellectually sophisticated, candid answers to a wide variety of questions," Professor Clark says.

Justice Scalia seemed to welcome interactions with GW Law students. When students in the GW Chapter of the Federalist Society expressed interest in meeting with him in 2015, he agreed to make brief remarks and take questions from them at the Supreme Court. He and his law clerks surprised another group of students by responding in the affirmative to an invitation to join them for lunch. And he served as a guest lecturer in a statutory interpretation class.

"I believe [Justice Scalia] will be remembered as one of the most consequential justices in modern history because of the force of his intellect and reasoning, and because he was a particularly effective and persuasive writer both in his majority opinions and in his dissents," says Professor Clark.

He adds: "In any event, apart from my own loss, I can't help but feel that GW lost a friend with his passing."

Finding Nino

HOW A GROUP OF "CHEEKY" LAW STUDENTS ENDED UP EATING LUNCH WITH JUSTICE ANTONIN SCALIA

BY ERIK BAPTIST, JD '04

We heard the footsteps marching toward us. Our hearts raced with anticipation as the sound of leather hitting the floor grew louder. As second-year law students at GW Law, we had done nothing to deserve this. Yet, here we were, in the back room of the AV Ristorante Italiano in Washington, D.C., waiting for what we knew would be an unforgettable experience.

Suddenly, Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia entered the room, walked straight to the seat across from me, and said: "That was a cheeky thing to do. That was a really cheeky thing to do."

GW Law is not known as a bastion of conservative thought, which might explain why my classmate John and I immediately bonded during our first semester at law school. We had discovered that we shared the same views on constitutional interpretation. And when we heard that Justice Scalia was going to help dedicate GW's newest building, we plotted how to meet him—including what we would say and who would hold the camera to photograph us with our intellectual hero.

Unfortunately, when the day arrived, the venue was packed and the crowd around Justice Scalia was impassable. Before we knew it, our legal superman had left the building—along with our euphoria. But John was not to be deterred. He devised a new, far-fetched plan: We would write to the justice and invite him to lunch at his favorite Italian restaurant.

"Sure, John, you can include my name in the letter," I said, while wondering if my classmate was the most naive person within a 10-mile radius.

It took John a year to execute the plan, but he finally mailed that letter on April 7, 2003, adding a couple other friends' names.

I was under stress, preparing for finals and finishing a judicial externship, when I received an email 10 days later from Professor Bradford Clark. I was also confused. I had not taken the professor's class on the federal courts, which drew from his experience as a Supreme Court law clerk. Professor Clark's note informed John and me that his former boss had phoned. Using his efficient "It's Scalia" introduction, he had wanted to talk about a letter from



After judging GW Law's Van Vleck Constitutional Law Moot Court Competition in 2009, Justice Scalia enjoyed engaging with students at a Marvin Center reception.

four GW Law students asking him out to lunch. "Are they legit?" the justice had asked Professor Clark, who knew John from class.

The subject line of Professor Clark's email to me was "Lunch with Justice Scalia?" Justice Scalia agreed to the lunch provided that his law clerks and Professor Clark also attended.

Words cannot fully capture how I felt when Justice Scalia—stern, unamused, even annoyed—sat across from me and said: "That was a cheeky thing to do. That was a really cheeky thing to do." I thought I was being reprimanded for wasting his time, and I suddenly regretted signing John's letter. My mind raced. "What if Justice Scalia tells my firm not to hire me. He's a very powerful man, after all." But just at that moment of despair, the justice raised his index finger, smiled, and said: "It's a good thing I like cheekiness. Let's eat!"

He announced that he would have pizza with anchovies and red wine—as if we would have the temerity to object—while letting us know that we could order whatever we wanted. And he would not accept final exams as an excuse to refrain from drinking the wine he ordered for the table. It's not every day you're hazed by a Supreme Court justice!

What followed was an informal, off-the-record discussion on anything we wanted to ask. We talked about his relationship with Chief Justice William Rehnquist, the possibility of being promoted to chief justice if Justice Rehnquist retired, the nature of those hypothetical confirmation hearings, his thoughts on *Marbury v. Madison* and *Planned Parenthood v. Casey*, the value of judicial precedent, his admiration for Justice Sandra Day O'Connor's contribution to the court's collegiality, and his

friendship with Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg. I intend to keep the details of those conversations private, but they showed the depth and humanity of the man behind the bench.

Responding to our admiration of his forceful dissents, Justice Scalia lamented that his primary purpose was to influence future generations of lawyers rather than necessarily persuade his fellow justices (who are not so persuadable by the time they reach the high court). He also provided practical advice when I asked how we could emulate his mastery of the written word: Read the classics.

Epilogue: When I next spoke with Justice Scalia, he had just teamed up with Bryan Garner on a book on legal writing. Young professionals were throwing back cocktails at a reception hall, waiting for the justice to arrive and speak about the book. Out of the corner of my eye, I saw him enter the hall. Only a few others had noticed so I carefully worked my way through the crowd. When I reached Justice Scalia, he was engaged in a lively conversation with a group of law students. I waited for him to finish then reintroduced myself.

"Justice Scalia, it's nice to see you again." He asked the occasion of our previous meeting.

"We had lunch together five years ago. My friends and I wrote you a letter asking..." Justice Scalia abruptly cut me off and proclaimed, "I remember! That was a cheeky thing to do!"

After Justice Scalia told our story, the students around him jumped at the idea and invited him to lunch. He raised his index finger, smiled, and responded: "Ah, but it's only cheeky to do once. It's no longer cheeky."



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GW Law Community Responds to White House Policies

Speaking Out

BY MARY A. DEMPSEY

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When the Trump administration launched its controversial new immigration policies shortly after inauguration, GW Law professors, students, and alumni mobilized. The law school held information sessions for international students, hosted panel discussions probing the issues and their implications, and shared perspectives in a multitude of media appearances.



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— ALBERTO BENÍTEZ



GW Law faculty and deans (left to right) Susan Karamanian, Steve Charnovitz, Alan Morrison, Donald Clarke, Emily Hammond, and Steven Schooner participated in a post-inauguration panel discussion in the Jacob Burns Moot Court Room.

“We’re trying to get the word out that noncitizens have some rights,” says Professor Alberto Benítez, who teaches immigration law and directs GW Law’s immigration clinic. “There’s always uncertainty with people who are undocumented or out of status, fears of a random encounter with local law enforcement, for example. But this is something else. Everything is heightened and it’s incredibly difficult to know how to advise people properly.”

The Trump administration drew massive protests and court challenges when it announced at the end of January that it would ban the entry of travelers from seven Muslim countries. Three weeks later, it issued new Department of Homeland Security guidelines to expand deportations of undocumented immigrants. The new administration has also threatened sanctions against cities like Washington, D.C., that offer sanctuary to refugees and asylum seekers.

GW Law faculty and student lawyers have written op-ed pieces for newspapers and spoken with broadcast media, including CNN, Fox News, and China Global Television Network. News outlets in Mexico have also interviewed them.

The immigration clinic organized a “Know Your Rights” presentation on Feb. 2 in conjunction with the Muslim Law Students Association and set up an information and fundraising

table in the law school to collect monies for refugee organizations. Professor Benítez and his students took part in other university-wide discussions about immigration.

They also fielded an uptick in inquiries from students, faculty, and staff worried about their own immigration status. Students attending GW on visas were counseled not to travel outside the country, including on spring break trips, for international internships, or for planned study abroad. Noncitizen staff and faculty were also cautioned about overseas travel.

Professor Benítez says it was tough responding to Bush administration changes to immigration procedures following the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. And he recalled dramatic changes in the law in 1996 under the Clinton administration. However, he calls the Trump administration’s actions “unprecedented.”

A Consequential Shift

JEFFREY GORSKY, JD ’77, SAYS IMMIGRATION LAW poses special challenges because “presidential power in this area is vast.”

“It’s going to be a very difficult period for people who are interested in immigration law. What we’ve seen may be the beginning of



a very restrictionist policy,” says Mr. Gorsky, senior counsel at Berry Appleman & Leiden LLP, a global firm that specializes in corporate immigration law.

Mr. Gorsky, who is deeply interested in the history of immigration law, worked for the U.S. State Department for 36 years, including in the visa office, before joining Berry Appleman & Leiden. In early February, he spoke on a panel organized by the District of Columbia Chapter of the Federal Bar Association and the Immigration Law Section of the Federal Bar Association to examine the Trump administration’s executive orders on immigration.

Later that month, he traveled to India as the keynote speaker at a conference of the American Immigration Lawyers Association, where he discussed the new immigration policies.

“Immigrants add to America,” Mr. Gorsky says. “Fifty percent of startup billionaires were immigrants. My firm’s clients include companies in the IT community. Look at Google—immigrants played a major role in its development. And even (Apple Co-founder) Steve Jobs was the (biological) son of a Syrian refugee.”

Immigration is not the only area of law where Trump policies brought a response from GW Law. Three days after the inauguration, faculty gathered in the Jacob Burns Moot Court Room to discuss how trade, environmental, and international law could



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—ESNA ABDULAMIT, JD '17

also be affected. Then, on Feb. 6, five GW Law faculty members took part on a panel titled “International Law and the Trump Administration.” Associate Dean for International and Comparative Legal Studies Susan L. Karamanian moderated the discussion.

“The Trump administration is profoundly reshaping the United States’ relationship with the rest of the world,” says Associate Dean Karamanian, who is also the Burnett Family Professorial Lecturer in International and Comparative Law and Policy. She points to how the proposed border adjustment tax would affect trade and cites plans to rollback provisions of the Dodd-Frank financial regulations.

“It is not clear how the rollback will be implemented or its legal effect given that a statute of the Congress is involved,” she says. “In teaching international banking, for example, we are able to explain how Dodd-Frank currently affects foreign banks, but we lack clear guidance on the future.”

On the Frontline

AT THE GW IMMIGRATION CLINIC, STUDENT-attorney Esna Abdulamit, JD '17, continues her work on asylum cases involving individuals from Nigeria and Rwanda and a Central American family in removal proceedings.

“Things are changing so quickly, and there is a lot of discrepancy across the country. People are more scared than usual,” says Ms. Abdulamit, who is one of nine student-lawyers in the clinic.

Her Central American client has a hearing before an immigration judge in 2019. Ms. Abdulamit says that in the past, being on the judge’s schedule provided protection from deportation “but we’re not really sure at this point what could happen since, technically, she’s undocumented.”

Ms. Abdulamit, a Romanian-born Muslim, enrolled at GW Law in 2014 with a plan to study government contract law, but her experience in the clinic shifted her interest to immigration law. Since the Trump election, she is taking the advice she gives her clients. She is not traveling and she applied at the beginning of February to become a U.S. citizen.

“The main thing we’re doing is continuing to do what we’ve been doing for so many years, which is helping people by taking cases from low-income noncitizens,” she says.

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Dmitry Karshedt published *Photocopies, Patents, and Knowledge Transfer: 'The Uneasy Case' of Justice Breyer's Patentable Subject Matter Jurisprudence*, 69 *VAND. L. REV.* 1739 (2016), and *Causal Responsibility and Patent Infringement*, 70 *VAND. L. REV.* 565 (2017).

Orin S. Kerr published *An Economic Understanding of Search and Seizure Law*, 164 *U. PA. L. REV.* 591 (2016); *Norms of Computer Trespass*, 116 *COLUM. L. REV.* 1143 (2016); and *Trespass, Not Fraud: The Need for New Sentencing Guidelines in CFAA Cases*, 84 *GEO. WASH. L. REV.* 1544 (2016).

The five-volume treatise *FEDERAL EVIDENCE* by **Laird Kirkpatrick** and Christopher Mueller was quoted and cited by the U.S. Supreme Court in the case of *Pena-Rodriguez v. Colorado*, 580 U.S. ____ (2017). Their treatise was cited by the Supreme Court in its two previous decisions on impeachment of jury verdicts: *Warger v. Shauers* and *Tanner v. United States*. Professors Kirkpatrick and Mueller published *Prior Consistent Statements: The Dangers of Misinterpreting Recently Amended FRE 801(d)(1)(B)*, 84 *GEO. WASH. L. REV. ARGUENDO* 192 (2016). Professor Kirkpatrick continues to serve as a consultant on evidence to the National Conference of Bar Examiners.



Laurie Kohn published *The False Promise of Custody in Domestic Violence Protection Orders*, 65 *DEPAUL L. REV.* 1001 (2016).

William Kovacic published *Competition Lifecycles in Latin America*, in *COMPETITION LAW IN LATIN AMERICA: A PRACTICAL GUIDE 7* (Julian Pena & Marcelo Calliari eds., 2016); *Consume or Invest: What Do/Should Agency Leaders Maximize?*, 91 *WASH. L. REV.* 295 (2016) (with David Hyman); *Criminal Enforcement of Competition Law: Implications of U.S. Experience*, in *Individual Sanctions for Competition Law Infringements: Pros, Cons and Challenges*, 2-2016 *CONCURRENCES, COMPETITION L. REV.* 14; *Regulatory Leveraging: Problem or Solution?*, 23 *GEO. MASON L. REV.* 1163 (2016); *COMPETITION AGENCY DESIGN IN GLOBALISED INDUSTRIES* (World Economic Forum, Feb. 2016) (with Mario Marinello); *Lifecycles of Competition Systems: Explaining Variation in the Implementation of New Regimes*, 79 *L. & CONTEMP. PROBS.* 1 (2016); and *PROMOTING COMPETITION AND DETERRING CORRUPTION IN PUBLIC PROCUREMENT MARKETS: SYNERGIES AND TRADE LIBERALIZATION* (World Economic Forum, Feb. 2016) (with Robert Anderson & Anna Caroline Mueller).

