

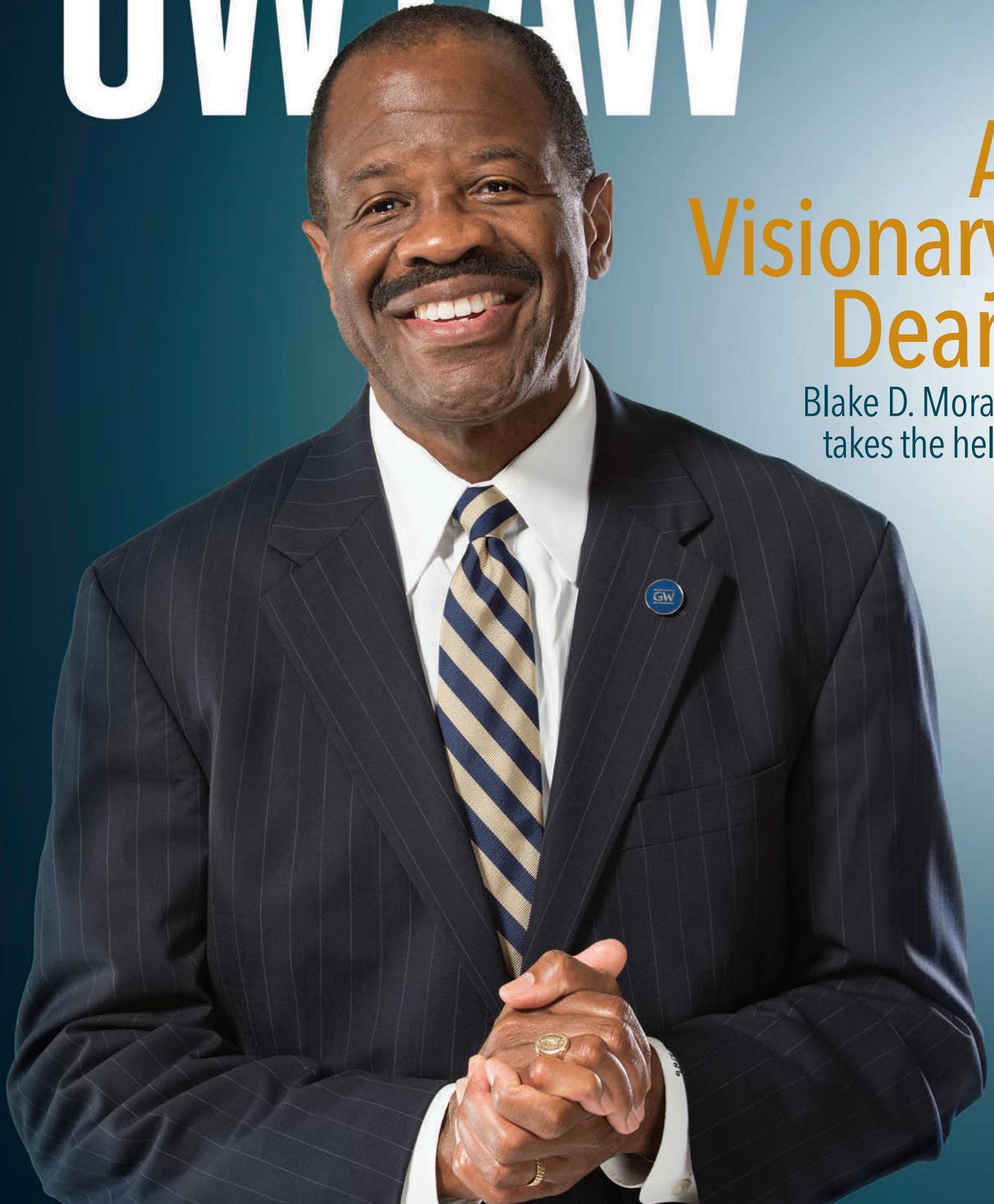
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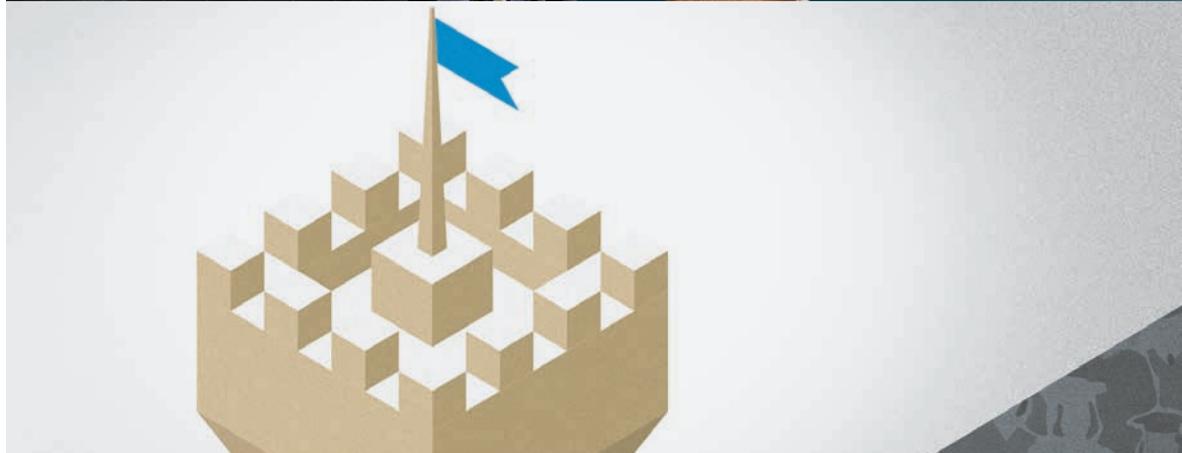
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## A MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

# MAKING HISTORY TOGETHER

DEAR FRIENDS OF GW LAW,

As I approach the end of my first semester as dean of The George Washington University Law School, I am delighted to have the opportunity to extend warm greetings to every member of our GW Law family—across the nation and around the globe.

It has been a whirlwind three months, but from the moment I arrived in Foggy Bottom, I quickly discovered that there is no better place to be than this remarkable law school with its wonderful sense of community in the heart of our nation's capital. GW Law is indeed a special place, with its extraordinary faculty, alumni, and students who are positively affecting the lives of so many.

This issue of our award-winning magazine gives you a taste of the great things that are happening here at GW. In “Cultivating Seeds of Service,” you will read about the law school's strong tradition of public service and deep commitment to instilling a passion for pro bono work in our students. Citizenship is one of the pillars of the university's 10-year strategic plan, and we are proud that many of our graduates go on to public service careers and contribute immeasurably to their communities and the world.

“The Road to Academia” focuses on another topic that is near and dear to my heart: alumni who have answered the call to become law school professors. Since entering the legal academy 22 years ago, I have been inspired on a daily basis by the wonderful privilege of playing a role in shaping the next generation of lawyers. As many of you know, I will be installed as president of the Association of American Law Schools this month and look forward to working with legal educators across the United States to advance excellence in legal education nationwide.

Finally, we are proud to bring you up to speed on *Making History*, GW's \$1 billion philanthropic campaign that was officially launched this summer. The law school is

making great progress toward our record-breaking goal of \$116 million, with nearly \$50 million raised to date. Thank you for everything you have done so far to help us make history. We need your support more than ever as we continue on this historic journey.

I've had the privilege of meeting many of you at alumni events around the country this fall—from California to Chicago to New York City—and look forward to meeting many more of you in my travels during the coming months. You are the keystone of the law school's success, and your support is essential to everything that we do.

The George Washington University Law School has accomplished great things throughout its illustrious history. I look forward to working with all of you to continue on our upward trajectory. Together, we will help GW Law reach greater and greater heights as we join hands in the magnificent cause of furthering the reputation and brand of this remarkable law school.

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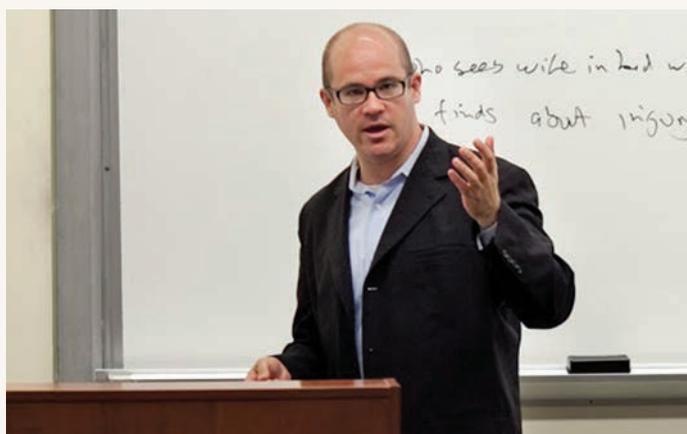
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Dean and Robert Kramer Research Professor of Law

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## A Universally Cited Professor



SEARCH THE WEB FOR criminal procedure and computer crime law expert Orin S. Kerr, and phrases such as “terrifyingly prolific” and “universally cited” appear over and over again—not surprising for someone whose scholarship has been cited in more than 150 judicial opinions and almost 2,000 academic works.

In the years since his first articles appeared in print—when Professor Kerr was a JD student at Harvard Law School—his impressive list of legal scholarship has grown to include authoring more than 50 legal articles, co-authoring the leading casebooks and six-volume treatise in criminal procedure, and regularly contributing to *The Volokh Conspiracy*. From 2009 to 2013, Professor Kerr was the No. 1 most cited U.S. law professor in criminal law and criminal procedure, according to *Leiter*

*Ranking's* “High-Impact Faculty.”

“Orin is the leading American scholar on computer crime law and on computers and the Fourth Amendment, and one of the very top scholars on the Fourth Amendment more generally,” says Eugene Volokh, Gary T. Schwartz Professor of Law at the UCLA School of Law and the creator and writer of the popular legal blog *The Volokh Conspiracy*. “His work is routinely cited by other scholars and judges—something that, unfortunately, is true for only a few academics. He is also exceptionally fair-minded and thoughtful, and a beautiful writer. It is a great honor to have him as a co-blogger.”

Professor Kerr, recently named a Fred C. Stevenson Research Professor of Law at GW, joined the law school's faculty in 2001 after three years as a trial attorney with

the U.S. Department of Justice, Criminal Division, Computer Crime and Intellectual Property Section. With two mechanical engineering degrees in addition to his JD, it would have made sense for Professor Kerr to teach criminal law or intellectual property law when he arrived at GW, but there was more of a need for him to teach criminal law and criminal procedure—a serendipitous academic scheduling occurrence that led him away from studying patents and toward becoming a go-to legal scholar on the Fourth Amendment and computer crime law.

That was fine with Professor Kerr. He says the pull to study the field of criminal law also came from its “human element – it’s not just about whether a big corporation gets to keep a pot of money.”

His scholarship led to his serving as counsel on several pro bono cases, even arguing *Davis v. United States* before the Supreme Court in 2011—a case that literally stemmed from his dedication to writing. Professor Kerr had written a brief trying to obtain a writ of certiorari for another case. After it was denied, he wrote an article, “Good Faith, New Law, and the Scope of the Exclusionary Rule,” published in the *Georgetown Law Journal*, articulating why he thought defendants should win if and when the Supreme Court agreed to review the issue. The Supreme Court ultimately agreed to hear the issue in *Davis*, and Professor Kerr agreed to write the briefs and handle the oral argument.

Professor Kerr's illustrious career has included several opportunities to write and study at the highest levels of the law. In 2003, he took a leave of absence from the law school to serve as a law clerk to Supreme Court Justice

Anthony M. Kennedy. This marked Professor Kerr's second stint as a law clerk for a federal judge; he served Judge Leonard I. Garth on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit after graduating from law school.

In 2009 and 2010, Professor Kerr served as special counsel for Supreme Court nominations to the U.S. Judiciary Committee, advising leaders on the nominations of Justices Sonia Sotomayor and Elena Kagan.

Most recently, from 2012 to 2014, he served as the inaugural scholar-in-residence at the Law Library of Congress for the Daniel and Florence Guggenheim

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— *Leiter Rankings*

Foundation Program on Demography, Technology, and Criminal Justice.

“Although Professor Kerr clerked for the Supreme Court many years ago, his reputation for excellence persists to this day,” says GW Professor of Law Gregory E. Maggs. “When he writes on criminal procedure, especially on matters pertaining to modern technological developments, the court wants to know his views. Earning this high esteem is something every former clerk aspires to achieve.”

— *By Claire Duggan*

## Kieff Tapped for Top Federal Post

CONGRATULATIONS GO to F. Scott Kieff, GW's Fred C. Stevenson Research Professor of Law, who is serving on the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC).

Commissioner Kieff, who has an extensive background in trade law and policy and intellectual property, was nominated for the post last year by President Barack Obama. The U.S. Senate unanimously confirmed his appointment.

"Scott Kieff has spent his career working on issues related to international trade

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— *Commissioner Kieff*

in both the public and private sectors and in academia. He is well qualified to serve on the International Trade Commission," said Max Baucus, then U.S. senator and chairman of the Senate Committee on Finance, after the August 2013 confirmation hearing. "This committee will continue to move forward with an ambitious trade agenda, and we will look to the ITC to

fairly and objectively enforce our trade laws."

The ITC is an independent quasi-judicial federal agency with broad investigative responsibilities on matters of trade and adjudicative responsibilities in trade cases involving imports that allegedly infringe upon intellectual property rights or that raise issues of unfair dumping or subsidization by foreign industries and governments. It also serves as a federal resource, gathering and analyzing trade data and other trade policy-related information and sharing its studies with the president, the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR), and Congress to facilitate the development of sound and informed U.S. trade policy. Much of this information and analysis is made available to the public to promote understanding of international trade issues.

"Our statutes provide a range of mechanisms for an informed, dynamic exchange of ideas with all relevant outsiders, including those from the different branches of the U.S. government as well as private parties and representatives of other governments," says Commissioner Kieff. "We greatly appreciate the helpful information provided by the many witnesses who appear at our hearings. These witnesses are usually the type of technology, industry, and business experts often seen in court cases involving complex



*Commissioner Kieff, surrounded by ITC commissioners and staff as well as family and close friends, at the October 2013 swearing-in ceremony held at the law school during the government shutdown.*

economics, business, and technology issues. They also include government officials from our country and others, including U.S. senators and members of the House of Representatives, as well as ambassadors and trade ministers from other countries."

Commissioner Kieff's vast and wide-ranging background in business and IP law makes him an ideal ITC commissioner, and he says he is enjoying learning more each day.

"I have enjoyed working in each area of the ITC's docket in various phases of my career, and I am continuing to learn much more about each in this new role," he says. "The other commissioners and staff at the ITC have already taught me a great deal in my first year at the commission, and the end is nowhere in sight when it comes to the depth of knowledge and experience I see them willing and able to generously share with me during the rest of my service there."

As much as he misses GW Law, Commissioner Kieff says he is happy to have the opportunity to serve the

nation. "I come from a family and community that cherishes government service for its own sake," he says.

A native of Chicago, he attended law school at the University of Pennsylvania. Before that, he studied molecular biology and microeconomics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and conducted molecular genetics research at the Whitehead Institute. After earning his JD, he worked at the law firm Pennie & Edmonds before spending two years as a clerk to Judge Giles S. Rich, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. He then returned to Chicago to work at Jenner & Block, where he specialized in litigation and intellectual property.

Entering academia in 1998 as an adjunct professor at Northwestern University School of Law, he subsequently held positions at the University of Chicago Law School, Harvard Law School, Stanford Law School, and in the School of Law and the School of Medicine's Department of Neurosurgery at Washington University in St. Louis. In 2003, he



Judge Pauline Newman of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit administers the oath of office to ITC Commissioner F. Scott Kieff. The commissioner's wife, Rebecca Gordon Kieff, JD '01, holds a Bible owned by President Abraham Lincoln, along with two family Bibles.



ITC Commissioner Irving A. Williamson, JD '75, with Commissioner Kieff and his family. "Having children, especially while working full time, certainly is all the hard work and struggle that everyone tells you it will be, but it is also more than twice the fun," Commissioner Kieff says. "My wife and I are both working lawyers, and we both love our oh-so-active toddler more than imaginable."

was named a W. Glenn Campbell & Rita Ricardo-Campbell National Fellow and Robert Eckles Swain National Fellow at Stanford's Hoover Institution on War, Revolution, and Peace. He remained on staff at the Hoover Institution as a research fellow, senior fellow, and Ray and Louise Knowles Senior Fellow, directing the Project on Commercializing Innovation, which studies the law, economics, and politics of innovation. He also served as a member of the steering

committee and research team of the Hoover Working Group on Intellectual Property, Innovation, and Prosperity (IP2) and as a member of the John and Jean De Nault Task Force on Property Rights, Freedom, and Prosperity. Throughout his time as an academic, he maintained a strong link to the practical business and law communities in the private and government sectors, often serving as a consultant, mediator, or arbitrator on complex transactions and disputes. In 2008, he was recognized



The Student IP Law Society and the GW Student Chapter of the Federalist Society co-hosted "Applying Lessons From Business Law to IP" with Professors F. Scott Kieff and William Kovacic, a former commissioner and chairman of the U.S. Federal Trade Commission, who shared their real-world commission experiences and more with GW Law students.

as one of the "top 50 under 45" by the magazine *IP Law and Business*.

In 2009, Commissioner Kieff joined GW Law as a professor, becoming immediately active in both the business law and intellectual property programs. Prior to his ITC appointment, he served as director of planning and publications for the Center for Law, Economics, and Finance (C-LEAF), a think tank and scholarly center at GW Law he helped form with colleagues upon his arrival at the school, soon after the financial crisis of 2008. While a professor at GW, he continued his work at the Hoover Institution. Having also long served as a faculty member at the Munich Intellectual Property Law Center at Germany's Max Planck Institute, he was elected to the European Academy of Sciences and Arts in March 2012.

As much as he is enjoying his time at the ITC, he says he looks forward to returning to GW Law and bringing back to the classroom lessons learned and experiences gained. In the meantime, he strives to remain in close touch with the law school.

"I do miss my students and colleagues at GW while I'm in this post, but I am very much enjoying my current work and colleagues while still remaining part of the GW community to the extent the government permits, including giving lectures and doing academic writing," Commissioner Kieff says. "I am enjoying applying all of my past experiences to the practical, day-to-day decision making of this current role and am looking forward to applying these experiences to my future students and academic writing."

"The GW Law community is tremendously proud of Professor Kieff's accomplishments," says Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs Christopher A. Bracey. "We are grateful that his talents and hard work were honored with his appointment and confirmation to this important role. Professor Kieff has always been an innovative and collaborative faculty member. The entire GW community will undoubtedly reap the benefit of his ITC-related knowledge and experience upon his return to the law school."  
— By Claire Duggan



GW Law Professor Catherine J. Ross offered expert testimony at a hearing on H.J. Res. 50.

## Catherine Ross Testifies on the Hill

CONSTITUTIONAL AND family law expert Professor Catherine J. Ross testified on Capitol Hill in September, addressing House Judiciary lawmakers at a hearing on a proposed constitutional amendment on parental rights.

Professor Ross appeared before the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on the Judiciary Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice, offering expert testimony at a hearing on H.J. Res. 50. The proposed constitutional amendment focuses on the fundamental right of parents to direct the upbringing, education, and care of their children.

In her expert testimony, Professor Ross emphasized that the Supreme Court has consistently recognized that fit parents have a constitutionally protected liberty interest, indeed a "fundamental right," to raise their children according to their own values and judgment. There is, she

explained, no "epidemic" of government intervention into families as the amendment's proponents charge.

She then said that some of the language in the proposal "threatens to transform the law in several respects with potentially harmful results." The entire scheme of the amendment would be used to challenge the reach of the child welfare system. If the system for responding to child abuse and neglect needs reform, that can be accomplished by changing statutes and regulations.

Next, Professor Ross stated that the Constitution "should never be amended absent an urgent need, and there is none here."

"The Supreme Court has unwaveringly protected parental rights and there is no evidence that parental rights are being eroded," she explained to lawmakers. "It is true that two sitting justices, Scalia and Thomas, have challenged the basis of parental



GW Law Professor Spencer A. Overton stands with Alabama state troopers on the Edmund Pettus Bridge in Selma, Ala., during the March commemoration of Bloody Sunday.

## Bloody Sunday Revisited

PROFESSOR SPENCER A. Overton traveled to Selma, Ala., in March to participate in a commemoration of Bloody Sunday, the crossing of the Edmund Pettus Bridge that led to the Voting Rights Act of 1965. It was his first trip to Selma and especially meaningful because he teaches voting rights courses at GW Law.

Professor Overton tweeted pictures along the way that

included talks by civil rights leaders and one powerful experience when he stood on the bridge flanked by Alabama state troopers. On his trip, he also met with nearly a dozen mayors of small Southern cities and towns to discuss the unique challenges of their communities, such as fair allocation of federal dollars, decaying infrastructure, sanitation issues, and extreme poverty.

rights doctrine. But if the reservations about precedent of two justices (or even three or four justices) were deemed to justify a constitutional amendment 'just in case' they were to garner a majority at some future date, the Constitution would be the size of a major metropolitan phone book instead of the pocket-size pamphlet law professors, and, I daresay, some members of Congress, carry."

Professor Ross concluded her oral testimony by reminding Congress of the current state of families and family law in the United States: More than 40 percent of children in the U.S. today are born to parents who are

not married, and each parent has an identical constitutional status. The amendment, she said, offers no guidance on how to break a tie when parents disagree, while providing that the government cannot act with respect to decisions affecting children absent a compelling interest.

Professor Ross' new book on the First Amendment in public schools (forthcoming, Harvard University Press) will be published in 2015. She is a co-author of *Contemporary Family Law* (West) and has written more than 50 law articles on constitutional law, family law, and legal and policy issues concerning children.

## Celebrating Three GW Law Legends

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— Thomas D. Morgan

GW LAW CELEBRATED THE legacies of three revered professors at a retirement luncheon in May, as Jack H. Friedenthal, Thomas D. Morgan, and John Andrew Spanogle Jr. retired from the law school after a combined 77 years of service. All were named professors emeriti.

Professor Friedenthal, who served as dean of the law school from 1988 to 1998, was a longtime anchor of GW's civil procedure, evidence, and conflict of laws faculties. The author of two of the most influential works in the civil procedure field—the seminal casebook *Civil Procedure* and the acclaimed *Civil Procedure* hornbook series—he shaped the way generations of students, scholars, and practitioners view the field. More than a third of GW Law's current faculty members were hired during his deanship, including some of the nation's most prominent legal scholars.

“We all thank him—as we said in the emeritus resolution approved by this faculty—for his compassion for all those around him, his unqualified devotion to the well-being of the law school, and his commitment to helping others in matters great and small,” said Professor Roger H. Trangsrud, GW's James F. Humphreys Professor of Complex Litigation and Civil Procedure, during remarks to his longtime colleague.

Professor Friedenthal, he continued, viewed “deaning” as “a helping profession” and was dedicated to “helping all of the people in the building thrive and flourish... not just our students, but one another as well.”

The spotlight next turned to Professor Morgan, the Oppenheim Professor of Antitrust and Trade Regulation Law, who



Professors Thomas D. Morgan, Jack H. Friedenthal, and John Andrew Spanogle Jr. at their retirement luncheon

joined the GW Law faculty in 1989 after serving as dean of the Emory University School of Law. “I’ve been teaching long enough to have students who are themselves getting close to retirement,” said Professor Morgan, an expert on the regulation of the legal profession and co-author of the most widely used legal ethics casebook.

“What is great about teaching is that we don’t know on any given day what we have done to influence the future. Each of the people we teach is going to have an influence on their community that is incalculable.”

Reflecting on his “26-year ride” at GW

Law, Professor Spanogle, the William Wallace Kirkpatrick Research Professor of Law, told the crowd of well-wishers, “I have had enormous pleasure teaching here for all these years.” A founding member of Ralph Nader’s Public Interest Research Group, Professor Spanogle is the co-author of the widely used casebook *Consumer Law*, as well as the co-author of *International Business Transactions*, the most widely used casebook in its field. “I’m looking forward to closing one chapter of a book and going on to a new chapter,” he said. “I’ll let you know what happens next.”

# Supreme Dedication

WHEN U.S. SUPREME COURT Justice Sonia Sotomayor officially dedicated the renovated Jacob Burns Community Legal Clinics last year, she had a profound message for the law school community: “Law is about service.”

“We are the only profession that as part of our professional association credo requires public service—pro bono work,” she said. “Some do it by choice, but we’re obligated to do it by our training.”

Third-year law student Roberta Roberts stood in the audience as Justice Sotomayor spoke, absorbing each word. She chose GW Law specifically for its reputation as an institution that emphasizes the importance of social justice and public service. For the past year, she has assisted local community members in need of legal representation through both the law school’s Domestic Violence Project and its Family Justice Litigation Clinic.

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— Justice Sonia Sotomayor

“What Justice Sotomayor said really spoke to my heart. I attended law school because I wanted the opportunity to help people solve their problems and give a voice to those who may be unheard,” Ms. Roberts said.

The experience became all the more poignant for Ms. Roberts once Justice Sotomayor finished her address and made her way from behind the podium directly toward her and several other students involved in the clinics. She lauded their exceptional service work and urged them to continue their

efforts representing members of society who are in need.

Justice Sotomayor was chosen to cut the ribbon at the new clinic building at 650 20th Street NW because of her own career rooted in service. While studying at Princeton University, she volunteered as a Spanish interpreter at a local mental health facility, translating for patients who did not understand English. As a trial lawyer in Manhattan, Justice Sotomayor prosecuted murders, police brutality, and child pornography cases. When she entered private practice in 1984, she also took on a hefty load of pro bono work, serving the Puerto Rican Legal Defense and Education Fund, the New York City Campaign Finance Board, and the New York Mortgage Agency.

“One of the goals of the clinics is to teach students the skills, habits, and values of how to keep learning and growing as lawyers,” said Phyllis Goldfarb, Jacob Burns Foundation Professor of Clinical Law and associate dean for clinical affairs, at the dedication ceremony. “I can’t think of a more vibrant symbol of the clinical mission of life-long learning as a central part of professional life than Justice Sotomayor.”

Associate Dean Goldfarb leads the clinics, where students hone their legal skills and work on cases in the areas of international human rights law, immigration law, domestic violence advocacy, community economic development law, and more. The updated facility features 4,000 square feet of common space, a moot courtroom, four private rooms for client interviews, and five classrooms with state-of-the-art technical equipment. The building also boasts a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Gold rating.

The university has a special connection to clinical education, Associate Dean Goldfarb told the crowd, explaining that GW Law alumnus William Pincus, JD ’53, is widely considered to be the father of clinical education. Inspired by the clinical



programs that Mr. Pincus piloted, Professor Emeritus of Law Eric Sirulnik led the effort to open a legal clinic at GW more than four decades ago. The clinics later received significant support from Jacob Burns, LLB ’24, whose generosity allowed GW’s clinical program to thrive.

Today, hundreds of students participate in the clinics each semester, gaining hands-on legal experiences. Sonia Desai, JD ’14, a former student director at the clinics, assisted several young girls in Jamaica who were abused while in state custody, and her diligence may earn the girls compensation for their traumas. Last semester, Ms. Roberts worked with the Asian Pacific American Legal Resource Center to help undocumented victims of domestic violence apply for immigration relief, and now she’s representing clients in D.C. Superior Court cases involving child support, custody issues, and protection from abuse.

Each year, the law school also places between 500 and 600 students in various governmental agencies and public interest and nonprofit organizations to engage in public service in exchange for academic credit. Through GW’s Public Interest and Pro Bono Program, Lerner Family Associate Dean for Public Interest and



Holly Faye Goldberg (center), the great-granddaughter of Clinics benefactor Jacob Burns, attended the dedication.



U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor officially dedicated the renovated Jacob Burns Community Legal Clinics.

Public Service Law Alan B. Morrison develops pro bono projects and identifies areas where students can provide legal advice, service, and consultation.

Because of these opportunities, GW Law Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs Christopher A. Bracey explains that GW students leave law school inculcated with a commitment for service while touting résumés filled with real-life experience.

“They hit the ground running, and they are skilled in ways that typical graduates are not—precisely because we have so many

ways for them to learn the practical skills of lawyering with live clients,” Senior Associate Dean Bracey says. “We provide a rich set of opportunities to do service, so that they understand that different people can serve in so many different ways.”

He adds that bringing a Supreme Court justice to campus sends a powerful message to students: that their university’s central location in the nation’s capital connects them to the most prominent legal professionals in the field. Justice Clarence Thomas co-teaches a seminar with Professor of

Law Gregory E. Maggs. Justice Antonin Scalia celebrated Constitution Day at Lisner Auditorium last year, and in August, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg joined the community to talk about the evolution of women’s rights.

Meeting Justice Sotomayor was a paramount event in Ms. Roberts’ law school experience. She remembers the details of the visit vividly, and the way Justice Sotomayor’s words fueled her passion for service.

“It just meant a lot to me that someone so esteemed got from behind the bench down to my level to tell me about how the work that I’m doing is important,” she says. “She wasn’t there to just smile for pictures and shake hands—she actually took the time to offer us encouraging words.”

Ms. Roberts wasn’t the only person moved by Justice Sotomayor’s advice. The justice left the entire community with a chance to reflect on the values of the legal profession and to rededicate themselves to service.

“The purpose every lawyer serves, in whatever capacity, is to help people with their problems and to try to better that client’s life situation,” Justice Sotomayor said at the dedication. “So long as we as lawyers act responsibly and with integrity, we serve the society in need.”

– By Julyssa Lopez

# Sotomayor Anchors Van Vleck Finals



Van Vleck winners Kyle Singhal (left) and James Gross (right) flank judges Lee Rosenthal, Sonia Sotomayor, and Robert Katzmann after the competition.

LISNER AUDITORIUM WAS PACKED for the 64th annual Jacob Burns Van Vleck Constitutional Law Moot Court Competition, as four finalists went head-to-head in oral arguments before a

distinguished bench anchored by Justice Sonia Sotomayor of the U.S. Supreme Court.

The justice was joined on the bench by Chief Judge Robert Katzmann of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit and

Judge Lee Rosenthal of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas.

The January competition, GW Law's largest and longest running upper-level advocacy contest, centered on a Fourth Amendment rights question involving the legality of drones.

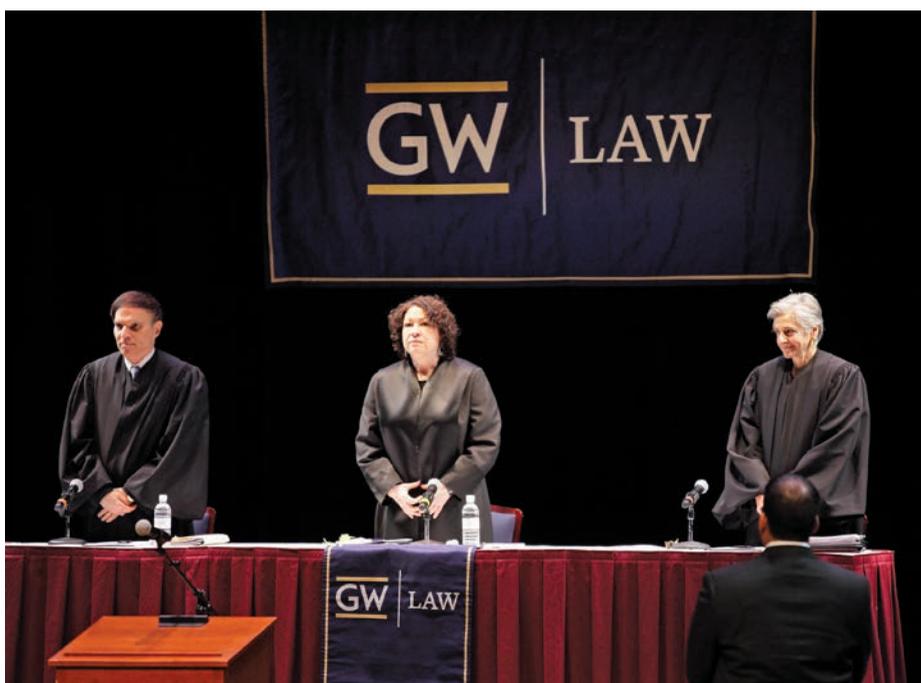
The four competitors—Olivia Jahn and Amanda Nagrotsky for the petitioners and victors James Gross and Kyle Singhal for the respondent—presented compelling arguments and impressed the high-powered judges with their legal prowess.

“You give me hope about the future of our profession,” Justice Sotomayor said at the conclusion of the competition.

Several U.S. Supreme Court justices, including John Roberts, Elena Kagan, and Samuel Alito, have presided over the final round of the Van Vleck competition in recent years.

The contest marked Justice Sotomayor's third visit to GW Law in two years. She cut the ribbon at the dedication ceremony for the renovated home of the Jacob Burns Community Legal Clinics in January and spoke at Lisner Auditorium late last year about her recently published memoir, *My Beloved World*, chronicling her life and her road to the court.

Competitors share their experiences of arguing before a Supreme Court justice at [bit.ly/vanvleck\\_gwlaw](http://bit.ly/vanvleck_gwlaw).



U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor (center) presided over the final round of the Van Vleck competition with judges Robert Katzmann and Lee Rosenthal.

## MAGAZINE REDESIGN WINS AWARD

GW LAW MAGAZINE (WINTER 2014 issue) won a 2014 Platinum MarCom Award from the Association of Marketing & Communication Professionals (AMCP) for our recent redesign.

The MarCom Awards is an international creative competition that recognizes outstanding achievement by marketing and communications professionals. Administered and judged by the AMCP, the competition is the largest of its kind in the world. Winners range from marketing sole proprietors to Fortune 500 companies.

Chosen from more than 6,000 entries, the Platinum Award is presented to those judged to be the most outstanding entries in the competition. Platinum winners are recognized for their excellence in terms of quality, creativity, and resourcefulness.



L.A.W. board members Miriam Carroll, JD '14, Kate Watkins, JD '16, Kendall Scott, JD '15, Casey Rubinoff, JD '14, and Professor William Kovacic honor Belva Lockwood Award winner Margaret (Peggy) Zwisler, JD '76 (third from left), at the annual event.

## PEGGY ZWISLER WINS BELVA LOCKWOOD AWARD

THE LAW ASSOCIATION FOR WOMEN (L.A.W.) AND THE GW LAW ALUMNI ASSOCIATION honored Peggy Zwisler, JD '76, as the 2014 recipient of the Belva Lockwood Award at a spring luncheon.

Each year, L.A.W. students select a successful and inspiring alumna to be honored at the event championing female attorneys who are trailblazers in their fields. Ms. Zwisler was chosen based on her long and successful career as a trial attorney and leading anti-trust litigator who has been recognized for her excellence in client services.

## FAREWELL TO TOM DIENES



GW LAW LOST A BELOVED MEMBER OF the law school community April 24, when C. Thomas Dienes, Lyle T. Alverson Professor Emeritus of Law, passed away at the age of 74.

A member of GW's faculty since 1980, Professor Dienes was widely cited for his scholarship in the areas of constitutional

law and media law. During his remarkable career, he wrote or co-wrote nine books and monographs, including *Constitutional Law: Principles and Policy*, now in its ninth edition, and *Newsgathering and the Law*, in its third edition. He will be remembered and missed by the thousands of students he educated and inspired during his lifetime.

"Tom left in his passing a legacy that few could equal in terms of the scholarship and lives shaped by his work," said GW Law Professor Jonathan Turley, his longtime colleague and friend.

"While many knew Tom as an intellectual, he would probably brush away such a label in favor of the title he cherished to the day of his passing: teacher. Tom... lived to educate others: to convey not only his knowledge, but his deep love for the law. He measured his success not in the library of publications he left but in the literally thousands of students that he touched in his lifetime. They are his truest legacy."



Professor Gregory E. Maggs with Kathy and Les Megyeri

## AN AWARD-WINNING PROFESSOR

CONGRATULATIONS GO TO PROFESSOR Gregory E. Maggs, who graduated from the U.S. Army War College in Carlisle, Pa., in July after completing a demanding two-year course. Professor Maggs was honored at the graduation ceremony with a writing award for his outstanding paper "Cyber Attack: A Declared U.S. Cyber Defense Policy."

"Learning about national security will help me both as a senior officer in the Army Reserve and as the co-director of the National Security Law LLM Program at GW," says Professor Maggs, who joins the

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— Gregory E. Maggs

ranks of fellow War College alumni like Generals Dwight David Eisenhower, Omar Bradley, and Norman Schwarzkopf.