Cynthia Lee published *Race, Policing, and Lethal Force: Remediating Shooter Bias with Martial Arts Training*, 79 *L. & CONTEMP. PROBS.* 3 (2016), and the first edition of a case-book, *CRIMINAL PROCEDURE: CASES AND MATERIALS* (with Professors Richardson and Lawson) (West 2016). Her

article *A New Approach to Voir Dire on Racial Bias*, 5 *UC IRVINE L. REV.* 843 (2015), was cited by Justice Samuel Alito, dissenting in *Pena-Rodriguez v. Colorado*. Her paper *Reforming the Law on Police Use of Deadly Force* has been accepted for publication by the *University of Illinois Law Review*.

Renée Lettow Lerner published *How the Creation of Appellate Courts in England and the United States Limited Judicial Comment on Evidence to the Jury*, 40 *J. LEGAL PROF.* 215 (2016). Her article *New Trial for Verdict Against Law: Judge-Jury Relations in Early-Nineteenth Century America*, 71 *NOTRE DAME L. REV.* 505, 536 (1996), was cited by Justice Clarence Thomas in his dissent in *Pena-Rodriguez v. Colorado*, issued March 6.



Gregory Maggs published *A Concise Guide to the Articles of Confederation as a Source for Determining the Original Meaning of the Constitution*, 85 *GEO. WASH. L. REV.* 397 (2017). His article *How Justice Thomas Determines the Original Meaning of Article II of the Constitution* has been accepted for publication by the *YALE LAW JOURNAL*.

Jeffrey Manns published (with Robert Anderson) *The Inefficient Evolution of Merger Agreements*, 85 *GEO. WASH. L. REV.* 57 (2017).

Joan Meier published *Differentiating Domestic Violence Types: Profound Paradigm Shift or Old Wine in New Bottles?*, in *DOMESTIC*

VIOLENCE, ABUSE, AND CHILD CUSTODY: LEGAL STRATEGIES AND POLICIES, Vol. II Ch. 2 (Mo Therese Hannah, PhD, and Barry Goldstein, JD, eds.); *Teaching Lawyering with Heart in the GW Domestic Violence Project*, 22 *VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN* 1484 (2016); and *Voisine v. United States: The Supreme Court Just Says No - Again - to Domestic Abusers Seeking to Possess Firearms*, *GEO. WASH. L. REV. On the Docket* (Jun 30 2016).

Blake D. Morant published *Contractual Interpretation in the Commercial Context*, in *COMPARATIVE CONTRACT LAW: BRITISH AND AMERICAN PERSPECTIVES* 248 (Larry A. DiMatteo & Martin Hogg eds., 2016), and *Reply to Catherine Mitchell, interpreting Commercial Contracts: The Policing Role of Context in English Law*, in *COMPARATIVE CONTRACT LAW: BRITISH AND AMERICAN PERSPECTIVES*. He also wrote *The Continued Evolution of American Legal Education*, 51 *WAKE FOREST L. REV.* 245 (2016).

Alan B. Morrison published *Remembering Justice Antonin Scalia*, 101 *MINN. L. REV.* 12 (2016).

Sean D. Murphy published *Protection of Persons in the Event of Disasters and Other Topics: The Sixty-Eighth Session of the International Law Commission*, 110 *AM. J. INT'L L.* 718 (2016). As special rapporteur for the United Nations International Law Commission, he produced his Second Report (2016) and Third Report (2017) on Crimes Against Humanity.

Dawn Nunziato's chapter *Forget About It? Harmonizing European and American Protections for Privacy, Free Speech, and Due Process* was published in February in *PRIVACY AND POWER* (Cambridge Univ. Press 2017).

Her article *The Fourth Year of Forgetfulness: The Troubling Expansion of the Right to be Forgotten* was accepted for publication by U. PA. J. INT'L L.

LeRoy Paddock's article *Stemming the Deforestation Tide: The Role of Corporate Deforestation Commitments* was published in the GEO. WASH. J. ENERGY & ENV'T L. (Fall 2016). The new ROUTLEDGE HANDBOOK OF WATER POLICY LAW AND POLICY contains a chapter, *Monitoring and Enforcement: The United States Clean Water Act Model*, of which he and Laura Mulherin (3L) are co-authors. He also published with Max Greenblum *Community Benefits Agreements for Wind Farms in Context*, in SHARING THE COSTS AND BENEFITS OF ENERGY AND RESOURCE ACTIVITY 155 (Lila Barrera-Hernandez ed., 2016). associate Dean Paddock, along with **Rob Glicksman** and former Environmental Law Fellow **Nicholas Bryner**, is the co-editor of ENVIRONMENTAL DECISION MAKING (Edward Elgar Press, forthcoming October 2017), which will serve as the second volume of the publisher's ENCYCLOPEDIA OF ENVIRONMENTAL LAW series.



Todd Peterson published *The Moral Obligation of Law Schools to Address Law Student Well Being: A Review Essay About The Happy Lawyer*, 30 NOTRE DAME J. L. ETHICS & PUB. POL'Y 67 (2016).

Richard Pierce published *Justice Scalia's Unparalleled Contributions to Administrative Law*, 101 MINN L. REV. 66 (2016); *The Future of Deference*, 84 GEO. WASH. L. REV. 1293 (2016); *The*

Rocky Relationship Between the Federal Trade Commission and Administrative Law, 83 GEO. WASH. L. REV. 2026 (2016); and *The Regulatory Budget Debate*, 19 N.Y.U. J. LEGIS. & PUB. POL'Y 249 (2016).



Peter Raven-Hansen and his co-authors published new editions of their casebooks NATIONAL SECURITY LAW (6th ed.) and COUNTERTERRORISM LAW (3d ed.). He also is a co-author of amicus briefs for former federal prosecutors concerning personal jurisdiction under the Fifth Amendment for federal claims in *Livnat v. Palestinian Authority* (now pending in the D.C. Circuit) and *Waldman v. the Palestinian Liberation Organization*, 2016 WL 4537369 (2d Cir. Aug. 31, 2016).

Catherine J. Ross published *Bitch, Go Directly to Jail: Student Speech and Entry into the School-Prison Pipeline*, 88 TEMP. L. REV. 717 (2016), in a symposium on juvenile justice, and a book review essay, *Taming the Wild West: Online Excesses, Reactions and Overreactions*, 51 TULSA L. REV. 267 (2016).

Stephen A. Saltzburg is co-author of FEDERAL CRIMINAL PROCEDURE LITIGATION MANUAL (Juris 2017); Basic Criminal Procedure (West 7th ed. 2017); 2016 Supplements to Federal Rules of Evidence Manual (11th edition Lexis); and 2016 Supplement to American Criminal Procedure (West 2016). He published, in CRIMINAL JUSTICE, *Impermissible Expert Testimony on Credibility: An Illustrative Case; Codefendant Comments on Evidence; Expert*

or Lay Opinion; Attorney Client Privilege and Common Interest; Prior Inconsistent Statements to Impeach "I Don't Recall"; and Rule-- 413 and Charged Propensity Evidence; and in 84 FORDHAM L.REV. 1485 & 1499 (2016), *Rethinking the Rationale(s) for Hearsay Exceptions*, and *Prior Inconsistent Statements and Substantive Evidence--Federal Rule 801 (d)(1)(A): The Compromise*, 84 FORDHAM L.REV. 1499 (2016).

Joan Schaffner published *Evolving Perspectives on Captive Wild Animals* in WILDLIFE LAW AND ETHICS: A U.S. PERSPECTIVE (ABA 2017); "Animal Cruelty and the Law: Permitted Conduct" in *Animal Cruelty: A Multidisciplinary Approach* (Carolina Academic Press 2d ed., 2016); and *Blackfish and Public Outcry: A Unique Political and Legal Opportunity for Fundamental Change to the Legal Protection of Marine Mammals in the United States*, in ANIMAL LAW AND WELFARE--INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVES (Deborah Cao & Steven White eds., 2016). Her article *Community Cats: Changing the Legal Paradigm for the Management of So-Called "Pests"* was published in the 67 SYRACUSE L. REV. 71 (2017).

Naomi Schoenbaum will publish *Towards a Law of Coworkers*, 68 ALA. L. REV. and *The Case for Symmetry in Antidiscrimination Law*, 2017 WIS. L. REV. She will publish the following invited essays in 2017: *Stuck or Rooted? Geographic Mobility, Equality, and Community*, YALE L. J.F.; *Heteronormativity in Employment Discrimination Law*, WASHBURN L.J.; *A Modest Proposal? Regulating Customer Discrimination Through the Firm*, IOWA L. REV ONLINE; and *Gender and the Sharing Economy*, FORDHAM URBAN L.J.

Steven L. Schooner is co-author of *Reinvigorating Innovation: Lessons Learned From the Wright Brothers*, 56 CONT. MGMT. 46 (Apr. 2016), and his opinion pieces discussing conflicts of interest related to GSA's Trump International Hotel lease appeared in the *Atlantic*, *Government Executive*, *The Hill*, and the *Washington Post*.

Jonathan Siegel published *The Legacy of Justice Scalia and His Textualist Ideal*, 85 GEO. WASH. L. REV. (2017).

Michael Selmi published *Statistical Inequalities and Intentional (not Implicit) Discrimination*, 79 L. & CONTEMP. PROBS. 3 (2016). The ninth edition of the casebook of which he is co-author, EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION, was published this summer by West Publishing on behalf of the Labor Law Group.

The new edition of **Daniel J. Solove's** treatise, *PRIVACY LAW FUNDAMENTALS*, was published in February.

Jessica Steinberg published *Adversary Breakdown and Judicial Role Confusion in "Small Case" Civil Justice*, 2016 B.Y.U. L. REV. 899. She also published *Informal, Inquisitorial, and Accurate: An Empirical Look at a Problem-Solving Housing Court* in LAW & SOCIAL INQUIRY.



Sonia Suter published *In vitro Gametogenesis: Just Another Way to Have a Baby?* 3(1) J. L. & BIOSCIENCES 87 (2016); *The Limits of Empirical Data: How to Understand Survey Result with Respect to Gamete Donor Anonymity*, 3(2)

J.L. & BIOSCIENCE 377 (2016); and a review of Henry T. Greely's *THE END OF SEX AND THE FUTURE OF HUMAN REPRODUCTION*, 3 J.L. & BIOSCI. 436 (2016).

Edward Swaine published *Kiobel and Extraterritoriality: Here, (Not) There, (Not Even) Everywhere*, 69 OKLA. L. REV. 23 (2016), and spoke on the paper at the University of Oklahoma Law School.

Robert W. Tuttle and **Ira C. Lupu** published *The Mystery of Unanimity in Hosanna-Tabor Evangelical Lutheran Church & School v. EEOC*, 20 LEWIS & CLARK L. REV. 1265 (2017).

Art Wilmarth published *Prelude to Glass-Steagall: Abusive Securities Practices by National City Bank and Chase National Bank during the 'Roaring Twenties'*, 90 TUL. L. REV. 1285 (2016), and *SPOE + TLAC = More Bailouts for Wall Street*, 35 BANKING & FIN. SERVS. POL'Y REP. 3 (Mar. 2016). His article *Too Big and Unable to Fail* (with co-author Stephen Lubben) will be published in the FL. L. REV.

Christopher R. Yukins and Michael Bowsher published *Brexit and the Trump Election: Finding a Way Forward for Transnational Procurement: The Year that Changes Almost Everything*, 11 EUR. PROCUREMENT & PUB. PRIV. L. REV. 258 (2016).

PRESENTATIONS

John Banzhaf was chosen to deliver a plenary address at the joint conference of the Association of Title IX Administrators and the School and College Organization for Prevention Educators. His presentation is on Campus Sexual Assaults. He will also present a paper at the Fifteenth International Conference

on New Directions in the Humanities in London on the need for Blue Collar Studies in the U.S.—an outgrowth of an article he published in the *Houston Chronicle*—and another paper at the XXXVth International Congress on Law and Mental Health in Prague on Campus Date Rapes.

Robert Brauneis presented "Copyright: A Year in Review" at a plenary session at the annual meeting of the American Intellectual Property Law Association. He presented papers on "Properly Funding the Copyright Office: The Case for Significantly Differentiated Fees" at American University; "Government Decision Making Algorithms and the Value of Transparency" at the 17th European Intellectual Property Institute's Network Congress in London, England; and "Race, Ethnicity and Authorship: A Quantitative Look at Copyright Registrations" at the Race and IP conference at Boston College.

Naomi Cahn participated in a conference on Reproductive Tourism sponsored by the University of Amsterdam in March, presenting a paper titled "From Status to Contract in Reproductive Technology." In February, she co-organized a conference on Family Structures and Inequality, with funding from the Social Trends Institute, which was held in Rome.

In April 2017, **Arturo Carrillo** presented on "A More Perfect Internet: Promoting Digital Civility and Combating Cyber-Violence" at the Berkman Klein Center for Internet and Society at Harvard University. In March 2016, he participated at Berkman in a workshop on zero-rating and the role of ICT companies. He organized and moderated two panels at the 2017 and 2016 Silicon Valley Human

Rights Conferences: "The Right to Compute: The Mother of All Digital Rights" and "The Human Rights Response to Zero-Rating," respectively. In November 2016, he presented a paper titled "Are There Universal Standards for Net Neutrality?" at the American Society of International Law Mid-Year Research Forum.

Steve Charnovitz moderated a panel presentation on international tax for the Washington International Trade Association, participated on a Law in a Globalized World panel sponsored by the Swiss embassy, and participated on a panel on international standards at the ASIL International Economic Law Interest Group. Professor Charnovitz gave a talk on NAFTA in March to the North American Consortium on Legal Education.