Among the attendees at the ceremony were Les Megyeri, JD '68, and his wife, Kathy. Mr. Megyeri graduated from the Army War College in 1986, so seeing Col. Maggs graduate had special meaning for him. "It is a great accomplishment, not only to graduate from the War College but to win the writing award," Mr. Megyeri says. "I'm particularly proud of Col. Maggs."

# ABA Honors Stephen Saltzburg



STEPHEN A. SALTZBURG, THE Wallace and Beverley Woodbury University Professor of Law, received an American Bar Association (ABA) Grassroots Advocacy Award at an April ceremony on Capitol Hill. The award, presented by the ABA Standing Committee on Governmental Affairs, recognizes individuals who demonstrate leadership on matters of importance to the organized bar.

ABA President James R. Silkenat presented Professor Saltzburg with the award for his work as chair of the ABA Criminal Justice Section and his service to the ABA on criminal justice matters.

*ABA President James R. Silkenat and Professor Stephen A. Saltzburg*



*Associate Dean Alfreda Robinson*

## ALFREDA ROBINSON RECEIVES NBA AWARD

GW LAW CONGRATULATES ALFREDA Robinson, associate dean for trial advocacy, on receiving the prestigious Heman Marion Sweatt Award from the National Bar Association (NBA). The award honors individuals engaged in barrier-breaking work who display a commitment to excellence.

Associate Dean Robinson has a long history of service within the NBA and currently chairs the organization's Standing Committee on Judicial Selection. She previously served as chair of the Law Professors Division, a member of the Board of Governors, and regional director for Washington, D.C. In 2008, the NBA awarded her with its highest honor, the C. Francis Stradford Award, for her rich contributions to the legal field.

## SIX STUDENTS SELECTED FOR ARMY JAG CORPS

THE ARMY JAG CORPS SELECTED SIX STUDENTS FROM GW LAW AND ONE alternate, twice as many as any other law school, for active-duty commission in fiscal year 2014.

The students were among a group of 81 chosen through a highly competitive application process. In addition to receiving help from the Center for Professional Development and Career Strategy, students leveraged the experience and knowledge of Associate Deans Lisa M. Schenck and Hank R. Molinengo, former Army and Navy JAG officers, respectively.



In 2011, Professor Turley (second from right) and GW Law students were interviewed after filing a case on behalf of U.S. Congress members who believed President Obama was outside of his constitutional presidential powers when he ordered combat operations in Libya. Some of the students who worked on that case also worked on the Dr. Al-Arian case.

## A HARD-FOUGHT VICTORY

AFTER EIGHT YEARS OF WORK BY Professor Jonathan Turley and his team of GW Law students, the Justice Department in late June dropped its criminal prosecution of former college professor Sami Al-Arian.

"This is a hard-fought and long-awaited victory that was eight years in coming," says Professor Turley, GW's J.B. and Maurice C. Shapiro Professor of Public Interest Law. "The win rate for prosecutors in national security cases is exceptionally high, so this result is a rare outcome in favor of the defense."

In 2004, the Justice Department accused Dr. Al-Arian of being the American head of the extremist group Palestinian Islamic Jihad and charged him as part of a 53-count superseding indictment. The nation paid rapt attention to Dr. Al-Arian's highly publicized trial. The jury acquitted him on eight counts of the superseding indictment but did not reach a unanimous verdict on nine others. With the government considering charges on the remaining counts, Dr. Al-Arian executed a written plea agreement in February 2006, which resulted in his incarceration. The pro bono legal team headed by Professor Turley worked successfully to have him released from prison and later to have his home confinement conditions lifted.

According to Professor Turley, the case is one of the most disturbing of his career because of the government's continued litigation despite a jury verdict and agreement to allow Dr. Al-Arian to leave the

country. "This case remains one of the most troubling chapters in this nation's crackdown after 9/11," he wrote in his blog.

Over the years, GW Law students have assisted Professor Turley on many aspects of the case as well as other criminal and civil cases the professor has taken on, gaining valuable real-world experience.

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— Jonathan Turley

"Our client Dr. Al-Arian and I could not be more proud of the hard work that our GW litigation team has dedicated to this case to help him get justice, as well as our partnership with Bryan Cave as our local counsel," says Professor Turley. "The students, many of whom are now alumni, had an opportunity to work on a case with international significance and to produce a result that advances the rule of law in a real and tangible way."



## EMILY HAMMOND JOINS GW LAW

PROFESSOR EMILY HAMMOND joined the GW Law faculty this fall, bringing additional expertise in energy, environmental, and administrative law to the Environmental and Energy Law Program.

A former civil engineer who practiced in the environmental field prior to attending law school, Professor Hammond's expertise is informed by technical realities and shaped by a systems approach to legal and policy issues. She has taught administrative, energy, environmental, oil and gas, and water law, as well as torts, at Wake Forest University and the University of Oklahoma, where she also served as the associate dean for academic affairs.

Professor Hammond's scholarship explores the dynamics among energy, environmental, and administrative law, with current projects focusing on nuclear power, the role of self-regulated organizations in energy law, and risk perception issues in shaping the Smart Grid. She is actively involved in the American Law Institute, the Energy Bar Association, and the Association of American Law Schools Administrative Law Section.

## Schulte Roth & Zabel Junior Faculty Workshop



Professors Arthur E. Wilmarth (l) and Lisa Fairfax (r) with winning authors (left to right) Elisabeth de Fontenay, Duke University School of Law; Andrew Tuch, Washington University School of Law; and Megan Shaner, University of Oklahoma College of Law.

THE CENTER FOR LAW, ECONOMICS, and Finance hosted its fourth annual Junior Faculty Business and Financial Law Workshop and Junior Faculty Scholarship Prizes in February. Organized and chaired by Professor Lisa M. Fairfax, the event supports and recognizes the work of young legal scholars in accounting, banking, bankruptcy, corporations, economics, finance, and securities. C-LEAF received more than 80 paper submissions for the workshop from junior scholars at law schools throughout the United States, as well as from six international law schools.

Twelve papers were selected for presentation. At the conclusion of the workshop, the authors of the top three papers received monetary prizes: Megan Shaner (\$3,000), Elisabeth de Fontenay (\$2,000), and Andrew Tuch (\$1,000).

Schulte Roth & Zabel LLP, one of the leading law firms serving the financial services industry and known for its premier practice in the area of private investment funds and private equity M&A, generously sponsors the Junior Faculty Scholarship Workshop and Prizes and provides other financial assistance to C-LEAF.



Professor Gregory Gilchrist, University of Toledo College of Law; C-LEAF's Executive Director Professor Arthur E. Wilmarth; and Professor Victoria Shannon, Washington and Lee University School of Law



Professor Lisa Fairfax chats with Stephen Hall, a securities specialist at Better Markets.

## CRITIQUING COST-BENEFIT ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL REGULATION

ACADEMICS, POLICYMAKERS, AND regulators gathered in May to discuss the use and potential misuse of cost-benefit analysis (CBA). The two-day event, titled "Critiquing Cost-Benefit Analysis of Financial Regulation," was co-hosted by C-LEAF and covered topics ranging from methods to improve CBA to the costs of CBA and lessons learned from the use of CBA in other contexts.

John C. Coates, John F. Cogan Jr. Professor of Law and Economics at Harvard Law School, and William Black, associate professor of economics and law at the University of Missouri–Kansas City School of Law, keynoted the event. Other co-sponsors were the Association of Professors of Political Economy and the Law (APPEAL), Americans for Financial Reform (AFR), Better Markets, Center for Progressive Reform (CPR), and SUNY Buffalo Law School.

## BUSINESS AND FINANCE LAW SUMMER WORKSHOPS

THIS SUMMER, C-LEAF INSTITUTED AN EXCITING NEW ENRICHMENT PROGRAM FOR GW Law's many summer associates working in New York City.

The Business and Finance Law Summer Workshops have two goals: to provide GW Law students working in New York with practical knowledge about business and finance law practice and to facilitate their access to prominent law firms and financial institutions. Participating alumni host one evening discussion session at their firm on a topic of their choosing in their area of expertise.



Panelists Rep. Jim Himes, House Financial Services Committee; Susan Phillips, former governor, Federal Reserve Board of Governors, former chairman, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, professor emeritus, GW School of Business; Al Broaddus, former president, Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond; and Professor Sarah Binder, GW Department of Political Science



The Wall Street Journal's David Wessel interviewed Donald L. Kohn, former vice chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

## THE PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

C-LEAF PRESENTED THE FIRST OF A SERIES OF SYMPOSIUMS ON THE FEDERAL Reserve and the nation's banking system.

The event, which brought together distinguished participants from academia, government, industry, and the press, covered the Fed's role in setting monetary policy, its influence in the global markets and the economy, and its role as primary supervisor and regulator of the nation's largest banks and financial institutions.

A highlight of the program was an interview conducted by David Wessel, economics editor of the *Wall Street Journal*, with Donald L. Kohn, former vice chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (2006–2010), senior fellow at the Brookings Institution, and member of the Bank of England's Financial Policy Committee.



Senator Elizabeth Warren

## LEARNING LEHMAN'S LESSONS FROM THE PANIC OF 2008

FIVE YEARS AFTER THE START of the financial crisis, Sen. Elizabeth Warren (D-Mass.), who serves on the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, and a panel of experts visited GW Law last fall to discuss lessons learned.

The event, titled "Five Years On, Learning Lehman's Lessons From the Panic of 2008: Are We Better Prepared for the Next Financial Crisis?" explored a number of financial topics. Highlights included a roundup of knowledge acquired from Lehman Brothers' collapse, a look at Wall Street's unprecedented lobbying campaign against new regulations mandated by the Dodd-Frank Act to make financial markets stronger, and a discussion of further steps needed to protect Main Street and U.S. taxpayers from Wall Street's risk taking and the potential threat of additional government bailouts.

## FIFTH ANNUAL FINANCIAL REGULATORY REFORM SYMPOSIUM

"THE ROAD TRAVELED: ASSESSING Dodd-Frank Five Years After the Crisis," was the theme of C-LEAF's fifth annual fall symposium last year. C-LEAF convenes a financial regulatory reform symposium each year to discuss the financial crisis and the Dodd-Frank Act.

Last fall's keynote speakers included Eugene A. Ludwig, CEO of Promontory Financial Group and former comptroller of the currency, Gary S. Gensler, chairman of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, and Thomas M. Hoenig, vice chairman of the FDIC.

At the symposium, two distinguished groups of panelists analyzed issues related to global systemically important banks and



Gary S. Gensler

the future of housing finance. The conference received generous support from the law firms of K&L Gates LLP, Morrison & Foerster LLP, and Paul Hastings LLP.

# Serving Victims of Domestic Violence

LAURIE S. KOHN, ASSOCIATE professor of clinical law and director of the Family Justice Litigation Clinic, is serving for the second time on the D.C. Domestic Violence Fatality Review Board (DVFRB), following her confirmation in May by the D.C. City Council.

The board seeks to use the tragic accounts of homicide victims' lives and experiences to improve the response to domestic violence and better serve and protect potential future victims.

"Though our national response to domestic violence has become much more aggressive over the last few decades, and

though greater avenues for legal intervention exist, domestic violence fatalities have remained essentially consistent for many years," says Professor Kohn. "The board has the potential to arrest this trend."

In her new role, Professor Kohn works with other DVFRB members to conduct "social autopsies" on victims. In each case, members analyze the backgrounds of both the perpetrator and the victim, taking into account their education and their interactions with the legal system, neglect system, medical system, and social support system. By looking at the victims'



Laurie S. Kohn

lives, they hope to identify gaps in the network of support that the city provides and create proposals to fill those gaps.

Professor Kohn previously served on the board in 2003 after its establishment by Mayor Anthony Williams and rotated off in 2006 after completing her term. "When I was approached this year to join the newly revived board, I was thrilled to join the process again and move its mission forward," she says.

## COLLABORATIVE SUPPORTS SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURS

GW LAW'S SMALL BUSINESS and Community Economic Development (SBCED) Clinic has joined the International Transactions Clinic at the University of Michigan Law School and the Social Enterprise and Nonprofit Law Clinic at Georgetown University Law Center to form the Social Enterprise Clinical Support Collaborative. The collaborative represents Ashoka, a leading global nonprofit that identifies and invests in social entrepreneurs around the world.

The goal of the collaboration between Ashoka and the three clinics is to advance the development of the legal sector that supports social entrepreneurship. In addition to conducting research and producing legal tool kits for Ashoka, the collaborative provides the nonprofit's numerous social entrepreneurs, or Ashoka Fellows, with transactional and business legal support to help them launch and scale their enterprises, which are designed to address social problems on a systemic level. Through the clinics' affiliation with Ashoka, students at the collaborating law schools are able



Adonica Black, JD '14, Barrett Hunter, JD '14, Kristellys Zolondek, program coordinator, and Dana Mekler, U.S. manager of Sports for Sharing

to participate in representation, planning, and advocacy on behalf of social enterprise clients in the United States and abroad.

During 2013–14, SBCED represented Sports for Sharing, a civic education organization founded by an Ashoka Fellow. The organization engages elementary school students in sports and games as a way to promote civic values and combat societal problems. Clinic students gave Sports for Sharing in-depth advice and counseling on

start-up matters. They also had the opportunity to observe the organization in action and see firsthand the tremendous response of children in the program. Students watched the children connecting through sports and games on difficult concepts like world hunger and poverty.

Susan R. Jones, professor of clinical law and director of the SBCED, co-wrote an article about the collaborative effort with Professor Deborah Burand, director of the International Transactions Clinic at the University of Michigan Law School; Professor Alicia E. Plerhoples, director of the Social Enterprise and Nonprofit Law Clinic at Georgetown University Law Center; and Jonathan Ng, global legal director and in-house counsel for Ashoka. The article, "Clinical Collaborations: Going Global to Advance Social Entrepreneurship," published in the *International Journal of Clinical Legal Education*, shares lessons learned by each author and presents recommendations for establishing similar cross-university clinical collaborations.



DV LEAP celebrated a decade of accomplishments at its anniversary gala. Many GW Law students have gained valuable experience by working with DV LEAP clients over the years.

## DV LEAP HOSTS 10TH ANNIVERSARY GALA

THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE LEGAL Empowerment and Appeals Project (DV LEAP), founded by Professor Joan S. Meier, hosted a 10th anniversary party last fall to recognize its decade of accomplishments and to honor those who

have supported its work over the past decade. Celebrity guest Robin Givens, once married to boxer Mike Tyson, gave the keynote address, describing her own experience with domestic violence.

During the festivities, Professor

Meier recognized 10 honorees for their work over the past 10 years on behalf of DV LEAP, including DV LEAP board member Susan Hoffman, JD '79, and Kerri Ruttenberg, JD '99. Alexia Morrison, JD '72, who chairs DV LEAP's executive board, served as emcee for the evening. GW Law's student a cappella group, the Promissory Notes, entertained the overflow crowd as the event began.

The law firm McDermott, Will & Emery graciously donated its space overlooking the U.S. Capitol to host the event. Funds raised during the event will support DV LEAP's continuing work to improve legal protections for domestic violence victims and their children through appellate advocacy and training.

## REMEMBERING WILLIAM PINCUS: FATHER OF CLINICAL LEGAL EDUCATION

GW LAW AND ALL OF LEGAL education lost a giant on May 15. William "Bill" Pincus, JD '53, while never a law professor, was the visionary who conceived of clinical legal education and devoted energy and funding to setting it in motion. GW's Jacob Burns Community Legal Clinics—which has been teaching students to serve clients for more than 40 years—and clinical legal education as a whole owe their origins to him.

The son of immigrant parents, Bill Pincus spent much of his career as a civil servant, working in government bodies ranging from the National Park Service and the first and second Hoover Commissions to the U.S. Congress. At the age of 29, as an already experienced public servant and the father of young children, he began GW Law's evening program in 1949.

Several years after earning his law degree, Mr. Pincus became an executive at the Ford Foundation, where he dispensed funding to those who submitted grant applications in public administration and law. Concerned that not everyone who needed a lawyer could afford to obtain one, he funded legal services projects that would improve access to justice. It was in this context that he forged the idea of law school clinics that would provide academic credit to students, supervised by law school faculty, for lawyer-client experiences. Clinics, he believed, would not only direct bright young law students into legal services but also encourage legal education

to incorporate the teaching of professional responsibility through learning experiences outside of the classroom.

From 1959 to 1968, he used Ford Foundation money to create and expand legal services for the poor and clinical education for law students. Next, as president of the Ford-funded Council on Legal Education and Professional Responsibility (CLEPR), he used CLEPR's funds, influence, and training resources to promote to lawyers and law professors the idea of law school clinics. During the CLEPR era, many law schools, including Harvard, received grants to open clinical programs. When CLEPR ended in 1980, most U.S. law schools and many in other countries had some form of clinical education—a dramatic transformation of legal education in a short period of time.

Mr. Pincus has been widely recognized for his contributions to legal education. Every year, for example, the Clinical Legal Education Section of the Association of American Law Schools honors a person who has made major contributions to clinical education with the William Pincus Award.

In remarks published in the *Cleveland State Law Review* (1980), Associate Judge John M. Ferren of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals said of his friend and colleague, "Occasionally, we come across a person who has an idea for helping other people, who believes he or she can do something about it, who knows the goal will take



Bill Pincus outside his office at the Ford Foundation

many years to accomplish, who is absolutely committed, and who has no personal ambition beyond finding the resources and the energy to make that vision a reality. This describes the kind of person I admire most. It describes Bill Pincus ... To him, equal justice would not be achievable without more broadly trained lawyers, sensitive to individuals, and committed—truly committed—to helping persons in need."

Phyllis Goldfarb, Jacob Burns Foundation Professor of Law and associate dean for clinical affairs, praised Mr. Pincus' creativity, initiative, and perseverance: "Bill Pincus provided the spark that brought clinical legal education to every law school in the United States and to many other countries as well. It is fitting that GW Law, Bill's alma mater, was one of clinical education's early adopters. As we enhance and expand clinical legal education here and elsewhere, we carry on Bill Pincus' legacy and are guided by his vision. We strive to be worthy descendants of his pioneering cause."

# Energy Law Program Receives Distinguished Award (Recognized by ABA)

CONGRATULATIONS GO TO GW Law's Environmental and Energy Law Program on receiving the 2014 ABA Section of Environment, Energy, and Resources Award for Distinguished Achievement in Environmental Law and Policy. The award, presented at the ABA annual meeting in August, recognizes the collective achievements of the program, which has trained more than 4,000 lawyers over its 44-year history.

The nomination highlighted GW's contributions to the development of environmental and energy law and the work of the ABA. Notably, GW was the first law school to join the ABA-EPA Law Office Climate Challenge in 2008, founded the *Journal of Energy and Environmental Law* published in collaboration with the Environmental Law Institute, and, in the fall of 2013, launched the Sustainable Energy Initiative designed as an academic think tank.

Letters from four distinguished



lawyers supported the GW Law nomination. Two alumni, Brett Grosko, JD '00, of the Department of Justice and Larry Lieberman, JD '73, of Holland and Knight, provided letters, in addition to former ABA section chairs Michael Gerrard of Columbia University and Irma Russell, dean of the University of Montana School of Law.

## GRODSKY PRIZE GOES TO MASTERTON

THE 2014 JAMIE GRODSKY PRIZE FOR Environmental Law Scholarship was awarded to Molly Masterton for her paper, "Promoting Marine and Hydrokinetic Energy and Managing Environmental Risk: Toward an Adaptive Management Strategy."

Ms. Masterton's innovative paper highlights the uncertainties associated with marine and hydrokinetic (MHK) technologies and proposes three mechanisms through which Congress or the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission could formally integrate



Molly Masterton

adaptive management principles into the regulatory framework for licensing MHK projects.

## ENERGY LAW UPDATE

GW LAW'S SUSTAINABLE ENERGY Initiative (SEI) welcomed its new advisory board this spring. The board, composed of alumni and other prominent energy practitioners, provides financial support and strategic direction for SEI.

Through the board's contributions and other generous alumni gifts, SEI is backing a new international comparative energy law course, GW's *Journal of Energy and Environmental Law*, and a newly established Energy Law Advisory Board Scholarship. The first scholarship was awarded in May to Adrienne Thompson (see page 19), who will assist in implementing the SEI research agenda.

With the arrival of Professor Emily Hammond and the addition of a new comparative energy law course, GW Law is redesigning several of its energy courses. Pending curriculum committee review, it is anticipated that by the 2015-16 academic year students will have nine energy law classes to choose from plus a practicum course in which students work with nonprofit organizations to write papers addressing real-world issues.

SEI's research agenda continues to move forward. Through a collaborative stakeholder process, the e21 Initiative is developing alternative business and regulatory models for Minnesota and its investor-owned utilities to better enable the state to meet its sustainability goals and adapt to evolving consumer expectations. e21 is a joint project of Great Plains Institute, the Center for Energy and the Environment, and SEI.

In collaboration with Berkeley Law, SEI is developing a proposal—for which it will seek grant funding—to identify improved processes for integrated resource planning for the electric sector. SEI is also addressing the legal challenges of implementing the U.S. EPA's newly proposed greenhouse gas reduction targets for power plants with a proposed carbon adder to be administered through the existing wholesale electric markets.

SEI's Donna Attanasio is leading an effort by the Energy Bar Association to develop a report on energy law education for issue next year. These efforts will help ensure that GW Law, with its 30-plus-year tradition of teaching energy law, remains at the forefront of the field.

For more information about SEI visit [www.law.gwu.edu/gwl/sei](http://www.law.gwu.edu/gwl/sei).

## THE LEGAL ASPECTS OF SUSTAINABLE ENERGY FOR ALL

AS PART OF GW LAW'S SUSTAINABLE ENERGY INITIATIVE, MANY FACULTY AND students have been actively involved in a Community of Practice (CoP) on the Legal Aspects of Sustainable Energy for All (SE4All).

Part of the Global Forum on Law, Justice, and Development's Thematic Working Group on Environmental and Natural Resource Law, the CoP provides a forum for discussing the legal barriers and opportunities associated with implementing the primary goals of the UN's SE4All initiative. Those goals include ensuring universal energy access, doubling the global rate of improvement in energy efficiency, and doubling the share of renewable energy in the global energy mix.

Lee Paddock, associate dean for environmental studies, has spearheaded the collaborative effort along with representatives from the World Bank, the International Development Law Organization, the Environmental Law Institute, and a variety of other institutions and universities. GW Law faculty and students have contributed to the CoP's efforts by compiling a database of legal resources on the topic, as well as a list of organizations and initiatives that are involved in the effort to understand the legal aspects of implementing SE4All.

In addition, Associate Dean Paddock, Professor Robert L. Glicksman, former Environmental Program Fellow Jessica Wentz, and LLM student Chiara Pappalardo presented research related to the topic at the 2014 Colloquium of the International Union on the Conservation of Nature's Academy of Environmental Law.

Information about SE4All is available at [www.law.gwu.edu/gwl/se4all](http://www.law.gwu.edu/gwl/se4all).



### ADRIENNE THOMPSON

ADRIENNE THOMPSON JOINED GW Law this fall as the new energy law scholar and research associate.

A native of the Pacific Northwest, she spent two years traveling in South America and studying Mandarin Chinese in Beijing before attending Lewis & Clark Law School to study environmental and energy law. There, she served as editor-in-chief of *Environmental Law* and graduated with honors in 2013. Before coming to GW, Ms. Thompson completed an energy policy internship at the Worldwatch Institute and a judicial clerkship at the Oregon Supreme Court.



### NICHOLAS BRYNER

NICHOLAS BRYNER, JD '12, RETURNED to GW Law this fall as the new environmental program fellow.

While at GW, Mr. Bryner simultaneously earned a master's degree in Latin American and hemispheric studies from the Elliott School of International Affairs.

After graduating from GW, he worked as a public interest law fellow at the Environmental Law Institute and as the executive officer of the World Commission on Environmental Law at the International Union for the Conservation of Nature. He spent a summer clerking for Justice Antonio Herman Benjamin at the High Court of Brazil.



Symposium panelists Jay Jensen, associate director of land and water ecosystems for the White House Council on Environmental Quality, and GW Law Professor Robert Glicksman

## SHAPIRO SYMPOSIUM FOCUSES ON FEDERAL LAND MANAGEMENT

THE 2014 J.B. AND MAURICE C. Shapiro Environmental Law Symposium, co-sponsored by the Environmental Law Institute and the University of Houston Law Center, brought together dozens of experts from the federal government, academic institutions, and NGOs to discuss the role of planning in federal land management.

The two-day March program covered a broad range of issues, including energy development, climate change adaptation, marine planning, and integrating federal, state, and local planning efforts. Many of the panelists will be publishing their papers in upcoming editions of the *Journal of Energy and Environmental Law (JEEL)*.

The 2015 Shapiro Symposium, scheduled for March 26 and 27, will address "The Role of Advanced Monitoring; Remote Sensing; and New Forms of Information Gathering, Analysis, and Disclosure in Environmental Compliance and Enforcement." The conference will be part of GW Law's ongoing collaboration with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to support the agency's initiative on next generation environmental compliance and enforcement.

Also in support of the initiative, Jessica Wentz, former visiting associate professor of law and environmental energy program fellow, and Lee Paddock, associate dean for environmental law studies, edited the book *Next Generation Environmental Compliance and Enforcement*.

Some of the presentations are available at [www.law.gwu.edu/gwl/shapiro2014](http://www.law.gwu.edu/gwl/shapiro2014).

## Suspension and Debarment Colloquium



Panelists at the colloquium included Timothy Dickinson of Paul Hastings; GW Law Assistant Dean Jessica Tillipman; Stephen Zimmermann, director of operations and integrity vice president at the World Bank; Elizabeth Lin Forder, secretary to the Sanctions Board at the World Bank; and Laura Fernandez, suspension and debarment official at the EPA.

THE WORLD BANK, IN CONJUNCTION with GW Law, hosted a broadly attended colloquium on suspension and debarment, a tool used to blacklist irresponsible, corrupt, or otherwise unqualified contractors.

The May event brought together panels of experts from international

organizations, U.S. government agencies, the military, private practice, and academia who compared government, multilateral development bank, and academic perspectives on suspension and debarment systems. Panelists discussed the purposes of suspension and debarment systems, the role of decision makers, differing approaches to



Professor Christopher Yukins polls the room during his panel with the World Bank's Chief Suspension and Debarment Officer Pascale Helene Dubois.

the standard for exclusion and requirements of due process, and the relationship of suspension and debarment systems to other corrective measures and remedies.

The program, along with a similar effort in late 2012, was featured in the World Bank's recent report on lessons learned in the suspension and debarment area. The World Bank explains that its efforts are part of a larger international movement through which governments and governmental institutions are creating efficient and effective systems for resolving allegations of fraud and corruption in public and donor-financed procurement while ensuring due process and fairness for private-sector participants.

## MASTER'S IN GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS ON THE RISE

GW LAW'S INTERDISCIPLINARY MASTER'S in Government Contracts Program, offered in conjunction with GW's School of Business, achieved a key milestone with the admission of its 70th graduate student. The new master's program is fast becoming the nation's preeminent academic credential for government contracting professionals.

Curricular offerings related to government contracts continue to increase. This summer, GW's law and business schools offered a business-oriented version

of the long-standing course Cost and Pricing of Government Contracts taught by new adjunct faculty member Greg Bingham of The Kenrich Group. The course is loosely modeled on the existing law course taught for many years by adjunct faculty member Steven Knight and modified to be more relevant to the requirements of nonlegal contracts practitioners in government or industry. Business students in the MBA and other specialty degree programs also benefit from the course.



Greg Bingham



Panelists at the Cross-Debarment Colloquium included (from left) GW Law Assistant Dean Jessica Tillipman; Juan Ronderos, IDB Group/Sanctions System; Frank Fariello, lead counsel, Operations Policy, the World Bank, Legal Vice Presidency; GW Law Professor Christopher R. Yukins; Pascale Helene Dubois, chief suspension and debarment officer, IDA/IBRD, the World Bank; GW Law Professorial Lecturer Fred Levy, McKenna Long & Aldridge; and Duc Nguyen, senior attorney, NASA, and vice chair, ISDC.

## AUTOMATIC CROSS-DEBARMENT: A COMPARATIVE DISCUSSION

GW LAW HOSTED A COMPARATIVE colloquium last fall discussing automatic cross-debarment of firms that run afoul of governments or international organizations in performing government contracts.

As the World Bank considers changes to its sanctions procedures, attorneys and

private industry are anxious to know how debarment officials should handle debarments delivered in other jurisdictions or by international organizations. The panelists discussed, among other things, the level of deference that is appropriate or whether automatic cross-debarment could be fairly implemented.



## HIGH-PROFILE ACQUISITION PANEL

Professor Steven L. Schooner (center) participated in a panel addressing acquisition topics at COR/TM/PM Appreciation Day at the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency at the NGA's state-of-the-art facility in Springfield, Va., in June. Also on the panel were Lise Magerie, chief of the NSA's Contract Management Oversight Group (right) and NGA's former director of acquisition, Barry Barlow, now vice president and CIO of the SI Org.



GW Law government contracts faculty members Senior Adviser Daniel I. Gordon and Professors William Kovacic, Steven Schooner, Joshua Schwartz, and Christopher Yukins welcome the World Trade Organization's Robert Anderson and past and present U.S. Trade Representative procurement negotiators Jean Heilman Grier and Scott Pietan.

## PROBING THE NEW WTO GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT AGREEMENT

GW LAW, IN CONJUNCTION with the ABA Sections of International Law and Public Contract Law, hosted a May colloquium celebrating the new version of the WTO's Government Procurement Agreement.

The new agreement, building on 20 years of experience and global acquisition reform, heralds the next generation of the global conversation on public procurement minimum standards and, at times, best practices. The panelists opined on the likely impact of the new agreement on procurement markets here and abroad, and discussed the history and analysis of the recent changes.

## NEW EUROPEAN PROCUREMENT DIRECTIVES

GW LAW HOSTED A COLLOQUIUM last fall on the new European Union procurement directives and their impact on the global public procurement market. The panel, moderated by GW Law Professor Christopher R. Yukins, included Hans-Joachim Priess, partner (Berlin), Jane Jenkins, partner (London), and Roland Stein, counsel (Berlin), Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP; Michael Bowsher, Q.C., Monckton Chambers, London; and Aris Georgopoulos, University of Nottingham.

# Government Contracts Moot Court Final



At the conclusion of the finals of the government contracts moot court competition, the winning team of Sylvia Yi and Victoria Hubickey (far left) and runners-up Gregory Matherne and Christopher Bell (far right) join final-round judges (left to right) Thomas C. Wheeler, Jimmie V. Reyna, and Marian Blank Horn.

A STANDING-ROOM-ONLY CROWD observed and applauded the final round of the McKenna Long & Aldridge ‘Gilbert A. Cuneo’ Government Contracts Moot Court Competition, which was held in April at the Howard T. Markey National Courts Building. The finals were presided over by Judge Jimmie V. Reyna of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit and U.S. Court of Federal Claims Judges Thomas C. Wheeler and Marian Blank Horn.

The competition problem involved a fictional June 2004 design-build, cost reimbursement contract between the U.S. Shoreline Guard (USSG) and Stark Construction (Stark) for the construction of two hospitals on Targaryen Isle following a December 2003 earthquake. The finalist teams matched Christopher Bell and Gregory Matherne representing the United States against Victoria Hubickey and Sylvia Yi representing Stark Construction.

At the post-competition reception at McKenna Long & Aldridge, Sylvia Yi and Victoria Hubickey were declared the winners. The problem and the best briefs from the competition—authored by the Bell-Matherne team and the team of Matt Heck and Locke Bell—will appear in the next issue of the *Public Contract Law Journal*. Isabelle Cutting was recognized for overall excellence, and Jonathan Seymour was named best oralist of the competition.

The Government Contracts Moot Court competition, open to both JD and LLM candidates, is made possible by the long-standing support of McKenna Long & Aldridge. During the spring semester, students have the opportunity to brief and argue both sides of a government contracts case in front of experienced practitioners from the private bar and government, as well as sitting judges from the various Boards of Contract Appeals and the U.S. Court of Federal Claims.



Colloquium participants included (from left to right) GW Law Senior Adviser Daniel I. Gordon; Edward T. Waters, Feldesman Tucker Leifer Fidell and Professorial Lecturer in Law at GW Law; Gilbert Tran and Joseph Ellis, Office of Management and Budget (OMB); and GW Law Professor Christopher R. Yukins.

## THE NEW FEDERAL GRANTS GUIDANCE: A HISTORIC SHIFT

GW LAW HOSTED A TIMELY colloquium on the new federal grants guidance in February.

According to critics, grant expenditures are poorly regulated and subject to lackadaisical oversight despite the fact that the federal government has spent more money through grants than contracts in 11 of the past 13 years. As a result, on Dec. 26, 2013, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) issued an extensive, historic guidance on federal grants, known in the field as the “super circular,” with an eye toward standardizing and unifying a host of disparate grant-managing regimes currently in use throughout the U.S. government.

The new guidance—a sweeping consolidation of decades of OMB circulars, guidance, and the “common rule” on grants management—will have a profound impact on how more than \$500 billion in federal grants are administered each year. Federal agencies, state and local governments, nonprofit organizations, and for-profit grantees all will be touched by the new guidance, which will affect both grantmaking and the procurements that occur under those grants.

The colloquium addressed the history and purpose of the new federal grants guidance, key elements of the new guidance, and how the new guidance will change grants administration, while also providing important insights into the guidance’s prospective impact on procurement, anti-corruption, and international trade practices.

## GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS PROGRAM: AROUND THE GLOBE



Professor Steven L. Schooner (front row, fourth from left) joins participants of the IMF-CEF-OECD Procurement Conference for MENA states in Kuwait City.

### KUWAIT

PROFESSOR STEVEN L. SCHOONER TRAVELED TO KUWAIT CITY IN JUNE to participate in a program hosted by the International Monetary Fund's Middle East Center for Economics and Finance and co-sponsored by the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development. Senior Adviser Daniel I. Gordon participated in a predecessor program in April. These programs, which further the efforts of countries in the region to modernize their governance structures and operations and achieve sustainable economic growth, included representatives from 16 Middle Eastern and North African (MENA) states.



### ENTEBBE

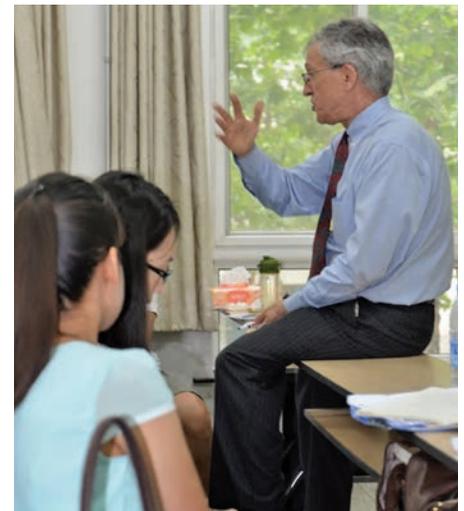
GW LAW PROFESSOR STEVEN L. SCHOONER (RIGHT), PICTURED HERE with Ard Venema of the U.N. Procurement Division at the U.N. Mission in Entebbe, Uganda, and Katharine Ghidella of the U.N. Global Service Centre, recently attended a conference in Entebbe.

The conference brought together academics, policymakers, U.N. contract managers, and their private-sector counterparts to discuss the challenges they face supporting the U.N.'s missions in unstable and underdeveloped environments around the globe. Discussions centered on difficulties faced in providing necessary services like medical units, basic logistics, information technology, and transportation—including the U.N.'s massive fleet of off-road vehicles—to trouble spots worldwide.

### WALES

PROFESSOR STEVEN SCHOONER participated in Procurement Week in Cardiff, Wales, in March, sponsored by the University of Bangor Law School and the Welsh government.

During the international portion of the conference, he gave a presentation on global procurement trends and moderated a panel of European academics on the use of social policies in public procurement. He also served on the panel of international judges and attended the Welsh Procurement Award ceremony in Cardiff's iconic City Hall.



Senior Adviser Daniel I. Gordon

### BEIJING

AS PART OF GW LAW'S ONGOING academic relations with professors in China, Senior Adviser Daniel I. Gordon traveled to Beijing, where he lectured at two universities whose procurement professors have spent a year at GW Law's Government Procurement Law Program.

Mr. Gordon taught a class in government procurement at the University of International Relations at the request of that university's Professor Zhao Yong. Later, Mr. Gordon spoke to a comparative law seminar on bid protests at the Central University of Finance and Economics, also in Beijing. The session was chaired by Professor Cao Fuguo, who was a Fulbright scholar at GW Law last year.

## Sharon Prost Delivers A. Sidney Katz Lecture



**ABOVE** The Hon. Sharon Prost (center) surrounded by several of her law clerks  
**LEFT** The Hon. Sharon Prost speaking at the A. Sidney Katz Lecture

THE HON. SHARON PROST, LL.M. '84, of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, visited GW Law in March to deliver the spring A. Sidney Katz Lecture. The chief judge offered insights from her government service career to the large audience comprising faculty members, current students, alumni, and a number of her former law clerks

In a departure from the usual lecture format, three former clerks, Rama Elluru, Matthias Kamber, JD '02, and Adam Shartzler, JD '08, sat down with Chief Judge Prost to conduct an informal interview. She

answered questions about current topics related to her work on the Federal Circuit, including how the court's operation has changed over the years, her opinion on the patent reform legislation currently in Congress, and the progress of the court's international outreach. A judge for 13 years, she also shared a rare glimpse into the court's inner workings, explaining what it is like to integrate newly appointed judges and the collaboration that occurs between the judges and clerks when deciding cases.

Chief Judge Prost's passion for the IP field, the court's docket, and the Federal Circuit itself was evident throughout the exchange. Summing up her work, she said, "The issues are fabulous. There's not a month that goes by when I get my briefs that I don't see a new and interesting issue that I haven't seen before."

## SPRING 2014 IP SYMPOSIUM

GW LAW HELD ITS ANNUAL INTELLECTUAL property symposium in May, co-sponsored by Mayer Brown and Pillsbury.

Panels composed of members of the judiciary, law firm and corporate practitioners, and government officials covered topics including post-issuance PTO proceedings, tips and trends for litigating patent cases in the federal courts, recent developments and current trends in the U.S. International Trade Commission, and defensive strategies for patent litigation. Nathan Kelley, deputy general counsel for intellectual property law and solicitor, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, delivered the keynote address.

## BRUCE SEWELL DELIVERS DIPLOMA CEREMONY ADDRESS

D. BRUCE SEWELL, JD '86, DELIVERED the Susan N. and Augustus diZerega Jr. Lecture at the Law School's Diploma Ceremony on May 18.

Mr. Sewell is Apple Inc.'s general counsel and senior vice president of legal and government affairs, serving on the company's executive team and managing all legal matters, including corporate governance, intellectual property, litigation and securities compliance, and government affairs.

A champion for the tradition of public service and the responsibility to give back, he has been recognized by his peers with accolades such as the 2008 ACC/CPBO Pro Bono Award, the 2009 Equal Justice Works' Scales of Justice Award, and the 2011 George Washington University Distinguished Alumni Achievement Award.

At GW, Mr. Sewell and his wife, Cynthia, BA '82, MBA '87, established an endowed scholarship fund to support qualified JD students studying intellectual property law. The scholarship is named for Mr. Sewell's father, the late Homer B. Sewell, a GW professor and department chair who was devoted to the university. In addition to supporting GW philanthropically, Mr. Sewell gives generously of his time; he is active in leadership roles and speaks and meets with students at several events each year.

## Q & A WITH PROFESSOR ROBERT BRAUNEIS

FOR THE 2013–14 ACADEMIC YEAR, Professor Robert Brauneis served as the inaugural Abraham L. Kaminstein Scholar in Residence at the U.S. Copyright Office, a position that allows leading copyright academics to spend time conducting research and working on mutually beneficial projects. Professor Brauneis sat down to answer a few questions about his work.

**Q: For those who don't know, can you explain the functions of the Copyright Office?**

A: Many people may not know that the Copyright Office is located within the Library of Congress and that it has historically been connected with the development of the Library's collection. One of the main things the office does is register claims of copyright in all types of works of authorship, from books to movies, songs, and photographs. In order to register a claim of copyright, you usually have to submit copies of the work that you want to register, and the Library of Congress chooses to keep many of those copies to form its collection.

The office examines applications for registration to make sure that the works contain copyrightable content, and it maintains a catalog of registered works so that interested parties can learn who created and who owns the works. It does a lot of other things as well: It accepts documents related to copyright and places them on public record, advises Congress about copyright matters, is involved with drafting legislation and regulations related to copyright, monitors important copyright litigation, and is involved with international negotiations relating to copyright.

**Q: What projects did you focus on during your time as scholar in residence?**

A: I focused on two main projects. The first of them is related to something that the Copyright Office wants to do—namely to move from a paper-based system of recording documents to an electronic system.

When the Copyright Office first started recording in 1870, people sent in paper documents and the specialists at the office copied some of the information to form an index. With a few changes, it's basically doing the same thing today, more than 140 years later, and it's very expensive to maintain. Maria

Pallante, JD '90, the register of copyrights (the official title of the head of the Copyright Office), wants to move to an electronic system, but there are lots of issues involved. Rather than just trying to duplicate what you do on paper and move it online... [we must] adjust the whole system in order to make it more efficient.

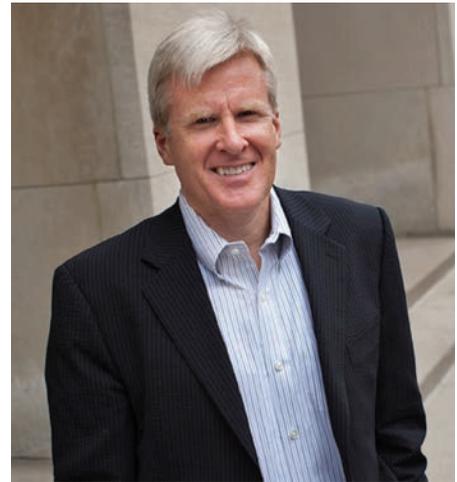
**Q: What are the main challenges in moving to an electronic system?**

A: Traditionally, each document has been examined as it comes in by a human to make sure that it's more or less in order before it's placed on the public record. It doesn't mean that anybody has ever read the legal language and made sure that it was expressing the intent of the parties exactly right—that's way too in-depth—but to make sure that it's legible, complete, and not missing pages. Humans would also transcribe the names of the parties to the document and the names of the works involved into an index so that they can be retrieved. This is incredibly labor-intensive and incredibly costly. As a result, in the past 10 to 15 years, the cost of recordation has tripled and the number of documents recorded has gone down.

So how do you maintain the quality of the database while avoiding some of the labor-intensive work? The Internet gives us lots of opportunities that paper didn't. Everyone is now used to filling in forms online and having entries rejected because they didn't meet certain validation criteria. There's a lot of opportunity in these interactive forms to have the document submitters enter the catalog information themselves through an electronically guided process, rather than having Copyright Office employees do it. Most folks these days also probably already have their information in electronic form. Giving them the ability to simply submit that information in electronic form from their own databases rather than having somebody re-key it in is an important part of the electronic system.

**Q: What's the other major project you've been working on?**

A: My other main area of focus has been to develop a database that contains the Copyright Office's catalog in a format that allows large-scale statistical research. The



current electronic catalog runs on the same system as the Library of Congress' book catalog, and there are some pretty severe limitations. The format in which those records are kept was developed more than 40 years ago to automate the printing of catalog cards, and it's one of the earliest computer formats that's still in use. There are limitations on the search interface that prevent the system from being overloaded with requests. The system only returns 10,000 records for any one search, which makes sense if you're looking for a book, but not if you're looking to understand how the patterns in registrations and recorded documents have changed over time. The Copyright Office catalog now contains more than 26 million electronic records, and there are many single days in which more than 10,000 new records are added, so a search return of 10,000 is not going to get you anywhere.

**Q: Will your time at the Copyright Office inform your classes or future research?**

A: Having this source of information that nobody had before will undoubtedly inform my research. There's no question that I plan to write about this database, and my articles will be informed by what I learned by having access to registration and recorded document records from the past 35-plus years. In teaching, having been inside the Copyright Office for a year has given me a lot of experience and insight into how the office works, how copyright policy is made, and what sources of information there are that can inform future policymaking. I can't help but bring that into the classroom.

# Lord Mance Delivers Shulman Lecture



Lord Mance speaks with Olivia Radic, LLM '13, and SJD candidate Abdulrahman Alothman.



THE RT. HON. LORD MANCE, justice of the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom, presented the 2014 Shulman Foundation Lecture hosted by the International and Comparative Law Program. At the April event, Lord Mance

reflected on the first five years of the U.K.'s Supreme Court, which replaced the Appellate Committee of the House of Lords as the highest court in the United Kingdom in October 2009. Lord Mance and nine other Lords of Appeal

Lord Mance poses with students after presenting the Shulman lecture.

became justices of the Supreme Court upon that body's inauguration.

## DISMANTLING OF SYRIA'S CHEMICAL WEAPONS

GW LAW HOSTED THE FOURTH annual "Live from L" webcast with the U.S. State Department Office of the Legal Adviser in March.

This year's panel discussion, which was co-sponsored by the ABA Section of International Law and the American Society of International Law, focused on the process by which the United States and Russia reached agreement on the dismantling of Syria's chemical weapons.



Susan L. Karamanian, associate dean for international and comparative legal studies (far left), with U.S. Department of State staff Mallory Stewart, attorney adviser, Office of Nonproliferation and Verification; Todd Buchwald, assistant legal adviser, Office of United Nations Affairs; Mary E. McLeod, acting legal adviser; and Newell Highsmith, deputy legal adviser.



GW Law Professor Sean D. Murphy, a member of the U.N. International Law Commission (far left), spoke about the effectiveness of treaties with fellow panelists (left to right) Professor Georg Nolte from the Humboldt University of Berlin, who also serves on the U.N. International Law Commission; Professor Duncan Hollis from Temple University Beasley School of Law; and Arnold Pronto, senior legal officer for the United Nations.

## TREATY SURVIVAL

CAN EXISTING OR CONTEMPLATED TREATIES REMAIN EFFECTIVE IN AN ERA OF rapid change? What tools enable international lawyers to assist the international community in addressing this and related questions?

These were among the issues addressed by a panel of experts that gathered on April 19 to consider the effectiveness of treaties over time, with particular emphasis on the adaptability of treaties to present-day challenges. The event was co-sponsored by the United Nations Law Committee, the American Branch of the International Law Association, and GW Law's International and Comparative Law Program.



## THE U.S. APPROACH TO INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION

THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN domestic courts and the international arbitral process varies around the world

and is subject to much debate. Leading academics and practitioners met in the Jacob Burns Moot Court Room last fall



Annalise Nelson and Professor Arturo Carrillo

## CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY LEGISLATION

GW LAW MARKED THE RELEASE last October of the International Human Rights Clinic's report "Comparative Law Study and Analyses of National Legislation Relating to Crimes Against Humanity and Extraterritorial Jurisdiction" with a discussion of steps that might be taken nationally and internationally to develop the law on such crimes.

The report was presented by co-authors Professor Arturo Carrillo and former clinic staff attorney Annalise Nelson. Commentators included GW Law faculty members Sean Murphy and Michael Matheson, with Associate Dean Susan Karamanian serving as moderator.

The discussion covered related topics such as the International Law Commission's ongoing work surrounding an international crimes against humanity convention, as well as perspectives on the challenges to codifying crimes against humanity in the United States.

to consider how courts in leading arbitral jurisdictions approach this relationship and the growing criticism that U.S. courts are moving farther away from the global mainstream in the way they approach certain critical aspects of international commercial arbitration.

Jonathan Greenblatt, JD '80, and Christopher Ryan, JD '00, of Shearman & Sterling, were instrumental in the success of the conference. Shearman & Sterling and the International Chamber of Commerce's International Court of Arbitration co-sponsored the event.

# The International Fight Against Corruption



Professor Mark Pieth delivered the Susan N. and Augustus DiZeriga Lecture as part of the program.



Lucinda Low, a partner at Steptoe & Johnson LLP, was a featured speaker at the event.

A DISTINGUISHED GROUP OF experts from academia, nonprofits, international organizations, industry, and private practice gathered in December to pay tribute to Basel University Professor Mark Pieth, the outgoing chairman of the OECD Working Group on Bribery, for his 25 years of service in that role.

Participants discussed “The International Fight Against Corruption:

Are the OECD and U.N. Conventions Achieving Their Objectives?” GW Law co-sponsored the daylong program with the U.S. Chamber Institute for Legal Reform and the Anti-Corruption Committee and North American Forum of the International Bar Association in cooperation with the Anti-Corruption Committee of the American Bar Association.



## SEEKING JUSTICE IN THE HAGUE

MEMBERS OF THE GW LAW community gathered last fall to hear the lifetime impressions of Bruno Simma and Thomas Buergenthal, former judges of the International Court of Justice, in a program moderated by Professor Ralph Steinhardt. The event was co-sponsored by the GW International Law Society and the German Information Center USA.



Professor Steve Charnovitz, Adeline Hinderer Sayers, Vanessa Sciarra, and David Weiner

## TRANSATLANTIC TRADE AND INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP

GW LAW AND THE WASHINGTON Foreign Law Society co-sponsored a March panel discussion on the status of the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership agreement.

Coming on the heels of recent negotiating sessions, the discussions gave attendees up-to-date information on the proposed agreement. Speakers included GW Law Professor Steve Charnovitz; Adeline Hinderer Sayers, a member of the delegation of the European Union to the United States; Vanessa Sciarra of Cassidy & Kent; and U.S. Trade Representative David Weiner.



Elizabeth Graffeo, JD '14, Professor Thomas Buergenthal, Judge Charles Brower, Professor Dinah Shelton, Tom Snider, Professor Sean D. Murphy, and Michael Rogers, JD '14

## ADVOCACY BEFORE INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNALS

THE *INTERNATIONAL LAW IN DOMESTIC COURTS JOURNAL* PRESENTED A PROGRAM exploring "Advocacy Before International Tribunals" in January.

The program featured Judge Charles Brower of the Iran-U.S. Claims Tribunal, GW Law faculty members Thomas Buergenthal, Sean D. Murphy, and Dinah L. Shelton, and Tom Snider of Greenberg Traurig. GW Law JD students, two of whom are pictured above, were the journal's exclusive rapporteurs for the United States; they were joined by more than 70 professional rapporteurs from other countries.



## THE LEGALITY OF WAR AGAINST SYRIA

GW Law's International and Comparative Law Program presented a panel discussion last fall on the legality of war against Syria featuring GW Law faculty members Sean D. Murphy and Michael J. Matheson, along with Andrew Bell, a 2013-14 fellow at GW's Elliott School of International Affairs and PhD candidate at Duke University.



## DINAH SHELTON NAMED DOCTOR HONORIS CAUSA

PÁZMÁNY PÉTER CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY in Budapest, Hungary, awarded Dinah L. Shelton, the Manatt/Ahn Professor of International Law at GW, the honorary title of Doctor Honoris Causa for her outstanding activity in the fields of human rights and environmental protection.

Professor Shelton's myriad accomplishments include serving as the first female member of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, receiving

PROFESSOR SHELTON HAS SERVED AS A LEGAL CONSULTANT TO THE U.N. INSTITUTE FOR TRAINING AND RESEARCH, THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION, THE EUROPEAN UNION, THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE, AND THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES.

the 2006 Elizabeth Haub Prize in Environmental Law, and authoring three prize-winning books on human rights law. Professor Shelton has also served as a legal consultant to the U.N. Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), the World Health Organization, the European Union, the Council of Europe, and the Organization of American States.

## Q&A With Robert Rhoad, LLM '99

**Q: Please tell us a little bit about your practice.**

A: I am an equity partner at Crowell & Moring LLP in Washington, D.C., and co-lead the firm's Procurement Fraud/False Claims Act and Health Care Litigation teams. My primary practice is devoted to the representation of government contractors and health care entities that are defendants in government investigations/litigation under the federal False Claims Act (FCA). It involves the representation of clients in connection with both criminal and civil FCA and *qui tam* ("whistleblower") proceedings. In addition, I represent health care plans, as plaintiffs, in connection with nationwide cases involving the pursuit of drug-spend and medical-spend recovery. The former actions are based on alleged anticompetitive conduct in the markets for pharmaceuticals; the latter actions are based on alleged product defects and/or alleged fraudulent marketing of medical devices or pharmaceutical products. With the recent amendments to the FCA and increased focus on alleged government contractor fraud and health care fraud and abuse, business is booming.

**Q: Why did you decide to pursue GW's LLM in Litigation and Dispute Resolution degree?**

A: As a Navy judge advocate, I was given ample opportunities to try criminal cases as both a prosecutor and defense counsel. As a result, as a young attorney, I developed a great sense of confidence in my knowledge of the rules of evidence and procedure and my ability to try cases. I also knew, however, that ultimately I would transition my career to the private sector, which would require an established skill set of being able to handle high-stakes civil litigation. At the time, I requested a transfer from my duty station at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, to one of the Navy's few civil litigation billets in Washington, D.C. I was able to secure a



position as a special assistant U.S. attorney litigating civil cases brought against the Navy under the Federal Tort Claims Act, but rightly believed at the time that I needed more substantive training and experience in civil litigation to best position myself for my transition from the Navy to private practice. GW's LLM Program in Litigation and Dispute Resolution seemed the perfect opportunity for me to hone my civil litigation skills and to complement my trial experience to make myself attractive to large national law firms. Indeed, as a result of the trial experience I gained in the JAG Corps and the civil litigation education and training I received through my participation in GW's LLM Litigation and Dispute Resolution Program, I realized that I had obtained highly marketable skills and a prestigious degree, which made me sought after by some of the nation's most well-established law firms. I accepted a position as a litigation associate at a large national law firm and was elected to partner within two years of joining the firm.

**Q: You were in one of the program's earlier graduating classes. Do you still draw upon the skills that you learned in the program?**

A: Absolutely. The skills and training I received from the Litigation and Dispute Resolution LLM Program at GW—even in its nascent years—have informed my approach to how I plan for and execute litigation and trial strategy to this day. I owe my success as a large firm national litigator/trial attorney to all that I learned through both the JAG Corps and as an LLM student at GW. Most JD programs throughout the country have traditionally offered civil procedure, evidence, and trial practice courses. While these courses are valuable, they don't educate or train attorneys to actually litigate cases, which is one of the primary things lawyers do and how law firms achieve success. GW's Litigation and Dispute Resolution LLM Program—one of the first, if not the first, of its kind when it was begun in the mid-1990s—recognized this shortcoming in legal education and has successfully endeavored to fill this gap and train "master litigators." My favorable experience as a student in GW's Litigation and Dispute Resolution's LLM Program and my commitment to helping to train highly skilled litigators drew me back to serve as a member of GW's adjunct faculty to co-teach courses in the program, which I have done since 2002.

**Q: What were your favorite courses?**

A: My favorite two courses were, without hesitation, Pre-Trial Practice in Civil Cases (taught by Alfreda Robinson) and the College of Trial Advocacy (taught by Professor Stephen Saltzburg). They both provided "real world" opportunities to serve as a trial team member in settings that replicated the challenges I face every day as a litigator and trial attorney. They also provided invaluable opportunities to test and hone my litigation and trial skills in realistic mock scenarios, which enabled me to improve my litigation and trial skills, build my confidence, and prepare for everyday law firm practice.

## PROFILE: COL. FRANCIS A. GILLIGAN

TO SAY THAT COL. FRANCIS Gilligan, U.S. Army (Ret.), LL.M. '70, SJD '76, is a dedicated man is something of an understatement. That is if his 57 years and counting of federal service are anything to go by.

Col. Gilligan's long and storied active-duty military career began when he enlisted in 1957 at the age of 17 as a 40mm anti-aircraft gunner, and concluded in 1991 as the Army's chief trial judge. Along the way were tours in Vietnam, Fort Campbell, and 11 other locations, and a demonstration of extraordinary leadership in every type of JAG position.

After graduating from Buffalo University School of Law, Col. Gilligan entered the JAG Corps, where he served as a trial counsel, defense counsel, chief of criminal law, and criminal law instructor. Recognized for his expertise in military justice, he continued his career as the chief of criminal law for the Office of the Judge Advocate General, chairman of the Joint Services Committee, and as a military judge for many years before becoming chief trial judge.

After retiring from active duty, Col. Gilligan became senior legal adviser to Judge Susan Crawford of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces. Fifteen years later, he became the director of training for the Office of the Chief Prosecutor of Military Commissions, where he continues to work today.

Col. Gilligan's many successes in promoting military justice are only one part of his illustrious career. During his years of active duty he taught a wide variety of legal subjects in locations around the world to diverse student bodies. A prolific author, he has written more than 15 books and 40 articles.

Col. Gilligan's contributions to GW Law's academic program are just as impressive. First appointed as a professorial lecturer in law in 1990, he has taught courses in trial advocacy, advanced evidence, and comparative military law for a quarter century, becoming an integral part of the Litigation and Dispute Resolution Program along the way. At the May 2002 and 2005 GW Law Diploma Ceremonies, he was honored for excellence in teaching.

But Col. Gilligan's history with GW



Left to right: Col. Francis A. Gilligan (fourth from left) with (from left to right) Brig. Gen. Paul Bontrager (son-in-law), Kelly Bontrager (daughter), Senior Judge Andrew Efron, Barbara Gilligan (wife), Cheryl Gilligan (daughter), Philip Natsios (son-in-law), Associate Dean Lisa M. Schenck, and then Interim Dean Gregory E. Maggs at a January ceremony recognizing his decades of federal service

Law reaches back even further than his long tenure as a member of the school's adjunct faculty. In 1969, with his first tour winding down and his ROTC commitment fulfilled, he intended to follow his original career plan and return to his hometown of Dansville, N.Y., to practice law with his father. Instead of accepting his letter of resignation, the Army made him an offer: rescind his resignation, and the Army would fund his master's degree at GW Law. He accepted.

Col. Gilligan agreed to answer a few questions for *GW Law* magazine about his distinguished career:

**Q: What were some of your favorite assignments when you were on active duty?**

A: It is difficult to name a favorite assignment, but the most memorable were probably my two assignments to Germany—one to Munich and the other to Wiesbaden—and my two tours at the JAG School in Charlottesville, Va.

**Q: When did you start teaching?**

A: When I received orders for Vietnam, I called the University of Maryland, told them I was going to Vietnam, and asked if I could teach any courses in their overseas program. They agreed, and I taught business law while I was there.

My boss was Lt. Col. Patrick Tocher. We had only two vehicles in our SJA unit, a jeep and a truck, and since the two of us liked to go to dinner together, he would come to my class to pick me up. Pat enjoyed sitting in on the classes so he'd come early so he could sit through more than one. Pat, who was on a first-name basis with Major Gen. Lawrence Williams, wrote a letter to him saying, "You've got to get Gilligan to teach at the Judge Advocate General's School."

**Q: Teaching was virtually always a part of your time in the JAG Corps, but how did you come to teach at the law school?**

A: I had a job to teach at Wake Forest Law School down in Winston-Salem. Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwait, and all retirements were frozen. At the same time Professor Stephen Saltzburg asked if I would come to the law school and teach trial advocacy.

**Q: What would you tell GW Law students or young alumni considering a career in the military and/or government service?**

A: Public service is important. It truly impacts the lives of many, whether it be through consumer protection, domestic relations, or criminal trials. The JAG Corps is a great place to hone your skills.

# The Massacre at Oradour-sur-Glane



McKay Smith visits his grandfather's grave at Arlington National Cemetery for the first time.

IN “THE MASSACRE AT ORADOUR-sur-Glane” (published in *Foreign Policy* online June 5, 2014), Justice Department lawyer and GW Law adjunct faculty member McKay Smith discusses a once classified account by U.S. Army Air Corps Lt. Raymond Murphy of the German execution of 642 civilian French men, women, and children during World War II.

While the story of the mass murder is well known to historians of the war, the report provides what Mr. Smith thinks is the only eyewitness account and testimony by a U.S. service member. The discovery

could help inform the case against a former SS soldier indicted in Germany in January 2014 for allegedly assisting in the murder of 25 people at the massacre.

As if the historical significance of this find were not sufficiently compelling, there is an added twist: Mr. Smith unearthed the account while conducting document research into the life of his grandfather, Lt. Raymond Murphy, a man he never met and Mr. Smith's own father never knew.

Mr. Smith teaches a national security law seminar on government oversight and investigations at GW Law.

## AUTONOMOUS WEAPONS SYSTEMS

INCREASING NUMBERS OF AUTONOMOUS weapons (robotic weapons, including drones) will be used on the battlefield over the next century. Just as humanists raised concerns when land mines, airplanes, submarines, and nuclear weapons were first introduced on the battlefield, their successors are voicing concerns about the control and use of autonomous weapons systems (AWS), with some even raising the specter of “terminators” running amok.

In a forthcoming article in the *Journal of National Security Law & Policy*, Lt. Cmdr. Christopher Toscano, LLM '14, responds that mankind's inability to live at peace has always led to the development of enhanced weapons and strategies to defeat one's adversaries more effectively. Instead of shunning AWS, he says, we should welcome them as weapons that can perform war-fighting functions compliant with international humanitarian law norms more effectively than humans, thus reducing the risk of unintended harm.

Lt. Cmdr. Toscano developed this topic under the direction of Federal Circuit Judge Evan Wallach, with assistance from Karen Da Ponte Thornton, associate professor of legal research and writing and coordinator of the Scholarly Writing Program, and Professor Peter Raven-Hansen, who co-directs the LLM program. This coming year, Lt. Cmdr. Toscano will serve as the staff judge advocate to the commander, Carrier Strike Group 11, embarked on the aircraft carrier *USS Nimitz*.

*Disclaimer: The views expressed in the forthcoming article are those of the author and not necessarily reflective of the U.S. Navy, Department of Defense, or the U.S. government.*

## NATIONAL SECURITY LAW MOOT COURT FINALS

SUPPOSE U.S. AGENTS ABDUCTED Edward Snowden—the ex-NSA employee who leaked thousands of classified documents—from Russia and brought him to the United States to stand trial for espionage. Could he successfully challenge the “snatch job”? Would it make a difference if he were mistreated en route or denied Miranda warnings? Could he successfully deny that his conduct was espionage and that it was protected by the First Amendment?

Law students from 16 law schools argued these issues in this year's Harold H. Greene and Joyce Hens Green National Security Law Moot Court final round held Feb. 8 and 9. After arguing in preliminary rounds before expert judges from the national security community, the finalists appeared before the Hon. John Bates, former chief judge of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court and currently on the U.S. District Court for D.C.; George Peirce,

general counsel of the Defense Intelligence Agency; and Brig. Gen. Richard Gross, legal counsel to the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

GW's Moot Court Board Team One, which won third place for best brief, featured Barbara Bruce and Laura Sheldon, and Team Two included Joseph Drummey and Peter Komorowski. Adjunct faculty member Steven A. Cash coached both teams.



After hearing oral argument in the case of *United States v. Semeniuk-Hauser*, U.S. Army Court of Criminal Appeals Judges Steven Haight, Lorianne Campanella, and Gregory E. Maggs look on as Chief Judge (Brig. Gen.) Charles Pede (standing right) speaks to the audience.

## UNITED STATES V. SEMENIUK-HAUSER

THE U.S. ARMY COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS HEARD ARGUMENTS IN FEBRUARY in the case of *United States v. Semeniuk-Hauser*. The hearing, held in the Jacob Burns Moot Court Room, was an official legal proceeding open to the public.

A court martial tried the appellant and found him guilty of using cocaine, distributing cocaine, and wrongfully introducing cocaine into Fort Polk in violation of the Uniform Code of Military Justice. He appealed his conviction, raising two assignments of error. The panel hearing the appeal consisted of three military judges: Col. Lorianne Campanella, Col. Steven Haight, and Col. Gregory E. Maggs, then interim dean of the law school.

## FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE SURVEILLANCE CONFERENCE

“BIG DATA,” A BIG STORY IN THE media today, is rarely discussed in public by experts with inside knowledge. The GW National Security and U.S. Foreign Relations Law Program partnered with the ABA Standing Committee on Law and National Security in May to assemble a group of experts for a conference at the law school titled *Foreign Intelligence Surveillance in an Era of ‘Big Data:’ Is There a Need to Recalibrate Boundaries?*

Panelists included current or past national security officials Michael Leiter, Ken Wainstein, Joel Brenner, Robert Litt, and Steven Bradbury, Judges Patricia Wald, John Bates, and James Baker, and law professors Laura Donohue, Orin S. Kerr, and Peter Raven-Hansen, as well as civil liberties experts.

The first panel discussed why our

government conducts and needs foreign intelligence surveillance. Another considered the trade-offs between surveillance and civil liberties, and the changes in personal behavior that can result from anxiety about both government and commercial collection of big data and from the recent (and continuing) disclosures of NSA surveillance programs. The last panel tackled prospects for reform, platforming in part off the recent report of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board (on which Judge Wald serves) on “702” surveillance.

The GW National Security and U.S. Foreign Relations Law Program expects to partner again with the ABA Standing Committee on Law and National Security to promote public understanding of national security law issues and dialogue in the profession.

## AN INSIDER’S LOOK AT THE CIA

A SHOW OF HANDS, PLEASE: WHO wants to cross-examine the former acting general counsel of the CIA about his 34 years at the agency, including his work on the “enhanced interrogation program” instituted after the 9/11 attacks?

Several LLM students in the National Security and U.S. Foreign Relations Law Program did when John Rizzo, JD ’72, joined them for an LLM-only discussion of his autobiography, *Company Man* (Scribner 2014), but only after Professor Gregory E. Maggs had the first round. Professor Maggs asked Mr. Rizzo, who served in the CIA’s top legal role in the early to mid-2000s, not only about how he started his career with “The Company” but also about the agency’s inner workings during the years after the 9/11 attacks and the controversy surrounding the “enhanced interrogation program.” The students followed with a barrage of probing questions about lawyering at the CIA.

Mr. Rizzo answered candidly, providing a unique insider’s perspective on these



Professor Peter Raven-Hansen, Professor Gregory E. Maggs, John Rizzo, and Associate Dean for Academic Affairs Lisa M. Schenck

and other questions, including his opinions on how much President George W. Bush knew about the CIA’s interrogation programs, and interrogation and drone policies. Looking back at his start in the law, Mr. Rizzo explained that he chose to attend GW because of its proximity to the White House and State Department, not specifically to prepare for an intelligence career. “No national law school had a national security program—it was under the radar,” he told the students in attendance. Learning that GW started the first National Security Law LLM in 2009, he commented, “You folks are very fortunate.”

# Making a Difference in Veterans' Lives

GW STUDENTS ARE HARD AT work providing basic legal assistance to veterans, thanks to three new partnerships established by the Pro Bono Program. The collaborations—set up to meet the increased needs of veterans returning home from combat and service—give students hands-on legal experience while making a real difference in the lives of veterans.

The first collaboration is with the Paralyzed Veterans of America (PVA), a congressionally chartered veterans service organization founded in 1946 that advocates for veterans who have experienced spinal cord injury or dysfunction. PVA's National Appeals Office represents clients before the Board of Veterans' Appeals on matters pertaining to a wide range of benefits, including disability compensation, pension, education, and ancillary benefits. Clients

## THE COLLABORATIONS PROVIDE STUDENTS WITH HANDS-ON LEGAL EXPERIENCE WHILE MAKING A REAL DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF VETERANS.

include veterans of all conflicts and eras. Alan B. Morrison, Lerner Family Associate Dean for Public Interest and Public Service Law, helped to develop a project through which GW Law students offer research and writing support, review clients' claims folders, develop issues, and prepare arguments for submission to the board under the supervision of PVA attorneys.

The second new opportunity is with the Washington, D.C., Department of Veterans Affairs Community Resource and Referral Center (CRRC), which opened in 2012. The CRRC, which assists veterans and their family members, offers facilities

supporting a wide variety of family needs, as well as a full-service kitchen for job training and private conference rooms for use by various service providers. The center expressed an interest in having classes taught there in landlord and tenant law. Two 3L students—Simon Chun and Conner Prochaska—have taken the lead under the supervision of David M. Johnson, assistant dean for pro bono and advocacy programs, to develop the curriculum to teach the courses beginning this fall.

In the third pro bono partnership, the law school will collaborate with global IP firm Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garrett & Dunner LLP and its Veterans' Pro Bono Program, headed by counsel Ronald Smith. The program assists disabled veterans appealing decisions that denied their claims for benefits, typically involving issues such as the extent to which a veteran is determined to be disabled and whether a claimed disability is service connected. John M. Whealan, associate dean for intellectual property law studies, was instrumental in creating the Finnegan project.

GW Law students are assigned to work with the Finnegan attorney leading a given case. Usually, the first step is to draft a memo, which forms the basis for discussion at a briefing conference. The conference is conducted by an attorney from the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims (CAVC)'s central legal staff and is attended by counsel for both parties. Approximately 75 percent of Finnegan's appeals are resolved at this briefing conference. In some cases, the court has oral argument. Students may be permitted to participate in argument, under the supervision of the Finnegan attorney, pursuant to special rules of the CAVC.



## OPEN GOVERNMENT VS. ACADEMIC FREEDOM

WHAT SHOULD SOCIETY DO WHEN there is a clash between two values that most Americans support? That was the topic of a daylong conference at the law school in April, organized by Alan B. Morrison, Lerner Family Associate Dean for Public Interest and Public Service Law.

The principles that took center stage were academic freedom (university faculty should be able to explore areas of interest without governmental interference) and open government (citizens have a right, with limited exceptions, to know what their governments are doing with the taxpayers' money). The conflict between them arises because state universities are covered by state open records laws, which include records of university faculty members.

A case pending before the Virginia Supreme Court at the time of the conference presented a specific focus for the discussion. The American Tradition Institute asked for all emails sent to or from former University of Virginia (UVA) Professor Michael Mann relating to his widely debated study on climate change. The topic is surely one of importance, and the asserted goal of the request—to see if there were methodological flaws in the study or problems that were not fully aired—is one that comes within the mainstream of scientific inquiry. But asking for every email is both burdensome (there were more than 30,000 pages to review) and potentially invasive of Professor Mann's privacy. The university argued that there were statutory exemptions protecting these records, and after the conference, the Virginia Supreme Court issued an opinion (available on the conference website) agreeing with the university.



**ABOVE** Madelyn F. Wessel, associate general counsel, University of Virginia and co-counsel for UVA in *ATI v. UVA*; GW Law Associate Dean Alan B. Morrison; and David W. Schnare, lead counsel for the requesters in *ATI v. UVA*, at the conference **LEFT** The Hon. David S. Tatel; William K. Briggs, associate, Irell & Manella; Emily Grannis, attorney, Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press; Michael Halpern, manager of strategy and innovation, Center for Science and Democracy, Union of Concerned Scientists; and Daniel S. Volchok, partner at Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP.

That decision settled the case under Virginia law, but there are similar cases pending in other states, and there will surely be more in the future. The laws of the states differ in many key respects, and Virginia's 127 exemptions set it far apart from most other jurisdictions.

The problem is complicated by several other factors. A university professor engages in many activities, and it is not clear which ones are part of his or her official duties so emails regarding them are state records. In addition, the laws apply only to state universities, which means that a faculty member weighing the pros and cons of teaching at UVA versus Duke University might choose Duke because it is a private institution. Finally, if a Duke professor sends an email to a UVA collaborator, that email becomes a Virginia record in the hands of the recipient, which means that no one who exchanges emails with a state employee is safe from the reach of state open records laws.

Conference participants included a number of key lawyers from the UVA case and many experts from other universities and nonprofit organizations.

**▶** A full video of the conference, as well as background papers, legal pleadings in a current case, and the questions that formed the basis of the discussion are available at <http://bit.ly/QA2LrS>.



Pro bono award recipients pose with George Washington, one of the Nationals' "Racing Presidents" mascots.

## CLASS OF 2014 SETS PRO BONO RECORD

A RECORD 144 STUDENTS FROM THE Class of 2014 volunteered a total of 25,822 pro bono hours to legal assistance projects, the largest contribution ever from a graduating class. The previous high mark was established by the Class of 2013, with 139 students contributing 22,458 hours, more than doubling 2012's record.

Graduating JD students completing 60 hours or more of pro bono legal services and LLM students contributing at least 20 hours are honored annually at a Pro Bono Recognition Ceremony at Nationals Park prior to Commencement. Students who volunteer more than 100 hours also receive a silver cord to wear at graduation, a lapel pin, and a presidential certificate and letter.