Professor **Bradford Clark** interviewed Justice Elena Kagan at GW Law to commemorate Constitution Day. He spoke at a memorial honoring Justice Antonin Scalia held at the Supreme Court of the United States and participated in a panel on "Justice Scalia's Jurisprudence and National Security" at The Federalist Society's National Lawyers Convention.

Donald Clarke gave lectures and presentations on Chinese law at the University of British Columbia, the World Bank, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, the Department of State, and the University of Toronto.

Charles Craver made presentations in California on negotiation and mediation to several groups of lawyers from countries around the world and made a similar presentation to international attorneys in Washington, D.C.

Lawrence Cunningham gave the keynote address at The Museum

of American Finance Conference on the 50th Anniversary of Berkshire Hathaway.



Lisa Fairfax presented on a panel at Harvard Law School on issues associated with women and leadership. She also gave a presentation on the fiduciary duties of nonprofit board members at the National Bar Association's Leadership Development Institute.

Roger A. Fairfax, Jr. spoke on the topic of the grand jury process for a global firm-wide program at Latham & Watkins and on criminal justice reform for a program at the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Virginia. He was a facilitator for the AALS Section on Associate Deans for Academic Affairs Inaugural Program at the AALS Annual Meeting. He also spoke on a panel at GW Law on "Policing, Violence, and Racial Disparities in Criminal Justice" and made a presentation on public corruption enforcement to a delegation of government officials, prosecutors, and defense attorneys from South Korea.

Miriam Galston was a panelist on *Joshua Parens' Leo Strauss and the Recovery of Medieval Philosophy* at the Northeastern Political Science Association Annual Conference. She was the Co-Coordinator for North America for the Shalom Hartman Institute Annual International Philosophy Conference in Jerusalem, Israel.

Robert Glicksman testified three times before Congress on endangered species, regulatory reform, and unfunded

mandates issues. He presented at U.C. Berkeley and Florida State law schools and at the Hoover Commission. He presented a paper, which will appear in the *University of Kansas Law Review*, on climate adaptation and federally owned grasslands at a symposium on grasslands management. He presented on a new analytical model for reorganizing government and on the impact of the Trump administration on environmental and administrative law at schools in New Zealand and Australia, and to the South Australia Environment Protection Authority.

Phyllis Goldfarb gave presentations at the Cleveland-Marshall Law School, Washington & Lee Law School, Fordham Law School, Cornell Law School, University of Tulsa College of Law, and the University of Akron School of Law. She also presented on "New Forms of Experiential Education" at the 2016 AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education.

Emily Hammond testified before Congress several times on issues involving environmental law, energy law, presidential power, and judicial review of administrative agencies. She has presented at numerous ABA events as well as the American Nuclear Society, Bloomberg, the D.C. Bar Association, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the Society for Benefit Cost Analysis, Tilburg University (The Netherlands), George Mason University, Georgetown University of Oklahoma, Tulsa University, UCLA, and Widener University. As chair of the AALS Administrative Law Section, she organized and moderated a New Voices program and the section's regular program.

David Johnson presented "Nuts and Bolts of Developing/

Invigorating a Law School Pro Bono Program" at the 2016 Equal Justice Conference, which was sponsored by the American Bar Association Center for Pro Bono and the National Legal Aid and Defender Association. He lectured on the 2016 U.S. Presidential Election at the Universidad Del Salvador in Argentina.

Susan Jones served as a panelist and moderator at a session titled "The Arc of Your Career" at the AALS Annual Meeting. She spoke on "Chartering New Waters, Clinicians' Post Tenure Reflections" and was a panelist on "Law and Entrepreneurship" at the Southeastern Association of Law Schools.

Susan Karamanian delivered a United Nations' lecture titled "The Intersection of Public and Private International Law." She presented "Courts and Arbitration: Reconciling the Public with the Private" at Penn State Law's Yearbook on Arbitration and Mediation 2017 Symposium.

Dmitry Karshtedt presented "Causal Responsibility and Patent Infringement" as the selected patent paper at the ABA IP Law Scholarship Symposium and "Photocopies, Patents and Knowledge Transfer: 'The Uneasy Case' of Justice Breyer's Patentable Subject Matter Jurisprudence" as the selected plenary paper at the Patent Conference at Boston College. He attended the Works in Progress in IP Conference at Boston University Law School, presenting "The Modern Pirate: Toward a New Standard for Enhanced Damages in Patent Law," and a symposium on the Patent Office and the Courts, also at Boston University, speaking on "Acceptance Instead of Denial: Pro-Applicant Positions at the USPTO."

William Kovacic delivered a number of speeches and lectures during 2015-16. Most recently, he spoke on "Antitrust Policy for Aftermarkets" at the Annual Competition Law Conference of the Korean Fair Trade Commission in Seoul, South Korea; "Merger Remedies and Cartel Investigations" at the Annual Competition Law Conference of the Competition Authority of Kenya in Nairobi, Kenya; and "Prioritization, Case Selection, and Agency Effectiveness" at the Competition Law Scholars Forum, Workshop on Setting Enforcement Priorities at University College Dublin.

Laurie Kohn presented "Trauma-Informed Practice" at the AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education; was a panelist for "A More Perfect Internet: Addressing Digital Incivility, Cyber-Violence, and 'Fake News,'" moderated "Law School Curricula and Practice-Readiness: Perfect Partners or Strange Bedfellows?" at the AALS Annual Conference 2017; was a panelist at the "Clinicians Charting New Waters" at the AALS Annual Conference; was a concurrent session presenter for "Teaching Empathy" at the AALS Clinical Conference; was a concurrent session presenter for "Family Law Scholars and Teachers Conference;" and moderated the "Access to Justice" Roundtable at the 2016 SEALS Conference.

Cynthia Lee was a guest lecturer at the Universidad del Salvador in Buenos Aires, Argentina, on the doctrine of self-defense in the United States. She spoke at SEALS on shooter bias, race, and policing, as part of a panel on policing after Ferguson. She spoke on the law of police use of deadly force at the 2016 National Asian Pacific American

Bar Association Convention. She spoke at the Protect and Serve: Perspectives on Policing Symposium at the University of Georgia School of Law.



Renée Lettow Lerner spoke on "The Seventh Amendment and Jury Trials in Patent Litigation" at the Conference on Jury Trials and Patent Litigation at New York University School of Law. At the AALS Annual Meeting, she debated the jury system. She spoke on "Comparative Legal Systems: Civil Law in Comparative Perspective" for the Rule of Law Collaborative, U.S. Department of State and Justice Sector Training, Research and Coordination Program. She recorded an interview on the Seventh Amendment for the Khan Academy and the National Constitution Center.

Among other presentations in 2016, **Joan Meier** was an invited keynote presenter on *Real Life Outcomes in Family Courts* for the Sojourner Institute, spoke to the Cleveland States' Attorneys' Office on Supreme Court case *Clark v. Ohio*, spoke with several groups at Oberlin College about vicarious trauma, delivered a webinar for the ABA Commission on Domestic and Sexual Violence, and presented at two Congressional Briefings: one on employment and domestic violence, and another (*Top Ten Themes from Custody and Abuse Cases*) in support of H.Con.Res. 150 on Child Safety in Family Courts, developed by Professor Meier and DV LEAP.

Blake D. Morant delivered the Rabinowitz Lecture at the University of Cape Town, South Africa. He delivered the

keynote address at the 25th annual Martin Luther King, Jr. "I Have a Dream" Ceremony. Dean Morant, Professor Larry DiMatteo of the University of Florida, and Professor Martin Hogg of the University of Edinburgh hosted *The George Washington Law Review* Fall 2016 Symposium "Divergence and Reform in the Common Law of Contracts." He delivered the Sidney Z. Vincent Memorial Lecture, "Free Speech on Campus: Are There Limits?," at the 70th Annual Meeting of the Community Relations Committee in Cleveland, Ohio.

Alan Morrison worked with lawyers from the D.C. Mayor's Office, the D.C. Council, the Office of the Attorney General, and private lawyers in drafting a constitution for what proponents hope will be the State of New Columbia.

Sean D. Murphy in 2016 delivered a series of lectures on "International Law Relating to Islands" at The Hague Academy of International Law and spoke at the celebration of the 70th anniversary of the International Court of Justice. During 2016-2017, he participated in training foreign lawyers on selected topics of international law in Bosnia-Herzegovina, Ethiopia, Ghana, and Thailand and chaired workshops on crimes against humanity in Geneva, Singapore, and The Hague. Professor Murphy delivered the 2016 John Sumner Stead Lecture at the University of Baltimore School of Law and the 2017 Fred F. Herzog Memorial Lecture at John Marshall Law School.

Dawn Nunziato, with **Arturo Carrillo**, organized the conference "Toward a More Perfect Internet: Combating Digital Incivility, Cyber-Violence, and Fake News" and moderated

a panel on "Addressing the 'Fake News' Problem." With GW's Program on Extremism, she organized a symposium on Countering Online Radicalization and Extremism, and served as a panelist for Approaching Online Censorship. She moderated the Future of Privacy Forum, sponsored by the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS LAW JOURNAL. She served as a panelist on "Promoting and Defending the Right to Compute" at the RightsCon Conference in Brussels and at the Privacy and Power conference at the Goethe-Institute in Washington, D.C.

LeRoy Paddock presented on energy and nature conservation at the World Conservation Congress, which was organized by the International Union for the Conservation of Nature.

Richard Pierce spoke at the U.S. Department of Justice on the future of administrative law and the future of environmental law. He spoke on the EPA's use of guidance documents at a symposium at George Mason University Scalia Law School.

Catherine J. Ross participated in many panels and gave talks about free speech and diversity on college campuses in many venues, including Stanford Law School, University of Pennsylvania Law School, Harvard University Graduate School of Education, the University of Chicago's Institute of Politics, National Constitution Center, the Annual Meeting of the American Council on Education (college presidents and provosts), and she delivered keynotes at Wellesley College's Censorship Awareness Week and GW's Diversity Day. She also delivered papers at a symposium on sexual assault on college campuses at Georgetown

University Law Center and on lies and the Constitution at the University of Colorado Law School.

Lisa Schenck provided an update on "Current Issues Facing Judge Advocates" to the ABA Standing Committee on Armed Forces Law in February during the ABA Midyear Meeting.



Naomi Schoenbaum presented her co-authored work-in-progress, "Unsexed Pregnancy," at the Colloquium on Scholarship in Employment and Labor Law.

Steven L. Schooner made presentations at the University of Rome Tor Vegata in Frascati, Italy; in Windhoek, Namibia and Abu Dhabi, UAE for the World Trade Organization; in Mexico City and Panama City for the USDA; and at programs in Belgrade, Serbia, Brasilia, Brazil, and Montego Bay, Jamaica. He spoke at the University of Minnesota, the Army Judge Advocate General's School, the Space Contracting Executive Forum in Los Angeles, and the 44th Annual Symposium on Government Acquisition in Huntsville Ala.

Jonathan Siegel addressed the conference "The Time for Regulatory Reform in Congress," sponsored by the Center for the Study of the Administrative State at George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School on the subject of the REINS Act.

Mike Selmi participated in a roundtable on the 50th anniversary of the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, sponsored by AARP.

Jessica Steinberg spoke at the Ninth Circuit Judicial Conference as part of the plenary panel on access to justice and was an invited panelist at an Indiana University symposium on the intersection of legal education, technology, and access to justice. She also presented a talk on parole at the Public Defender Service Symposium on Prisoners and Returning Citizens.

Sonia Suter presented "The Tyranny of Choice" at the Bio LawLaPaLooza 2017 at Stanford Law School; "The Impact of Routinization and of the Law on Patient Choice," at Goals and Practices for Next-Generation Prenatal Testing at the Hastings Center; and "The Offer of Prenatal Testing: Informed Choice and the Law" for the NHGRI Genetic Counseling Program at The National Institutes of Health.

Edward Swaine is working as a reporter for the Restatement Fourth of Foreign Relations Law of the United States, submitting drafts on treaty law. He taught a course on comparative foreign relations and national security law at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies in Geneva and presented a paper and served as a commentator in October's Yale-Duke Foreign Relations Law Roundtable on The Future of International Agreements. He also presented a paper on comparative approaches to treaty reservations at the faculty workshop at the Graduate Institute.

As part of the State Department's Speakers Bureau, **Jessica Tillipman** recorded an online course on Institutional Anti-Corruption Mechanisms (for their YALI program). She provided anti-corruption training to government officials from Colombia and

India via the USTDA Global Procurement initiative and moderated a panel discussion, "Ethics, Integrity and Twitter - Navigating Unique issues in the Trump Administration", at the Federal Circuit Bar Association's Government Contracting Symposium.



Art Wilmarth spoke about the future of community banks and online "fintech" banks at a conference hosted by the *Wake Forest Journal of Business and Intellectual Property Law*. The journal subsequently posted an interview with Professor Wilmarth on its blog. He presented comments on two papers at the Corporate Reputation Symposium hosted by the Oxford Said Business School in England and presented a summary of his proposal for a two-tiered system of bank regulation at a Treasury Department Roundtable on Financial Regulation that included academics and representatives of think tanks.

AWARDS/HONORS

Naomi Cahn was recently elected to membership as an Academic Fellow in the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel (ACTEC), and she accepted an invitation to join the Fellows of the American Bar Foundation.

Lawrence Cunningham was nominated as a Corporate Director of Ashford Hospitality Prime, Inc.

Lisa Fairfax was appointed to serve on the Board of Advisers of the BYU Law School.



Roger A. Fairfax, Jr. was appointed to the editorial board of *Criminal Justice* magazine, published by the American Bar Association.

Robert Glicksman's scholarship was cited by the Tenth Circuit, and he was named one of the top 15 most cited scholars in environmental and administrative law by Brian Leiter.



Emily Hammond and a multi-disciplinary team of GW faculty won a \$1.7 million grant from the U.S. Department of Energy to work on law and policy issues related to nuclear security.

Dmiry Karshtedt received a Thomas Edison Innovation Fellowship Award from the Center for the Protection of Intellectual Property at George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School.

Laurie Kohn was awarded a Fulbright Visiting Scholar Designation (2016).

William Kovacic was reappointed to a two-year term as Non-Executive Director, United Kingdom Competition & Markets Authority. He was also named the J.C. Smith Visiting Scholar at the University of Nottingham Law School (February 26-March 2, 2016).

Sean D. Murphy was re-elected by the United Nations General Assembly to a five-year term on

the United Nations International Law Commission. He was elected President-elect of the American Society of International Law; his two-year term will begin in April 2018. He was appointed as an arbitrator in *TransCanada Corporation and TransCanada PipeLines Limited v. United States* and in a case between East Timor and Australia concerning the Timor Sea Treaty.

LeRoy Paddock chaired a panel on "Extended Producer Responsibility" at the ABA/IBA's Environmental Summit of the Americas.

Scott Pagel served as Chair of the site team visiting William and Mary Law School. He also met with two representatives from Tashkent State University of Law (Uzbekistan) at the request of the ABA Rule of Law Institute to discuss the role of the ABA in legal education.

Peter Raven-Hansen and two GW Law alumni were among a team of attorneys awarded PUBLIC JUSTICE's 2016 Trial Lawyer of the Year Award.

Alfreda Robinson was installed as a National Bar Association (NBA) Elected Board Member-At-Large for a two-year term. She received an NBA Presidential Award for Exceptional Service.

Catherine J. Ross's 2015 book *LESSONS IN CENSORSHIP: HOW SCHOOLS AND COURTS SUBVERT STUDENTS' FIRST AMENDMENT RIGHTS* (Harvard University Press 2015) received the 2016 Critics' Choice Award from the American Educational Studies Association. She was appointed to the inaugural legal advisory board of the First Amendment Library, an online resource established by the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education. She serves on the Legal Advisory Board

of impeachdonaldtrumpnow, a collaborative project established by Free Speech for People and RootsAction.

Stepehn Saltzburg serves on the Executive Committee and the Council of the American Bar Association Criminal Justice Section and represents that Section in the ABA House of Delegates.

Joan Schaffner was nominated a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation.

Lisa Schenck was appointed to DoD's Uniform Code of Military Justice Committee as one of two "recognized authorities in military justice or criminal law." Appointed by the Secretary of Defense as a Subcommittee Member, Judicial Proceedings Panel (JPP) on Sexual Assault in the Military, she testified before the JPP at public meetings regarding the subcommittee's reports on Military Defense Counsel Resources and Experiences in Sexual Assault Cases and Sexual Assault Investigations in the Military. She also was appointed as a Liaison to the ABA Standing Committee on Armed Forces Law, responsible for facilitating public outreach and engagement.

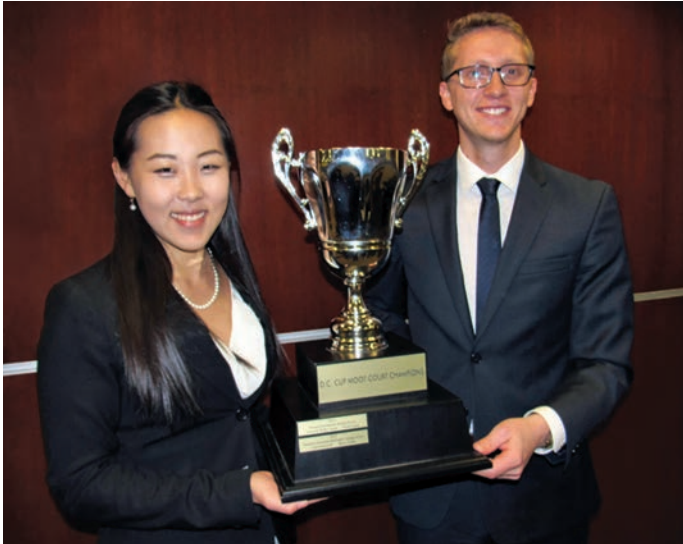
Naomi Schoenbaum is Chair of the AALS Employment Discrimination Section.

Jonathan Siegel is serving as a Public Member of the Administrative Conference of the United States.

Jessica Steinberg was named a Bellow Scholar by the AALS Clinical Section for her empirical research on judicial engagement with self-represented litigants.

Sonia Suter is a member of the Goals and Practices for Next-Generation Prenatal Testing.

External Student Advocacy Competition Successes FY 2016



Sophia Park and John Lockwood took top honors at the D.C. Cup Moot Court Competition.

SOPHIA (SUNG) PARK AND John Lockwood swept every possible award at the D.C. Cup Moot Court Competition sponsored by the D.C. Bar. The team defeated Georgetown University in the finals to win the competition. It also won Best Brief. Mr. Lockwood was selected as Best Oralist. The finals were held at the University of the District of Columbia School of Law moot courtroom

before the final bench of D.C. Court of Appeals Senior Judge Inez Smith Reid; Karl Racine, D.C. attorney general; and Loren AliKhan, deputy solicitor general, Office of the Attorney General. All local law schools participated. The D.C. Bar engraved its rotating "Stanley Cup" trophy with GW Law's and the students' names, and it is proudly displayed in the Dean's Office for the next year.

Monica Porter and George Holton were finalists in the Robert F. Wagner National Labor and Employment Law Moot Court Competition in New York City. Additionally, Ms. Porter was selected as Best Final Round Oral Advocate and Mr. Holton was named Best Preliminary Round Oral Advocate. They were coached by Professor Michael Selmi.

Warren Kessler and Renee Reasoner were semifinalists in the Seigenthaler-Sutherland Cup National First Amendment Moot Court Competition sponsored by the Newseum. Additionally, they were awarded Best Brief. They were coached by adjunct faculty member and Senior Judge Henry Greene.



The winning pair of Andrew Walter (left) and Michael Wolfe proudly display their certificates.

ANDREW WALTER AND Michael Wolfe won the 2016 Saul Lefkowitz Trademark Moot Court National Championship and were also selected as the Best Oralist Team. The finals were held in Washington, D.C., at the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. The team advanced to the National Championship by reaching the finals of the New York City regional in early February.

The top teams in each of the five regionals advanced to the National Championship. The GW competitors' prize for winning was \$3,000. In addition, they received \$1,000 as the Best Oralist Team, and the law school was even awarded \$1,000, which allowed the team and coach to go out and celebrate. The team was coached by Professor Roger Schechter.



KATELIN SHUGART-SCHMIDT won the National Animal Law Legislative Drafting and Lobbying Competition at Harvard Law School. GW Law grad Ann Porter, who won the competition as a law student, offered guidance to Ms. Shugart-Schmidt in preparation for the competition.

Katelin Shugart-Schmidt (center) won first prize at the National Animal Law Legislative Drafting and Lobbying Competition at Harvard.

Michael Jones and Alexandra Saper competed in the Gujarat National Law University Moot Court Competition in India. Mr. Jones was selected as the competition's Best Oralist. The team was coached by adjunct faculty member Nathaniel Bolin. Travel to the competition was made possible through the support of Associate Dean Susan Karamanian and the international travel funding she secured several years ago.

At the Georgetown White Collar Competition, the team of Kelly Behr, Grace Brier, Amanda Danforth, and Arslan Sheikh competed as a team coached by Moses Cook. Although the team did not advance, Ms. Behr won the award for Best Opening Statement.



(From left) Judge Debra A. Livingston, Justice Samuel Alito, and Judge Brett M. Kavanaugh listen to an argument onstage at Lisner Auditorium.

Mock Argument—with a Real Justice

U.S. Supreme Court Justice Samuel A. Alito, Jr. anchored the bench for the second time at the finals of GW Law's 66th annual Van Vleck Constitutional Law Moot Court Competition last year. This was the seventh time in nine years that a Supreme Court justice presided over the Van Vleck finals. Joining Justice Alito (center) on the bench were Judge Debra A. Livingston of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit and Judge Brett M. Kavanaugh of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit.

The GW Law team of Jasmine Chalashtori and Laura Seferian were finalists (finishing second) at the 12th Annual K.K. Luthra Memorial Moot Court at the University of Delhi in India. Adjunct faculty member Magin Puig Monsen coached the team. Funding for the competition was made possible through the generosity of Associate Dean Susan Karamanian, who traveled to the competition to deliver a talk on Success in Moot Court Competitions. Assistant Dean David Johnson helped her prepare the talk.

Garrett Henderson and Jason Ross reached the quarterfinals of the West Virginia University College of Law National Energy and Sustainability Moot Court Competition in Morgantown, W.Va. This was the first year the competition was sponsored by the Skadden law firm. Skadden provided two coaches: Andrew Corcoran and John Shepherd, sponsored the travel, and provided an award to the students competing.

The team of Natalee Allenbaugh, Grant Berg, Laura Ferguson, and Ella Gladman reached the quarterfinals of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Mid-Atlantic Regional Moot Court Competition held at GW Law. Additionally, they were awarded 5th Best Memorial; Ms. Gladman was 7th Best Oralist and Mr. Berg was 9th Best Oralist. They were coached by Associate Dean Susan Karamanian.

Matt Rosenberg and Nicole Sharer advanced to the Giles Rich Intellectual Property Moot Court National Semifinals at the Federal Circuit. The team, coached by John Whealan, associate dean for intellectual property law studies, reached the nationals by finishing second in the Silicon Valley Regional.

Kristina DiBenedetto and Krista Mancini were semifinalists in the Oxford International Intellectual Property Moot Court at Pembroke College in England. Additionally, Ms. DiBenedetto was selected as 4th Best Individual Mooter. Professor Bob Brauneis coached the team.

Ryan Roberts and Maley Sullivan reached the semifinals of the ABA Client Counseling Competition at the Albany Law School. They were coached by alumna and former ADR board president, adjunct faculty member Emily Harlan.

The team of Trevis Niemeyer, Jacqueline Der Ovanesian, and Arslan Sheikh reached the semifinals of the Texas Young Lawyers Association National Trial Competition Regional held at American University. They were coached by adjunct faculty member Paige Boorman.

The team of Patrick Fenior, Neha Rao, Thomas Collins, and Irina Majumdar reached the semifinals of the Estrella Mock Trial Competition in San Juan, Puerto Rico. The team was coached by adjunct faculty member Moses Cook, executive director of Law Students in Court. The competition is sponsored through the generosity of GW Law alumnus Alberto Estrella and his law firm, Estrella LLC. Fourteen teams from around the country competed, including Cal Berkeley, UVA, UCLA, Fordham, Emory, William and Mary, and others. The problem was written by GW Law students Garrett Henderson, Kelly Marco, and Jacqueline Der Ovanesian under the supervision of adjunct faculty member Tom Simeone.

The 8th Annual ABA Forum on Communications Law's First Amendment and Media Law Diversity Moot Court took place at the Naples Grand Beach Resort in Florida. Students from all ABA-approved law schools can apply by submitting briefs, but only four teams are fully funded by the ABA to attend the Forum on Communications Law's annual conference and corresponding moot court. For the first time ever, two GW Law teams were selected to compete. At the competition, each student was evaluated individually, and Shirley Qin was selected as a finalist with April Jones, Roderick McClary, and Jude Nwaokobia all reaching the semifinals.

Fanny Wong and Vincent Rivas-Flores participated in the NYU Immigration Law Moot Court Competition and advanced to the quarterfinal round. They were coached by Professor Alberto Benítez, who was assisted by Jonathan Bialosky, JD '10, and Immigration Clinic student-attorneys Jennifer Villarroel Vargas, Katie Stewart, Sarena Bhatia, and Celina Márquez.

Sophia Luby and Erica Koser reached the quarterfinals of the Charleston School of Law National Moot Court Competition. They were coached by alumni adjunct faculty member Melissa Colangelo.

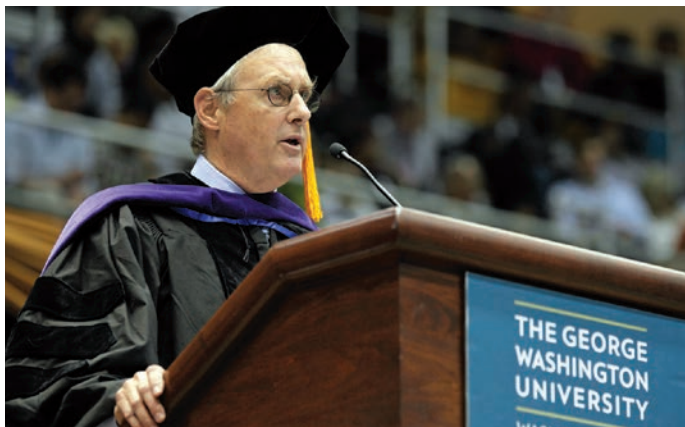
Christina Hobbs and Guadalupe Gonzalez advanced to the quarterfinals of the Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court Competition. They were coached by alumni adjunct faculty members Henry Hertzfeld and Magin Puig Monsen.

FAME Academy Up and Running Thanks to Falk Gift

WHEN GW HOSTED ITS first Sports Law and Entrepreneurship Conference in September 2016—bringing together industry leaders, government regulators, and scholars to discuss the future of the sports industry and what it means for the law—the new Falk Academy of Management and Entrepreneurship (FAME) was one of the event’s key sponsors.