Presiding over this year's recognition ceremony were then Interim Dean Gregory E. Maggs, Lerner Family Associate Dean for Public Interest/Public Service Law Alan B. Morrison, and Assistant Dean for Pro Bono and Advocacy Programs David M. Johnson. The Lerner family, which boasts many GW and GW Law alumni, owns the Washington Nationals; the family also generously endowed Associate Dean Morrison's position.

By providing legal services to those who cannot afford them or might not otherwise receive them, students gain practical legal experience, build their résumés, and establish networking contacts.

In the past four years, the Pro Bono Program and GW Law students together have created several new projects:

- The Cancer Pro Bono Project connects patients with students, under attorney supervision, to assist with advanced directives, employment issues, insurance coverage, Social Security, and wills.
- The District Record Sealing Service provides a platform for students, in conjunction with the Public Defender Service, to assist community members seeking to seal their criminal records.
- The Domestic Violence Pro Bono Project helps individuals with cases in Domestic Violence Court prepare their legal documents.
- The Homeless Pro Bono Project pairs students with attorneys to give legal assistance to the homeless at weekly intakes sponsored by the Washington Legal Clinic for the Homeless.
- The Mid-Atlantic Innocence Project affords students the opportunity to help the wrongfully convicted by screening cases for potential representation.
- The Office of Administrative Hearings Pro Bono Project enables students, under attorney supervision, to guide the public through *pro se* administrative law cases at the Office of Administrative Hearings' Resource Center.

# Murphy Appointed Special Rapporteur



Sean D. Murphy

THE U.N. INTERNATIONAL LAW Commission has appointed Sean D. Murphy, GW's Patricia Roberts Harris Research Professor of Law, as a special rapporteur for crimes against humanity.

Professor Murphy will guide the commission in drafting an international treaty that will ultimately reach the U.N.

General Assembly. "The idea in the treaty is to address a current gap in international law," Professor Murphy says. "Unlike genocide and serious war crimes, we have no treaty that regulates interstate cooperation—such as extradition and mutual legal assistance—on the other core crime of international law, crimes against humanity."



Mel Williams, GW's associate provost for military and veterans affairs, presents Valor Excellence Awards to Associate Dean Lisa M. Schenck and Professor Paul Schiff Berman.



## EXCELLENCE IN SERVING MILITARY AND VETERANS

ASSOCIATE DEAN LISA M. SCHENCK and Professor Paul Schiff Berman received VALOR Excellence Awards in recognition of their stellar efforts on behalf of GW student military members, veterans, and their families.

A retired U.S. Army colonel, Associate

Dean Schenck is working to begin on-base GW education at Fort Belvoir. Professor Berman received the award for his efforts to offer online degree programs exclusively for active-duty military, veterans, and military family members in his role as GW's vice provost for online education.

## LITERARY KUDOS TO CUNNINGHAM

THE AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION named Professor Lawrence A. Cunningham's book *Contracts in the Real World: Stories of Popular Contracts and Why They Matter* an "Outstanding Academic Title" in its annual Choice Awards. Professor Cunningham is GW's Henry St. George Tucker III Research Professor of Law.

Featuring tales involving figures such as Martin Luther King Jr., Maya Angelou, Lady Gaga, and Donald Trump, the book lays out the basics of contract law in an entertaining way. "I'm grateful to the association and to the many 1Ls who have bought and used the book profitably in their courses," Professor Cunningham says.



Iselin Gambert

## GAMBERT AWARDED AUSTRALIAN FELLOWSHIP

THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT awarded the prestigious Endeavour Executive Fellowship to Iselin Gambert, associate professor of legal research and writing, who spent two months this spring as a visiting scholar at Melbourne Law School.

The Australian government awards the fellowships to high-achieving professionals with the goal of allowing them to further develop their skills and international engagement. During her time in Australia, Professor Gambert collaborated with faculty on innovative ways to bring legal writing and professional development training into the law school curriculum.

## SHELTON RECEIVES ASIL MEDAL

CONGRATULATIONS GO TO DINAH L. Shelton, GW's Manatt/Ahn Professor of International Law, who was awarded the Goler T. Butcher Medal by the American Society of International Law (ASIL). The medal recognizes Professor Shelton's outstanding contributions to the development and effective realization of international human rights law.

Highlighting Professor Shelton's extensive career, Astrid Avedissian of ASIL wrote, "She has been an indefatigable advocate in human rights law and international environmental law and is a distinguished specialist on the intersection of these two disciplines, as well as on regional protection of human rights."



## ARGUING FEDERAL RULES

JONATHAN R. SIEGEL, F. ELWOOD AND Eleanor Davis Research Professor of Law, organized more than 100 law professors to oppose a potential change to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

The Advisory Committee on Civil Rules recently proposed eliminating the Appendix on Forms currently in the federal rules. Professor Siegel argues, "The forms are more needed than ever to serve as models for lawyers and judges of just how simple and brief complaints can be under the Federal Rules." He filed his arguments into a public comment of the proposed change.

## SOLOVE AND SWAINE ELECTED TO ALI

THE AMERICAN LAW INSTITUTE (ALI) announced the election of 69 new members, among them Professor Edward T. Swaine and Daniel J. Solove, John Marshall Harlan Research Professor of Law.

ALI elects individuals who "reflect the excellence and diversity of today's legal profession" and who have a demonstrated interest in law reform. As part of the institute, Professors Swaine and Solove will produce scholarly work that clarifies, modernizes, and otherwise improves the law.

## THINK TANK APPOINTS OVERTON TO LEADERSHIP ROLE

THE JOINT CENTER FOR POLITICAL and Economic Studies named Professor Spencer A. Overton as its new interim president and CEO.

The D.C.-based organization provides research and analysis to inform major policy debates, with an overarching mission to



improve the socioeconomic status and political participation of people of color. "I am honored to be entrusted with such a valuable legacy," Professor Overton said of his appointment.

At GW Law, Professor Overton specializes in voting rights and campaign finance, and serves as director of the Political Law Studies Initiative.

## TURLEY AND TEAM WIN SISTER WIVES CASE

JONATHAN TURLEY, J.B. AND MAURICE C. Shapiro Professor of Public Interest Law, and his team of GW Law students emerged victorious in their multiyear court battle on behalf of the *Sister Wives* family.

A federal district court ruled that part of an anti-polygamy law in Utah violates the First Amendment guarantee of free exercise of religion, as well as constitutional due process. The case was brought against Utah by Kody Brown of TLC's reality-TV show *Sister Wives*. Professor Turley served as lead counsel for the Brown family.

## KERR DELIVERS GUGGENHEIM LECTURE

THE LAW LIBRARY OF CONGRESS presented the final Guggenheim lecture by Orin S. Kerr, Fred C. Stevenson Research Professor of Law.

Professor Kerr discussed his article "The Next Generation Privacy Act," which argues that Congress should repeal the Electronic Communications Privacy Act of 1986 and replace it with a new statute reflecting current technologies and addressing privacy threats. He is a recognized expert on the way new technologies change criminal law and investigations.

## FINDING OUR FAMILIES

NAOMI R. CAHN, HAROLD H. GREENE Professor of Law, released her new book, *Finding Our Families*, in December 2013.

Written in conjunction with Wendy Kramer, the co-founder of the Donor Sibling Registry, the book serves as an all-inclusive guide for donor-conceived people and their families.

*Finding Our Families* is Professor Cahn's most recent work on reproduction and family. She has authored law review articles and been quoted in the media about feminist jurisprudence, family law, and reproductive technology.

## Khan Appointed to D.C. Veterans Affairs Board

MAYOR VINCENT GRAY APPOINTED GW Law student Saif Khan to the Advisory Board for D.C. Veterans Affairs.

“This appointment will allow me to represent the voices of fellow veterans living in D.C. by advising leaders about veterans’ issues,” says Mr. Khan, an Iraq War veteran. “I hope this opportunity will allow me to enact positive change in my community, just as I hope to do as an aspiring lawyer.”

Mr. Darryl Gorman, director of the Office of Boards and Commissions for the D.C. government, swore in Mr. Khan in early March.



## LEAL KEYNOTES NATURALIZATION CEREMONY

JESSICA LEAL, A 3L IMMIGRATION CLINIC STUDENT-ATTORNEY, GAVE THE KEYNOTE speech at a naturalization ceremony held at GW Law by the Washington, D.C., District Office of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

Twenty young people between the ages of 14 and 22 took an oath of U.S. citizenship at the event, which was hosted in coordination with the law school’s Immigration Clinic and Immigration Law Association. In her remarks, Ms. Leal illustrated the opportunities that citizenship can provide.



## LLM ALUM SELECTED FOR ICJ CLERKSHIP

THE INTERNATIONAL COURT OF Justice (ICJ) in The Hague selected Túlio Di Giacomo Toledo, LLM ‘14, to serve as a law clerk for the 2014-2015 term.

The Peter and Patricia Gruber Foundation, in support of the clerkship, awarded Mr. Di Giacomo Toledo with its International Law Fellowship, established in 2009 to encourage social justice, educational excellence, and scientific achievements that better the human condition. Two other GW Law alumni, Luke Wilson, JD ‘09, LLM ‘11, and Emily Newton, JD ‘10, previously served as Gruber Fellows.

A native of Brazil, Mr. Di Giacomo Toledo will work directly with Judge Antônio Augusto Cançado Trindade of Brazil and Judge Dalveer Bhandari of India at the court. “It’s going to be a privilege to learn how the ICJ works from the inside,” he says.

## STUDENTS DEBATE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION RULING

IN A CNN ARTICLE, TWO GW LAW students debated their views on the U.S. Supreme Court’s ruling on Michigan’s affirmative action policy in college admissions.

Professor Jonathan Turley, J.B. and Maurice C. Shapiro Professor of Public Interest Law, opened the article with an explanation of the case and its legal precedents. Yvette Butler then argued against the ruling, writing that it “reflects [a] sad history of racial hurdles.” Vincent Cirilli argued for the ruling, writing that the “Court should not undo the will of the people.” Both students were 3Ls in Professor Turley’s seminar on the Constitution and the Supreme Court.



## STUDENT ORGANIZATION WINS SIETSTRA AWARD

THE GW LAW CHAPTER OF LAW STUDENTS FOR REPRODUCTIVE JUSTICE (LSRJ) won the Cari Sietstra Award for Excellence in Organizing.

The chapter's executive board and several iL representatives accepted the award during the LSRJ Mid-Atlantic and Northeast Regional Conference in February. The LSRJ national organization selected the chapter for hosting events related to reproductive justice, contributing to the regional and national organization, and growing the community over the past three semesters.



## SJD CANDIDATE FEATURED ON SAUDI ARABIAN TV

SAUDI ARABIAN TELEVISION STATION KSA TV broadcast a feature story about the work of SJD candidate Abdulrahman Alothman.

Mr. Alothman, who previously taught law at Imam University in Saudi Arabia, came to GW to study the United States' jury system. He believes that introducing a similar system in Saudi Arabia could be beneficial to his home country, and he is writing his thesis on the topic.



## 2014 RUDGE PRIZE

AVI KELIN, JD '14, WON THE 2014 Howard J. Rudge "Creative Solutions" Competition for his paper about why and how the United States should prepare for autonomous cars.

Mr. Rudge, a 1964 GW Law alumnus

and retired DuPont Corp. executive, created and endowed the competition to reward students for offering creative solutions to a serious societal problem in which conventional solutions are failing.

Honorable mentions in the competition were awarded to Benjamin Flick, JD '14, Colleen Gartner, JD '14, and

## STUDENT RECEIVES NCMA SCHOLARSHIP

ERIC BRAESE, A STUDENT IN THE interdisciplinary Master of Science in Government Contracts (MSGC) Program, was selected to receive the first annual National Contract Management Association (NCMA) Tysons Corner Chapter Scholarship.

A contract administrator with URS Federal Services Inc., Mr. Braese has been in the contracting field for more than seven years and served on the board of directors of the NCMA Tysons Corner Chapter. The scholarship was established to recognize GW MSGC students.

Christopher Bell, JD '14. Mr. Flick proposed a program for universities to help increase enrollment and graduation rates of students from low-income backgrounds. Ms. Gartner and Mr. Bell jointly tackled the problem of engaging young people and increasing American voter turnout.

## ORAL ADVOCACY ROUNDUP

GW Law enjoyed another successful year on the oral advocacy front, ranking as the 17th best moot court program in the United States after scoring victories in major advocacy competitions around the globe.



Sara Loop Bell and Yvette Butler took top honors at the ABA Forum on Communications Law's 6th Annual First Amendment & Media Law Diversity Moot Court.

### Double Victory

YVETTE BUTLER AND Sara Loop Bell won the ABA Forum on Communications Law's 6th Annual First Amendment & Media Law

Diversity Moot Court in Aventura, Fla., and also won best brief. The ABA funded their participation in the competition.

Madeline Cohen and Ann Porter won the Charleston School of Law National Moot Court Competition in South Carolina. Ms. Cohen also received top honors as best oralist for the championship round.

At the Federal Communications Bar Association Moot Court at Catholic University, the team of Keenan Adamchak, Thomas Struble, and Michael Williams—each an editor of the *Federal Communications Law Journal*—progressed to the final round and also took home the award for best brief. They were coached by adjunct faculty member Ethan Lucarelli.

Tanya Gillis and Peter Manno won best oral argument and advanced to the semifinals of the Giles Rich Intellectual Property Moot Court Silicon Valley Regional Competition in California. John Whealan, associate dean for intellectual property law studies, coached the team.



At the Commencement weekend academic awards ceremony, Thomas Collery (left) and Derek Woodman pose with then Interim Dean Gregory E. Maggs after receiving the CourtCall Law School Award for best advocacy program students in the 2014 graduating class.

### Top Student Advocates

THOMAS COLLERY AND Derek Woodman won the University of North Carolina's 37th annual J. Braxton Craven Jr. Memorial Moot Court Competition, and Mr. Woodman was selected best oralist. The final bench consisted of Judge William Lindsay Osteen Jr., Middle District of North Carolina; Judge Albert Diaz, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit; and Judge Marjorie Rendell, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit. The competition problem

dealt with Fourth and First Amendment issues.

Mr. Collery and Mr. Woodman also wrote this year's Van Vleck Constitutional Law Moot Court Competition problem at GW Law, which featured Justice Sonia Sotomayor as the presiding judge. Because of their excellent work on moot court competitions throughout their final year at the law school, they received the CourtCall Law School Award at the annual Awards Ceremony the day before graduation.

## Hire GW Law Graduates

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please contact us at [postjobs@law.gwu.edu](mailto:postjobs@law.gwu.edu).



Kevin Healy and Abigail Marciniak, who traveled to Germany to compete in the semifinals of the Frankfurt International Investment Arbitration Competition, got engaged during the trip.

## Love and Advocacy

Kevin Healy and Abigail Marciniak went to Germany and made it to the semifinals of the Frankfurt International Investment Arbitration Competition. They advanced to the playoffs where they defeated American University in the Sweet 16 as well as the University of Bratislava in the quarterfinals. In the semifinals, they lost in a close match to a very strong Paris team. The GW team was funded through the generosity of Covington & Burling and coached by three of the firm's attorneys: Alexander Berengaut, Jonathan Gimblett, and Allan Moore. If all that were not enough, Mr. Healy and Ms. Marciniak also got engaged while they were in Europe. We wish them a lifetime of lively exchange of advocacy.

3L Rebecca Szucs and 2L Meg Beasley made it to the semifinals of the 10th K.K. Luthra Moot Court Competition in Delhi, India. They lost to National Law School of India University, Bangalore, which went on to win the competition.

Lana Ulrich and Erin Rogers made it to the finals of the Gujarat National Law University Moot Court Competition in India, where they lost narrowly to the National Law School of India University, Bangalore. They were coached by adjunct faculty member Annelies Winborne.

Daniel Belloc and Hayter Whitman made it to the semifinals of the first ever D.C. Cup Moot Court Competition at the University of the District of Columbia School of Law. The competition was created and organized by David Zvenyach, JD '06, who is general counsel for the D.C. City Council.

James Springer and Peter Thomas reached the quarterfinals of the Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court Competition in Washington, D.C. They were coached by adjunct faculty member Henry Hertzfeld.



Associate Dean Susan L. Karamanian and Professor Gregory E. Maggs flank semifinalists Austen Walsh, Spencer Piatt, and Elizabeth Graffeo.

## A Winning Combination

Jennifer Babaie, Elizabeth Graffeo, Spencer Piatt, Jonathan Shiao, and Austen Walsh made it to the semifinal round in the Jessup Mid-Atlantic Super-Regional Moot Court. Mr. Piatt was named 2nd Best Oralist and Ms. Graffeo, 7th Best Oralist. Susan Karamanian, associate dean for international and comparative legal studies, coached the team.



Associate Dean John M. Whealan (left) coached Saurabh Prabhakar and Samuel Dillon in the Giles Rich IP Moot Court Competition.

## Silicon Valley Success

Samuel Dillon and Saurabh Prabhakar made it to the quarterfinals of the Giles Rich Intellectual Property Moot Court Silicon Valley Regional Competition in California. John M. Whealan, associate dean for intellectual property law studies, coached the team. Mr. Dillon and Mr. Prabhakar won the on-campus Giles Rich IP Moot Court Competition, which selected the teams that advanced to Silicon Valley. Mr. Dillon drafted the best brief and was selected as best oral advocate and best overall competitor. Mr. Prabhakar also drafted the best brief and was awarded second best oral advocate and second best overall competitor.

## Rescuing the Litchfield Law School Notebooks

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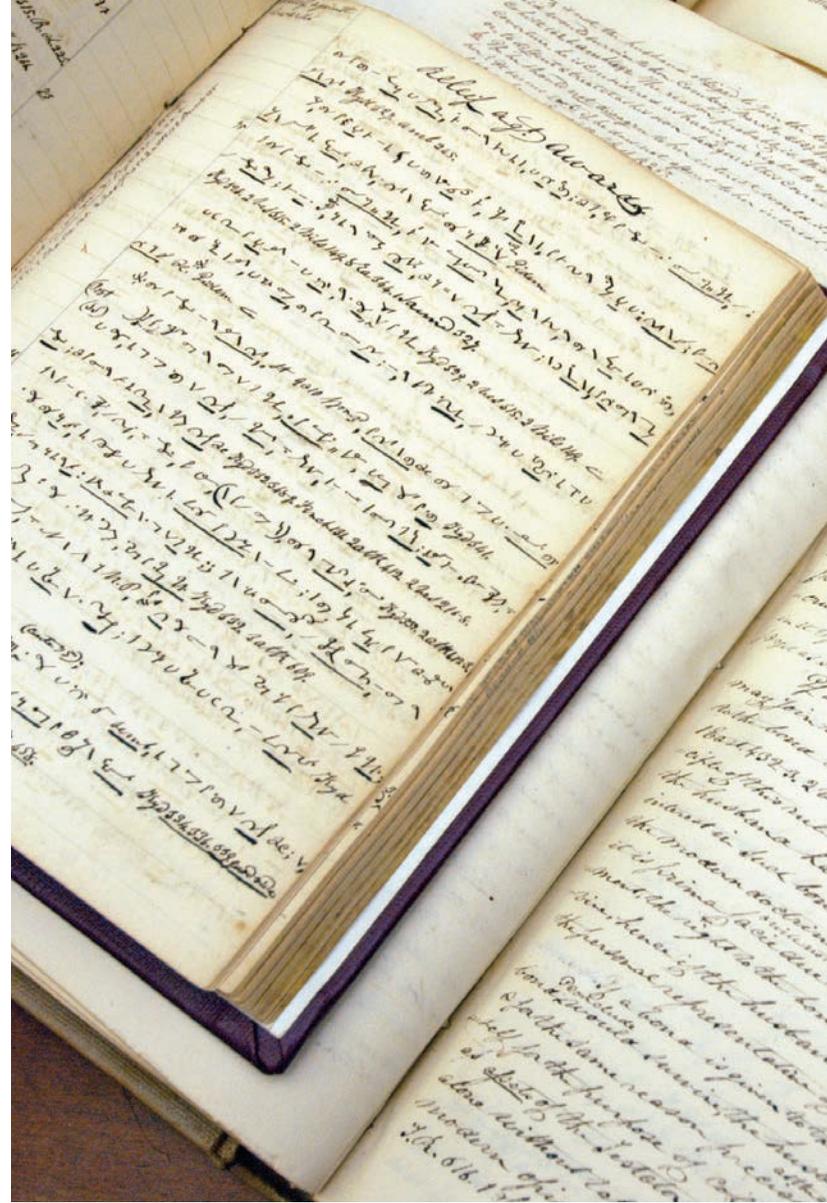
Thomas Carroll's student notes from the Litchfield Law School have been hiding in plain view at GW for years, perhaps ever since Mr. Carroll's days as one of the first law professors at GW's predecessor, Columbian College. From 1828 until 1933, they effectively remained invisible. Then, a keen mind made the connection that identified the 12 anonymous manuscript volumes as important artifacts of Litchfield, America's earliest and most important proprietary school of law.

The unremarkable volumes had been stationed, uncataloged, on the open shelves in the law library under "C." They had caught the attention of Helen Newman, GW's law librarian (1927–41), in 1923 during her time working as a library assistant while she attended law school. She asked around, and no one seemed to know what the notebooks were, much less their significance. Ten years later, Ms. Newman began research for a paper on William Cranch, and found a reference to Mr. Cranch and William Carroll assisting in the establishment of the first law school in the city of Washington. The uncataloged "C" volumes sprang to mind. Further research verified that Mr. Carroll and Mr. Cranch were the first "GW" law professors, and Ms. Newman continued her sleuthing. She determined that she had stumbled upon 12 volumes of notes taken by William

Thomas Carroll during his course of study at Litchfield Law School, and that he used at least some of these in 1826 as lecture notes during his brief tenure as professor of law at Columbian College. GW's law library had in its collection an irreplaceable piece of historical legal Americana.

Founded by jurist Tapping Reeve in Connecticut in 1784, the Litchfield Law School operated until 1833. Before the law school was established, prospective lawyers learned by reading law with judges and practitioners. As Mr. Reeve's reputation grew, and his expertise was sought increasingly by young hopefuls, he expanded the training customarily granted to law clerks, who normally would gain a familiarity with legal forms but little grasp of legal principles. Soon he was operating a "law school," with an established curriculum and a series of lectures, set up in its own building.

By the time it closed in 1833 due to competition from new law schools, Litchfield had graduated approximately 1,000 lawyers. Among these graduates were men who reached the highest levels of law and government in the United States: the vice presidency, the Supreme Court, cabinet membership, and Senate and congressional leadership. Litchfield changed the model of legal study by formalizing legal training; the measure of its success was determined



not only by the accomplishments of its graduates but also in the flourishing of new university law schools. As observed in GW Law Professor Renée Lettow Lerner's book *History of the Common Law: The Development of Anglo-American Legal Institutions*, "By establishing the market for systematic classroom instruction as the entryway to the legal profession, Litchfield originated the American law school."

The Litchfield student notebooks document the evolving training process of the fledgling law school that transformed legal education. As manuscripts, student notes from Litchfield are unique and treasured by the libraries fortunate to hold them. Notes from approximately 90 students survive, housed in academic

law libraries, historical societies, and state repositories. Prominent Marylander William Thomas Carroll well fit the profile of a Litchfield graduate, and his notes, while significant in legal literature as a whole, are of special interest to GW. Mr. Carroll, as one of Columbian College's two law professors, was a key figure in the establishment of the "Law Department" of Columbian College; following the college's premature closing due to lack of funds, Mr. Carroll served as clerk of the U.S. Supreme Court until his death in 1863.

Two of Mr. Carroll's notebooks are written in shorthand. Although examples of Litchfield notes in shorthand now are known to exist in other collections, they are extremely scarce; at the time



librarian Helen Newman was investigating, the Carroll shorthand notebooks at GW were thought to be unique. Recently, Mr. Carroll's name has come to light in another context. It was he who provided the Bible used to administer the oath of office to Abraham Lincoln in 1861, the same Bible used by Barack Obama for both of his swearings-in as president. That Bible resides at the Library of Congress.

Helen Newman's classic piece of sleuthing rescued the Litchfield notebooks from their life of obscurity on the shelf marked "C." Today, they form the cornerstone of the law library's collection of historical legal Americana.

– Jennie C. Meade  
Director of Special Collections



## A Revolution in Library Research

THE DIGITAL REVOLUTION HAS CHANGED MORE THAN HOW STUDENTS CONDUCT RESEARCH in the law library. It has completely changed how they gather materials.

It wasn't too many years ago that the Burns Law Library could barely keep up with student demand for photocopiers. At one point the library had seven copiers placed throughout the facility, and at times that didn't even seem enough.

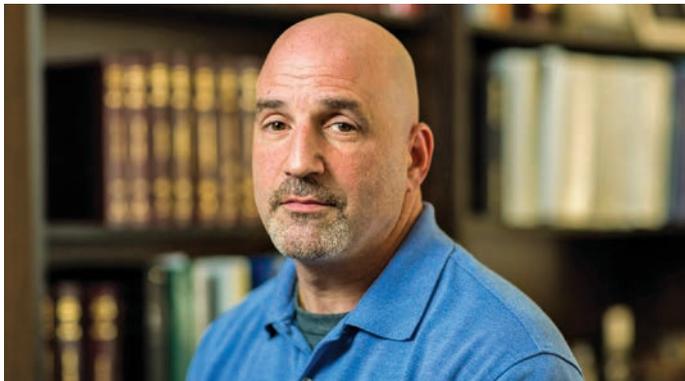
The library now has three copiers, and they are seldom used. Students prefer to store material digitally on one of the four new scanners housed in the library. The Scannx scanners, manufactured by Xerox, enable students to scan and send materials to an e-mail address, store them on a portable USB drive, or capture them on their iPhone or tablet computer using a "smart code." Gone are the days when students, after standing in line, walked away from a photocopier carrying massive quantities of paper. So in addition to providing a great new service for students, the library is helping the environment.

## HeinOnline at Your Fingertips

THROUGH A SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN THE BURNS LAW LIBRARY AND THE WILLIAM S. Hein & Co., Inc., GW Law alumni now have access to HeinOnline's Law Journal Collection containing more than 1,700 law and law-related, full-text periodicals covering more than 90 subject areas. The collection encompasses the first issues through the most recent issues of the periodicals, based, of course, on contracts with the publishers.

HeinOnline is a revolutionary innovation in legal research. Whereas other databases that do not offer materials in citable formats have long presented a challenge to legal researchers who must be precise in citing sources, HeinOnline provides materials in PDF format and has enabled libraries, both in law schools and law firms, to discard their voluminous holdings of bound volumes. By making the law journal collection available to alumni, the Burns Law Library hopes to provide a valuable resource that will complement other online services. Log in to the online alumni community to access the collection today!





Jonathan Rapping, JD '95, founder and president of Gideon's Promise

## Three Alumni Chosen for Award-Winning Public Defenders Program

GIDEON'S PROMISE announced its 2014 Law School Partnership Program class, composed of 15 recent law school graduates poised to join a group of public defenders committed to transforming criminal justice. Three 2014 GW Law graduates were chosen for the program's inaugural class: Adam Pienciak, Jack Talaska, and Thomas Rimmer.

"The work these young lawyers do represents the highest calling of our profession," says Gideon's Promise Founder and President Jonathan Rapping, JD '95.

Through his nonprofit Gideon's Promise, Mr. Rapping works to change the culture of the public defense system by teaching new lawyers important skills in a structured, multiyear program. The MacArthur Foundation recently honored him as a 2014 MacArthur Fellow in recognition of his training work. Known as "genius grants," the fellowships award \$625,000 cash prizes to "talented individuals who

have shown extraordinary originality and dedication in their creative pursuits and a marked capacity for self-direction."

To date, 10 of the nation's top law schools have joined the initiative. In addition to GW Law, these include the law schools at American University, Boston University, New York University, Northwestern University, the University of California, Berkeley, the University of Chicago, the University of California, Los Angeles, Harvard University, and Vanderbilt University. The goal is to expand the program to at least 20 law schools and 20 public defender's offices, and to place 20 law students in public service careers by 2016.

"We are grateful to these schools for working with Gideon's Promise and the Department of Justice to provide these graduates this opportunity, and we are proud of their dedication to serving our most vulnerable citizens," Mr. Rapping says.



Oscar Lopez



Ejaz Baluch



Evan Glover



Sydney English

## Students Selected for Summer Diversity Legal Programs and Scholarships

THIS SUMMER, 17 GW LAW STUDENTS GAINED SUBSTANTIVE legal experience through a variety of programs promoting and enhancing diversity in the legal profession. Students were invited to participate in law firm diversity programs, regional programs sponsored by law firms and corporations, and judicial internships with employers across the nation.

"GW Law is committed to promoting diversity and inclusion in the legal profession and to eliminating bias in the workplace," says Associate Dean Abraham Pollack, head of the GW Law Career Center. The Career Center has a range of resources and programs developed by Kristen Meeks, assistant director, diversity and inclusion liaison, to prepare eligible students to compete for these opportunities. Students who participated in diversity programs this past summer include:

**Chidera Anyanwu** (Saul Ewing), **Jose Calves** (Comcast Legal Department), and **Elyse Houston** (Obermayer Rebbman Maxwell & Hoppel) were placed through the Philadelphia Diversity Law Group Fellows Program, which matches eligible students with firms and corporations in the Philadelphia area.

**Stella Xing Liu** (Bregman Berbert), **Roberta Roberts** (Joseph Greenwald & Laake), and **Cathyana Jean-Baptiste** (Ethridge, Quinn, Kemp, McAuliffe, Rowan & Hartinger) were placed through the Montgomery County Summer Scholars Program, which matches eligible students with firms in Montgomery



Ingrid Messbauer



Christian Springer



April Jones



Elyse Houston



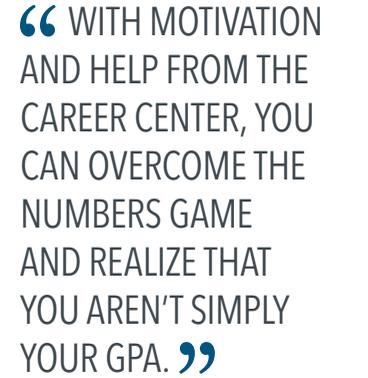
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— Oscar Lopez

County, Md. Ms. Roberts was also the inaugural recipient of the Jeanette Michaels Memorial Scholarship awarded by the GW Black Law Alumni Association.

**Evan Glover** (Hiscock and Barclay) was placed through the Monroe County Diversity Clerkship Program, which matches eligible students with firms and corporations in Rochester, N.Y. **Matthew Corkery** (BAE Information Solutions Inc.) was placed through the Washington Metropolitan Area Corporate Counsel Association's Corporate Scholars Program, which matches students with corporations in the D.C. area.

**Ingrid Messbauer** (Prudential Financial Inc., Newark, N.J.) secured the highly competitive 1L Summer Internship offered by the National LGBT Bar Association in collaboration with Prudential Financial Inc.

**Taylor Ball** (Groom Law Group, Washington, D.C.) was placed through a targeted résumé collection for diverse GW Law students. Ms. Ball and **Michael Gonzalez** were selected for the highly competitive Baker & McKenzie Spring 1L Internship program exclusively offered at GW Law and Howard University School of Law.

**Sydney English** (Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garret & Dunner LLP, Washington, D.C.; Sidney B. Williams Intellectual Property Law Scholarship) received a \$10,000 renewable scholarship, which included a mentoring program prior to beginning law school through the American Intellectual Property Law Education Foundation's Sidney B. Williams Intellectual Property Law Scholarship Program. During her 1L summer, she worked as

a summer associate at Banner & Witcoff in Washington, D.C. In summer 2014, Ms. English was awarded the 2014–15 Finnegan Diversity Scholarship, along with a summer associate position for summer 2015.

**Ejaz Baluch** (The Hon. George L. Russell III, U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland) was placed through the Just the Beginning Foundation Judicial Internship Program, which aims to place highly qualified diverse applicants in judicial internships throughout the country.

**Melissa Tuarez** (Arent Fox, Washington, D.C.) was selected as a summer associate through the firm's 1L Diversity Scholarship Program.

**Christian Springer** (The Hon. Laura Cordero, District of Columbia Superior Court, Washington, D.C.) was selected for a judicial internship through the Judicial Council of the Hispanic Bar Association of the District of Columbia Summer Internship Program.

**April Jones** (The Hon. Martin Hoffman, 68<sup>th</sup> Civil District Court, Dallas, Texas) was selected for a judicial internship through the American Bar Association's Judicial Intern Opportunity Program, which places diverse first-year law students in judicial internships throughout the country and provides them with an award of \$2,000.

**Oscar Lopez** (W.L. Gore & Associates Inc., Newark, Del.) was selected as a summer associate through the Delaware Diversity Job Fair Résumé Collection.

# Cultivating Seeds of Service

## GW Law Introduces Students to the Public Interest and Pro Bono World

The Hon. Lee F. Satterfield, JD '83, followed three simple rules of his father as a young man: “get a good education, pass the bar, and help others,” he told a group of first-year GW Law students visiting his court. He kept to this simple creed as a law student at GW and now as chief judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.

The judge, tall and thin in a gray, pinstripe suit, imparted similar advice on a late summer day, softly, yet with a clear message. “Do something in life that helps others,” he said. “Take the time to be credible, be prepared. Know your client. Represent your client.”

Judge Satterfield’s talk was one of many heard by about 100 new law students attending pre-orientation this past August. They were there for a close-up introduction to public interest law and pro bono work. During the three-day program, they toured a county jail and a morgue, listened to human rights lawyers speak about transgender issues, met with GW alumni at the Council of the District of Columbia, and volunteered with the National Park Service.

The pre-orientation program was established five years ago so that “no matter what students choose to do—work for the government, a law firm, or corporation—they will consider that part of their life is doing pro bono work in the legal field every year,” says Alan B. Morrison, Lerner Family Associate Dean for Public Interest and Public Service Law.

Associate Dean Morrison has devoted his life to public interest law. For much of his career, he directed the Public Citizen Litigation Group, which he co-founded with Ralph Nader in 1972. He worked on law reform litigation, including enforcing principles of separation of powers, protecting the rights of consumers, and helping unrepresented class members in class action settlements. He has argued 20 cases before the Supreme Court.

Associate Dean Morrison and David M. Johnson, assistant dean for pro bono and advocacy programs, believe exposing law students to a wide range of public interest and pro bono opportunities early in their time at GW might influence

BY LAURA HAMBLETON

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**LEFT** David Johnson, assistant dean for pro bono and advocacy programs, briefs 1Ls before they depart for their site visits on the first morning of the pre-orientation program. **RIGHT** The Hon. Lee F. Satterfield, JD '93, chief judge of the D.C. Superior Court, hosted 100 GW Law students at the court during the three-day public interest and pro bono pre-orientation.

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the direction of their careers. Few other law schools offer a similar pre-orientation program.

"Why is it important?" Assistant Dean Johnson asks. "We want to teach students to begin a pro bono habit before they leave school. They have a lot more time as students than as practitioners. We expose them to the legal system in a first-hand way, so law is not just an ivory tower. They will see a lot of public service jobs, think about them, and some may say, 'Wow, that sounds interesting. I might be willing to pursue that.'"

The emphasis on service is rooted in the university's strategic plan to develop students with deep commitments to citizenship and a keen interest in contributing to the community and world. The habit is catching on. Since the inception of the pre-orientation event and the school's broader Pro Bono Program, GW Law students have volunteered an increasing number of hours each year. This past academic year, 144 students were active in pro bono work, a record for the law school.

Monica Porter, a second-year law student, is part of the growing statistic. She enrolled in the pre-orientation program last year and returned as a group leader this year. "It was a great introduction to GW," she says. "As an admitted student, I was looking at options in public interest law. The pre-orientation [program] showed us how to use our legal education in ways we hadn't thought of."

Ms. Porter has pursued a number of pro bono opportunities. As a public interest scholar at GW, she received a stipend last summer to work at the Bay Area Legal Aid in Oakland, Calif. This year, she is interning at the Department of Justice and with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. She also is a Writing Fellow and on the *International Law Review*.

She was drawn to public interest law "initially because different people in my family had difficulty navigating the legal system," she says. "The game changer was getting legal assistance. I saw how attorneys made a difference. I'm not sure where I'll be after law school, but I know I will be working in public service, with employment issues, or with veterans."