FAME, housed at the GW Center for Law, Economics, and Finance (C-LEAF), is the brainchild of sports agent David B. Falk, JD ’75, and his wife, Rhonda, BA ’74, a graduate of the GW Columbian College of Arts and Sciences. Thanks to the Falks’ gift to create the academy, business-focused law students have the opportunity to prepare for transformative careers like that of Mr. Falk, one of the most

Apple Executive Invests in IP Students



D. Bruce Sewell, JD '86, delivering the keynote address at the 2014 GW Law Diploma Ceremony

D. BRUCE SEWELL, JD '86, AND his wife, Cynthia, BA '82, MBA '87, recently pledged \$1 million to endow the D. Bruce Sewell and Cynthia Gozigian Sewell Scholarship at GW Law. The scholarship supports qualified JD candidates interested in intellectual property law. Mr. Sewell is general counsel and senior vice president of

legal and government affairs at Apple Inc.

The scholarship pledge joins other gifts from the Sewells to their alma mater. In 2011, they endowed a scholarship fund named for Mr. Sewell’s late father, Homer B. Sewell, a GW professor and department chair.

Mr. Sewell also serves

on the GW Law Capital Campaign Committee. His employer is a benefactor of the Intellectual Property Program at the law school, and Apple CEO Tim Cook delivered the university’s commencement speech in May 2015.

In 2011, Mr. Sewell was honored with the Distinguished Alumni Achievement Award, the highest recognition bestowed annually by the university and the George Washington Alumni Association. In 2014, he was chosen to deliver the diZerega Lecture at the law school Diploma Ceremony, in which he reflected on his career and his years at GW Law. *The National Law Journal* recognized him in May as one of America’s Top 50 Outstanding General Counsel.

Gift Advances Public Policy Advocacy

A \$1 MILLION ANONYMOUS gift to the law school is providing manifold opportunities for GW Law students and recent graduates to engage in advocacy for the public interest.

The donation greatly strengthens GW Law’s public interest program, says Alan Morrison, Lerner Family Associate Dean for Public Interest and Public Service Law. After discussions with Associate Dean Morrison, the donor decided to channel the funds in two directions. The first component of the

program provides students with for-credit public service externships during the academic year and paid externships during the summer. Under the second component of the program, two GW Law graduates will work in two-year paid fellowships at Public Knowledge, a D.C.-based public interest advocacy group focused on the field of communication and the Internet.

To support the goals of the spring 2015 gift, GW Law also is sponsoring an annual lecture or symposium that addresses a

topic linked to innovation and the Internet.

“This is part of our overall program to get students involved in what’s going on in the real world, to get them interested in doing public service activities regardless of what they do in the long run,” says Associate Dean Morrison.

The Kimmelman Fellowships, named for Public Knowledge President and CEO Gene Kimmelman, a leader in the public policy field, will be awarded annually for three years. Participating graduates will have opportunities



Gene Kimmelman

to advocate before the Federal Communications Commission, U.S. Congress, and other bodies that help set public policy.



David B. Falk, JD '75, established the Falk Academy of Management and Entrepreneurship at GW.

influential sports agents in NBA history.

"Unlike most benefactors who put their name on the building and walk away, fortunately or unfortunately I plan to be very involved," Mr. Falk said during the launch of FAME in January 2016. In addition to teaching as part of the program, he is in charge of creating the center's advisory board.

Mr. Falk represented as many as 40 players at once during the prime of his career and oversaw the only NBA contract worth over \$30 million for a single season. His negotiation skills also brought about legendary deals such as Michael Jordan's Air Jordan branding campaign with Nike.

Mr. Falk began his career with ProServ, then later founded Falk Associates Management Enterprises (FAME), which represents professional athletes. At GW Law's 2015 Alumni Reunion Dinner, he received the Stockton Guard Alumni Award, which honors an alumnus or an alumna who graduated 40 years ago or more, led an extraordinary career, and shows dedication and commitment to the betterment of the law school.

Burnetts Bolster International Law

WES BURNETT, JD '75, LLM '83, long has supported GW Law through his time and philanthropy. He continued that legacy when he and his wife, Barbara, recently endowed a fund to strengthen the study of international and comparative law.

"The Burnett family's generous gift is a tremendous benefit to our academic program and will ensure that the law school has the resources to maintain its reputation for excellence in the field of international law," says Dean Blake D. Morant.

The Burnett Family International and Comparative Law and Policy Studies Dean's Fund is directed by Associate Dean for International and Comparative Legal Studies Susan L. Karamanian. She also was named the Burnett Family Professorial Lecturer in International and Comparative Law and Policy.

"Susan Karamanian works tirelessly to promote the International and Comparative Law Program, attract high-quality students, and both



teach and nurture those students during their time at the law school," says Dean Morant. "I share the Burnett family's enthusiasm in recognizing her contributions."

Mr. Burnett is a longtime supporter of GW Law, serving on two class reunion committees, as chairman of the GW Law Capital Campaign Committee, and as a member of the Dean's Board of Advisors. He also volunteers his time to interact with alumni and students.

Mr. Burnett says alumni have a plethora of opportunities to contribute to their alma mater.

"There are many ways for alumni to become involved, such as by sharing their experiences with current GW Law students as mentors, hiring law school graduates, attending alumni events in their area, and returning for reunions," he says.

GW LAW UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY 20-21, 2017
GW COMMENCEMENT WEEKEND

JUNE 2-3, 2017
GW LAW REUNION WEEKEND 2017
Washington, D.C.

JUNE 19, 2017
SUPREME COURT SWEARING IN CEREMONY
Washington, D.C.

SEPT. 30, 2017
GOLF TOURNAMENT
Clifton, Va.

OCT. 19-22, 2017
ALUMNI WEEKEND
Washington, D.C.

 To check for new and upcoming events, visit GW Law's website at www.law.gwu.edu/alumni.

Speights' Scholarship Targets Diversity at GW Law

GRACE E. SPEIGHTS, JD '82, A TOP LAWYER IN THE FIELD OF EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION claims, has been listed as one of the most powerful women in Washington, D.C., as well as one of the city's top 100 lawyers. Today, she is a managing partner at Morgan Lewis, one of the largest law firms in the country.

Ms. Speights says a scholarship was pivotal to her success and that student financial aid is crucial to the future success of GW, which is why she has funded the Grace Venters Speights Endowed Law Scholarship Fund. The fund provides need-based financial aid to a full-time student interested in diversity and inclusion and who plans to be an active member of the GW Black Law Student Association (BLSA).

"Our capacity to thrive in the years ahead depends on our ability to open the university's doors to all qualified students who hope to attend GW," she says.

Following her undergraduate studies, Ms. Speights applied to several law schools. GW Law was the only one to offer her financial aid for all three years of her legal education. The scholarship allowed her to focus solely on her studies, developing a strong foundational understanding of law that would be essential to her career.

"The excellent education that I have received at the law school has allowed me to reach some of the highest heights in the legal profession," she says.



ABOVE Dean Blake D. Morant applauds GW Law's Class of 2016 moments before the Law School Diploma Ceremony; **RIGHT** Gregory G. Garre, JD '91, delivered the keynote address at the Smith Center.



Gregory Garre Keynotes Diploma Ceremony

AS THOUSANDS OF FAMILY MEMBERS, FRIENDS, AND LAW school community members looked on, JD and LLM degrees were presented to the Class of 2016 at the 149th Commencement of the George Washington University Law School.

The universitywide Commencement took place at the foot of the U.S. Capitol on the National Mall; the Law School Diploma Ceremony was held at the Smith Center.

Senior Associate Dean Roger A. Fairfax, Jr. announced the commencement and Dean Blake D. Morant, who is also the Robert Kramer Research Professor of Law, welcomed guests and graduates. The dean acknowledged the presence of the

Stockton Guard, graduates from the classes of 1976 and earlier. Jack H. Olender, LLM '76, served as grand marshal of the Stockton Guard.

During ceremonies, Information Specialist Bobby Walis received the Distinguished Staff Service Award, voted on by the graduating class. The Michael D. Cooley Memorial Award was presented to graduate Olajumoke A. Obayanju. Professor Peter J. Smith received the Distinguished Faculty Service Award, which is voted on each year by the graduating class; it was presented by outgoing Student Bar Association President George Soussou. Susan C. Lynch, professorial lecturer in law, received the award for outstanding teaching by adjunct faculty.

Gregory G. Garre, JD '91, a partner at Latham & Watkins LLP and former solicitor general of the United States, delivered the diZerega Lecture and Commencement address.



class notes

ALUMNI NEWSMAKERS

1960s

Tim Hopkins, JD '63, joined the board of the Idaho Humanities Council. He is a founder and senior partner at the law firm of Hopkins Roden in Idaho Falls.

President Barack Obama nominated **Robert M. Tobias, JD '69**, to the Internal Revenue Service Oversight Board.

1970s

Alan R. Guttman, JD '72, was named a member of Penn State Smeal College of Business' board of visitors. He is the chairman and chief executive officer of Guttman Energy Inc.

Joshua Kaufman, JD '75, a partner at Venable in Washington, D.C., heads Venable's copyright and licensing group. Mr. Kaufman co-chairs the firm's new art law practice group, one of the few dedicated and comprehensive art law groups in Big Law.

Congratulations go to **John Sears, JD '75**, who was selected the recipient of the Arizona Bar Association's Tom Karas Award.

John E. Holmes, JD '78, joined the Washington, D.C., office of Dickinson Wright PLLC.

Clark Hill announced that **William J. Walsh, JD '78**, joined the firm's Environment, Energy & Natural Resources Practice Group in its Washington, D.C., office.

Francine Bazluke, JD '79, vice president for legal affairs and general counsel at the

University of Vermont, was appointed a fellow of the American Bar Foundation.

Susan Hoffman, JD '79, public service partner at Crowell & Mooring, is the current president of the D.C. Bar Foundation.

Marcos Ronquillo, JD '79, was honored by the Dallas Hispanic Bar Association (DHBA) in 2016 with the La Luz Award for his contributions to the legal profession and dedicated service to the Hispanic community. La Luz, which means "the light," is the group's highest honor. Mr. Ronquillo is the former president of the Mexican American Bar Association of Dallas, the DHBA's predecessor organization, and former chairman of the Greater Dallas Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

The Hon. **José Villanueva, JD '79**, was honored in Cleveland during Hispanic Heritage Month. Judge Villanueva, the Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court Judge, began his law career as a staff attorney with the Cleveland Legal Aid Society where he served for nearly a decade. Judge Villanueva also served a term on the Ohio Civil Rights Commission in the 1980s before being elected to the bench.

1980s

Harry Conaway, JD '80, formerly a senior partner at Mercer and head of its Washington Research Group, recently took the reins as CEO of the Employee Benefit Research Institute.

ALUMNI PROFILE

From Tax Litigation to Super Bowl Ring

RICH SLIVKA, JD '69, SAYS THE MOST FASCINATING PART of his job is when he's holed up with the owners of the 32 National Football League (NFL) teams.

"Sitting in the room with the owners, you see how decisions are made, how things are analyzed," says Mr. Slivka, who is general counsel for the Denver Broncos. He says it is interesting to see how team owners balance the dual goals of strengthening the league while helping their teams.

Mr. Slivka's journey to the NFL was not a direct one, and at GW Law orientation this year, Dean Blake Morant used the alumnus as an example of how a law degree opens unexpected career paths. Indeed, when Mr. Slivka transferred from the University of Arizona to GW Law—in his final year of law school—he aspired to work as a tax lawyer at the Department of Justice.

"I transferred to GW, which had a great reputation, because I thought it would be advantageous. It was in a beautiful city with lots of young professionals ... and opportunities," he says. "We saw arguments at the Supreme Court. I had a bigger awareness of what was going on in the world."

He landed a job at the U.S. Department of Justice, traveling around the country for a handful of years prosecuting criminal cases for the Tax Division. Once he started thinking about going into private practice, he packed up and headed to Colorado, where many of his D.C. friends had relocated. He worked for the U.S. attorney's office there for two years and, in 1976, began a private practice that went beyond taxes.

"Over the years, I developed a broad-based level of experience in all sorts of legal disciplines, and I enjoyed that," he says.

Sports, however, were not part of the picture—until 1984 when Denver Broncos owner Pat Bowlen walked into his

Washingtonian named **Sue Kelly, JD '80**, to its list of "The Most Powerful Women in Washington" for her work as president and CEO of the American Public Power Association.

Black Hills State University in South Dakota honored **William A. Roberts III, LLM '80**, with its alumni award.

Blank Rome LLP welcomed **David Houston, JD '81**, as a partner in the real estate group in the firm's Washington, D.C., office.

William W. Nooter, JD '81, was recently confirmed by the U.S. Senate to serve as an associate judge on the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. Judge Nooter has served on the D.C. Superior Court as a magistrate judge since 2000.

The Hon. **Ronald Bush, JD '83**, was appointed chief magistrate judge for the District of Idaho.

California Gov. Jerry Brown, Jr. named **Mark E. Cullers, JD '84**, to the Fresno County Superior Court bench.



office to discuss a lawsuit related to a bank that Mr. Bowlen had invested in. Mr. Slivka won the suit and Mr. Bowlen gradually moved his personal legal business to the small firm.

Mr. Slivka, meanwhile, was getting more and more entrenched in Colorado. Among other things, he became an avid mountain climber. Colorado has 50-plus peaks rising 14,000 feet above sea level. Mr. Slivka has scaled them.

In 1998, fresh off a Super Bowl victory against the Green Bay Packers, the Broncos wanted a new stadium. Another Super Bowl win in 1999, this time against the Atlanta Falcons, fed the momentum. Mr. Slivka was consulted on legal issues related to that effort until Mr. Bowlen asked him to come in-house with the Broncos.