During this year's pre-orientation, Ms. Porter was happy to be back in court, listening to Judge Satterfield. "Every time you go to



**LEFT** Journalist Karen Houppert, author of *Chasing Gideon*, talks to GW Law students about the need for lawyers to represent the indigent in criminal matters. **RIGHT** Pre-orientation participants visit the Arlington County Detention Facility in Virginia.

court, it's different," she says. "This time around, as a group leader, I heard speakers from the Human Rights Campaign and District of Columbia City Council, and went to the morgue to hear the chief medical examiner.

"It's always nice to hear different perspectives and people's memories of law school and their career trajectories," she says.

Before her pre-orientation three years ago, 3L Navneet Jaswal had never stepped into a jail or a real court. Now, in her final year at GW, she sees law "as a mechanism for change."

That's the message she and others heard at the Human Rights Campaign (HRC) headquarters. The HRC is a Washington, D.C.-based advocacy group for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender Americans. Alumna Alison Gill, a lobbyist for the campaign, told the students how language and the law are evolving.

People can change their gender identity legally, as they do their names, she said. "Someone's gender identity may be different from what it was at birth," Ms. Gill stated. "You must treat transgender clients respectfully and reflect their language and how they use it back to them."

Across town, in a completely different set of circumstances, GW law students toured the Arlington County Detention Facility in Virginia. The jail has about 450 inmates awaiting trial or appeals at the county courthouse nearby. The inmates are incarcerated for a variety of charges, from drug dealing to capital murder. They stay anywhere from a few days to a year.

Deputies William O'Neill and Jeff Peck led the group through metal detectors, cells, common rooms, the cafeteria, visiting areas, and booths where lawyers meet with their clients. "This jail is a little different," Mr. Peck told the students. "There aren't any bars on the windows. The average time people are in here is 30 days to six months. It's mostly alcohol or drug related."

But the wheels of justice can turn slowly. For some, the path from arrest to trial is complicated, long, and thwarted by many obstacles, said author Karen Houppert during another pre-orientation session at GW. She has written a book, *Chasing Gideon: the Elusive Quest for Poor People's Justice*.

Her book chronicles the justice system in the 50 years since the

landmark decision by the U.S. Supreme Court, *Gideon v. Wainwright*, affirming the guarantee of the right to legal counsel for all criminal defendants regardless of income.

Today, that guarantee is unfulfilled, Ms. Houppert said. Many indigent people still are caught in a legal system in which they are underrepresented and accused of crimes they did not commit. Public defenders are underfunded, overworked, and overwhelmed.

Rachael Krane, JD '14, is stepping straight into this complicated system as an assistant public defender in Baltimore after serving as a law clerk at D.C. Superior Court. She remembers sitting in a courtroom for the first time a few years ago during her pre-orientation, not knowing who was who. "Which person was the prosecutor?" she recalls thinking. "Who was the defense? What was all the questioning about?"

In many ways, the pre-orientation shaped Ms. Krane's time at GW. She met some of her closest friends in law school. And she was encouraged by upperclassmen and faculty to get out of the classroom and work as a student lawyer. She passed on this advice to the group of incoming first-year students.

"Get your hands dirty in the law," she said. "There are so many opportunities at GW and in the District to not just study law, but practice it as a student."

Ms. Krane did just that. She, along with Tim Pezzoli, JD '13, and Mike Barfield, JD '13, co-founded the District Record Sealing Service. A conviction or an arrest on someone's record can stop the person from getting a job, securing student loans, or renting a house, she explains.

The District Record Sealing Service partnered with the Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia to help eligible community members request that part of their records be sealed. The co-founders, along with Leah Maloney, JD '13, Carlos Morales, JD '13, and Whitney McOwen, JD '13, helped train other law students on the record sealing statutes and client interviewing skills.

Students went to the Public Defender Service twice weekly during the school year to interview candidates and assisted them with crafting motions to seal their records. The applicants filed *pro se* after these sessions.



**LEFT** Michele Blackwell, JD '12, legislative counsel for the office of D.C. Council member Mary M. Cheh, discusses D.C. governance. **RIGHT** Alison Gill, JD '04, senior legislative counsel for the Human Rights Campaign, talks with GW Law students about legal issues facing the transgender community.

After law school, Ms. Krane clerked for Judge Robert E. Morin, presiding judge of the criminal division at the District of Columbia Superior Court. “One of the reasons I was interested in clerking was I knew I would learn what matters to judges when they make decisions,” she says. “I knew having that insight into the judicial perspective would help me make more persuasive arguments as a lawyer.”

Her other piece of advice to new law students was “find your own path,” she told the group. “You can do the moot court competition to build skills, or you can be in an actual court,” she said. “Law school is a time to find yourself, through trial and error. Doing internships, clinics, and pro bono work is an excellent way to figure out what kind of work you want to do.”

Associate Dean Morrison and Assistant Dean Johnson have developed a number of pro bono projects at the law school through which students gain valuable hands-on experience. Through the Washington Legal Clinic for the Homeless, approximately 10 GW law students are paired with volunteer lawyers every semester to provide legal assistance to the homeless.

They see clients in soup kitchens, shelters, and community centers, assisting them with a variety of legal challenges. “There are a lot of shelter issues,” says Kaitlyn Uhl, the volunteer coordinator for the clinic. “Someone might have been terminated in the shelter or have a housing issue. Folks could be trying to get subsidized housing or public benefits. Someone’s food stamps may have been cut off.”

GW students assist with interviews, taking notes and asking questions. “It’s a really good experience for GW law students,” Ms. Uhl says. “Some of the cases are pretty involved. Students work with a huge range of lawyers, from third-year associates in the corporate world to government lawyers.”

Volunteering for the Mid-Atlantic Innocence Project, which is housed at GW, students review cases and write memos. They help investigate the most compelling cases where clients have been wrongfully convicted. The project receives more than 500 requests each year.

This past summer, one GW student unearthed a key piece of evidence for a murder case that had been buried in old files at

a courthouse on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. “The student was very persistent,” says Eily Ramen, screening director for the project. “She went to the courthouse and managed to locate evidence that we had previously been told had been lost or destroyed. DNA testing of this evidence could potentially help prove our client’s innocence.”

Students also volunteer for the Resource Center of the District of Columbia Office of Administrative Hearings. They interview clients, under the supervision of an attorney, about unemployment denial, shelter suspension, and notices of violation from the Department of Public Works in the District.

For the GW Cancer Pro Bono project, GW students and a licensed lawyer work with cancer patients, helping them with advanced directives, employment issues, health insurance, wills, and Social Security benefits.

There are other opportunities as well, such as the Family Law Pro Bono Project and the Alternative Spring Break, where students travel to the Arizona/Mexico border during their break to learn about and work on immigration issues. The students also work on a pro bono project while there.

The pre-orientation is a good introduction to the many possibilities. “I do plan on following up with some of the pro bono projects at GW,” says 1L Dan Fielder.

During the pre-orientation, Mr. Fielder was most interested in the visit to Superior Court. “We got to see real judges administering real law,” he said after the pre-orientation. “We also heard attorneys at trial and even the emotional statements of defendants.”

If Mr. Fielder and his peers opt to get involved in pro bono work or pursue a career in public interest law, Assistant Dean Johnson believes his job has been successful. “There are so many ways to make the system better,” he says. “We are planting seeds of excitement.”

Ms. Krane is a perfect example of that success. As she launches her career as an assistant public defender, she still recalls Assistant Dean Johnson’s compelling words to her as a first-year law student: “You may not be able to change the whole world, Rachael, but you can definitely change *someone’s* world for the better.”



*On the final day of the pre-orientation program, all 100 participants spent half a day sprucing up the National Mall as National Park Service volunteers.*





# A Visionary Dean

*Blake D. Morant Takes the Helm at GW Law*

By **Jamie L. Freedman**

**I**t's nearly impossible to stand near the dean's office at GW Law for more than a few minutes without hearing the sound of laughter—not just a chuckle, but a deep, genuine laugh that captivates the room. Since taking the helm as the 19<sup>th</sup> dean of the George Washington University Law School in September, Blake D. Morant has quickly connected with the GW Law community, warmly engaging with students, faculty, staff, and alumni as he shares his inspirational vision for taking the law school to new heights.

*Photographs by Chris Flynn*

**“GW has made a superb choice in selecting Blake Morant as their next law school dean. He is an inspirational leader who is deeply committed both to improving American legal education and to expanding access to it.”**

*– Judith Areen, Executive Director, CEO,  
The Association of American Law Schools*



**“ He has an impressive record of working tirelessly on behalf of his students and forging strong partnerships with his colleagues. Those skills, along with his strong vision, are among the many reasons he was selected.”**

*– GW Provost Steven Lerman*

NATIONALLY RENOWNED AS AN EXCEPTIONAL law school leader, tireless advocate for students, and respected legal scholar, Dean Morant was chosen from an extensive pool of applicants following a nationwide search. For the past seven years, he served as dean of the Wake Forest University School of Law in Winston-Salem, N.C., where he advanced the school's national reputation and was twice recognized by *National Jurist* magazine as one of the most influential people in legal education. He is currently president-elect of the Association of American Law Schools (AALS) and will assume the presidency in January. A sought-after speaker on legal education, he has published extensively in his areas of scholarly focus: contract theory, media law, and administrative law.

Dean Morant's journey to law school dean began early in life. Growing up in the small, historic city of Hampton, Va., located across the harbor from Norfolk, he was taught from a young age that education was the route to success. "My mother was the only one of 10 siblings to go to college, and she insisted that her only child be academic and engage in activities promoting a well-rounded sense of citizenship," he says.

His formative years were, consequently, filled with substantive activities. He attained the rank of Eagle Scout, served as vice



president of his high school student body, honed his public speaking skills as a member of Toastmasters International, and served as solo clarinetist in the school band and a member of the glee club. “I was your classic nerd, studying all of the time,” he jokes. Contemplating career options, “I put all of the pieces together—my sense of curiosity about the world, my love of writing and speaking, and my artistic and creative side—and decided to apply to law school.”

He earned both his bachelor’s and law degrees at the University of Virginia and, most importantly, as an undergraduate, he met his wife of 34 years, Paulette—a member of UVA’s first fully coeducational class. As a law student, he quickly demonstrated his acumen as a leader, establishing a weekly brown bag luncheon to facilitate greater engagement between law school professors and students. “I am proud to say that more than 35 years later, the program is still flourishing,” he says.

After graduating from law school in 1978, Dean Morant—who attended college on a four-year Army ROTC scholarship—served seven years in the U.S. Army Judge Advocate General (JAG) Corps, earning the rank of captain and the Meritorious Service Medal, First Oak Leaf Cluster. For his first tour of duty, he served as the government contracts attorney at Fort Bragg, N.C., charged with directing purchasing activities for the massive military installation. During his time at Fort Bragg, the Pentagon asked him to visit law schools throughout North Carolina to interview students for the JAG Corps. Impressed with the job he was doing, the military moved him to the Pentagon, where he spent the next 18 months recruiting for the JAG Corps at law schools across the country, followed by several years at the administrative law division of the Office of the Judge Advocate General.

**“Blake Morant’s combination of professional accomplishments and engaging leadership style make him a great fit for GW. It’s a challenging job to be a dean—and I think that Blake has the mindset, energy, and creativity to excel in this important position.”**

*— Robert K. Tanenbaum, GW Trustee; Member of Dean’s Search Committee; Principal, Lerner Enterprises*

Returning to civilian life, he remained in the nation’s capital, first practicing law at Braude, Marguiles, Sacks and Rephan for three years and then serving as assistant general counsel at the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA). Early in his tenure at WMATA, he was hired as a part-time adjunct professor at American University’s Washington College of Law—a pivotal move that changed the trajectory of his career.

“That is where I got my calling to be a law professor,” he says. “I loved teaching law students—the whole idea of imparting theoretical doctrines of law, then showing how it applies in the real world. The experience was phenomenal and absolutely inspirational.”

He launched his full-time professorial career in 1992 at the University of Toledo College of Law in Ohio, receiving five outstanding teaching awards in his five years there. Climbing the academic ladder, he landed a named professorship at Washington

**“ Blake Morant is not only a seasoned dean, but also a national leader in legal education. He brings to this important position a proven record of accomplishments, and his extensive leadership experience will make him an extremely valuable addition to our law school and the entire university.”**

*– GW President Steven Knapp*

and Lee University, where he also served as associate dean for academic affairs and director of the Frances Lewis Law Center—roughly equivalent to associate dean for research and scholarship. Rounding out his résumé were visiting professorships at the University of Michigan Law School and the University of Alabama School of Law, plus a visiting fellowship at University College, University of Oxford.

During his 10 years at Washington and Lee, he began receiving phone calls from law schools around the country encouraging him to apply to be their dean. Initially, he was not interested. “I never, ever planned to be a dean,” he explains. “To me, the best job in the world was teaching students and helping them realize their goals.” But law schools kept calling, and in 2007, he found the perfect fit at Wake Forest.

“It was the right time and place,” he says. “Wake Forest really embodies what I believe an excellent law school should be, with its student-centered, holistic approach to teaching, frequent engagement between faculty and students both inside and outside the classroom, strong sense of community, and focus on educating students to become not only excellent practitioners but also outstanding citizen lawyers who understand the importance of ethics and professionalism and civility.”

At Wake Forest, he quickly built a reputation for excellence, expertly steering the law school through the recession and raising its national prominence.

In recognition of his many accomplishments, Dean Morant was named the John R. Kramer Outstanding Law Dean by Equal Justice Works in 2010 and received the Chief Justice John Marshall Lifetime Achievement Award in 2012 from the Judge Advocates Association.

Dean Morant simultaneously shared his talent on the national stage, serving in numerous leadership positions over the years at the Association of American Law Schools and the American Bar Association. When the AALS approached him to become president—a role that he will officially assume in early January at the association’s annual meeting in Washington, D.C.—he said yes,

eager to spearhead efforts to shape legal education on a national level. Representing 176 law schools and more than 10,000 law faculty members across the United States, the AALS is dedicated to advancing excellence in legal education—a cause that is near and dear to Dean Morant’s heart.

“In my view, American legal education is considered the gold standard of education around the world for a reason, and its greatest asset—the production of critical, creative thinkers who can provide innovative solutions to the world’s problems—has never been more important,” he says. “There’s been a lot of publicity in recent years about the challenges of American legal education, but not a lot of conversation about the positives. In my view, American legal education remains a vital institution in our democratic society and is envied for a reason. While there are a lot of things we need to change, and they are changing, there is a lot that is foundationally very good.”

Shortly after Dean Morant’s selection as president-elect of the AALS in January, he received a phone call from GW Law Professor Roger E. Schechter, chair of the law school’s dean search committee. “He said that he saw what I am trying to do for American legal education and thought that the George Washington University Law School would be an excellent platform for me to do that from,” the dean says. “I have respected and admired GW Law throughout my career and known many of the school’s faculty members, who are brilliant scholars and wonderfully dedicated teachers.”

Despite his initial concern that “Wake Forest is a very small law school in a very small city and George Washington is a relatively very large law school in a very large city,” he agreed to an interview. His trepidations were quickly allayed when he met with the search committee. “It wasn’t like an interview—it was like a wonderful conversation,” he says. “And when I came to visit campus last spring, I saw the wonderful sense of community at GW and the intense sense of history of this institution that builds on all the things I’ve wanted to accomplish in terms of my own career. What better place is there to be than the oldest law school in the nation’s capital with its progeny of individuals who are doing amazing things in their professions and affecting the lives of so many?”

During his visit, he met with a number of faculty members, alumni, and students, and, with each conversation, his excitement about GW Law mounted. “Every free moment I had, I would stop students in the halls and ask them how they like it here,” he says, “and every single one talked about how much the law school really cares about them and wants them to succeed. That was incredibly moving for me, because from the time I decided to become a law professor, I’ve wanted to be part of a community that cares deeply about helping students realize their goals. GW Law students recognize the wonderful education they are receiving in a close-knit community in the middle of our nation’s capital, and that is rare to find in an urban law school.”

Since his September arrival on campus as dean and Robert Kramer Research Professor of Law, Dean Morant’s hallmark warmth, clarity of vision, and passion for legal education have been on full display.



“Blake Morant is one of the most skilled law school administrators in the country, with a deep understanding of the challenges now confronting legal education and the ideal skill set to deal with them,” says Professor Schechter. “He is poised to move our institutional profile and all of our programs to an even higher level. Moreover, he combines all that with extraordinary personal warmth and charisma. Everyone who has met him during the first few weeks he has been on campus has been thoroughly impressed and delighted.”

As he settles into life in Foggy Bottom, Dean Morant says he’s delighted to be part of the GW Law family. “It is a distinct privilege to serve as dean at this pivotal moment in the history of American legal education and the history of the law school,” he says. “The George Washington University Law School produces consummate professionals who think critically about legal doctrine and understand the holistic nature of our profession. I am thrilled to be here and look forward to working with the many constituencies of this historic institution to continue on an upward trajectory during this time of both challenge and extraordinary opportunity.”

**“Dean Morant’s clear thinking, affable manner, and willingness to innovate were all factors that led to his recent election as the president of the Association of American Law Schools. ”**

*– GW Law Professor Gregory E. Maggs*

# The Road to Academia

## GW LLMs Flock to the Ivory Tower

As a child, Wendy Greene, LLM '09, was inspired by her parents, both of whom were public school teachers and student activists in Columbia, S.C., during the civil rights movement. "I knew going into law school that I would one day become a law professor," says the award-winning teacher at Samford University's Cumberland School of Law.

According to Professor Greene, earning an LLM from GW paved the way for her pedagogical journey. In fact, it was after reading GW Law Professor Robert J. Cottrol's *Tulane Law Review* article "The Long Lingered Shadow: Law, Liberalism, and Cultures of Racial Hierarchy and Identity in the Americas" that she decided to pursue an LLM to examine the present-day implications of slavery on race relations.

by Ari Kaplan

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"It was fascinating to see that a law professor was investigating these questions and looking into these issues. It showed me that I could have the opportunity to do the same," she recalls. She contacted Professor Cottrol directly, and that conversation, coupled with the prospect of working with him, inspired her to enroll at GW.

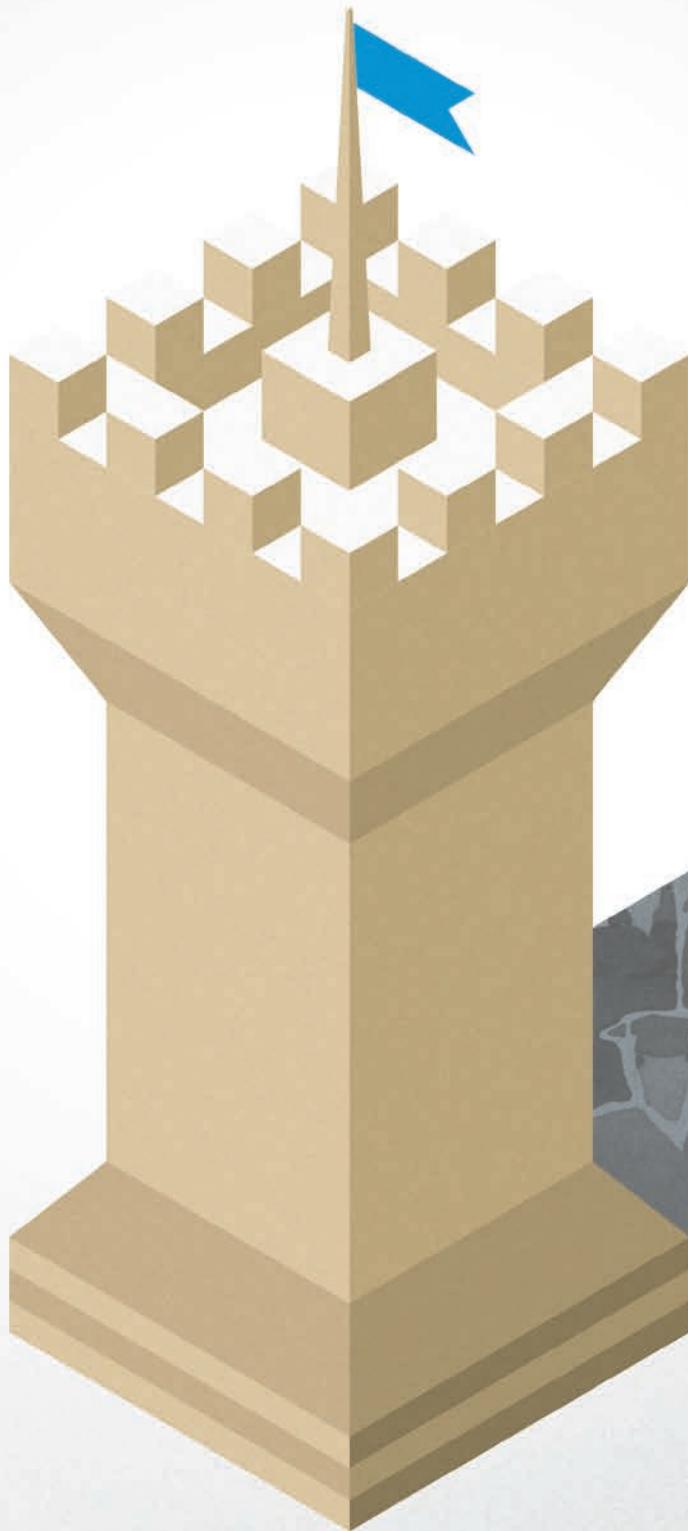
Professor Cottrol became her thesis adviser, and they continue to remain in touch, particularly since Professor Greene is now an emerging voice on the intersection of race, gender, and the law, as well as a strong advocate for taking a broader view of Title VII of the 1964 Civil Rights Act. "He serves as an adviser and a great mentor," she says.

Like Professor Greene's pull toward Professor Cottrol, University of Lucerne Professor Alexander Morawa, LLM '95, SJD '99, an Austrian-trained lawyer, wanted to study international human rights under GW Law Professor Thomas Buergenthal, and chose GW over a variety of other schools with that goal in mind. "I never really envisioned myself as a corporate lawyer and always wanted to pursue human right issues academically," he says. In fact, after Professor Morawa earned his LLM, Professor Buergenthal invited him to serve as a fellow at the International Rule of Law Center while earning an SJD at GW Law.

Now, in addition to teaching, Professor Morawa works with various European and U.N.-related human rights agencies while living in Switzerland with his family during the fall and spring semesters. "GW was great because it always linked students either to a government or an international organization," he recalls. "You literally had the best practitioners teaching you."

That network is another key component of the student experience. "It is the epitome of a well-connected urban university," he says. "We are able to draw from an incredible group of attorneys as adjunct professors," adds Professor Robert Brauneis, co-director of GW's Intellectual Property Law LLM Program. "I don't know of any school that has anything like our roster. We have judges, attorneys in private practice, and attorneys who work in the highest level of government teaching," he says.

When Estelle Derclaye, LLM '98, was looking for an LLM program, the Fulbright Scholar trained in Belgium knew she wanted to specialize in intellectual property, and those connections appealed to her. With its proximity to the key institutions associated with intellectual property, GW was an easy decision. "Overall, the experience was great both as a student learning the law and as



an individual living in Washington; I would do it again and would never regret it,” says the current University of Nottingham School of Law professor.

She initially had planned to return to Belgium to practice after earning her LLM but opted for academia instead, accepting a position at her alma mater—the University of Liège in Belgium—as a research assistant for two years. A PhD in London followed, and she ultimately settled in northern England.

Professor Derclaye has remained connected to the law school and returned to campus in 2008 to speak about her book on the protection of legal databases to the students in Professor Brauneis’s class. In particular, she has remained in touch with John (Jay)

Thomas, LLM ’94, of Georgetown University Law Center, who was her professor at GW.

Interested in improving his doctrinal knowledge, Professor Thomas enrolled in GW’s evening LLM program while pursuing a full-time clerkship with a judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. After graduation, he completed further studies at the Institute of Intellectual Property in Tokyo and at the Max Planck Institute in Munich. In 1997, after 16 months abroad, he returned to Washington to work as a large firm associate and started teaching patent law at GW as an adjunct.

“I decided I liked teaching because it is the only time you can get anyone to listen to you,” Professor Thomas jokes. “I’ve done



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— Wendy Greene, LLM '09

it all at GW: I was a student, an adjunct, and a full-time member of the faculty," he recalls, noting that his experience at GW influenced his work and teaching style. "My hero and model in the classroom is [GW Law Professor] Roger Schechter," with whom he has co-authored various books. "He is the most fabulous classroom facilitator I have ever known."

It is that level of inspiration that draws students with various backgrounds from across the world to Foggy Bottom. "I have formed lifelong friendships with LLM grads in Brazil, China, Germany, and Japan, among other countries," notes Professor Brauneis. "It gives us an international reach, and for me, an absolutely huge enrichment of my intellectual life."

That enrichment is what attracted Southwestern Law School Professor Robert Lind, JD '79, LLM '83, to GW. While pursuing an LLM at GW Law, the late Professor David E. Seidelson offered him a position as a teaching fellow in a legal research and writing class, which also required teaching professional responsibility. "It was an eye-opening experience, and led me to go into a tenure-track position immediately after graduating," he recalls. Inspired by the late Professor C. Thomas Dienes, his thesis adviser and future co-author of the treatise *Newsgathering and the Law*, he pursued coursework in the First Amendment, with a focus on media and entertainment.

He arrived at Southwestern directly after completing his LLM coursework and took the California bar to begin establishing a reputation in the entertainment industry. Since then, he has been involved in a variety of high-profile cases, including as a copyright expert for Mattel in the Bratz case, an expert witness for the Black Eyed Peas in a copyright infringement case, and an expert witness for Turner Entertainment in a case associated with home video rights for *Citizen Kane*.

Opportunities to experience Washington from the inside are a draw for many prospective students, but the school's reputation is a critical attraction. Katherine White, LLM '96, now professor of law at Wayne State University, recalls wanting to get an LLM at the top-ranked program in the country so she decided on GW. "Back then, I was in my last year of active duty for the U.S. Army working as the intellectual property counsel for the Corps of Engineers. I decided to go back to school in the evening and get a master of laws in intellectual property law.

"Getting my LLM completely changed my career path," she says. "Unlike when I was getting my JD, I was more comfortable talking with professors about fascinating legal issues that I had never before reflected upon and began to realize that I wanted to pursue a career in academia," she recalls, highlighting that she took copyright law with the nation's register of copyrights and also started clerking for the Hon. Randall R. Rader, JD '78, of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit in her second year. "What I learned at GW in my courses complemented my work as a judicial law clerk. There was synergy there," says the lieutenant colonel, who teaches in the summers as an instructor of law at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.

Like Professor White, Pacific McGeorge School of Law Professor Michael Mireles, LLM '04, opted for a GW LLM in search



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of a great educational experience and to learn more about intellectual property law. “I wanted to develop a practice at a law firm. It was not until I taught IP classes as an adjunct at Pacific McGeorge School of Law that I seriously considered academia,” he says.

In fact, Professor Mireles was so impressed by his experience at GW that three of his former students at the University of Denver enrolled in the LLM program based on his recommendation. “One is a judge in the patent office, another is counsel at the Network Advertising Initiative, and the third is senior counsel with the Entertainment Software Association,” he reports.

At GW, he focused his research on biotechnology and patents. “I met a lot of really interesting fellow LLM students, including international students, some of whom are still good friends,” he says. “There are not a lot of places that are better than D.C. to study IP, and I received very helpful advice from Professors Adelman, Brauneis, Nunziato, Schechter, and Thomas, among others.”

Professor White echoes that sentiment with respect to the bridge between the law school and the city. “[GW Law adjunct faculty member] Harold Wegner was extremely generous in introducing me to all of the local authorities instrumental in shaping U.S. patent law at that time. Professor Tom Morgan, my thesis adviser, was a great mentor as well.”

That theme of gratitude resonates throughout the population of LLM alumni who are now teaching. “I owe a lot to GW. All of the real IP courses I took were at GW, and the school gave me a chance in my profession,” says Professor Thomas. “I would not be a law professor today had it not been for my professor at Tulane, Raymond Diamond, introducing me to Professor Cottrol’s work and for what I received at GW,” Professor Greene says. And, Professor Lind notes, “What sealed the deal with my being hired by Southwestern was a personal phone call from then GW Law Dean Jerry Barron [himself the recipient of a GW LLM] to the dean at Southwestern.”

The law school takes pride in maintaining that personal touch. In addition to managing a variety of social media groups, including an IP law-focused LinkedIn group with more than 1,200 members, individual faculty members travel to different parts of the world and often meet with alumni. The school also hosts receptions at the annual meetings of professional associations such as the American Intellectual Property Law Association, International Trademark Association, and National Bar Association, among others. “The network is huge and broad,” Professor Greene says. “I always run across a GW alum in some capacity, which has been extremely helpful in terms of maintaining connections.”

# Law Revue V



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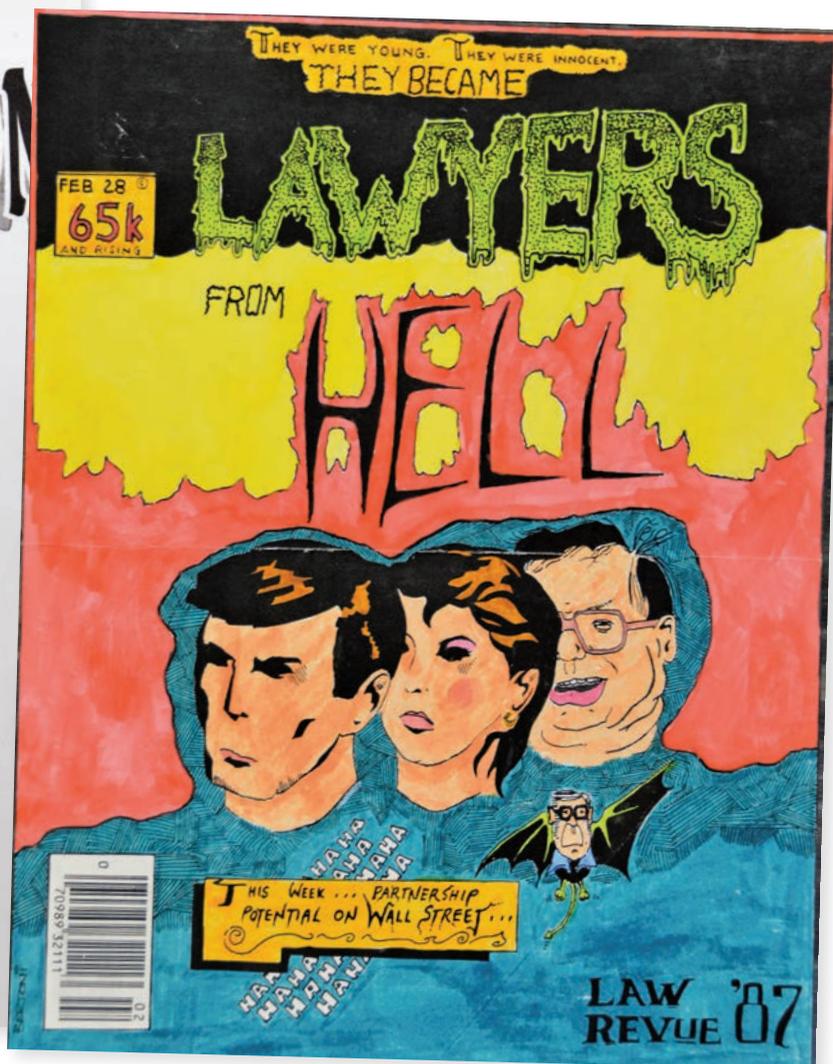
**E**dith "Edie" Reese, JD '80, was in her second year at GW Law when two 3Ls asked for her help in their trial practice class. The students needed a surprise witness to make an "excited utterance."

"I came into their class dressed as a floozy and with a phony accent," Ms. Reese recalls. "When I made my excited utterance, it surprised everyone, the whole courtroom went into chaos, there was an objection, and the professors presiding over the mock trial stopped the proceedings."

"A little later those same students told me I had a flair for the dramatic and asked if I would help with a show they were doing," she says.

Little did Ms. Reese realize that her involvement in that show would launch a GW Law tradition that is heading toward its fourth decade: the annual Law Revue.

BY MARY A. DEMPSEY



MS. REESE WAS NO STRANGER TO THE PERFORMING arts. Her mother was involved in community theater, and Ms. Reese was a graduate of Highland Park High School in Illinois, where a highly respected drama department had produced a culture of “drama jocks.” (Among Ms. Reese’s classmates was now actor Gary Sinise.)

She put her all into that law school musical show, and when it was over, the 3Ls—Dino Gentile, JD ’79, (now deceased) and Deborah Costlow, JD ’79—passed the baton, telling her to try it again next year.

Ms. Reese, office manager for a construction firm in Northbrook, Ill., took that suggestion seriously. She formed a board. She ran ads for cast members, lining up about 40 law students who rehearsed for two months at the Marvin Center. And she recruited a directorial team. Among its members were Jill Lerner, JD ’80, senior vice president of human resources and administration at Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Studios, and Carl Gold, JD ’80, who retired in February from a career with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

Both had worked on the first show. Ms. Reese asked them to help her with the sequel that made the tradition official.

Ms. Lerner served as one of the revue’s choreographers and

writers. She called it “hands down one of the best experiences I had at GW.” Mr. Gold said it helped “build some necessary esprit de corps among the students.”

Although Mr. Gold was recruited for his writing talent, he also starred in a skit depicting him as permanently entrenched in the law library—accompanied by the lyrics “I’ve grown accustomed to this place” (to the tune “I’ve grown accustomed to her face” from the movie *My Fair Lady*). GW Law Revue was, and continues to be, that kind of humor.

Professors were the main targets of the early revues. One sketch spoofed Professor Jerome A. Barron, who led a search committee to find a successor to Dean Robert Kramer, who was retiring after 18 years at the helm of the school. “Professor Barron wound up being selected as the next dean, so we did a segment on ‘How to become a law school dean without even trying,’” Ms. Reese recalls.

Dean Kramer didn’t escape, either.

“We were doing the show at Lisner Auditorium, and because of insurance restrictions, we weren’t allowed to pull the curtain. So we had to come up with a way to show we were moving from one skit to another,” Ms. Reese says. “That’s when we thought of Dean Kramer.”

Dean Kramer was a quiet administrator who had a habit of

joking at student orientations that he wasn't allowed to do much except change light bulbs at the school, move the clocks ahead for daylight saving time, and other menial tasks. The Law Revue team dressed a student to look like the dean and had him wordlessly push a broom across the stage at the end of each act.

"The audience howled," Ms. Reese recalls. Mr. Gold says Dean Kramer, apparently unaware that the character represented him, told faculty the next day that he was disappointed he hadn't been spoofed.

Mr. Gold also remembers a sketch about the late Professor David E. Seidelson, who taught torts and evidence.

"He gave these long tortured hypotheticals—Rube Goldberg style—in his class, and he was known for having a one-question exam that lasted three hours," Mr. Gold says. Traffic patterns near the Foggy Bottom Campus were part of the Seidelson skit, which featured students on tricycles.

## FAST FORWARD

HELD EVERY FEBRUARY, THE CURRENT REVUE, MUCH like its predecessors, lets law students unfurl their talents as singers, dancers, musicians, choreographers, stagehands, and song and script writers. The revue roasts the law school, its professors, current events, the legal profession, and almost always, the job outlook.

Music still forms the framework for the comedy, although music soundtracks that marked the early revues have made way for rock and rap. And professors not only get lampooned, they now sometimes join the students on stage.

Lisa M. Fairfax, the Leroy Sorenson Merrifield Research Professor of Law, has appeared in multiple revues. In one, she was joined by her husband, Roger Fairfax, professor of law and associate dean for public engagement.

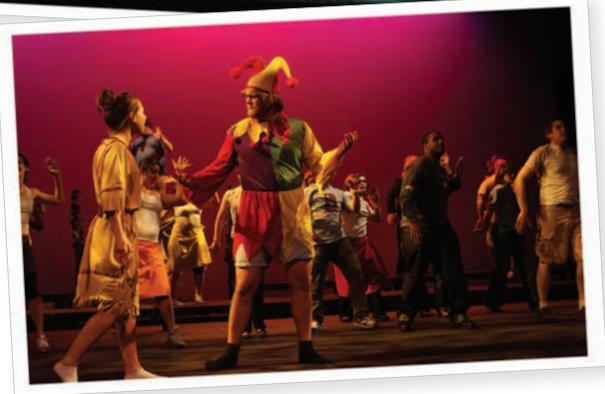
"We did a skit that was a play on *Mr. & Mrs. Smith*, the movie with Angelina Jolie and Brad Pitt. We were playing ourselves but pretending to be hired assassins," says Professor Fairfax.