"In June 2007, I left my law firm and I've been here ever since," Mr. Slivka says, noting that he works more these days on business issues than on legal ones. He has little involvement in

“ I'M NOT SURE I COULD HAVE ACCOMPLISHED WHAT I ACCOMPLISHED AND DO WHAT I DO IF I HAD NOT GONE TO GW AND HAD THE EXPERIENCE OF A GREAT UNIVERSITY AND GREAT LAW SCHOOL IN A GREAT CITY. ” — *Rich Slivka*

player contracts, which are governed by collective bargaining agreements. He is, however, a trustee of the Bowlen Trust, which owns the team. Mr. Bowlen has Alzheimer's disease and stepped away from running the team in 2014.

Forbes recently valued the Broncos at \$1.9 billion, putting it in the No. 11 spot on the list of team valuations—a big jump from the \$78 million that Mr. Bowlen paid for the team in 1984.

Last year's Super Bowl victory over the Carolina Panthers gave Mr. Slivka extra insight into the advantages of being part of an NFL team. He received a Super Bowl ring and traveled with the Broncos to the White House to meet with President Barack Obama.

Dean Morant has met with Mr. Slivka during trips to Denver, most recently after the Broncos won the Super Bowl. "I saw his ring and I saw the team's Super Bowl trophy," said the dean, who is not surprised that a GW law degree led Mr. Slivka to the NFL.

"True legal training teaches you how to synthesize fact, how to solve problems, how to be resourceful, how not to be fazed when circumstances shift," the dean says. "The skill set you obtain with a law degree will give you opportunities to do many different things."

Mr. Slivka, too, praises the value of a law degree—especially one from GW Law.

"I'm not sure I could have accomplished what I accomplished and do what I do if I had not gone to GW and had the experience of a great university and great law school in a great city," Mr. Slivka says. "That combination just elevates how you look at things and helps you understand there is a big picture out there."

— *Mary Dempsey*

Joshua Skoff, JD '84, was named one of America's Most Inspiring Rabbis for 2016 by *The Forward*, a national weekly Jewish newspaper. He has served as a rabbi at Park Synagogue in Cleveland since 1990.

Samuel R. Maizel, JD '85, joined Dentons US LLP as a partner in the firm's restructuring, insolvency, and bankruptcy practice in Los Angeles after nearly two decades at Pachulski Stang Ziehl & Jones LLP.

Piper Jaffray Companies appointed **Stuart C. Harvey, Jr., JD '86**, president and chief operating officer in November 2016. In his new role, he leads the operations of the company's global investment banking, institutional securities, and asset management businesses.

William Haskel, JD '86, is senior vice president, general counsel, and corporate secretary of Paratek Pharmaceuticals in Boston. The company focuses on the development and commercialization of innovative therapies based

on tetracycline chemistry. Mr. Haskel has more than 20 years of experience leading legal corporate development for life science companies.

Arizona Gov. Doug Ducey appointed **Leslie Hess, JD '86**, to serve as interim director of the state's Department of Insurance.

San Diego Magazine recently interviewed **Martha Wyrsh, JD '86**, about her life and career. Ms. Wyrsh is executive vice president and general counsel of Sempra Energy in San Diego.

Intellectual property attorney **David S. Forman, JD '87**, whose practice focuses on patent prosecution, litigation, and counseling, joined Osha Liang LLP as senior counsel in the firm's Washington, D.C.-area office.

John M. Hintz, JD '88, joined Maynard Cooper & Gale as a shareholder in the New York office, where he practices in the firm's intellectual property litigation and intellectual property protection groups.

Russ Bleemer, JD '89, along with the Monday Night Law Program of the New York City Bar Association, was honored for 25 years of service with the New York State Bar Association's 2015 Angelo T. Cometa Award. The award, sponsored by the state bar's Committee on Lawyer Referral Service, recognizes individuals or groups in New York that demonstrate an extraordinary commitment toward advancing the goals of the state bar's Lawyer Referral and Information Service. Mr. Bleemer was part of the group that started the free weekly legal clinic in 1990 and has served as its program coordinator since the late 1990s.

1990s

John Haseley, JD '91, was elected chair of the Athens County Democratic Central Committee and Executive Committee in Ohio.

BakerHostetler announced that **Benjamin Hsing, JD '91**, joined the firm as a partner, resident in the New York office. He is a member of the firm's intellectual property group and biotechnology, chemical, and pharmaceutical team.

Biocom, the association representing the Southern California life science community, announced the addition of **Charles Dadswell, LLM '92**, to its board of directors. He is senior vice president and general counsel of ILLUMINA Inc. in San Diego.

Marc L. Druckman, JD '92, has joined the Miami office of the international law firm Greenberg Traurig as a shareholder in the corporate and securities practice group.

Mihnea Motoc, LLM '92, was recently named Romania's minister of defense. He previously served as the country's ambassador to the United Kingdom.

Kathryn Ricard, JD '93, joined Fiduciary Trust Co. in Washington, D.C., as senior vice president. Ms. Ricard has more than 25 years of experience working with employee benefit plans as a lawyer, CPA, and public policy expert.

The Guardian Life Insurance Co. of America appointed **Jay Rosenblum, JD '93**, senior vice president of government affairs.

Scott R. Ehrlich, JD '94, joined Sklar Kirsh LLP as a partner in the firm's corporate group in Los Angeles. Mr. Ehrlich was formerly general counsel of Deluxe Entertainment Services Group, where he oversaw dozens of high-stakes, post-production and new distribution technology deals.

Williams Mullen announced that **David Kulik, JD '94**, joined the firm as a partner in the growing intellectual property practice in Tysons Corner, Va.

Covington & Burling LLP announced that **Richard Rainey, JD '94**, rejoined the firm as a partner in the intellectual property practice.

Rev. **Mark Schaefer, JD '94**, was appointed interim university chaplain at American University in Washington, D.C.

Steven E. Feldman, JD '95, is the managing partner of the Chicago office of Hahn Loeser & Parks LLP. Mr. Feldman is a licensed patent attorney who focuses on complex intellectual property litigation and counseling involving patents, trade



ALUMNI PROFILE

Leaving No Stone Unturned

NOT LONG AFTER GLEN "BUDDY" NICKERSON WAS RELEASED from prison after serving nearly 19 years for a double-murder he never committed, he had tattoos removed. The swastikas. The spots inked with "WP," shorthand for "white power." The other racist insignias.

The action signaled the tough guy's personal transformation. To a larger degree, however, it honored his attorney, **M. GERALD "GERRY" SCHWARTZBACH, JD '69**.

"I knew no other way to show Gerry how much I respected him, so I had them all removed," he says. "I wrote him a letter. I thanked him for showing me that race didn't make the man, the man made the race."

That hand-written letter still hangs in Mr. Schwartzbach's Mill Valley, Calif., office, a reminder of but one of the headline-making cases that mark his long career.

Mr. Schwartzbach was among the first attorneys to successfully invoke the battered woman defense in a domestic violence trial. He persuaded the California Supreme Court that indigent capital murder defendants should have the right to two court-appointed attorneys. And in a nationally watched trial in 2005, he successfully defended actor Robert Blake against charges he murdered his wife, Bonnie Lee Bakley.

"He piles victories atop one another in the most difficult cases, but he is incredibly self-effacing," says Ed Sousa, a

criminal defense lawyer in San Jose, Calif. "This business, for better or worse, is ego driven. But Gerry is modest and civil and, surprisingly, soft spoken."

Bruce Cohen, who worked with Mr. Schwartzbach early in his career, called him "tenacious" and "very smart and very funny."

"What that taught me as his legal researcher and writer was that you do this the best way that you can, you take it really seriously, and you do really good work. It doesn't always pay off, but it pays off a lot," says Mr. Cohen, resource attorney at the San Francisco-based California Appellate Project.

The case Mr. Schwartzbach calls "perhaps the most important of my career" came in a 2008 trial that grabbed national media attention and threatened to have a chilling

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effect on organ donations in the United States. Dr. Hootan Roozrokh was accused of administering medications so as to hasten a patient's death and obtain organs for transplant. Mr. Schwartzbach argued that the drugs were administered to ease the patient's suffering. (The patient did not die as a result of the medication and no organ transplant took place.) After a two-month trial in 2008, the surgeon was acquitted.

Mr. Schwartzbach has an impressive trial record for a man who once had no interest in the law.

An avid sports fan, he graduated from Washington & Jefferson College with a bachelor's degree in history and a dream of becoming a sports broadcaster. But the Vietnam War was in full swing and he knew he needed to pursue something more substantial if he were to obtain a draft deferment.

He doesn't recall now why he opted for GW Law. Maybe because his aunt Eleanor, JD '41 and LLM '43, and his cousin Saul, JD '52, were alumni. Saul Schwartzbach still has a law office in Bethesda, Md.

At first, Gerry Schwartzbach hated law school. Then he got involved with a law clinic at GW—and his life was changed.

"It opened my eyes to the reality of being poor and being a person of color in this society, how unfairly the economic and legal systems treated them," he says. Even today he urges law students to do law clinic work because "when you're representing people who are disadvantaged, you do something good for them but you also do something that enriches your life."

After graduating from GW Law, Mr. Schwartzbach decided to continue that frontline work as a VISTA legal volunteer. He was assigned to represent women on welfare in Detroit, a springboard at the time for racial causes. In the Motor City, he met the man who, for many years, would be his mentor: Sheldon Otis, the lawyer who defended Angela Davis, Huey Newton, and other prominent '70s radicals.

Mr. Schwartzbach soon left the Midwest for California. Mark Rosenbush, now retired, worked in the 1970s as Mr. Schwartzbach's law clerk in the federally funded community

defender's program at Bayview-Hunter's Point, a neighborhood alternative to the San Francisco Public Defender's office. In the decades that followed, they were collaborators and they remain friends.

"He's an utterly committed advocate," Mr. Rosenbush says. "Once he latches onto a case, he'll be on it 110 percent—a complete workaholic. My caseload would be between 15 and 20 cases at a given time and Gerry's caseload would be much lower because he worked on each one incredibly intensely."

Lawyers in capital murder cases face tremendous pressure because the stakes are so high, literally life and death. When he takes on cases, Mr. Schwartzbach wants to know everything—*everything*—about his clients, not just the facts of the alleged crime but where the accused grew up, what they think, what they aspire to if acquitted.

"I remember that we'd talk about a case like it was a work of abstract art: Every time you look at it you see something different," says Mr. Sousa, who still mimics some of Mr. Schwartzbach's techniques in organizing cases. "First and foremost he taught me that you look at everything in a case, you review it over and over. You leave no stone unturned."

Looking beyond labels to the individuals behind them is the philosophy that guides Mr. Schwartzbach's career. It's also the overriding theme of his new memoir, *Leaning on the Arc*.

"The objectification of human beings is my major criticism of the criminal justice system. It happens in law, it happens in politics, and it happens in government. When you're a criminal defense lawyer, you put in time to know the people who are accused of a crime. A lot of times it's not easy to get to their core.

"Criminal law is fundamentally about people," he adds. "Whether it's the people charged, the victims, or the families of both, it's about people."

A judge once warned that he gets too emotionally involved with his clients. It was that involvement that may have saved Buddy Nickerson. While representing a man charged in the same drug dealer robbery and murder case that landed Mr. Nickerson in prison, Mr. Schwartzbach became convinced of Mr. Nickerson's innocence.

"He came to see me. I was not an easy person to get along with. I was rude to him," Mr. Nickerson says. Even more, he made sure a swastika tattoo was prominently on view when the Jewish lawyer spoke with him.

"I feared this was just another attorney who was going to BS me and nothing was going to come out of it," Mr. Nickerson continues. "But I saw that he cared about everybody in the case and it bothered him that I was in prison for something I didn't do."

Mr. Schwartzbach represented Mr. Nickerson pro bono for eight years.

"Gerry was with me for the long haul. He treated me like a friend. And even if I hadn't gotten out [of prison], I would have been a better person for Gerry being in my life."

These days, Mr. Nickerson leads a quiet life, spending time with his five young grandchildren and battling some health challenges. He and Mr. Schwartzbach stay in touch, and Mr. Nickerson tells friends that he had the perfect lawyer.

"I tell them he's a little pit bull with a bow tie," he laughs.

— *Mary Dempsey*

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A Very Personal Journey

SEPTEMBER WAS A CELEBRATORY MONTH AT BENACH Collopy LLP, a D.C. firm focused on immigration law. Five Central American clients—unaccompanied youth aged 8 to 18—were granted asylum and released to family members living in the United States.

"We know all about the stories of children at the border ... and we've seen the pictures of kids piled up in jail cells at the border," says **AVA BENACH, JD '98**. "We've got 8-year-olds telling us they're afraid they'll be killed by gangs."

Spanish-speaking Benach enrolled at GW Law because of an interest in international law, but it's easy to see how that shifted into a successful career in immigration law. Her grandparents were lawyers and judges in Cuba. In the New York neighborhood where she grew up, her neighbors came from Greece, China, and other far-flung places.

"I chose GW Law to be around politics and people facing interesting issues. I liked the international flavor of the district," she says. "I studied international human rights law with Professor [Ralph] Steinhardt and Professor [Thomas] Buergenthal and thought I wanted to prosecute war crimes in The Hague.

"But then I realized there are only three jobs in that area. So I focused on immigration law."

Professor Alberto Benítez remembers Ms. Benach as "a smart, self-confident, hardworking student" in his classes and in the immigration clinic he led.

"If you have met Ava, you know Ava is big hearted, with a big drive and big ambition," Professor Benítez says. "We have spoken to one another about immigration issues and we keep in contact socially."