This year, the revue is under the direction of 3L Laura Géigel, whose bona fides include a theater background. She worked as an actress in New York until she was sidelined by an injury on stage. That's when she decided to follow in the footsteps of her father, a lawyer.

"At first I was not planning on joining the Law Revue. I knew the show existed, but I really wanted to focus on my studies," says Ms. Géigel. "But I made a lot of friends who were 3Ls and 2Ls who were involved in the show ... and I also missed the way I could make people laugh working through an ensemble-based group."

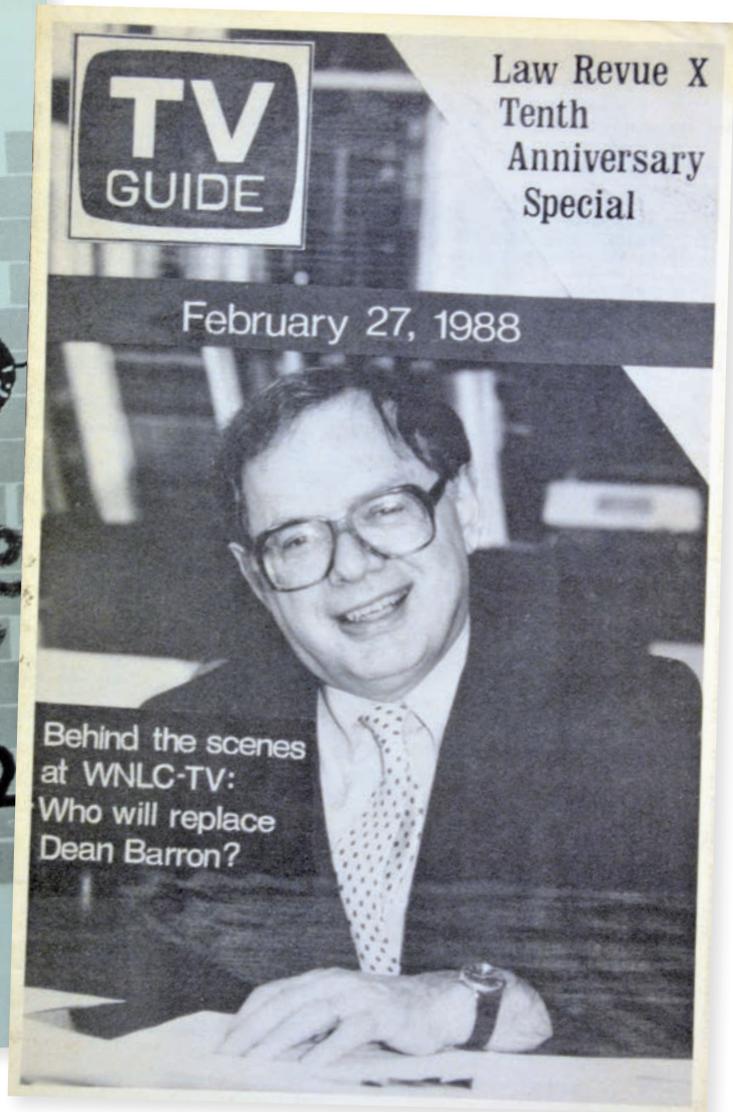
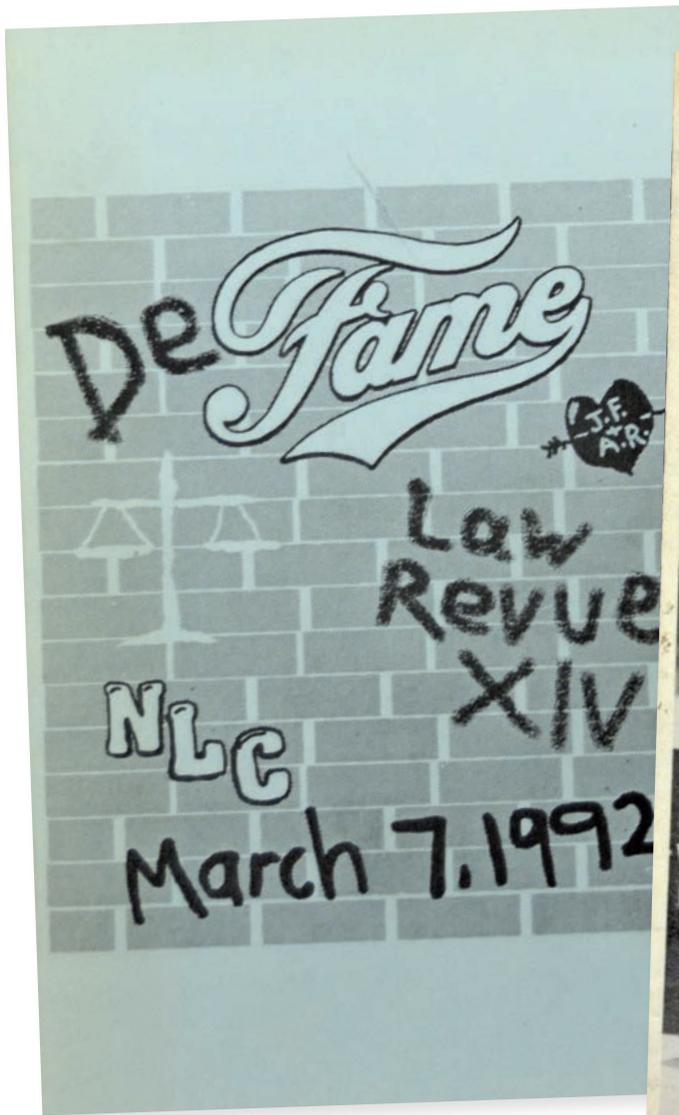
As a 2L, she was the revue's assistant music director. More than 700 people turned out for that revue, which had a cast of 62. This year, she's the director.

"We do a fully staged, fully costumed, fully lit production," explains Ms. Géigel. She is assisted by a Law Revue board and an assistant director, two producers, a music director, two assistant music directors, a head writer, four skit directors, a choreographer, and two assistant choreographers.



**"WE DO A FULLY STAGED,  
FULLY COSTUMED,  
FULLY LIT PRODUCTION"**

**- LAURA GÉIGEL**



To cover the costs of the show and the alumni reception that precedes it, fundraising—including performances by law school bands Attractive Nuisance and Gross Negligence—takes place in the spring and fall. The revue team also auctions off a cameo appearance in each show, usually to an alumnus or alumna.

Auditions start in November. “You don’t have to have any talent, you just have to have a willingness to commit,” Ms. Géigel says. “We solicit scripts and ideas from our cast, and they submit them over the winter break.” The board reads every submission over the course of an intense week, picks the material for the show, sets up the rehearsal schedule, and casts the performers.

## EXPANDING THE FORMULA

SHORT VIDEOS HAVE ALSO BECOME PART OF THE template. They are shown at intervals during each revue and uploaded to YouTube. GW Law Revue videos have made it into the final cut in nearly every year of the video competition judged by industry blog *Above the Law*.

The 2014 Law Revue’s “Just Get a Job” video was reportedly one of Professor Gregory E. Maggs’ favorite skits. A video on intellectual property law—and the difficulty of getting a job in the technology sector without a science background—prompted

a California IT firm to solicit GW Law résumés. Professor Roger E. Schechter uses a 2012 rap video of the landmark *Palsgraf v. Long Island Railroad Co.* case in his torts class.

“The video doesn’t serve any legitimate educational purpose, but it makes the class more celebratory and memorable,” says Professor Schechter. “It’s also an advertisement for the Law Revue and shows students what great fun it can be to take part.”

Ms. Lerner said she is delighted that the revue has become entrenched at GW Law. “There aren’t many traditions at law schools. There’s no walking through the gates the first day as there is at some undergrad institutions, or an annual bonfire,” she said. “Being part of something that has become a tradition is lovely.”

Some of those involved in the revues carry the tradition to other venues. After graduation, Ms. Reese performed for 20 years running in the Chicago Bar Association’s well-known Christmas Spirits Show. And Mr. Gold lent his parody-writing skills to the FDIC holiday parties. Students, alumni, and faculty say the Law Revue helps its participants feel comfortable in front of audiences and project emotion as litigators.

“We had our moments putting the revue together because directing lawyers is a little bit like herding cats. But everybody had a lot of fun,” says Ms. Reese. “We had no idea we were creating this huge tradition that’s still alive today.”

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## NEWS BRIEFS

### PUBLICATIONS

#### Michael B. Abramowicz

is co-editor, with **F. Scott Kieff**, and James E. Daily of *Perspectives on Patentable Subject Matter*, forthcoming from Cambridge University Press. He also published "Screening Legal Claims Based on Third-Party Litigation Finance Agreements and Other Signals of Quality" (with Omer Alper), *Vanderbilt Law Review* (2013).

**Donna Attanasio** published "PURPA's Public Power Impact (and What to Do About It)," *George Washington Journal of Energy and Environmental Law* (2014).



**John F. Banzhaf III's** recent writings include "Prof. Banzhaf Claims FDA's E-Cigarette Rules Have Major Omissions—'Candy Cigarettes on Steroids' May Continue to Endanger Health"; "Students Accused of Rape Can Fight Back: Court OKs Suits Against University, Employees, and Female"; "Law Schools Being Forced to Make Radical Changes: More Lawyers, But Maybe Even Less Justice"; "E-Cigarettes Increasingly Banned in Public: Causing Epidemics Among Young Children and Teens"; "NFL Hypocrisy: Banning the N-Word, but Supporting the R-Word"; "How Fans Convince Themselves 'Redskins' Isn't Racist"; "Paula Deen's N\*\*\*\*rs vs. Dan Snyder's R\*\*\*\*ns:

What's the Difference?"; "FDA to Spend \$600M Fighting Smoking, but Inefficiently"; and "ACA's 50% Smoker Surcharge—Q & A."

**Jerome A. Barron** and co-author **C. Thomas Dienes** published the eighth edition of *Constitutional Law in a Nutshell* (Thomson/West Group, 2013).

**Paul Schiff Berman** published "Global Legal Pluralism: Mapping a Hybrid World" in *Governance and Risk: Challenges of Global Regulation* (2013); "How Legal Pluralism Is and Is Not Distinct From Liberalism: A Reply to Denis Patterson and Alexis Galán," *International Journal of Constitutional Law* (2013); "Le Nouveau Pluralisme Juridique," *Revue Internationale de Droit Économique*; and "Jurisgenerative Constitutionalism: Procedural Principles for Managing Global Legal Pluralism," *Indiana Journal of Global Legal Studies* (2013).

**Francesca Bignami** published "Rethinking the Legal Foundations of the European Constitutional Order: The Lessons of New Historical Research" in *American University International Law Review* (2013). Her *Research Handbook on Comparative Law and Regulation* (with David Zaring) is forthcoming in 2015.

**Robert Brauneis** published an essay titled "National Treatment in Copyright and Related Rights: How Much Work Does It Do?" as a chapter in *The Principle of National Treatment in International Economic Law Trade, Investment, and*

*Intellectual Property* (Anselm Kamperman Sanders, ed.) (Edward Elgar, 2014).

**Eleanor Marie Brown** published "The Blacks Who 'Got Their Forty Acres': A Theory of Black West Indian Migrant Asset Acquisition," *New York University Law Review* (2014); "Outsourcing Criminal Deportees," *University of Chicago Law Review* (2013); and "How the U.S. Selected for a Black British Bourgeoisie," *Georgetown Immigration Law Journal* (2013).

**Karen B. Brown** published "Beyond Economic Efficiency" in *United States Tax Law* (with David A. Brennan and Darryll K. Jones) (Wolters Kluwer Law & Business, 2013).



**Neil H. Buchanan** published *The Debt Ceiling Disasters: How the Republicans Created an Unnecessary Constitutional Crisis and How the Democrats Can Fight Back* (Carolina Academic Press, 2013); an essay, "Thomas Piketty's Book Is Masterful and Important, but Ultimately a Sideshow" (with Michael Dorf) (online in Jotwell, July 2014); and "Borrowing by Any Other Name: Why Presidential 'Spending Cuts' Would Still Exceed the Debt Ceiling," *Columbia Law Review* (2014).

**Naomi R. Cahn** published *Marriage Markets* (with June Carbone) (2014) and *Finding Our Families* (with Wendy Kramer) (December 2013). She also published numerous articles, including, with June Carbone, "Who's the Father?" in *Boston University Law Review* (2013); "The Past, Present and Future of the Marital Presumption," *International Survey of Family Law* (2013);

"The Gender/Class Divide: Reproduction, Privilege, and the Workplace," *Florida International University Law Review* (2013); "The End of Men or the Rebirth of Class? How Hanna Rosin Leaves Out the 1% & Family Law Fails the Other 99%," *Boston University Law Review* (2013); "Is Marriage for Rich Men?" in *Nevada Law Journal* (2013); and "Inequality and Marriage," *Chronicle Review* (2014). She published, with Gerry W. Beyer, "When You Pass on, Don't Leave the Passwords Behind: Planning for Digital Assets," *Probate & Property* (2012), and "Digital Planning: The Future of Elder Law," *National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys Journal* (2013); and, with Jennifer Collins, "Fully Informed Consent for Prospective Egg Donors," *Virtual Mentor* (2014).

**Arturo J. Carrillo** published "Comparative Law Study and Analysis of National Legislation Relating to Crimes Against Humanity and Extraterritorial Jurisdiction" (with Annalise K. Nelson), *George Washington International Law Review* (2014) and "Re-Imaginando la Clínica Jurídica de Derechos Humanos" (with Nicolás Espejo Yaksic), *Revista Academia de la Universidad de Buenos Aires* (2014).



**W. Burlette Carter** published "The Federal Law of Marriage: Deference, Deviation, and DOMA," *American University Journal of Gender, Social Policy and the Law* (2013).

**Steve Charnovitz** published the chapter "Trade and Environment" in *Handbook of Trade Policy for Development* (Oxford University Press, 2013); "International Trade and Investment Law and Carbon Management Technologies"

(with co-authors), *Natural Resources Journal* (2013); and a book review of *International Economic Law in the 21st Century* by Ernst-Ulrich Petersmann, *Journal of International Economic Law* (2014). Steve Charnovitz's paper "Green Subsidies and the WTO" was published in September as a World Bank Policy Research Working Paper. His article titled "The Field of International Economic Law" was published in the *Journal of International Economic Law* in September.

**Bradford R. Clark** published "Tel-Oren, Filartiga, and the Meaning of the Alien Tort Statute," *University of Chicago Law Review Dialogue* (2013), and "Two Myths About the Alien Tort Statute" (with A.J. Bellia), *Notre Dame Law Review* (2014).

**Jessica L. Clark** published empirical research on law school grades—using data from the GW Law Class of 2011—in "Grades Matter: Legal Writing Grades Matter Most," *Mississippi College Law Review* (2014); "Peer Review: Using Time, Place, and Manner Constraints to Maximize Learning," *Perspectives: Teaching Legal Research & Writing* (2013); and "The Theoretical and Practical Underpinnings of Teaching Scholarly Legal Writing" (with Kristen Murray), *Texas A&M Law Review*. She also contributed to several chapters of the electronic legal research and writing textbook, *Teachinglaw.com*.

**Donald C. Clarke** published "China's Stealth Urban Land Revolution," *American Journal of Comparative Law* (2014). He also presented "Legal Aspects of Entrepreneurship in China," at U.S.-China Legal Exchange (co-organized by the U.S. Department of Commerce and PRC Ministry of Commerce).

**Thomas Colby** published "Originalism and the Ratification of the Fourteenth Amendment," *Northwestern University Law Review* (2013).

**Robert J. Cottroll** published "In the Civic Republic: Crime, the Inner City, and the Democracy of Arms—Being a Disquisition on the Revival of the Militia at Large" (with Raymond T. Diamond), *Connecticut Law Review* (2013).

**Charles B. Craver** published his 15th book, *The Art of Negotiation in the Business World* (LEXIS, 2014); *Skills & Values: Alternative Dispute Resolution* (LexisNexis, 2013); "How to Conduct Effective Transnational Negotiations Between Nations, Nongovernmental Groups, and Business Firms," *Washington University Journal of Law & Policy* (2013); and "Initiating and Conducting Meaningful Dispute Resolution Procedures," *Alternatives to the High Cost of Litigation* (2013).

**Lawrence A. Cunningham** published *Berkshire Beyond Buffett: The Enduring Value of Values* (Columbia University Press, 2014); "Deferred Prosecutions and Corporate Governance: An Integrated Approach to Investigation and Reform," *Florida Law Review* (2014); *Introductory Accounting for Lawyers* (West, 2014); and *Corporations and Other Business Associations: Cases and Materials* (LEXIS, 2014). In December 2013 the *Washington Law Review* published a symposium issue featuring Professor Cunningham's book, *Contracts in the Real World: Stories of Popular Contracts and Why They Matter* (Cambridge University Press, 2012).



**Christy H. DeSanctis** published *Advanced Legal Writing*, (Foundation Press, 2d, December 2013), which included significant new material on rhetorical and narrative

theory, including new chapters on visual rhetoric and storytelling. A new edition of her primary text, *Legal Writing and Analysis*, will be published at the end of 2014. Professor DeSanctis is also working with her co-author on a revamped research text and an article about the democratization of legal research information. She published, with co-author **Jessica L. Clark**, "Toward a Unified Grading Vocabulary: Using Rubrics in Legal Writing Courses," *Journal of Legal Education* (2013).

**Laura A. Dickinson** published "Regulating the Privatized Security Industry: The Promise of Public/Private Governance," *Emory Law Journal* (2013).

**Lisa M. Fairfax** published "Mandating Board-Shareholder Engagement," *University of Illinois Law Review*, and "Sue on Pay: Say on Pay's Impact on Directors' Fiduciary Duties," *Arizona Law Review*. Her book chapter "The Elusive Quest for Director Independence" was published in *Research Handbook on the Economics of Corporate Law*.

**Roger Anthony Fairfax** published "Searching for Solutions to the Indigent Defense Crisis in the Broader Criminal Justice Reform Agenda," *Yale Law Journal*, and an essay, "Challenges and Choice in Basic Criminal Law Course Design," *Ohio State Journal of Criminal Law*.

**David Fontana** published "Perpetual Constitutional Moments: A Reply to Hostovsky Brandes and Weintal" in *Israeli Constitutional Law in the Making* (Oxford/Hart Publishing, 2013); "The People's Justice?" in *Yale Law Journal Forum* (2014); and "Relational Federalism: An Essay in Honor of Heather Gerken," *Tulsa Law Review* (2013).

**Jack Harlan Friedenthal** published the latest edition of *Civil Procedure: Cases and*

*Materials* (with Arthur R. Miller, John E. Sexton, and Helen Hershkoff) (West Group, 2013).

**Theresa A. Gabaldon** published the fifth edition of *Securities Law* (with Larry D. Soderquist) (Foundation Press, 2014); the eighth edition of *Securities Regulation* (Foundation Press, 2013); and "The Role of Competitive Disclosure in Preventing the Abuse of Financial Consumers," *Banking and Financial Services Policy Report* (2013).

**Kristelia A. García**, 2012-2014 Marks Fellow and visiting associate professor of law, wrote an article titled "Penalty Default Licenses: A Case for Uncertainty," that is forthcoming in *New York University Law Review* (2014). The article is ranked as a top ten SSRN download in the categories of intellectual property: copyright; microeconomics: production, market structure and pricing; auctions, rationing, and licensing; international intellectual property protection; IO: and productivity, innovation, and technology. Professor García's article, "Private Copyright Reform," was published in the *Michigan Telecommunications and Technology Law Review* (2013) and was named "one of the best works of recent scholarship in Cyberlaw" for 2013 by Jotwell.

**Iselin Gambert** published "Duty to Rescue? Exploring Legal Analysis Through the Lens of Photojournalists' Storytelling Dilemmas" in *The Law Teacher: The International Scholarly Journal of the Association of Law Teachers* (2014).

**Robert L. Glicksman** published "Regulatory Safeguards for Accountable Ecosystem Service Markets in Wetlands Development," *Kansas Law Review* (2014); "Functional Government in 3-D: A Framework for Evaluating Allocations of Government Authority," *Harvard Journal on Legislation* (2014); "Wilderness

Management by the Multiple Use Agencies: What Makes the Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management Different?" in *Environmental Law* (2014); "Energy Transmission Across Wild and Scenic Rivers," *Public Land & Resources Law Review* (2013); and "A Comparative Analysis of Accountability Mechanisms for Ecosystem Service Markets in the U.S. and the EU," *Transnational Environmental Law* (2013). He also published "Landscape Level Management of Parks, Refuges, and Preserves for Ecosystem Resilience" in *Social-Ecological Resilience and Law* (Garmestani & Allen eds.) (Columbia University Press) (2014); and "EPA's Retreat from Enforcement Will Harm the Chesapeake Bay" in the *Center for Progressive Reform Issue Alert #1402* (2014).

**Phyllis Goldfarb's** article "Demography and Democracy" is forthcoming in the *Berkeley Journal of African-American Law & Policy*.

**Daniel I. Gordon's** article "Bid Protests: The Costs Are Real, but the Benefits Outweigh Them" was published in *Public Contract Law Journal* (2013) and was reprinted in full in the September and October 2013 issues of *Contract Management* and in the December 2013 issue of *The Clause*. He also published "Anti-Corruption Internationally: Challenges in Procurement Markets Abroad—Part II: The Path Forward for Using Procurement Law to Help With Development and the Fight Against Corruption," as part of the *West Government Contracts Year in Review Conference Covering 2012* (Thomson Reuters, 2013). He also published "Integrity Challenges in the EU and U.S. Procurement Systems" (with Gabriella M. Racca) in *Integrity and Efficiency in Sustainable Public Contracts: Corruption, Conflict of Interest, Favoritism, and Inclusion of Non-Economic Criteria in Public Contracts* (Gabriella M. Racca and Christopher R. Yukins, eds.) (Bruylant, 2014); "Avoid-

ing Bid Protests: Some Advice to Agency Counsel," in *The Government Contractor*, Vol. 56, No. 28 (July 2014); "Protecting the Integrity of the U.S. Federal Procurement System: Conflict of Interest Rules and Aspects of the System That Help," in *Corruption and Conflicts of Interest: A Comparative Law Approach* (J.-B. Auby, E. Breen & T. Perroud) (2014); and "Dissecting GAO's Bid Protest 'Effectiveness Rate,'" in *The Government Contractor*, Vol. 56, No. 4 (January 2014).

**David M. Johnson's** article "An Introduction to Effective Advocacy in the U.S. Federal Courts: From Trial to Appeal" was accepted for publication by the Universidad Del Salvador in Buenos Aires, Argentina. The article will be translated into Spanish and published in one of the school's two publications, *Aequitas* or *La Vey*.

**Susan R. Jones** published "Enriching the Law School Curriculum: The Rise of Transactional Legal Clinics in U.S. Law Schools" (with Jacqueline Lainez), *University of Washington Journal of Law & Policy* (2013) and "Clinical Collaborations: Going Global to Advance Social Entrepreneurship" (with Deborah Burand, Jonathan Ng, and Alicia Plerholpes), *International Journal of Clinical Legal Education* (2014). During the AALS Annual Meeting in New York City in January, she presented a paper, "Viewing Value Creation by Business Lawyers Through the Lens of Transactional Legal Clinics," which is forthcoming in the *University of California, Davis Business Law Journal*.



**Susan L. Karamanian** published "Economic-Legal Perspectives on the Armenian Genocide," *International Criminal Law Review* (2014).

**Orin S. Kerr** published "The Next Generation Communications Privacy Act," *University of Pennsylvania Law Review* (2014).

**F. Scott Kieff** is on leave from GW for service as a Commissioner on the U.S. International Trade Commission, and is co-editor, with **Michael B. Abramowicz** and James E. Daily, of *Perspectives on Patentable Subject Matter*, forthcoming from Cambridge University Press. With co-authors **Arthur E. Wilmarth Jr.** and James E. Daily, he published *Perspectives on Financing Innovation* (Routledge, 2014). Professor Kieff also published "Incentive Effects From Different Approaches to Holdup Mitigation Surrounding Patent Remedies and Standard-Setting Organizations" (with Anne Layne-Farrar), *Journal of Competition Law & Economics* (November 2013), and "Benefits of Patent Jury Trials for Commercializing Innovation" (with James E. Daily), *George Mason Law Review* (2014).



**Laird Kirkpatrick** published the fourth edition of his five-volume treatise, *Federal Evidence* (with Christopher B. Mueller) (Thomson/West, December 2013). The book is also published digitally on Westlaw. He and his co-author also just published a new edition of their widely adopted coursebook *Evidence Under the Rules* (8th ed. Aspen 2014) and a new edition of their *Black Letter Outline on Evidence* (West 4th ed. 2014).

**Laurie S. Kohn** published "Engaging Men as Fathers: The Courts, the Law, and Father-Absence in Low-Income Families," *Cardozo Law Review* (2013).

**Cynthia Lee's** article "The Trans Panic Defense: Heteronormativity, Masculinity, and the Murder of Transgender Women" (with Peter Kwan) has been accepted for publication in the *Hastings Law Journal*. Her essay "(E) Racing Trayvon Martin" is forthcoming in an *Ohio State Criminal Law Journal* symposium titled "Twenty-Plus Years of Critical Race Theory and Criminal Justice: Looking Backward, Looking Forward." She published "Making Race Salient: Trayvon Martin and Implicit Bias in a Not Yet Post-Racial Society," *North Carolina Law Review* (2013); "Honoring Angela Harris: A Review of Gender, Violence, Race, and Criminal Justice," *University of California Davis Law Review* (2014); and "Masculinity on Trial: Gay Panic in the Criminal Courtroom," *Southwestern Law Review* (2013). Her book chapter "Denying the Significance of Race: Colorblindness and the Zimmerman Trial" will be published in *Trayvon Martin, Race, and "American Justice," Writing Wrong* (Sense Publishers, forthcoming 2015). The third edition of Professor Lee's *Criminal Law: Cases and Materials* casebook (with Angela Harris) was published in June by West. An encyclopedic entry, "Self-Defense," in *The Encyclopedia of Criminology and Criminal Justice* (Jay S. Albanese ed.) is forthcoming this year.

**Renée Lettow Lerner** published "The Failure of Originalism in Preserving Constitutional Rights to Civil Jury Trial," *William & Mary Bill of Rights Journal* (2014).

**Ira C. Lupu** and **Robert Tuttle** published *Secular Government, Religious People* (Eerdmans Publishing Co., 2013).

**Gregory E. Maggs** published "A Concise Guide to Using Dictionaries From the Founding Era to Determine the Original

Meaning of the Constitution," *George Washington Law Review* (2014).

**Jeffrey Manns** published "The Merger Agreement Myth," *Cornell Law Review* (2013) and "Insuring Against a Derivative Disaster: The Case for Decentralized Risk Management," *Iowa Law Review* (2013).

In June, **Joan Meier** co-wrote an amicus brief to the Supreme Court in support of a petition for certiorari in *Ohio v. Clark*, a confrontation clause case involving children's statements. She also co-wrote an amicus brief in a Maryland case on behalf of a mother who was ordered to pay damages to her batterer as a result of his tort action against her.

**Thomas D. Morgan** published the latest edition of his book *Professional Responsibility: Problems and Materials* (with Ronald D. Rotunda and John S. Dzienkowski) (Foundation Press, 2014), and the fifth edition of his book *Cases and Materials on Modern Antitrust Law and its Origins* (Thomson/West, 2014).

**Alan B. Morrison** published "The Sounds of Silence: The Irrelevance of Congressional Inaction in Separation of Powers Litigation," *George Washington Law Review* (2014), and "Revisiting Judicial Activism: The Right and Wrong Kinds," *The Journal of the ACS Issue Groups* (2013).

**Sean D. Murphy** published the sixth edition of *International Law: Cases and Materials* (with Lori F. Damrosch) (West, 2014); "Deconstructing Fragmentation: Koskenniemi's 2006 ILC Project," *Temple International and Comparative Law Journal* (2013); and "International Judicial Bodies for Resolving Disputes Between States," *The Oxford Handbook of International Adjudication* (Oxford University Press, 2013).



**Dawn C. Nunziato** published "The Beginning of the End of Internet Freedom," *Georgetown Journal of International Law*. Her book chapter "Principles of Digital Due Process for ICT Companies" is forthcoming in *Protection of Information and the Right to Privacy—A New Equilibrium* (Oxford Internet Institute/Springer). She published a commentary, "I'm Still Dancing: The Continued Efficacy of First Amendment Precedent and Values in the Internet Age," in *Harvard Law Review*, and prepared an expert report on "The FCC's Proposed Rulemaking in the Matter of Protecting and Promoting the Open Internet" for the Representative on Freedom of the Media for the Organization for Security and Co-Operation in Europe (OSCE).

**Spencer A. Overton** published "Political Law," *George Washington Law Review* (2013), and "Voting Rights Disclosure," *Harvard Law Review Forum* (2013).

**Lee Paddock** and **Jessica Wentz** were co-authors of "Hydraulic Fracturing in the United States: A Study in Contrasts," *The Law of Energy Underground* (Oxford University Press, 2014); their article "Environmental Law Netherlands," was published in the American Bar Association's *International Environmental Law* (2014). Associate Dean Paddock published "An Integrated Framework for Governing Emerging Technologies such as Nanotechnology and Synthetic Biology" (with Molly Masterton, JD '14) in *Innovative Governance Models for Emerging Technologies* (Edward Elgar Press, 2013).

**Richard J. Pierce Jr.** published the second edition of *Federal*

*Administrative Law: Cases and Materials*; the sixth edition of *Administrative Law & Process*; the 2014 supplement to *Administrative Law Treatise*; "Natural Gas Fracking Addresses All of Our Major Problems," *George Washington Journal of Energy and Environmental Law* (2013), and "District Court Review of Findings of Fact Proposed by Magistrates: Reality Versus Fiction," *George Washington Law Review* (2013).



**Peter Raven-Hansen** published the second edition of *Civil Procedure: A Coursebook* (with Joseph W. Glannon and Andrew M. Perlman) (Aspen). He completed manuscripts for the accompanying *Civil Procedure* rulebook and teacher's manual, as well as the 2014-2015 supplement to *National Security Law and Counterterrorism Law*.

**Jeffrey Rosen** published "Symposium Keynote Address," *Rutgers Law Review* (2013), and "Keeping Google Good: Remarks on Privacy Regulation and Free Speech," *George Mason Law Review* (2013).

As a senior fellow in the human and civil rights of children at the Center for Children and Social Engagement, **Catherine Ross** published "The Long Road From Rights to Reality" in the center's online periodical, *The Child*. The article focuses on access to education under international agreements using Kenya as a case study.

**Stephen A. Saltzburg** published *Trying Cases to Win: In One Volume* (with former federal district Judge Herbert J. Stern) (American Bar Association, 2014), the 10th edition of *American Criminal Procedure: Cases and Commentary* (with Daniel J. Capra) (Thomson/

West, 2014); and the fifth edition of *Military Evidentiary Foundations* (with David A. Schleuter, Lee D. Schinas, and Edward J. Imwinkelried) (LexisNexis, 2013). He published three articles in *Criminal Justice* (American Bar Association): "Someone Must Be Lying" (2013), "Child Testimony and the Right to Present a Defense" (2013), and "Judicial Innovations to Screen Eyewitness Identifications" (2013).

**Joan E. Schaffner** published "Canine Profiling" in *The Global Guide to Animal Protection* (University of Illinois Press, 2013) and "Americans Working on Behalf of the UnderDOGS" in *Searching for the American Dream: How a Sense of Place Shapes the Study of History* (Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2013).

**Lisa M. Schenck** published two articles in the *Ohio State Journal of Criminal Law*: "Sex Offenses Under Military Law: Will the Recent Changes in the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) Re-Traumatize Sexual Assault Survivors in the Courtroom?" (2014) and "Informing the Debate About Sexual Assault in the Military Services: Is the Department of Defense Its Own Worst Enemy?" (2014). She also published an op-ed, "Military Rape Fix Is No Fix at All" (with Major General [ret.] John D. Altenburg), *USA Today*, Nov. 6, 2013.

**Naomi Schoenbaum** published "The Family and the Market at Wal-Mart," *DePaul Law Review* (2013); and "Mobility Measures," *Brigham Young Law Review* (2012).

**Steven L. Schooner**, with David J. Berteau, published *West Government Contracts Year in Review Conference Covering 2013 Conference Briefs* (Thompson Reuters, 2014) and *West Government Contracts Year in Review Conference Covering 2012 Conference Briefs* (Thompson Reuters,

2013). He also published, with **Neal Couture**, "The Contract Management Body of Knowledge: Understanding an Essential Tool for the Acquisition Profession," *Contract Management* (2013).

**Joshua I. Schwartz's** chapter "International Protection of Foreign Bidders Under GATT/WTO Law" is forthcoming in *Internationalization of Public Contracts* (Bruylant). He completed an annual update of his self-published *Government Contracts* casebook for use in his introductory survey class and is continuing to work on a manuscript for a government procurement law casebook.

**Michael Selmi** published, as editor, *Age and Equality Law* (Ashgate, 2013); "The Obama Administration's Civil Rights Record: The Difference an Administration Makes," *Indiana Journal of Law and Social Equality* symposium issue (2014); "Can All Women Be Pharmacists? A Critique of Hanna Rosin's *The End of Men*," *Boston University Law Review* symposium issue (2013); and "Hostess and the Search for Workplace Dignity," *Washburn Law Journal* (2013).

**Dinah L. Shelton** published, as editor, *The Oxford Handbook of International Human Rights Law* with new essays by more than 40 leading experts in the field (Oxford University Press, 2013) and *The UN System for Protecting Human Rights, Vol. IV: The Library of Essays on International Human Rights* (Ashgate Publications, 2014). She also published "Trade and Environment" in the *Handbook of Trade Policy for Development* (Oxford University Press, 2013); "International Trade and Investment Law and Carbon Management Technologies" (with Nigel Bankes, Anatole Boute, Shi-Ling Hsu, Sarah McCalla, Nicolas Rivers, and Elizabeth Whitsitt), *Natural Resources Journal* (2013); "Remedies and Reparation" in

*Global Justice, State Duties: The Extraterritorial Scope of Economic, Social, and Cultural Rights in International Law* (Cambridge University Press, 2013); "The Inter-American Human Rights Law of Indigenous Peoples," *University of Hawaii Law Review* (2013); "Réflexion Introductive: Environnement International et Patrimoine Commun de L'humanité," *Marché et Environnement* (Editions Bruylant, 2014); and "International Law and 'Relative Normativity,'" *International Law* (M. Evans, ed., 2014). Her book, *Remedies in International Human Rights Law*, specifically about the "principles" behind awarding damages, was cited by the U.K. Supreme Court in the case of *R (on the application of Faulkner) (FC) (Appellant) v. Secretary of State for Justice and another (Respondents)* [2013] UKSC 23.

**Jonathan R. Siegel** submitted an amicus curiae brief on the federal savings statute in the case of *Norex Petroleum v. Blavatnik* before the New York Court of Appeals. He published "What if the Universal Injury-in-Fact Test Already Is Normative?" in *Alabama Law Review* (2013); "The REINS Act and the Struggle to Control Agency Rulemaking," *New York University Journal of Legislation and Public Policy* (2013); and "Clearing the Path to Justice: The Need to Reform 28 U.S.C. § 1500" (with Emily S. Bremer), *Alabama Law Review* (2013).

**Daniel J. Solove** published "The FTC and the New Common Law of Privacy" (with Woodrow Hartzog), *Columbia Law Review* (2014); "Reconciling Personal Information in the United States and European Union" (with Paul M. Schwartz), *California Law Review* (2014); "The FTC as Data Security Regulator: *FTC v. Wyndham* and Its Implications" (with Woodrow Hartzog), *BNA Privacy and Security Law Reporter* (2014); "The FTC and Privacy and Data Security Duties

in the Cloud" (with Woodrow Hartzog), *BNA Privacy and Security Law Reporter* (2014); "Privacy Self-Management and the Consent Dilemma," *Harvard Law Review* (2013); "HIPAA Turns 10: Analyzing the Past, Present, and Future Impact," *Journal of AHIMA* (2013); and "HIPAA Mighty and Flawed: Regulation Has Wide-Reaching Impact on the Healthcare Industry," *Journal of AHIMA* (2013). A Japanese translation of his book *Understanding Privacy* was published in 2013. Professor Solove was selected by LinkedIn to be one of its "Influencer Bloggers," and his blog now has more than 760,000 followers: <http://linkd.in/1ta5zcz>.