Benach Collopy handles all types of immigration cases, but it has become a go-to firm for complex cases involving people in removal proceedings or seeking asylum, as well as those who face hurdles in obtaining citizenship or green cards. Some of these clients have already been to three or four other lawyers.

"We handle messes," Ms. Benach says. "They may have criminal issues and fraud issues and illegal reentry issues, but mostly we



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deal with redemption—being able to show how someone may have turned his life around after dumb arrests.”

Dree Collopy described her law partner as “brilliant” and a big part of the reason the firm is known for “creative, zealous advocacy that’s effective.”

“Ava has such a firm grasp of all aspects of immigration law that she can really instill a lot of confidence in clients and coworkers and other immigration attorneys,” she says. “She is also somebody who has one of the biggest hearts. She truly and genuinely cares about everyone who works in our office, their happiness, and their ability to contribute to our law firm and clients. She also genuinely cares about our clients and their lives.”

Benach Collopy and its partners have received numerous awards over the years, including the President’s Commendation

secrets, trademarks and unfair competition, and copyrights.

RatnerPrestia announced, **William Jackson Matney Jr., JD '95**, joined its Washington, D.C., office as a shareholder.

Andrew Mayock, JD '95, was recently named the Office of Management and Budget’s deputy director for management.

Leslie Johnson Pujo, JD '95, joined Plave Koch PLC in April 2016, bringing her extensive practice in vehicle rental law to one of the largest franchise law practices in the country.

The Hon. **Olu A. Stevens, JD '95**, a judge on the 30th Judicial Circuit Court, was the “Distinguished Honoree” at the James C. Kimbrough Bar Association’s annual “Legacy Ball.”

King & Spalding announced the addition of **Sheldon Bradshaw, JD '96**, as a partner in the firm’s FDA and life sciences practice in Washington, D.C.

Royer Cooper Cohen Braunfeld LLC announced the addition of attorney **Timothy J. Levy, JD '96**, as counsel in the firm’s Philadelphia office.

President Obama nominated Judge **Suzanne Mitchell, JD '96**, to the United States District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma.

Victoria Rusnak, LLM '96, was named president and CEO of the Los Angeles-based Rusnak Auto Group. She grew up watching her father, company founder and Chairman Paul Rusnak, grow the business from a single Triumph dealership and began selling cars at age 18. Ms. Rusnak’s interest in environmental law led to positions with the Sierra Club’s legal defense fund, gun-safety organization

Washington Ceasefire, and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. She founded a private law and escrow practice in Seattle, where she specialized in corporate and real estate issues.

Patent attorney **Stanislav Torgovitsky, JD '96**, joined the Washington, D.C., office of Dickinson Wright PLLC.

HMSHost recently appointed **Laura E. FitzRandolph, JD '97**, executive vice president and chief human resources officer, responsible for overseeing all HR functions including associate

Award in 2013 for work in advancing and defending the cause of refugees.

The firm is known for its creative defenses to removal and litigating in immigration court and its representation in asylum cases. It has also carved out a niche in cases involving children, gay asylum seekers, and transgender immigrants. Earlier this year Benach Collopy partnered with Whitman-Walker Health, a D.C.-based community health center focused on LGBT care and HIV and AIDs treatment, to create a summer fellowship program. The 2016 fellow came from GW Law's immigration clinic. Celina Marquez, a JD candidate, worked with Benach Collopy on transgender asylum cases.

Ms. Benach brings up-close experience to LGBT law: She is transgender. Her classmates and professors at GW Law knew her as Andres Benach, and her decision to become a woman was difficult. She feared no clients would hire her.

Her law partners and other colleagues convinced her otherwise.

"They told me 'nobody hires you because you're a man, they hire you because you can get the job done.' And that was 1,000 percent true," she says. "I have been surprised and elated by the reaction of my clients. Not a single client left me over it and I haven't noticed any significant decrease or change in the number of clients coming in."

When Ms. Benach is not at work, you can find her at a baseball diamond. Her daughter, 12, plays on two to three teams and her sons, 10 and 9, also are avid players. Not only does she coach Little League but she established D.C. Force, a girls' baseball team that has traveled across the country to compete in tournaments.

"On any given weekend we are likely to have four or five baseball games. In a good portion of them, I have some leadership responsibility," she says.

Ms. Benach was married when she began the slow transition to female in 2011. She says her wife's support was essential as she transitioned and they remain married and committed. She adds that she also may be a better lawyer now.

"I'm more comfortable with myself," she explains. "And I think immigrants, more than any other group of people, can relate. Immigrants understand the sort of fear that goes with taking enormous risk, but they have found their situation so intolerable that they felt willing to take the risk."

— Mary A. Dempsey

and labor relations, talent acquisition and development, compensation, and benefits for HSMHost's 31,000-plus associates across North America. Ms. FitzRandolph was also named an advisory board member for the Cornell Institute for Hospitality Labor and Employment Relations at the Cornell University School of Hotel Administration.

Jon M. Stanfield, JD '97, has joined the Law Office of Will M. Helixon as a partner. He manages the firm's Kansas City office and directs the business affairs practice

section. He previously served as the corporate counsel, executive vice president, and president of VSR Financial Services, Inc., in Overland Park, Kansas.

Kwame Clement, JD '98, is the head of development outreach and communications at the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) Mission to Liberia. Mr. Clement is a former Liberian journalist who came to the United States after the outbreak of the Liberian Civil War in 1990. He previously clerked for

the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 10th Circuit and worked for Arnold & Porter LLP.

Oblon, McClelland, Maier & Neustadt LLP announced that **Brian B. Darville, LLM '98**, re-joined the firm's trademark and designs practice group as senior counsel in the Alexandria, Va., office.

King & Spalding announced that **Lisa Dwyer, JD '98**, former senior policy adviser in the Office of Policy of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, joined the firm's Washington, D.C., office as partner.

Construction disputes lawyer **David Kiefer, JD '98**, joined King & Spalding's New York office as a partner with the international arbitration practice.

Anessa Kramer, JD '98, was listed among the "Esteemed Women of Michigan" by the Dr. Gary Burnstein Health Clinic, which provides free health services to people in need. Among her many recent honors, Ms. Kramer was recognized as one of the top 25 women business lawyers in Michigan by *Michigan Super Lawyers* for 2014, 2015, and 2016, and one of *Managing Intellectual Property* magazine's "Top 250 Women in Intellectual Property in the U.S." in 2013.

Sedgwick LLP announced that **Akin M. Alcitepe, JD '99**, joined the firm as a partner in its Washington, D.C., office. Mr. Alcitepe practices in the areas of commercial and construction litigation before international and domestic dispute tribunals such as the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes, International Criminal Court, and the American Arbitration Association, as well as in U.S. state and federal courts.

Robert Rhoad, LLM '99, joined Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton LLP as a partner in the government contracts, investigations, and international

trade practice group, and as a member of the health care team, based in the firm's Washington, D.C., office.

2000s

Michael J. Engle, JD '00, was a featured presenter at the 2015 Philadelphia Bench-Bar Conference. The seminar, "Unlocking the Secrets of Investigating Grand Jury Practice," centered on investigating grand jury procedures. Mr. Engle also was included on the 2016 *Pennsylvania Super Lawyers* list in the area of criminal defense: white collar.

Travel products company Cabeau recently named **Troy Grabow, JD '00**, general counsel and vice president of intellectual property.

Vincent Nmehielle, SJD '00, was appointed secretary general of the African Development Bank Group in South Africa. He previously worked at the African Union Commission, where he served as legal counsel and director of legal affairs.

Federal Communications Commission General Counsel Jonathan Sallet named **Jennifer Tatal, JD '00**, the commission's deputy general counsel.

Deputy Attorney General in the Turks and Caicos Islands **Wynante Mary Adrien-Roberts, LLM '01**, was appointed a high court judge of the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court assigned to Grenada.

Nebraska Gov. Pete Ricketts appointed **Courtney Dentlinger, JD '01**, to serve as the state's new economic development director.

Cleveland Lawrence III, JD '01, recently joined Sanford Heisler in Washington, D.C. He previously served as co-executive director of Taxpayers Against Fraud.

Rafael Perez-Piñero, JD '01, joined McDonald Hopkins LLC as a member of the intellectual property department.

Jamesa Drake, JD '02, joined the ACLU of Maine as a staff attorney.

Colleen M. Heisey, JD '02, recently joined Lycoming College's board of trustees. She is a partner at Jones Day in Washington, D.C.

Grace Adamson, JD '03, a medical student at Lerner College of Medicine at the University of Vermont, was awarded a \$5,000 scholarship by the Vermont Medical Society's Education and Research Foundation. She entered medical school after a successful 12-year career as an attorney in Washington, D.C.

Andrew Blau, JD '03, was named partner at Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP in New York City, where he is counsel in the firm's executive compensation and employee benefits practice.

Richard Guerra, JD '03, joined the intellectual property department as a member at McDonald Hopkins LLC, a business advisory and advocacy law firm. Based in the firm's Miami office, Mr. Guerra comes to McDonald Hopkins with 13 years of intellectual property and commercial litigation experience, including patent, trademark, copyright, and trade secret litigation.

Rebecca Bodner Green, JD '04, is the author of the new, award-winning book, *Banish Boredom: Activities to Do with Kids that You'll Actually Enjoy* (Gryphon House, 2016). Based on her popular blog, Not-So-SAHM, the book is packed with fun, creative, and educational activities for parents to do with their kids—from arts and crafts to science projects and field trips. The book has received rave reviews

and is the winner of the 2016 Mom's Choice Awards - GOLD.

Jennifer Benda, JD '05, has joined Fox Rothschild's Denver office as a partner in the taxation and wealth-planning department. A former certified public accountant, Ms. Benda handles tax controversy, income tax planning, and compliance matters.

Keith E. Cassidy, JD '05, was named director of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission's Office of Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs.

Michael Best & Friedrich LLP announced the addition of intellectual property attorney **Rob Kimmer, JD '05**, to its Washington, D.C., practice. Mr. Kimmer has extensive experience handling worldwide trademark, copyright, and trade secret prosecution and litigation, including enforcement and cost-effective IP strategy development.

Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP recently promoted **Gregory Langsdale, JD '05**, to special counsel. Mr. Langsdale represents clients in complex commercial litigation and arbitration on a broad range of issues. In 2015 he was named a "Rising Star" in Washington, D.C., by *Super Lawyers* magazine.

Yaakov Sheinfeld, JD '06, was named partner at Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy LLP. Mr. Sheinfeld, who is a member of the firm's real estate practice group, brings vast experience in complex real estate debt and equity transactions.

Stacey J. Shin, JD '06, was promoted to shareholder of the Kaufman Legal Group. Ms. Shin joined the firm in 2010, following a stint as legal counsel to the chairman of the Federal Election Commission. She specializes

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Supreme Success

FORMER SOLICITOR GENERAL GREGORY GARRE, JD '91, has made a habit of scribbling the same one-word, stress-leaving advice to himself on a folder he carries each time he stands before the justices of the U.S. Supreme Court: "Enjoy."

Mr. Garre, JD '91, has been there 41 times since 2000, and he knows as well as anyone that the justices' withering glances and tart-tongued interrogations are all in a day's work.

In June, the former U.S. solicitor general—now a partner in the D.C. office of Latham & Watkins LLP and global chair of the firm's Supreme Court and appellate practice—notched one of his biggest wins, arguing that the race-conscious admissions program used by the University of Texas is lawful under the 14th Amendment's Equal Protection Clause. He argued in *Fisher v. University of Texas at Austin* that a "holistic admissions plan" was necessary to have a "meaningful impact on diversity at the university." By a 4-3 vote, the court held that the policy is legal.

Sixteen years after his first appearance at the high court—an inauspicious 9-0 loss in a case involving an arbitration agreement—Mr. Garre still basks in the sublimity of the oral argument.

"It absolutely is an awe-inducing experience every time you stand up before the Supreme Court," he says, reflecting on that first case. "I learned that I loved arguing before the court as much as I thought I would. I was eager to get back to it."

But, he adds with a laugh, "my wife will tell you that she's tired of seeing the justices beat up on me."

He counts as one of his most significant outcomes the 2012 decision in *Maples v. Thomas*, in which Mr. Garre helped Alabama death-row inmate Cory Maples receive a new hearing after his lawyer abruptly abandoned the case. The court ruled 7-2 to spare Mr. Maples from execution, maintaining his Sixth Amendment right to counsel.

It's a law career that appears to have a powerful antecedent.

in federal, state, and local campaign finance, and election and governmental ethics law.

Dario Avram, JD '07, recently joined Morrison & Foerster as a partner in the San Francisco Bay Area.

Brinks Gilson & Lione elected **Andrew Avsec, JD '07**, a shareholder. Mr. Avsec co-chairs the firm's trademark practice group.

Ari Blaut, JD '07, is a partner at Sullivan & Cromwell LLP in New York City.

Anthony Coppola, JD '07, launched the Coppola Firm PLC in Arlington, Va., which

specializes in alleviating the writing and court document preparation burden of firms with excessive caseloads.

D. Benjamin Esplin, JD '07, is a partner in the growing intellectual property practice group at Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton in San Diego. A former patent examiner, Mr. Esplin's practice covers a broad range of intellectual property matters, including the development and monetization of intellectual property.

Adam D. Shapiro, JD '07, was named partner at Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP in New York City, where he concentrates



"My parents told me that I should become a lawyer because they got sick of me arguing with them," Mr. Garre says. "I guess they planted the seed early."

After earning his undergraduate degree at Dartmouth College, he enrolled at GW Law because of his longstanding interest in American government and the rule of law. He'd end up clerking for Chief Justice William Rehnquist (for whom Mr. Garre would serve as a pallbearer at his funeral in 2005) and for Judge Anthony J. Scirica of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third District. Mr. Garre also spent nearly seven years working for John Roberts, when the current chief justice was in private practice in Washington.

Each of the men helped instill in Mr. Garre the key to his legal success: preparation.

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"If you haven't put in the 100-plus hours necessary to get ready for the oral argument, then you're not going to be in a position to successfully advocate for your client in that challenging environment," he says. "You also have to stay in the moment and be focused on answering the questions as they come in, because they're coming from all different directions."

Mr. Garre, who as solicitor general represented the government at the Supreme Court from 2008 to 2009 (capping nearly a decade in that office), acknowledges that most lawyers feel "a certain sense of dread" before the buzzer sounds summoning them to the courtroom. In those final moments, the court clerk offers antacids and sewing kits to tend to last-minute wardrobe malfunctions.

"For me, it's kind of a nervous excitement," says Mr. Garre, who keeps on his desk a jar of white goose-quill pens, which the court has made a tradition of setting out for counsel. "At that point you've put in the work that's necessary, and it's your opportunity to stand up and make your case. I get excited on argument days."

He isn't above superstition. Mr. Garre at times has worn an old Timex that once belonged to his grandfather and then his father. That the watch is broken is no matter.

"If Supreme Court history teaches us anything," Mr. Garre says, "there are always going to be surprises and fireworks, so I expect more of the same."

— *Andrew Faught*

his practice on banking and credit matters.

Morrison & Foerster announced the addition of **Damien C. Specht, JD '07**, as a partner in the firm's government contracts and public procurement practice.

Daniel Stromberg, JD '07, serves as E-Discovery counsel at Outten & Golden LLP.

Intellectual property attorney **Michael S. Turner, JD '07**, was named partner at Andrews Kurth Kenyon. He handles litigation and Patent Office matters for clients in a variety of technical fields, including the electrical, mechanical, telecommunications, and software industries.

Sankalp Dalal, LLM '08, was appointed head of the legal team at Zee Music, part of India's leading television, media, and entertainment company.

Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati elected **Lou Lieto, JD '08**, a partner in the firm's intellectual property practice. Mr. Lieto concentrates on patent prosecution, licensing, strategic patent counseling, mergers and acquisitions, global generics, and IP due diligence.

Los Angeles 2024, the city's Olympic bid committee, appointed **Tanja Olano, JD '08**, to the candidature committee's legal team.

Adam Shartzer, JD '08, and **Kevin Wheeler, JD '08**, were recently elevated to principals at Fish & Richardson in Washington, D.C.

Pearnel Charles, Jr., LLM '09, serves his native Jamaica as a senator and minister of state in the Ministry of National Security.

Outten & Golden LLP announced the addition of **Nicholas Sikon, JD '09**, to the firm's expanding employment law practice.

David Zhang, JD '09, was promoted to counsel in Ropes & Gray's Shanghai office. He advises clients on internal investigations, due diligence, and

compliance programs, with a focus on anti-corruption and anti-bribery matters in China.

2010s

Jonathan Q. "JQ" Affleck, JD '10, is vice president and chief financial officer of World Point Terminals. Mr. Affleck previously served as the company's general counsel, and prior to that he worked as an associate in the New York office of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP.

Daniel Lehmann, JD '10, published an article, "Tax

Certiorari: Recent Appellate Division Split in Interpreting New York Real Property Tax Law § 727 (1)" in the New York State Bar Association's *Municipal Lawyer Journal*. The article, which appeared in the journal's Spring/Summer 2015 issue, was reprinted in the New York State Bar Association's *N.Y. Real Property Law Journal*, Fall 2015 issue. Mr. Lehmann recently joined Goldstein, Rikon, Rikon & Houghton, PC, a boutique law firm focusing on eminent domain law.

Joseph E. "Joe" Silvia, LLM '10, recently joined Schiff Hardin LLP as counsel in the firm's Chicago office.

Ryan Aikin, JD '11, has joined the Montana Department of Justice's Legal Services Division as an assistant attorney general in the Appellate Services Bureau. Mr. Aikin was formerly a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy, where he served as appellate defense counsel in the Judge Advocate General's Corps.

Indraneela Dixit, LLM '11, who has practiced law in both India and the United States, is a real estate attorney with Barley Snyder LLP, where she concentrates on commercial leasing.

Ashley E. LaValley, JD '11, recently joined the Chicago IP litigation and trial boutique firm Lee Sheikh Megley & Haan.

Gregory P. Rosen, JD '11, is an assistant United States attorney at the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia. Prior to his current position, he served as an assistant commonwealth's attorney for Loudoun County, Va.

The National Asian Pacific American Bar Association named **Navdeep Singh, JD '11**, policy director.

The National Law Journal included **Adrian Snead, JD '11**, on its "Hill Hot List." Mr. Snead serves as counsel to U.S. Sen. Jeff Merkley (D-Ore.).

Intellectual property attorney **Christopher Dawson, JD '12**, joined Hovey Williams in Overland Park, Kansas. Previously, he practiced utility and design patent preparation and prosecution at Banner & Witcoff and served as a judicial law clerk to Judge Nancy Moritz on the 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

Barash & Everett LLC announced that **Leslie M. Day, JD '12**, joined the firm's Galesburg, Ill., office.

Laura Mazor, JD '12, recently joined Butzel Long's Detroit office as an associate, where she specializes in white-collar criminal defense.

Joseph L. Russell, JD '12, is a prosecutor in the Converse County, Wyo., Attorney's Office.

Mud Pie, a gift and apparel manufacturer, named **Zander Brekke, JD '13**, general counsel and director of human resources.

Rosie Dawn Griffin, JD '13, joined the Washington, D.C., office of Constantine Cannon LLP as a staff attorney in the firm's expanding whistleblower practice.

Mike Dabbs, JD '14, was named director of the FCC Office of Legislative Affairs, where he leads the commission's communications with the U.S. House and Senate. Mr. Dabbs previously held government affairs roles at various companies and also spent five years as legislative director for Rep. Rick Larsen (D-Wash.).

Adam Marshall, JD '14, was named the first Knight Litigation Attorney at the Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press. This full-time staff position, funded by a grant from the James S. and John L. Knight Foundation, focuses on litigation involving access to courts and public records, particularly at the state level, and on



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A Front Row Seat to the Action

JONATHAN DECKER, JD '16, WAS IN THE EAST ROOM WHEN President Barack Obama signed the Affordable Care Act. Two years later, he was at the nation's highest court to hear oral arguments in a landmark challenge to that health care system.

He's no stranger to other issues with powerful legal impact. He traveled to the Guantanamo Bay detention camp, a lightning rod for debate over the U.S. treatment of terrorist suspects. He had a coveted seat in the U.S. Supreme Court during arguments in *Bush v. Gore*, which capped the most disputed presidential election to date. And he tracked every development in the impeachment hearings of President Bill Clinton.

Mr. Decker is a journalist—currently the White House correspondent for Fox News Radio—and his experience on the frontline of legal issues added an unusual dimension to classroom discussions during his recent studies at GW Law.

"I doubt there are many law students anywhere throughout the country with the same experience when the topic turns to the Affordable Care Act," he says.

Despite his new JD, Mr. Decker does not intend to practice law. He joins a cohort of professionals in public policy, law enforcement, the nonprofit world, and other arenas who have studied law at GW not as a path to new careers but as a road for advancing their current vocations.

Mr. Decker chose GW Law for two reasons. "It's only an eight-minute walk from the White House. And the school has a great reputation."

A nudge from a prominent alumnus, Bobby Burchfield, JD '79, also helped. Mr. Decker called the partner at King & Spalding in D.C. "a mentor of mine [who] couldn't have been more supportive during my time at GW Law."

Jonathan Turley taught Mr. Decker in two courses and selected him for a fellowship researching the constitutional limitations on executive authority under the Affordable Care Act.

“While exploring strong arguments on both sides, he questioned the degree to which a president could unilaterally alter aspects of the ACA, particularly with regard to appropriations,” says Professor Turley, who described Mr. Decker as an analytical thinker and “exceptionally bright.”

He also says Mr. Decker sets himself apart by remaining neutral while covering the news. That attribute may have contributed to his election to the board of the White House Correspondents’ Association—an honor that gave Mr. Decker a seat next to the Obamas at the association’s most recent annual dinner and guarantees him a place at the same table as President Donald Trump for the next three years.

Mr. Decker did not take a straight path to the newsroom. After graduating with a political science degree from the University of Pennsylvania, he worked for a year on Wall Street. He then pursued a master’s degree in international relations

“THAT TRAGEDY MADE ME THINK LONG AND HARD ABOUT WHAT I WANTED TO DO NEXT. DO I WANT TO WORK FOR ANOTHER SENATOR? DO I WANT TO REMAIN IN POLITICS?”

—Jonathan Decker

while also serving as assistant press secretary for Sen. H. John Heinz III, the Pennsylvania Republican who died in a 1991 plane crash.

“That tragedy made me think long and hard about what I wanted to do next. Do I want to work for another senator? Do I want to remain in politics?” Mr. Decker says. He decided to pursue journalism.

Radio work in Philadelphia led to an NBC affiliate in Miami. From south Florida, he reported for PBS Nightly Business Report, eventually heading to D.C. where he joined another PBS program, This Week in Business. He then became the White House correspondent for Reuters Television.

He has reported on the White House for Fox News Radio since January 2015.

Mr. Decker has covered everything from the Mike Tyson-Lennox Lewis fight to the last space shuttle launch to the death of U.S. Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia. He has reported on five presidential elections, the death of Osama Bin Laden, and major U.S. Supreme Court cases, including *Windsor v. United States*, which opened the way for gay marriage across the country.

He also covered the trip to Cuba by President Obama, the first sitting president to set foot on the island since 1928 when Calvin Coolidge traveled there for a conference.

Once Mr. Decker himself even made the news. While doing a live shot on the North Lawn of the White House he was bitten by the Bush family dog, Barney.

A White House physician administered a tetanus shot, and first lady Laura Bush sent a note explaining that Barney was “in the doghouse.”

Mr. Decker is an avid tennis player and fan. He and his wife Caroline Decker, the vice president for government affairs at Amtrak, are also involved with the Washington Tennis and Education Foundation, which encourages at-risk schoolchildren to choose sports and academics over less favorable behaviors.

—Mary Dempsey

press freedom issues affecting digital media.

Colleen Migl, JD '14, is an associate with the law office of Roberts Markel Weinberg Butler Haley PC in Sugar Land, Texas.

Tulio Di Giacomo Toledo, LLM '14, who clerked at the International Court of Justice in the Hague and then served at the Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA), also in The Hague, was recently named head of the new PCA office in Mauritius.

Fish & Richardson announced that **Jared Hartzman, JD '15**, is an associate in the firm’s intellectual property litigation group in Washington, D.C.

April Sunyoung Park, JD '15, is an associate in the litigation group at Fish & Richardson’s Washington, D.C., office.

Elyse Schoenfeld, JD '15, was married April 9 to **Alex Moyer, JD '15**, at the Willard InterContinental in Washington, D.C. The couple, who met at

GW Law, resides in Washington, D.C, where she is an associate in the consumer financial services group at Mayer Brown and he is an associate in the communications, media, and privacy group at Willkie Farr & Gallagher.

Ariel Glickman, JD '16, joined the Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press as an Ethics and Excellence in Journalism Foundation Legal Fellow. Ms. Glickman focuses on libel, privacy, protection of confidential sources, and newsgathering. Prior to joining the Reporters Committee, Ms. Glickman worked on federal privacy issues at the White House’s Office of Management and Budget.

Saif Khan, JD '16, was nominated to the Democratic Party’s 2016 National Convention Rules Committee.

Andrew Morris, JD '16, recently joined the National Association of Federal Credit Unions’ team of regulatory affairs counsels.

Key Appointees in New Administration

AMONG THE MANY GW LAW ALUMNI RECEIVING APPOINTMENTS in the Trump administration is White House Senior Adviser **KELLYANNE CONWAY, JD '92**. As President Trump’s campaign manager, she was the first woman in history to run a winning campaign for the White House.

Joining her in the new administration is **THOMAS P. BOSSERT, JD '03**, who was appointed assistant to the president for Homeland Security and Counterterrorism. He served as the deputy homeland security adviser in the final year of the George W. Bush administration.

New appointees also include **MAKAN DELRAHIM, JD '96**, deputy White House counsel and nominee for assistant attorney general for antitrust, and **WILLIAM MCGINLEY, JD '97**, deputy assistant to the president and cabinet secretary in the White House.

Finally, **BOBBY R. BURCHFIELD, JD '79**, was appointed independent ethics advisor to the Trump Organization, charged with assisting the company with avoidance of conflicts.

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The George Washington University Law School hosts a plethora of special events for students and alumni to enjoy, both inside and outside the classroom.



GW Law's 150th anniversary celebration kicked off with a law school-wide party, equipped with a champagne toast, festive accessories, and a photo booth.



GW Street Law, a student organization that teaches D.C. youth about the American justice system, invited students from The School Without Walls at Francis-Stevens to campus for a moot court competition.



Former Maryland Gov. Martin O'Malley (fifth from right) visited GW Law on Oct. 27 as the keynote speaker at the inaugural Health Care Law Symposium, where he addressed the roles of states in health care reform.



GW Law students enjoyed picture-perfect weather for Dean's Jeans Day 2017, an annual BBQ on the Quad to celebrate the end of the academic year. Law school faculty and staff members served food and drinks to the students, who also enjoyed inflatable slides and games. The popular event allows students to relax and blow off steam prior to the start of exams.

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– a Jacob Burns Scholarship winner



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