**John A. Spanogle Jr.** published the fourth edition of *Consumer Law: Cases and Materials* (with Ralph J. Rohner, Dee Pridgen, Jeffrey Sovern, and Christopher L. Peterson) (West Publishing Co., 2013) and the third edition of *Principles of International Business Transactions* (with Ralph H. Folsom and Michael Wallace Gordon) (Thomson/West, 2013).

**Jessica K. Steinberg's** "Demand Side Reform in the Poor People's Court" is forthcoming in the *Connecticut Law Review*.



**Ralph G. Steinhardt** published "Kiobel and the Multiple Futures of Corporate Liability for Human Rights Violations," *Maryland Journal of International Law* (2013) and "Kiobel and the Weakening of Precedent: A Long Walk for a Short Drink," *American Journal of International Law* (2013).

**Sonia Suter** published "Did You Give the Government Your Baby's DNA? Rethinking Consent in Newborn Screening"

in the *Minnesota Journal of Law Science and Technology* (2014); "Interest Creep: The Constitution, Common Law, and Politics" in the *George Washington Law Review*; "Arguendo; How Big a Problem Is Genetics Exceptionalism in Employment?" in *The Hastings Center Report* (Nov.-Dec. 2013); and "The Politics of Information: Informed Consent in Abortion and End-of-Life Decision Making" in *American Journal of Law & Medicine* (2013). Her article "The First Amendment and Physician Speech in Reproductive Decision Making" is forthcoming in *The Journal of Law Medicine and Ethics*.

**Jessica Tillipman** published "The Congressional War on Contractors," *George Washington International Law Review* (2013) and "Gifts, Hospitality, and Government Contractors," *Thomson Reuter's Briefing Papers*.

**Jonathan Turley** published "Recess Appointments in the Age of Regulation," *Boston University Law Review* (2013) and "Constitutional Adverse Possession: Recess Appointments and the Role of Historical Practice in Constitutional Interpretation," *Wisconsin Law Review* (2013).

**Jessica A. Wentz's** article "Balancing Economic and Environmental Goals in Distributed Generation Procurement: A Critical Analysis of California's Renewable Auction Mechanism" is forthcoming in the *George Washington Journal of Energy and Environmental Law*. With co-editor **Lee Paddock**, she published *Next Generation Environmental Compliance and Enforcement* (2014). Their book chapter "Emerging Regulatory Frameworks for Hydraulic Fracturing and Shale Gas Development in the United States" was published in *The Law of Energy Underground* (Oxford University Publishers, 2014), and their chapter "The

Netherlands" was published in *International Environmental Law* (2014).

**Arthur E. Wilmarth Jr.** published "Citigroup: A Case Study in Managerial and Regulatory Failures," *Indiana Law Review*, and "Turning a Blind Eye: Why Washington Keeps Giving In to Wall Street," *University of Cincinnati Law Review* (2013). His forthcoming book chapter "The Dodd-Frank Act Does Not Solve the Too-Big-to-Fail Problem" will be published in *Global Financial Governance and the Role of Soft Law* (A. Kammel & F. Weiss, eds.) (Martinus Nijhoff Publishers).



**Christopher R. Yukins** published "Rethinking the World Bank's Sanctions System," *Government Contractor* (2013); "Cross-Debarment: A Stakeholder Analysis," *George Washington International Law Review* (2013); "Featured Comment: Considering the Effects of Public Procurement Regulations on Competitive Markets" (with Lt. Col. Jose A. Cora), *Government Contractor* No. 9 (2013). He is also submitting an accompanying chapter on procurement-related measures under NAFTA and the proposed Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (T-TIP) for the book *Internationalization of Public Contracts*.

## ACTIVITIES

**John F. Banzhaf III** helped introduce a 50 percent smoker surcharge into the Affordable Care Act that has helped lead to a decrease in smoking; his work also helped lead to bans on e-cigarette use in no-smoking sections in many cities. He attracted three former FCC commissioners to his project to ban the word "Redskins" from

the nation's airwaves. The legal movement he helped start that sues food companies for misrepresentation is expanding, and is likely to explode because of a recent U.S. Supreme Court decision. Professor Banzhaf appeared frequently on radio and TV, both here and in many other countries, and was quoted in more than 100 publications on topics ranging from "stand your ground" laws and capital punishment to law school reform.

During the past year, **Paul Schiff Berman** gave 12 invited presentations: in Germany at Humboldt University, the University of Bremen, and the University of Bonn; in the Netherlands at the University of Tilburg and the University of Rotterdam; in the United Kingdom at the University of London; in Canada at York University and the University of Windsor; and at a special roundtable on "Theorizing Law in the Transnational and the Global," at the Law and Society Association Annual Meeting.

**Francesca Bignami**, together with Professor David Zaring of the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, convened a two-day book conference at GW Law in 2014 on their forthcoming volume, *Research Handbook on Comparative Law and Regulation*. She participated on the following panels: "The Administrative State, the Rule of Law, and Democracy: Comparative Models of Judicial Review" at the Conference on Comparative Law and Regulation at GW Law (January 2014); "Conflict and Cooperation in the Privacy Sector" at the Symposium on New Approaches to International Regulatory Cooperation at New York University School of Law (February 2014); "The Legal Environment and Institutional Origins: Comparative Law and the Rise of the European Court of Justice" at the EU Roundtable at Columbia Law School (April 2014); "The Administrative State, the Rule of Law, and Democracy: Comparative Models of Judicial Review" at the Annual

Meeting of the Law and Society Association in Minneapolis (June 2014); and was a commentator for the panels "EU Institutions: Democratization and Constitutionalization" at the Conference on EU Law Stories at American University Washington College of Law (March 2014) and "International Administrative Law in a Plural Legal Order: The Future of International Administrative Law" at the International Monetary Fund in Washington, D.C. (April 2014).

**Christopher A. Bracey** lectured on "Constitutional Conversations in Contested Times" and introduced Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg at GW's annual Constitution Day Event. He also spoke at a university-wide interdisciplinary event at GW—"Framing Ferguson: A Panel and Audience Discussion of the Michael Brown Shooting."

In January **Neil H. Buchanan** gave a keynote speech at the Australian Tax Teachers' Association annual meeting in Brisbane, Australia, after which he delivered an invited speech to the Japan Tax Association in Tokyo. Professor Buchanan also made presentations at the Critical Tax Conference in April and the Law and Society Conference in May. In June he was a commentator on three panels at the Tax Justice and Human Rights conference at McGill University in Montreal.

**Arturo J. Carrillo** was a participant in the 2013 Learning Forum co-sponsored by The Global Network Initiative and the Telecommunications Industry Dialogue on Freedom of Expression and Privacy in Brussels, Belgium. In November he was an invited expert at the "Workshop on Human Rights Law Clinics in Comparative Perspective: United States, Latin America, and Africa," a module in a training program on "Establishing, Running, and Growing a Public Interest/Human Rights Law Clinic," sponsored by the Human Rights Development

Initiative in Pretoria, South Africa. He was a panelist for "Does the World Need More Crimes Against Humanity Legislation?" held at GW Law in October 2013. Professor Carrillo and students launched their latest International Human Rights Clinic report, "Comparative Law Study and Analysis of National Legislation Relating to Crimes Against Humanity and Extraterritorial Jurisdiction" (2014).

**Steve Charnovitz** co-presented a paper on energy subsidies and trade law at the Workshop on World Trade Organization Caselaw at the European University Institute in Florence, Italy, and spoke on a panel for the International Labour Organization at the Conference on Work at the University of Montreal. With the increasing attention to the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership, he gave a talk on TTIP models to the Ecologic Institute in Berlin, and participated in a panel at GW Law commenting on presentations by European and U.S. negotiators. He also assisted the State Department's International Visitor Leadership Program by giving a lecture on trade adjustment assistance to visitors from Russia.



**Bradford R. Clark's** 2012 article with co-author Professor A.J. Bellia of Notre Dame Law School, "The Law of Nations as Constitutional Law," was one of only four featured articles at a University of Virginia Law School symposium celebrating the "Best of the *Virginia Law Review*" for the 100th anniversary of the journal.

**Jessica L. Clark** completed a two-year visiting professorship at Georgetown University Law

Center. Professor Clark was recently promoted to lead editor at the *Legal Communication & Rhetoric: Journal of the Association of Legal Writing Directors*, and she is co-chair of the Idea Bank Committee, Legal Writing Institute.

In April, **Donald C. Clarke** testified on Capitol Hill before the Congressional-Executive Commission on China about "Understanding China's Crackdown on Rights Advocates: Personal Accounts and Perspectives," which can be viewed at [1.usa.gov/1kt3tPL](http://1.usa.gov/1kt3tPL). He moderated a panel on "Wider Implications of Asian Maritime Tensions," at the Mansfield Foundation conference on Maritime and Territorial Disputes in East Asian Waters in Washington, D.C., and was a speaker at Third Annual China Intellectual Property Conference.

In June, **Charles B. Craver** taught a weeklong session at GW Law on negotiating skills to a group from the Thailand National Broadcasting and Telecommunications Commission. In May he made a plenary presentation on "Supreme Court Labor and Employment Decisions" at the Upper Midwest Labor and Employment Law Conference in Minneapolis and a plenary presentation on "The Ethics of Negotiation and Bargaining" at the Pacific Coast Labor and Employment Law Conference in Seattle. He also made presentations on Effective Legal Negotiations to legal groups in several locations around the country.

In May, **Lawrence A. Cunningham** presented a paper and commented on others' papers at Columbia Law School in preparation of a multivolume treatise on the state of corporate law forthcoming from Oxford University Press.

**Christy H. DeSanctis** was invited to participate on several panels at the AALS Meeting for New

Law Teachers in June and to speak about the importance of both intra- and extra-institutional service and commitments in forming relationships within the legal writing academy and the larger legal academy.

**Laura A. Dickinson** spoke about her book *Outsourcing War and Peace* (Yale 2011) at a conference at Ohio State University.

**Lisa M. Fairfax** was an invited participant at the Investment Fund Roundtable at the University of Chicago Law School. She presented her paper on directors' duties to monitor corporate wrongdoing at the Business and Economics Law Workshop at the University of Texas Law School. She was a panelist at a conference on the Competing Models of Corporate Governance at UCLA School of Law where she examined the impact of shareholder activism on corporate governance. Professor Fairfax was a participant at the Law and Capital Markets Seminar at the Ohio State College of Law where she spoke on the propriety of separating the board chair and CEO functions. She presented her paper on the relationship between increased shareholder activism and corporate governance to the faculties at the School of Law, Trinity College Dublin in Ireland and the University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh Law School in Scotland. She was co-organizer and a panelist at a conference critiquing cost-benefit analysis of financial regulation at GW Law, and she also organized and moderated the Center for Law Economics & Finance's Fourth Annual Junior Faculty Business and Financial Law Workshop and Junior Faculty Scholarship Prize.

**Roger Anthony Fairfax** testified on federal criminal code reform before the U.S. House of Representatives Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Overcriminalization (to view the C-SPAN coverage, visit

[cs.pn/1tJljqR](http://cs.pn/1tJljqR)). Professor Fairfax presented research at the School of Law, Trinity College Dublin in Ireland, University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh Law School in Scotland, Wake Forest University School of Law, and the Criminal Law Research Collective at the Vera Institute of Justice. He served as a panelist at the Southeastern Association of Law Schools annual meeting, the Mid-Atlantic People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, and Stanford in Washington. He delivered a lecture on criminal justice reform at the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia.

**Iselin Gambert** presented a series of workshops on strategies for providing effective written feedback to junior attorneys. The workshop audiences included LRW professors at the 2014 Capital Area Legal Writing Conference, partners and senior lawyers at the Australian law firm of Clayton Utz, and supervising attorneys at Victoria Legal Aid in Melbourne, Australia. She was also recently promoted to co-editor-in-chief of *The Second Draft*, the official magazine of the Legal Writing Institute.

In March **Phyllis Goldfarb** gave a presentation on "Demography and Democracy" at a Touro College Jacob D. Fuchsberg School of Law symposium titled "The End of Voting Rights?" In April she presented "Race, Exceptionalism, and the American Death Penalty" at New England Law School on a panel featuring Harvard Law School Professor Carol Steiker, Northeastern Law School Professor Michael Meltsner, John Jay College of Criminal Justice Professor Evan Mandery, and U.S. District Court Judge Michael Ponsor.

**Robert L. Glicksman** made conference presentations on wilderness management by the multiple-use agencies at "Wilderness at 50" at Lewis and Clark Law School; on adaptation to climate change

by the multiple-use agencies at "The Role of Planning in Federal Land Management" at GW Law; on federal government responses to sea-level rise and coastal flooding at "Energy, Climate Disruption and Sea Level Rise" at Nova Southeastern University Law Center; on agency dysfunction and environmental enforcement at the "Scholars Meeting of the Center for Progressive Reform" in New York; and on regulatory safeguards for ecosystem service markets at "Waters of the United States: Adapting Law for Degradation and Drought" at the University of Kansas School of Law. He also made presentations on federalism and renewable energy for the State Department's International Visitor Leadership Program.

**Daniel I. Gordon** spoke at World Bank programs on procurement issues in Geneva, Switzerland, and Tunis, Tunisia, in November 2013. Senior Adviser Gordon and **Steven L. Schooner** spoke at procurement workshops conducted in China in September 2013 by the World Trade Organization. Professor Schooner spoke in Xi'an, and Mr. Gordon spoke in Beijing. While in China, Mr. Gordon also made a presentation to graduate students and met with the dean of the Central University for Finance and Economics where Professor Cao Fuguo, a regular lecturer and former Fulbright Scholar at GW Law, was his host.

**Jeffrey S. Gutman** and the Public Justice Advocacy Clinic successfully represented the family of a journalist captured abroad in helping them obtain a conservatorship over the journalist's financial affairs. Professor Gutman recently completed his term on the Board of Governors of the District of Columbia Bar. He continues to represent Donald Gates, Kirk Odom, and Santae Tribble, all wrongfully convicted of crimes that they did not commit, in civil actions against the District of Columbia.

**David M. Johnson** made three presentations to international audiences during the first half of 2014. He discussed "U.S. Lessons to Consider When Implementing the New Buenos Aires Province Criminal Jury System" with judges, professors, and graduate students specializing in criminal law at the Universidad Del Salvador in Buenos Aires, Argentina. He also taught "Introduction to U.S. Trial Advocacy" to the professor and students in a legal English course at the Universidad Del Salvador in Buenos Aires. He was filmed by Voice of America, Chinese Service, for a discussion on *U.S. News & World Report's* law school rankings, which was translated into Chinese.

**Susan R. Jones** was a speaker on "Social Enterprises: Formation & Financing" at the ABA Forum on Affordable Housing and Community Development Law in Asheville, N.C., in October 2013. She also presented on two panels, "Social Justice Through Social Entrepreneurship" and "Including Economic Justice in a Social Justice Teaching Agenda: The Role of Clinics Representing Nonprofits, Small Businesses, and Social Enterprises," at the Global Alliance for Justice Education conference held at Jindal Global Law School in Sonipat, India, in December. She was the keynote speaker at the October 2013 Joint Council Meeting of the ABA Section of Individual Rights and Responsibilities and the Commission on Homelessness and Poverty where she spoke on "The Role of Lawyers in Building Healthy Communities." She was also a presenter on "Entrepreneurship and Reentry" at a November program co-sponsored by the U.S. Probation Office, the D.C. and Workforce Development Program, and American University Washington College of Law. During the AALS Annual Meeting in New York City in January she spoke at a program of the Section on

Transactional Law and Skills titled "Value Creation by Business Lawyers in the 21st Century," and presented a paper, "Viewing Value Creation by Business Lawyers Through the Lens of Transactional Legal Clinics," which is forthcoming in the *University of California, Davis Business Law Journal*. In March she gave a talk on "Legal Clinics, Entrepreneurship, and Commerce," at a program in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, co-sponsored by the Community Legal Services Center, the Autonomous University of Santo Domingo-Judicial and Political Sciences School, and the Dominican Republic Ministry of Industry and Commerce and its office of the Vice-Minister for the Promotion of Small and Medium-Sized Businesses.

In November and May, **Laird Kirkpatrick** participated as a member of the Evidence Committee of the National Conference of Bar Examiners preparing final questions for the 2015 and 2016 Multistate Bar Examinations, which are expected to test more than 60,000 recent law graduates. As part of the Members Consultative Group, Professor Kirkpatrick also participated in the American Law Institute meeting in May, which considered a new draft of the "Model Penal Code: Sexual Assault and Related Offenses."

In January, **Laurie S. Kohn** trained the incoming and returning judges of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia's Domestic Violence Unit. In April, she presented on a panel at the AALS Clinical Conference focusing on academic careers and professional transitions. At the annual Law and Society Conference in Minneapolis in May, she moderated and commented on a roundtable about new books in family law.

In August, **Cynthia Lee** was invited to serve on the

ABA's Task Force on Stand Your Ground Laws Advisory Committee. She served as the Fall 2013 Diversity Lecturer at Santa Clara University School of Law's Center for Social Justice and Public Service. She presented a paper last fall at the University of Iowa School of Law as part of its faculty workshop series. She spoke on a panel about self-defense at the American Bar Association's Criminal Justice Fall Workshop in November. In January she was invited by several student organizations to speak about the shooting of Trayvon Martin at the University of Chicago Law School. Also in January she gave the final address at the 2014 Mid-Atlantic People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference at the University of Baltimore School of Law and spoke on a panel titled "Self-Defense, Stand Your Ground Laws, and the Shooting of Trayvon Martin," at the AALS Annual Meeting in New York City. In March she presented a paper on the trans panic defense at the University of California at Davis School of Law as part of its faculty workshop series. In April she spoke on a panel about intentional homicide hosted at Texas Tech School of Law's annual criminal law symposium and on "The Interplay of Race, Gender, Class, Crime and Justice" at the University of California, Irvine School of Law's Center for Law, Equality, and Race.

**Gregory E. Maggs** spoke about the Supreme Court's recent criminal law and procedure cases at the Fulton Military Judges Conference in September. He also participated in a panel discussion in January at the Federalist Society's Annual Faculty Conference on the question "Are Agencies Entitled to Deference in Determining the Limits of Their Own Power?"

In November, **Joan Meier** hosted a successful 10th Anniversary Celebration of the Domestic Violence Legal

Empowerment & Appeals Project (DV LEAP), the nonprofit organization she founded. GW Law was a co-sponsor and was given special recognition in thanks for its generous support over the years. In May she was a panelist at the APA-ABA Conference on Confronting Community and Family Violence, speaking on "An Evidence-Based Approach to Cross-Allegations of Alienation and Abuse." Also in May she spoke at a roundtable at the Law and Society conference about her holistic domestic violence legal clinic and at the Themis Justice Recognition Reception held on Capitol Hill to honor public officials who have shown outstanding leadership on child safety. In June she received a favorable decision in *EC v. RCM of Washington, Inc.*, a case of first impression in the D.C. Court of Appeals, favorably construing D.C.'s new unemployment compensation and domestic violence statute. At the invitation of the Legal Aid Society, DV LEAP produced a key amicus brief and participated in oral argument in the case. In 2013 DV LEAP was honored by the Montgomery County Abused Persons Program at its Volunteer Recognition annual reception.

**Blake D. Morant**, dean and Robert Kramer Research Professor of Law, delivered the 2014 Huffman Lecture at Texas Tech University School of Law.

**Sean D. Murphy** attended the May-July 2014 session of the United Nations International Law Commission in Geneva, Switzerland. He lectured on "Punishing Crimes Against Humanity in the 21st Century" at the University of Alabama Law School in March and appeared on panels in April concerning "Treaty Survival" at GW Law and "Aggression and the Use of Force" at the Annual Meeting of the American Society of International Law. Professor Murphy also participated in meetings of the

International Institute of Higher Studies in Criminal Sciences in Siracusa, Italy, in September 2013; the State Department Advisory Committee on Public International Law in Washington, D.C., held at GW Law in June; and the American Law Institute on the Restatement (Fourth) of U.S. Foreign Relations Law in Philadelphia in February.

In May, **Dawn C. Nunziato** was part of "First Amendment Implications of the Regulation of Broadband Providers, Search Engines, and Social Media Sites" at George Mason University School of Law's Conference on Competition, Search, and Social Media. In June she spoke on "The New Equilibrium for Balancing Freedom of Speech, Freedom of Information, and the Right to Informational Privacy" at the Conference of Experts on the Protection of Information and the Right to Privacy, organized by the UNESCO chair in information and computer ethics, at the European University Institute in Fiesole, Italy. In October 2013, she was on the panel "U.S. Internet Policy on Regulating Content and Protecting the Free Flow of Information on the Internet," which was part of the distinguished delegation from Shandong, China, hosted by the U.S.-China Business Training Center. Also in October, she spoke on "Protecting the Free Flow of Information on the Internet" as part of a distinguished delegation from the People's Republic of China seminar on "Internet Policy, Governmental Internet Strategies, and New Media in the United States," hosted by GW's Institute for Public Diplomacy and Global Communication. In February she spoke on "The Continued Efficacy of First Amendment Precedent and Values in the Internet Age" at the *Harvard Law Review* Symposium on Freedom of the Press. In March, she was a moderator and commentator on an expert panel on "ICT Industry Policy Making on

Free Expression and Privacy," hosted by GW Law's Global Internet Freedom and Human Rights Project.

In November, **Lee Paddock** presented a paper on "Regional Environmental Enforcement Networks in the United States" at an International Network for Environmental Compliance and Enforcement conference in Brussels and a paper on "Private Environmental Regulation" to an American Society of International Law-European Society of International Law conference in Geneva, Switzerland. In May, he presented a paper on hydraulic fracturing in the United States, comparing the practices in Pennsylvania with proposed regulations for New York state, at an International Bar Association Section on Environment, Energy, Resources, and Infrastructure Law conference in Berlin and at a symposium at Oxford University.

**Scott B. Pagel** served on the ABA Standards Review Committee, which has been tasked with a comprehensive revision of the ABA Standards and Rules of Procedure for Approval of Law Schools. He also served as chair of the ABA site team conducting a sabbatical inspection of the Duquesne University School of Law. He was appointed chair of the AALS Committee on Libraries and Technology for 2014.

**Richard J. Pierce Jr.** testified before congressional committees on FCC regulatory reform and the Social Security disability decision making process, taught a course on the U.S. legal system to Cambodian judges, and chaired a program on the presidential role in agency rule-making at an ABA meeting.

**Peter Raven-Hansen** argued an appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit in an action brought by victims of terrorism under the civil remedy provision of the

Anti-Terrorism Act in addition to dispositive motions in similar cases in U.S. District Court. He participated in a panel on "Teaching the Lawyer's Role in the National Security Process" at the ABA Standing Committee on Law and National Security's Fourth Annual Seminar on Teaching National Security Law, held in Charlottesville, Virginia, and moderated a panel on "Prospects for Reform of FISA" in a program on "Foreign Intelligence Surveillance in an Era of 'Big Data': Is There a Need to Recalibrate Boundaries?," co-sponsored by GW Law and the ABA Standing Committee on Law and National Security.

**Stephen A. Saltzburg** has been serving as a special master for Chief Judge David Herndon of the U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois in a multidistrict litigation involving lawsuits against Bayer and its birth control drugs, Yaz and Yasmin. Thousands of cases have already been settled in the litigation.

**Joan Schaffner** presented her paper, "Blackfish and Public Outcry: A Unique Political and Legal Opportunity for Fundamental Change to the Legal Protection of Cetaceans in the United States," at the international roundtable *Animal Law: International Perspectives* in December in Coolangatta, Australia. The papers from the conference will be compiled in a book and published in 2015.

In February, **Lisa M. Schenck** was appointed by the Department of Defense (DoD) general counsel to serve without compensation for a three-year term on the Uniform Code of Military Justice Code Committee, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. § 946, as one of two non-DoD civilian members identified by statute as "a recognized authority in military justice or criminal law." The Code Committee conducts an annual review and recommends changes to the secretary

of defense, president, and Congress to improve military justice. The secretary of defense also appointed her as an unpaid special government employee to the DoD's Response Systems to Adult Sexual Assault Crimes Panel (RSP) Victim Services Subcommittee. In 2013, the secretary of the Air Force appointed Associate Dean Schenck an unpaid special government employee to participate in the Air Force Scientific Advisory Board's recent chartered study, "The Combating of Sexual Assault."

**Steven L. Schooner** delivered the keynote address, "Combating Corruption in Public Procurement: Global Challenge, Domestic Concerns, and Solutions," at the Latin America and Caribbean Regional Forum on Tackling Corruption and Collusion in Public Procurement: Latin America and the Caribbean in Panama City, Panama, in September 2013. In October, he presented a keynote luncheon address at the Coalition for Government Procurement's 2013 fall training conference, "The New Federal Market," in Falls Church, Va. In November, Professor Schooner discussed "Failed Government.... Budget Uncertainty.... Declining Spending... And Business As Usual," at the Army Judge Advocate General School's annual symposium, now called the Contract and Fiscal Law New Developments Course, in Charlottesville, Va. In December he gave a luncheon talk to the Procurement Division of the National Defense Industrial Association in Washington, D.C.

In June, **Joshua I. Schwartz**, together with **Susan L. Karamanian**, presented commentary on the Supreme Court's May decision in *Hall v. Florida*, concerning the application of the death penalty to mentally handicapped defendants, at GW Law's Summer Workshop Series. In August, with co-author **Christopher**

**R. Yukins**, Professor Schwartz presented their paper “The EU and the U.S.—Two Procurement Regimes Separated by a Common Language” at the Sixth International Public Procurement Conference held in Dublin, Ireland.

**Michael Selmi** delivered “Title VII at 50” before the Labor Law Group at Cornell University in June and “Caregiving and Parenthood 2014: A Retrospective” at Denver University’s symposium on “Revisiting Sex Discrimination” in January.

**Jonathan R. Siegel** organized more than 100 law professors to oppose a potential change to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The Advisory Committee on Civil Rules recently proposed eliminating the “Appendix on Forms” currently in the Rules. Professor Siegel argued, “The forms are more needed than ever to serve as models for lawyers and judges of just how simple and brief complaints can be under the federal rules.”

**Jessica K. Steinberg** presented a paper on an empirical access to justice project at the University of Wisconsin School of Law and the Law and Society conference. Professor Steinberg also served as the chair of the Poverty Law Section of the AALS this past year.

In April, **Sonia Suter** presented her paper “The First Amendment and Physician Speech in Reproductive Decision Making” as part of the Northeastern University School of Law conference, A Clash of Rights: Free Speech and Reproductive Autonomy.

**Jessica Tillipman** spoke at the September 2013 Food and Drug Law Institute’s Advertising and Promotion Conference about the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act. In November, she made a presentation during a program titled “Integrity in

Aid-Financed Procurement—A Look at Anti-Corruption Standards for Aid-Financed Procurement,” during the World Bank Group’s Law, Justice, and Development Week. In December she made a presentation at the Board of Contract Appeals Bar Association Annual Conference during a program titled “Protecting the Whistleblower.” She also spoke about the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act at the Food and Drug Law Institute’s Enforcement, Litigation, and Compliance Conference, in a panel discussion titled “Criminal and Civil Enforcement: Domestic and International Developments.” Also in December, she moderated a panel on the U.N. Convention Against Corruption at a program hosted by GW Law and spoke about Edward Snowden and the sufficiency of government whistleblower protections at the Board of Contract Appeals Bar Association Annual Conference. In January she moderated a panel discussion for the ABA regarding the SEC, CFTC, and IRS whistleblower offices. In March, she made a presentation on the corruption risks associated with foreign military sales at the Federal Procurement Institute, and later that month made a presentation on legislative and litigation developments in suspension and debarment before the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency and the Interagency Suspension and Debarment Committees. In May, she made a presentation at the World Bank Colloquium on Suspension & Debarment about debarment due process standards.

**Jessica Tillipman** and **Christopher R. Yukins** moderated two panel discussions during a daylong conference titled “The International Fight Against Corruption: Are the OECD and UN Conventions Achieving Their Objectives?” at GW Law in December.



The James F. Humphreys Complex Litigation Center’s Symposium on “Class Actions and Access to Justice,” organized and hosted by **Roger H. Trangsrud**, resulted in 17 papers by leading scholars and practitioners of class action litigation, which were published in Volume 82, Issue 3 of the *George Washington University Law Review* and in the inaugural issue of *Arguendo*, the Law Review’s new digital publication.



In February **Jonathan Turley** testified before the House Judiciary Committee for its hearing “Enforcing the President’s Constitutional Duty to Faithfully Execute the Laws,” which explored the options for Congress in resisting the encroachment of executive power, something Professor Turley was critical of under President George W. Bush and that has expanded under President Barack Obama. In July, he gave expert testimony on the same topic to the House Rules Committee for its hearing “House Will Defend the Constitution Against Presidential Overreach.”

**Jessica A. Wentz** was selected to give a presentation at the 2014 IUCN Academy of Environmental Law Colloquium on “Scaling Up Local Solutions: Creating an Enabling Legal Framework for Public and Private Investment in Microgrids.” Professor Wentz is also the lead on the Community of Practice on Sustainable Energy for All (part of the

Global Forum on Law, Justice, and Development) where she recently created a website and legal resource database for the community.

In December, **Arthur E. Wilmarth Jr.** participated in a panel discussion analyzing the Federal Reserve System’s responses to financial crises at a GW conference commemorating the Federal Reserve’s centennial. He is currently assisting the Volcker Alliance’s Project on Structural Reform of the Federal Financial Regulatory Agencies.

In May, **Christopher R. Yukins**, **Daniel I. Gordon**, **Steven L. Schooner**, and **Joshua I. Schwartz** served together on a panel titled “The New WTO Government Procurement Agreement—Its Impact on World Procurement Markets,” part of an event co-sponsored by GW Law and the International Procurement Committees of the ABA Section of International Law and the ABA Public Contract Law Section.

## AWARDS/HONORS

**John F. Banzhaf III** was called “A Crusading Lawyer Against the Tobacco Industry,” “One of America’s Premier Legal Activists,” the “Most Prominent Champion” of “Potty Parity,” and a “Legal Terrorist.” He found his quotations being collected on the Internet, his mathematics featured in articles and studied in schools, his accomplishments the subject of a case study, and information about him on flash cards. Professor Banzhaf was featured in a PBS special and on a VoA program in China, and he was also discussed in pieces in Brazil, Ukraine, and even Mongolia. His first law article was recently credited for contributing to hacker slang.

**Paul Schiff Berman** received the George Washington University Valor Excellence Award for demonstrated excellence in learning and service

to the benefit of GW student military members, veterans, and their families. He was also named Distinguished Scholar in Residence by the Center for Transnational Studies at the University of Bremen in Germany.



**Arturo J. Carrillo** was elected alternate academic board member of the Global Network Initiative (GNI).

The American Library Association designated **Lawrence A. Cunningham's** book *Contracts in the Real World: Stories of Popular Contracts and Why They Matter* (Cambridge University Press 2012) the winner of the Choice Award for Outstanding Title. *Contracts in the Real World* was also the subject of a nine-paper symposium published in the *Washington Law Review* (2013). His 2001 book, *How to Think Like Benjamin Graham and Invest Like Warren Buffett*, was again honored in the 15-year retrospective of the semi-annual "JP Morgan Reading List," where Professor Cunningham was asked about the writing process and inspiration along with authors including Malcolm Gladwell, Jim Collins, Tom Friedman, and Clive Davis.

**Lisa M. Fairfax** was elected chair of the Securities Regulation Section of the Association of American Law Schools.

**Roger Anthony Fairfax** was elected to the Council of the American Bar Association Criminal Justice Section. He was featured as one of the "50 Most Influential Minority Law Professors Under 50" by *Lawyers of Color* magazine.

The Australian government awarded the prestigious

Endeavour Executive Fellowship to **Iselin Gambert**, who spent two months in the spring as a visiting scholar at Melbourne Law School. The fellowship is awarded to high-achieving professionals with the goal of allowing them to further develop their skills and international engagement. During her time in Australia, she collaborated with faculty on innovative ways to bring legal writing and professional development training into the law school curriculum.

**Phyllis Goldfarb** was appointed to a three-year term (2014-17) by Daniel Rodriguez, dean of Northwestern University School of Law and president of the Association of American Law Schools (AALS), to the AALS Committee on Clinical Legal Education. The committee advises the AALS Executive Committee on issues related to clinical legal education.

Chief Justice of the United States John G. Roberts appointed **Orin S. Kerr** to a three-year term on the Judicial Conference Advisory Committee for the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

**Laurie S. Kohn** was appointed by D.C. Mayor Vincent C. Gray and confirmed by the D.C. Council to serve on the Domestic Violence Fatality Review Board. The board reviews and analyzes all domestic violence fatalities in the District in an effort to identify gaps in services and ultimately to enhance victim safety.

In April, **Sean D. Murphy** was elected a counselor of the American Society of International Law for a three-year term.

The Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies named **Spencer A. Overton** as its new interim president and CEO. The D.C.-based organization provides research and analysis to inform major policy debates,

with an overarching mission to improve the socioeconomic status and political participation of people of color.

**Abraham Pollack** was elected to the board of directors of the Association for Legal Career Professionals (NALP).



**Alfreda Robinson, JD '78**, received the Heman Marion Sweatt Award from the National Bar Association (NBA). The award honors individuals engaged in barrier-breaking work who display a commitment to excellence. In June, she was named a Champion of Justice of Judicial Diversity by the Greater Washington Area Chapter of the NBA's Women Lawyers Division. Presently, she serves as the special assistant to the NBA president for finance and also as liaison to the American Bar Association's Commission on the Future of Legal Services.

**Catherine J. Ross** became the senior fellow in the human and civil rights of children at the Center for Children and Social Engagement, a new international think tank and public interest group devoted to children's educational, legal, health, nutritional, and other needs, with special focus on children in developing nations. The center has received initial funding from Feed the Children. Among other things, Professor Ross will be helping to develop the center's agenda and writing regularly for the center's online periodical, *The Child*.

**Stephen A. Saltzburg** was presented the ABA Grassroots Advocacy Award, given by the ABA Standing Committee on Governmental Affairs, which recognizes individuals and organizations that demonstrate

leadership on matters of primary importance to the bar. He received the award for his outstanding efforts in support of some of the association's most important policy positions as they relate to criminal justice.

In May, **Lisa M. Schenck** received the George Washington University Valor Excellence Award for demonstrated excellence in learning and service to the benefit of GW student military members, veterans, and their families.

Pázmány Péter Catholic University in Budapest, Hungary, awarded **Dinah L. Shelton** with the honorary title of Doctor Honoris Causa for her outstanding activity in the fields of human rights and environmental protection. Professor Shelton was also awarded the Goler T. Butcher Medal by the American Society of International Law (ASIL) for outstanding contributions to the development and effective realization of international human rights law.

**Sophia Sim** was elected a trustee of the Law School Admission Council, the national organization that administers the LSAT and provides services for prospective JD and LLM students.

**Daniel J. Solove** was selected to be a reporter for the American Law Institute's Restatement of Privacy Law Principles, and will be leading the drafting of this project over the next few years.

The American Law Institute (ALI) announced the election of 69 new members, among them **Daniel J. Solove** and **Edward T. Swaine**. ALI elects individuals who "reflect the excellence and diversity of today's legal profession" and who have demonstrated an interest in law reform. As part of the institute, Professors Solove and Swaine will produce scholarly work that clarifies, modernizes, and otherwise improves the law.

# Making History

## GW LAUNCHES \$1 BILLION PHILANTHROPIC CAMPAIGN

BY ANN MCCLELLAN

GW LAW IS POISED TO TAKE A GIANT LEAP FORWARD following the formal launch June 20 of an ambitious, \$1 billion universitywide campaign—*Making History: The Campaign for GW*.

The record-breaking, comprehensive philanthropic effort to support GW's vision and priorities was publicly launched this summer following a three-year, behind-the-scenes silent phase. The university is already more than halfway toward its historic goal, with nearly 47,000 donors having contributed more than \$600 million to the campaign. Reaching the \$1 billion goal by June 2018 will enable the university and all its constituent groups to implement GW's new strategic plan, *Vision 2021*, which was unanimously adopted by the Board of Trustees in 2013.

Focusing on student support, enhancing academics, and breaking new ground, the *Making History* campaign will generate breakthroughs that affect millions of lives, as well as partnerships between GW and influential organizations around the world. It will provide the university's students in each school and college with the resources and opportunities to make history. The success of the campaign will lead to profound, positive changes for every facet of life at GW—creating opportunities embodying President George Washington's long-ago vision of a university in the nation's capital that would serve as America's intellectual hub and produce citizen leaders. For GW as a whole, the university's growing international research reputation, newly created cross-disciplinary institutes and academic opportunities, and recruitment of the best students and faculty all contribute to its present and future vigor as a diverse community of living and learning in the heart of Washington, D.C.

The George Washington University Law School is proud of its leadership role within the wider GW community, embracing the *Vision 2021* strategic plan and aspiring to attain a record-breaking goal of **\$116** million for the *Making History* campaign. GW Law has received \$46 million in gifts and pledges for the



Weston D. Burnett, JD '75, LLM '83, with his wife, Barbara, and Dean Blake D. Morant

campaign and needs to raise an additional \$70 million. Meeting the challenge of reaching that bold and significant goal demands courageous and inspired leadership. GW Law is, therefore, grateful to Weston D. Burnett, JD '75, LLM '83, for his willingness to serve as the chair of *Making History: The Campaign for the George Washington University Law School* through July 2016.

Mr. Burnett and his wife, Barbara, have given or pledged more than \$1 million to the law school over their lifetimes. Most recently, they created an endowed position to establish the Burnett Family International and Comparative Law and Policy Studies Dean's Fund. This fund will provide support for the International and Comparative Law Program, which focuses on globalization, cross-disciplinary collaboration, citizenship, and public policy. These four elements are the main prongs of the *Vision 2021* strategic plan. They also reflect the Burnetts' personal values and family heritage. Mr. Burnett earned his LLM in international law, and several family members have been, or are, involved in international law or international affairs.

### GW LAW FAST FACTS

**15:1** student-to-faculty ratio

**275+** courses offered  
(one of the nation's most comprehensive course catalogs)

**9** faculty members who have clerked for  
U.S. Supreme Court justices

**110** full-time faculty  
**250+** adjunct faculty

**150** graduates serve as judges on local, state, and  
federal benches  
**10** are justices on state supreme courts

**7** graduates clerked for  
U.S. Supreme Court justices in the past decade



Mr. Burnett says he appreciates the intellectual integrity and skills he learned at GW Law. His 27-year career in the Navy as a judge advocate general gave him an opportunity to practice every kind of law that is taught at the school, he adds, and he values the broad exposure he received at his alma mater, as well as learning how to think and how to ask questions.

Today, Mr. Burnett is the managing partner of Cohen & Burnett, PC, Attorneys and Counselors at Law, and president and CEO of OptiFour Integrated Wealth Management, LLC. He helps his clients and their families realize their life goals by espousing an integrated, strategic approach to legal, tax, and financial planning.

The Burnetts share an appreciation for the spirit of volunteerism that they find at GW, which they consider an “amazing attribute.” Mr. Burnett has served as a member of the university’s Board of Trustees since July 1, 2013, and recently served on the search committee for the new law school dean, Blake D. Morant. He is also a past president and executive committee member of the board of directors of the GW Law Alumni Association and former chair of the law school’s Dean’s Fund. He was co-chair of his reunion class committee for his 35th reunion in 2010 and has joined the committee for his 40th reunion in 2015. He received the George Washington University Alumni Outstanding Service Award in 2010.

Mr. Burnett says that in addition to striving to meet GW Law’s fundraising goal, one of the biggest challenges is to reengage past classes, adding it is “not just about writing a check.” He points out that there are many ways for law school 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.

Mr. and Mrs. Burnett’s generosity of spirit and support echoes the tagline of the *Making History* campaign: “Together we will answer our namesake’s call.” GW Law’s overall goal of \$116 million with \$70 million still to be raised may seem daunting, but by working together, giving back to the community of legal scholars and students that is the foundation of our success, we can do it.



Kathy and Les Megyeri flank Dean Blake D. Morant at the Dean’s Circle Dinner in late October.

## Les and Kathy Megyeri to Serve as Campaign Honorary Chairs

LESLIE “LES” MEGYERI, BA ’63, JD ’68, MBA ’80, AND HIS WIFE, Kathryn “Kathy,” MA ’69, MA ’82, have agreed to serve as honorary co-chairs of *Making History: The Campaign for the George Washington University Law School*. Their roles will be to advocate for the law school, inspiring and inviting others to join them in supporting the campaign. GW Law’s challenging campaign goal is \$116 million, with more than \$46 million raised in gifts and pledges to date.

That Mr. and Mrs. Megyeri are willing to lead by example, expressing their public commitment to education and their pride in the important work of the GW Law faculty, is underscored by their seven-figure bequest to complete the

## CREATING NEW ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIPS AT GW LAW IS A TOP PRIORITY OF THE *MAKING HISTORY* CAMPAIGN.

Nash-Cibinic Professorship and establish the Megyeri Chair in Government Procurement Law. These professorships will join 38 endowed faculty positions at the law school. Creating new endowed professorships at GW Law is a top priority of the *Making History* campaign.

The Megyeris chose to support these professorships to honor the late GW Law Professor John Cibinic Jr. Professor Cibinic, they say, “was a government contracts expert who took an enormous amount of pride in placing his students in law firms and government agencies citywide. The encouragement and involvement of this professor set [Mr. Megyeri’s] career in motion.”

Professor Cibinic’s legacy of commitment to student success is maintained by today’s GW Law faculty. The entire law school community thanks Honorary Co-Chairs Les and Kathy Megyeri for their steadfast support of GW Law faculty and for their leadership in the record-breaking *Making History* campaign. —Ann McClellan

# Women in the Law

## FROM LAW SCHOOL MAJORITY TO PRACTICING MINORITY

BY CLAIRE DUGGAN

GW LAW'S 2014 REUNION WEEKEND WAS PACKED WITH FUN events and poignant award ceremonies, but it also provided alumni with opportunities for serious discussions about important topics in the law.

The issue of women in the law was a major focus of this year's Reunion Weekend, thanks in large part to the Class of 1984 Committee members, who, as they planned for their 30th reunion weekend, realized that many of their women classmates were no longer practicing in the traditional legal sense. The ensuing discussions over email and conference calls inspired them to create a survey to learn more.

"Women make up a majority of law students, but then that rate drops when you look at legal practice. Where are women going? What are they doing? We wanted to know," explains committee member Lisa Mednick Owen, JD '84.

The report, "Women in the Law: From Law School Majority to Practicing Minority," includes feedback from 77 classmates, both women and men, about their career paths and why they pursued new jobs when they did. The report led to a panel discussion during Reunion Weekend that welcomed the entire GW Law community to examine issues confronting women in legal careers, such as retention and re-emergence after leave,

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— Lisa Mednick Owen

innovative solutions to problems, and alternative career paths for women with legal backgrounds.

Ms. Owen was joined by fellow alumni leaders in the field to discuss progress and challenges. Panelists included Gail Holtzman, JD '84, shareholder, labor & employment practice, Kass Shuler; Elizabeth Jacobs, JD '84, SEC detail to U.S. Department of the Treasury, Office of International Markets and Banking; and Jeff Kohn, JD '84, managing partner, labor and employment practice, O'Melveny & Myers. The panel was moderated by GW Law Professor and D.C. Councilmember Mary M. Cheh.

The panel was introduced with information that the number of women in leadership roles has remained fairly stagnant over the decades—at a rate of only about 17 percent—since the Class of 1984 entered the legal market.

"So what is the recipe for success?" Professor Cheh asked.



"I've had wonderful mentors," said Ms. Jacobs, who credited female attorney mentors, as well as many male attorney mentors who understood the value of promoting women in the law, for helping her to navigate her legal career. The importance of female mentors was echoed by the panel and audience members.

The "confidence gap" and the importance of not being scared to be "a correct and powerful" woman were brought up again and again. Ms. Holtzman told of her early years as an attorney, when higher-ups would tell her she would never make equity partner and that certain things were not worth her time, like attending an ABA conference or going to a child's soccer game. But she met contacts and clients at these important outside-of-work events, and eventually others understood the importance. "They kept saying no, but I kept proving them wrong," Ms. Holtzman said.

Mr. Kohn said issues of women in the law and retention have been important to him and his firm, O'Melveny & Myers, for decades now, and that emphasis has allowed them to be a firm that values flexibility for attorneys and healthy work-life balances. He also stressed that while a change of attitude was needed across the industry and at many places, "it is your career, take charge of it, find a way to be valuable."

Panelists and audience members ended the discussion with calls for more work in this area. Professor Cheh emphasized that the law school is committed to doing everything it can, and she said she looks forward to more facilitated discussions and forward movement on the topic.

## WITH GRATITUDE

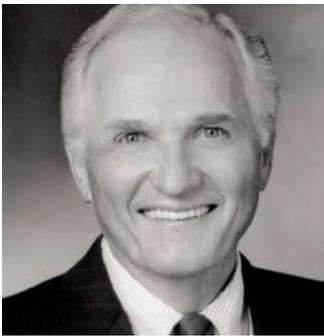


William Davis, Suzanne V. Richards' personal representative, presented a \$1 million check to Dean Blake D. Morant in late October.

The late Suzanne V. Richards, BA '48, JD '57, LLM '59, who died in December 2013, left a \$1 million bequest to GW Law to endow a scholarship fund to support need-based grants for law school students. She earned her JD with highest honors while working fulltime, winning the John Bell Lerner Award for attaining the highest grade point average in her class and earning election to

the Order of the Coif. Her illustrious legal career included many notable achievements. She was named Woman Lawyer of the Year by the Women's Bar Association of D.C. in 1977 and was elected its president in 1978. She also became the first woman president of the Bar Association of D.C. in 1989 and was named its Lawyer of the Year in 2002. Her generous bequest ensures that others may follow her lead, irrespective of their means.

An anonymous parent pledged \$500,000 to fund the dean's discretionary program and the Inns of Court program during the 2013-14 academic year, and to serve as a challenge match for the Class of 2014's class gift campaign.



The estate of John (Jack) Stafford, LLB '62, gave \$400,000 to GW Law to establish the John R. and Inge P. Stafford Faculty Research Professorship. The professorship will allow GW Law to advance its health law curriculum and honor Mr. Stafford's distinguished career in health law. Mr. Stafford was former chairman of the board and

chief executive officer of Wyeth. He received his LLB with distinction from GW Law, where he was editor-in-chief of *The George Washington Law Review* and was elected to the Order of the Coif. The law school awarded him its Outstanding Alumni Achievement Award in 1981 and bestowed on him an Honorary Doctor of Civil Laws in 1991. His daughter, Jennifer Stafford Farrow, says that the professorship "... reflects [Mr. Stafford's] belief that a GW Law education prepares students for practice and helps them to cross borders of separate academic disciplines by encouraging them to engage the world in enterprising and innovative ways."

Jeffrey Kohn, JD '84, and his wife, Martha, gave \$125,000 to establish the Jeffrey and Martha Kohn Endowed Scholarship. It will support one qualified full-time Juris Doctor student with first preference for those with demonstrated financial need and an interest in labor and employment law, and second preference to a full-time JD student with a demonstrated interest in public interest and social justice. Mr. Kohn is managing partner of the New York office of O'Melveny & Myers LLP and head of the office's labor and employment practice.



Professor Emeritus Ralph C. Nash Jr., JD '57, and his wife, Gwendolyn (above, center), pledged \$100,000 toward endowing the position of associate dean for government procurement law, a top priority for the law school's *Making History* campaign. Recognizing the Nashes' generosity, Professor Gregory E. Maggs says, "For the co-founder of GW's Government Procurement Law Program to make such an extraordinary gift bears witness to the depth of Professor Nash and his wife's commitment to the program."

Ronald S. Perlman, LLM '80, has notified the law school of his inclusion of a bequest of \$100,000 in his will to benefit the Government Procurement Law LLM Program. Mr. Perlman is a partner in the Washington, D.C., office of Holland & Knight LLP and a member of the firm's government contracts group. He is also a founding member of GW Law's Government Contracting Industry Advisory Board, where he continues to serve.

A member of the Class of 1969 made a gift of \$100,000 to challenge the donor's classmates to contribute to their reunion fundraising efforts. The class raised \$501,424 in gifts and pledges at the time of their 2014 reunion to win the Stockton Bowl, awarded to a Stockton Guard class (comprising GW Law alumni who graduated at least 40 years ago) for the most money raised in its reunion year.

The late Thomas W. diZerega, JD '56, who died in July 2013, left a bequest of \$50,000 to add to the Susan N. and Augustus diZerega Lectureship. Created by Mr. diZerega in 1990 in memory of his parents, the lectureship has brought many prominent speakers to GW Law, including the law school's annual diploma ceremony speaker.

The Class of 2014 Gift Campaign was a success with 380 participants. Sixty percent of eligible students donated, surpassing their goal of 58 percent participation. A total of \$29,000 was raised in a combination of cash and three-year pledges. Section 15 was the overall winner, with 62 percent of the group making donations and 59.5 percent making three-year pledges. Chaired by Professor Spencer A. Overton, the two-month-long GW Law "faculty campaign" in the fall of 2013 inspired 95 percent of the faculty to give to the law school, the same generous percentage as the previous academic year.

# Close Connections

## GW LAW ALUMNI ABOUND AT KRAMER AMADO

BY LAURA HAMBLETON

DURING LAW SCHOOL, ARLIR AMADO, JD '99, TOOK A JOB AS a patent researcher for a small company run out of his future business partner's bedroom. By the time he graduated from GW Law, he and Terry Kramer had agreed to expand the business into intellectual property (IP) law. The two formed KramerAmado and spun off the research group into Kramer IP Search.

Nearly two decades later, the firm has three partners, 17 attorneys (13 of whom are GW Law alumni), and 36 employees at their new offices in Alexandria, Va. The firm handles cases from patent applications to product strategy in the fields of electronics, chemical engineering, biotechnology, pharmaceuticals, communications, technical design, software, business methods, and the Internet.

"Our goal is to continue to grow," says Mr. Amado. "We work with companies all over the country, *Fortune* 500 companies, international companies, and law firms, globally, due to the international nature of intellectual property."

**“ WE DON'T WANT PEOPLE TO BURN OUT. WE WANT THEM TO HAVE A FAMILY, HAVE A HAPPY LIFE. ”**

— *Arlir Amado*

The firm also is committed to fostering a diverse group of lawyers. "Almost half of our attorneys are from underrepresented groups in law (minorities and women)," Mr. Amado says. "They are members of the National Bar Association (for African American attorneys), APABA (Asian Pacific American Bar Association) and HNBA (Hispanic National Bar Association). We believe we have one of the more diverse IP boutique firms and are very proud of that."

KramerAmado has deep connections to GW as well, hiring many associates from the law school. "GW is right here," says Andreas Baltatzis, JD '03, the firm's third partner. "It has a great IP program. Both Arly and I worked at the firm during law school. It's how we like to hire and train."

The firm recruits on campus and through GW Law's career services office. Katie White, director of employer outreach, has been a great asset, Mr. Amado says. He and his partners like to bring students in as clerks during their first or second summers, and, since the law school is so close, students frequently continue on a part-time basis during their second and third years.

"It was an easy transition [from law school] because I had been working here and getting to know my bosses," says Shoshana



*KramerAmado's large contingent of GW Law alumni at the firm's Alexandria, Va., office.*

Marvin, JD '11. "I was doing a lot of work already. Clerks do lots of researching. As an associate I do a great deal of research, but I also do legal writing and opinion writing for clients."

In addition to an interest in intellectual property law, clerks and associates need backgrounds in science or engineering, Mr. Baltatzis says. It's important because patent lawyers have to pass the U.S. Patent and Trademark exam (USPTO), in addition to the bar exam.

Mr. Baltatzis' and Mr. Amado's career paths are instructive. Both planned to go to medical school while in college. They studied biology, Mr. Amado at the University of Central Florida, Mr. Baltatzis at Case Western Reserve University. But before they graduated, they realized they were more interested in science than medicine. Patent law suited their goals.

"I really enjoy science," Mr. Baltatzis says. "The discovery and being at the cutting edge is what interests me about patent law. I'm always looking at new things, always learning something new."

What surprised him coming out of law school, however, and working at a law firm, was the client-attorney relationship. "What they really don't teach you in law school is how to get clients and how to meet their expectations," he says. "What are their expectations? How do you create a work product that the client is looking for? In our practice, we try to teach our associates to write in a way your client can understand. Be straightforward, do not produce legalese."

Intellectual property law requires a lot of footwork, researching existing patents and cases where the laws have been applied. And with technology changing so swiftly, the laws can change at a rapid pace too. KramerAmado associate Gideon

Eckhouse, JD '06, explains the intricacies of intellectual property laws and what they protect by pointing to a can of Diet Coke.

"There are six different issues on one can," he says.

"Copyright, for example, is for creative works, such as books, television shows—or the ad print on the Coke can. Patents are for new inventions, the actual new idea, trade secrets for how Coke is made or how the cans are made. Trademarks are for the logos."

Mr. Eckhouse often works with pharmaceutical companies in risk management. "I start with a patent search to identify risk and write an analysis of risk," says Mr. Eckhouse who has a master's degree in analytical biochemistry. "This is a niche area of patent law that intersects with FDA regulation."

Sandra King, JD '08, explains further. Patents for drugs, for instance, may hinge on one new pharmaceutical ingredient. "You have to understand the compounds and if they are similar," she says, hence, the need for a technical background. She has a pharmacy degree from Rutgers University. "You have to know how to read the patent, which is very technical. You have to understand organic chemistry and pharmaceutical formulations, how to form tablets or capsules."

Kyle Trout, JD '10, was drawn to intellectual property law because he likes learning about new technology. "Every day there's a new puzzle on my desk," says Mr. Trout, who has an undergraduate degree in computer science and engineering. "One hot-button issue in patent law is whether business methods and software should be patentable. The cool thing about KramerAmado is that I am not pigeonholed. I work on software and electronics, and then expand into mechanical fields or medical devices."

Often the lawyers work directly with an inventor. Eric Nuss, JD '97, is an electrical engineer. Before going to law school he worked with radar for the U.S. Navy. "I am a technology junkie," he says. "I counsel the inventor on patent matters. I look for what other patents are out there and any risks of infringement."

Outside of the office, Mr. Amado says, patent lawyers dig deep into their hobbies, learning every aspect. That depth surfaces during after hours at the firm, which hosts ping-pong tournaments and happy hours where some employees spin their extensive vinyl record collections.

"Patent people are interesting," Mr. Amado says. "We're probably not as in touch with today's Top 40 hits, but here at the firm, we have deep knowledge in areas such as old jazz, vinyls, and graphic novels. What I find fascinating about my co-workers is that once you find what their interests are, they know so much, and we can learn so much from each other."

Mr. Amado encourages outside interests; in fact, he encourages a balance between life and work. The partners installed a ping-pong table and video game consoles to bring out the lighter side of employees. "We don't want people to burn out," he says. "We want them to have a family, have a happy life."

Ms. Marvin is testing that balance, as she is the first female associate to go on maternity leave. The small firm didn't have a policy until about a year ago; one hadn't been needed before.

She has been out for about three months and will return on a part-time basis, working at home one day a week for six months. "After eight weeks, I called Andreas and said I need more time," she says. "He said, 'We totally understand; take more time.' They have been wonderful. You aren't stuck in a lockstep like in a big firm."

## GW LAW UPCOMING EVENTS

### FEBRUARY 4, 2015

GW Law Alumni and Admitted Student Reception  
Washington, D.C.

### FEBRUARY 19, 2015

GW Law Alumni Reception  
Philadelphia

### FEBRUARY 20, 2015

Government Contracts Luncheon  
Washington, D.C.

### FEBRUARY 21, 2015

Law Revue Reception  
Washington, D.C.

### FEBRUARY 25, 2015

GW Law Alumni and Admitted Student Reception  
Atlanta

### FEBRUARY 26, 2015

GW Law Alumni and Admitted Student Reception  
Miami

### MARCH 4, 2015

GW Law Alumni and Admitted Student Reception  
Los Angeles

### MARCH 5, 2015

GW Law Alumni and Admitted Student Reception  
San Francisco

### MARCH 7, 2015

GW Law Alumni and Admitted Student Reception  
Salt Lake City

### MARCH 12, 2015

GW Law Alumni and Admitted Student Reception  
Chicago

### MARCH 31, 2015

GW Law Alumni and Admitted Student Reception  
New York City

### APRIL 1, 2015

GW Law Alumni and Admitted Student Reception  
Boston

### GW LAW REUNION WEEKEND 2015

June 5-6, 2015  
Washington, D.C.

 To check for new and upcoming events, visit GW Law's website at [www.law.gwu.edu/alumni](http://www.law.gwu.edu/alumni).

## ALUMNI & PHILANTHROPY

The extended law school family gathered in June to celebrate alumni from the classes of 1964, 1969, 1974, 1979, 1984, 1989, 1994, 1999, 2004, and 2009. A record-breaking number of alumni returned to campus for the festive reunion receptions and class dinners, where they reconnected, shared stories, and relived memories.



# Reunion Weekend 2014

THE 2014 REUNION ONCE AGAIN FEATURED THE POPULAR reunion challenge, an opportunity for alumni to honor their classes with a financial commitment to the law school. The challenge continues to grow, raising more than \$1.4 million this year in gifts and pledges and setting new records for alumni participation.

This year's class gift campaign combined alumni generosity with good-natured philanthropic competition to great effect. The following awards were presented to the top-performing classes at the all-class dinner and awards presentation that culminated the weekend:

**The Dean's Cup**, awarded to the class with the highest overall participation rate in the reunion class gift campaign, went to the Class of 1964.

**The Lawrence Cup**, awarded to the class with the top attendance rate at the reunion, was presented to the Class of 1984. The award is named for former Dean Frederick M. Lawrence.

**The Barron Cup**, honoring the graduating class section with the highest level of participation in the class gift campaign and highest five-year pledge, was awarded to Section 15 of the Class of 2014. The section leaders worked diligently to increase participation. The award is named for former Dean Jerome A. Barron.

**The Friedenthal Bowl**, awarded to the non-Stockton Guard class (graduating fewer than 40 years ago) that raised the most money in its reunion year, went to the Class of 1984, which raised \$260,215. The award is named for former Dean Jack H. Friedenthal.

**The Stockton Bowl**, named for former GW Law Dean and GW President Charles Herbert Stockton, is awarded to the Stockton Guard class (graduating more than 40 years ago) that raised the most money in its reunion year. This year's award went to the Class of 1969, which raised \$514,224.







GW Law's Stockton Guard at the commencement weekend luncheon

### Bridging the Past and Present

CONVERSATIONS RISE QUICKLY AS OLD FRIENDS AND acquaintances walk through the doors of the Jacob Burns Law Library. Many of the guests have not seen the campus in years. Striding into the Tasher Great Room, one alumnus remarks that aside from Stockton Hall, most of the buildings did not exist when he went to law school. It's not just the buildings, another jokes, the food is better, too. The Stockton Guard, composed of GW Law alumni who graduated 40 or more years ago, is gathering to induct its newest members.

The Stockton Guard honors the longtime connections of alumni to the law school and enjoys a cherished history at GW. At annual events, new members share memories of their years on campus, as well as their careers. The stories weave a colorful oral history that reminds all in attendance of the law school's roots.

This year's group of honor—the Class of 1974—graduated during a tumultuous period that included the Watergate scandal and Nixon's resignation. "For better or for worse, I think those events shaped our generation of lawyers," said Wilma Liebman, JD '74, who served as the convener at the pre-Commencement induction ceremony and brunch.

Alumni also shared lighter memories at the well-attended event. Carol Elder Bruce, JD '74, recalled how she met her husband, James Bruce, JD '74, in a first-year contracts class. Their daughter, Barbara Bruce, JD '14, continued her parents' legacy at GW Law.

Howard Roy, JD '68, fondly recalled his experiences with the late Professor David E. Seidelson, whom he greatly admired. He praised Professor Seidelson for instilling confidence in his students rather than creating a confrontational environment. "Whenever he addressed us [in class], his words were, 'and so, when you are out practicing as a lawyer.' The assumption was always that you were going to make it," Mr. Roy said.

Professor Gregory E. Maggs lauded alumni groups from the 1960s and 1970s as some of the most faithful and loyal to the law school. He also recognized Delaware Supreme Court Justice and Stockton Guard member Henry duPont Ridgely, LLM '74, who



Heather Foley, JD '69, winner of the 2014 Stockton Award

### Stockton Award Winner

CONGRATULATIONS GO TO HEATHER FOLEY, JD '69, FOR winning the 2014 Stockton Award. The award was established by the GW Law Alumni Association to honor an accomplished alumnus or alumna who graduated 40 or more years ago, enjoyed an extraordinary career, and displays both dedication and commitment to the betterment of the law school.

A GW Trustee since 1991, Ms. Foley worked in the office of her husband, longtime U.S. Congressman Thomas Foley, for decades. When Rep. Foley ascended to the speaker's office, she became his chief of staff and, consequently, head of operations of the House, as control over offices, restaurants, and parking resides in the speaker's office. She also had an influential hand in the Steering and Policy Committee, which helps research and guide policy for the majority in the House, and was highly involved in the remodeling of the House side of the Capitol Building. Later in her career, she served as chief of staff for Rep. Jim McDermott.

was selected from the group to serve as the grand marshal at the 2014 Law School Diploma Ceremony. At a Reunion Weekend event, popular Professor Emeritus James E. Starrs, who joined the faculty in 1964, addressed many of his former students. Stockton Guard members and their guests also had the opportunity to attend a CLE class taught by well-loved former Professor Monroe Freedman.

Bringing together former and current members of the law school community, the Stockton Guard provides a strong link between the past and present and encourages alumni to stay involved with their alma mater. Their generosity and perspective help position GW Law for continued success.

— Ryan Trivitz



# Apple General Counsel Bruce Sewell Keynotes Diploma Ceremony

BY JAMIE L. FREEDMAN

THE NATIONAL MALL PROVIDED AN IDYLIC SETTING FOR Commencement 2014, as more than 700 Law School graduates joined the ranks of GW alumni at a festive, universitywide celebration on May 18.

World-renowned chef and activist José Andrés delivered the Commencement address before an estimated crowd of 25,000 graduates, family members, and friends gathered on the historic Mall.

"The challenges we face today—hunger, poverty, inequality, war—have been around forever, but that doesn't mean it always has to be this way," said Mr. Andrés, who received an honorary Doctor of Public Service degree at the ceremony. "We need you to come up with new solutions, and to do that, new recipes for success must be written."

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— Bruce Sewell



Professors (left to right) John Andrew Spanogle Jr., Jack H. Friedenthal, and Thomas D. Morgan were named professors emeriti at the ceremony.

Success, Mr. Andrés continued, “is no longer about achieving your goals. It’s about using your skills and talents to do something bigger in the world. This is the new American dream.”

Later in the day, the newly minted GW Law alumni and their guests proceeded to the Charles E. Smith Center for the Law School Diploma Ceremony, keynoted by Bruce Sewell, JD ’86, general counsel and senior vice president of legal and government affairs at Apple Inc.

Then Interim Dean Gregory E. Maggs offered warm welcoming remarks to the 147th graduating class of the George Washington University Law School—comprising 530 JD and 179 LLM recipients—and paid tribute to the Stockton Guard, made up of GW Law graduates from the Class of 1974 and earlier. The Hon. Henry DuPont Ridgely, LLM ’74, served as grand marshal of the Stockton Guard.

Delivering the diZerega Lecture and Diploma Ceremony Address, the Apple general counsel articulated his “Sewell’s Rules” for career success, gleaned from 28 years in the legal profession: define your job broadly; treat your peers as you would your boss, and treat your boss as you would your peers; understand the relationship between risk and consequence; and assess the people as critically as the job.

“The arc of your careers will be a lot less predictable than when I first started practice,” said Mr. Sewell, who served as Intel’s general counsel prior to moving to Apple. “The single-track, six-to-eight-years-to-partnership model is likely a thing of the past ... but the opportunities to make a good living as a lawyer have increased enormously.”

He concluded his remarks by encouraging the graduates to work with people they respect and admire. “Surround yourself with people that are better at things than you are, people from whom you will learn every day, and you will never regret it,” he said.

As always, a highlight of the afternoon was the presentation of awards to standout graduates, faculty members, and staff members.

Laura Schmidt Duncan received the John Bell Lerner Award for earning the highest cumulative grade point average in her class. The Anne Wells Branscomb Award went to Jeremy Evan Knobel for attaining the highest cumulative average in the evening program. The graduating class voted Nicole Tyrell the recipient of the Michael D. Cooley Memorial Award.

For the fourth consecutive year, Professor Maggs received the Distinguished Faculty Service Award, voted on and presented each year by the JD graduating class. Professorial Lecturer in Law Robert Palmer received the award for outstanding adjunct faculty teaching. For the third consecutive year, Information Specialist Bobby Walis received the Distinguished Staff Service Award, voted on by the graduating class.

The status of professor emeritus was conferred on three GW Law powerhouses: Jack Harlan Friedenthal, Howrey Professor of Trial Advocacy, Litigation, and Professional Responsibility; Thomas D. Morgan, Oppenheim Professor of Antitrust and Trade Regulation Law; and John Andrew Spanogle Jr., William Wallace Kirkpatrick Research Professor of Law. All three professors retired this year after long, distinguished careers at GW Law.



# class notes

## ALUMNI NEWSMAKERS

### 1960s



**Eugene Driker, LLM '62**, a founding member at Barris, Sott, Denn & Driker, was awarded the Julian Abele Cook Jr.–Bernard A. Friedman FBA Civility Award for 2014 by the Federal Bar Association's Eastern District of Michigan Chapter. The annual award recognizes a civil practitioner who is an outstanding example of professional excellence and civility.

**Louis T. Pirkey, JD '64**, was recognized as a top trademark attorney in the nation by *World Trademark Review*. Mr. Pirkey received gold status nationally in both the Prosecution and Strategy and Enforcement and Litigation categories.

**George Bruno, JD '67**, was named the 2013 Daniel Webster International Lawyer of the Year by the New Hampshire Bar Association at a December ceremony in Manchester, N.H. Lauded as one of the most versatile and effective international lawyers in the New Hampshire Bar, the distinguished attorney and former U.S. ambassador has experience in more than 55 countries. His contributions range from complex international business transactions in Eastern Europe and Central Asia to anti-narcotics work in Latin America, election observations in the Balkans, and diplomacy in Central America.

**William W. Bailey, JD '68**, was recently appointed an

adjunct professor at the Kogod School of Business at American University, teaching entrepreneurship and business consulting in the MBA program. Prior to this position he practiced in Fairfax, Va., as a public defender in the juvenile and domestic relations, general, and circuit courts. He resides in Chevy Chase, Md.

**James W. Korman, JD '68**, president and shareholder at Bean, Kinney & Korman, was awarded the 2014 Betty A. Thompson Lifetime Achievement Award by the Virginia State Bar's family law section. Mr. Korman also was named a 2014 *Virginia Super Lawyer* in family law and was recognized in the 2015 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America* for family law.

**Linda R. Singer, JD '68**, was elected board chair of JAMS, the largest private provider of mediation and arbitration services worldwide. Ms. Singer has more than 30 years of dispute resolution experience as an arbitrator, mediator, civil litigator, trainer, and neutral evaluator.

### 1970s

**Cynthia E. Gitt, JD '71**, of Pasadena, Calif., was honored by Capital Who's Who Branding for her contributions to the field of labor and employment law. Ms. Gitt is principal and co-founder of Brown Gitt Law Group. Earlier in her career, she served as a trial attorney for the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission in Washington, D.C., and San Francisco.

**Robert Jacobs, JD '72**, has released an album

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## Pursuing Your Passions

**CAROLYN HOMER THOMAS, JD '12**, IS JUST TWO YEARS out of law school but has already accomplished two major legal goals: becoming a practicing intellectual property (IP) attorney and writing a Supreme Court brief on religion law.

On May 29, she filed an amicus brief on behalf of the Anti-Defamation League and other religious civil liberties organizations in the case *Holt v. Hobbs*. In March, when the Supreme Court granted a Muslim prisoner's handwritten petition for certiorari, the case received national attention and Ms. Thomas knew she had the skills to get involved. With her firm's permission, she contacted lead counsel and offered to help pro bono. The next thing she knew, she had been enlisted to write an amicus brief.

The fact that Ms. Thomas had such a grand and noble goal—and that it was accomplished so soon out of law school and in such a proactive manner—is not a surprise to anyone who knows her.

"I first encountered Carolyn Homer when she, with her moot court partner Joshua House, JD '12, made the final round of the 2011 National Religious Freedom Moot Court Competition (RFMC) here at GW Law," says Ira "Chip" Lupu, the F. Elwood and Eleanor Davis Professor Emeritus of Law. "She was still a 2L, and had never studied religion or the constitution in law school. I marveled at the knowledge, enthusiasm, and poise she displayed.

"The RFMC is what made me realize I could be a real lawyer," Ms. Thomas explains. "After our quarterfinal match, the judges told my moot court partner Josh and me that our performance could have won in any circuit court in America. That was the moment I realized that if I worked hard enough, I could actually be a successful lawyer—this wasn't a game I was playing anymore."

titled *Heartlinks*. He is now a "mostly retired" attorney and active musician living on the Outer Banks of North Carolina. His website is [robertjacobsmusic.com](http://robertjacobsmusic.com).



**Glenn Whitaker, JD '72**, a partner in the Cincinnati office of Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease, was named a 2014 *Ohio Super Lawyer* in litigation. Mr. Whitaker's practice emphasizes the representation of individuals and corporations. His work focuses on *qui tam* and false claims litigation, patent litigation, class actions, and other complex civil litigation and annual proceedings.

**Justin P. Klein, JD '72**, a partner in Ballard Spahr's business and finance department who leads the firm's securities group, has been named one of *Philadelphia Business Journal's* 2014 outstanding board directors for his service on the board of directors of the Mann Center for the Performing Arts. Mr. Klein received the award on Feb. 19 during a reception at the Union League.



Just a few years later, Ms. Thomas filed a brief on the same topic with the nation's highest court. According to Professor Lupu, her brief, filed on behalf of the Anti-Defamation League and several other groups, is "extremely well-researched and makes very important arguments about inconsistency in the treatment of prisoners' religious claims in the lower federal courts." To read the brief, visit: <http://bit.ly/1nBuq3>.

Reflecting on her path to law school, Ms. Thomas says, "I never

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thought I wanted to be a lawyer. But during an internship one summer, I found myself checking the news every morning to see what Supreme Court decisions had come down, and then reading the full-text opinions for fun. I realized that if my idea of "fun" was reading legal opinions, then I should probably go to law school."

Since many members of her family were engineers, and she had always been fascinated by tech news and legal fights, she decided to study intellectual property law. She chose GW Law in large part because of its excellent IP program and its location in the heart of the legal capital of America.

During law school, she clerked for the Federal Trade Commission, working in the Division of Privacy and Identity Protection to investigate how various software and websites affected user privacy. Her most significant case forced a computer rental company to stop employing surreptitious methods to track late-paying customers without their consent.

She had planned to stay in the D.C. area after graduation, but opted for the West Coast when her fiancé (now husband), Brian Thomas, accepted a job as a computer engineer in Silicon Valley, Calif. After graduating from GW Law, getting married, moving to California, and taking the bar in a single summer, Ms. Thomas landed a job as an intellectual property litigation associate with Quinn Emanuel LLP. She currently works on copyright, trade secret, and patent cases for both start-ups and major industry players.

Her advice for current students: Pursue your passions. "You'll be a lot happier if you do something you love," she says. "Staying up all night at work is completely worth it when you emotionally care about your clients, the subjects, and the end results."

— Claire Duggan

**Marc Albert, BA '70, JD '73**, a partner in Stinson Leonard Street's Washington, D.C., office, has been appointed to the board of the George Washington University Museum, scheduled to open next spring. Mr. Albert will serve as co-chair of the museum's board, along with Bruce P. Baganz, president of The Textile Museum board of trustees. He was appointed to the board by GW President Steven Knapp.

**Albert Cirone Jr., JD '73**, retired as a judge on the New Hampshire Circuit Court and received the 2014 Justice William Grimes Award for Judicial Professionalism. Known for his

fairness on the bench and deep commitment to his community, Judge Cirone, of West Lebanon, N.H., worked as a sole practitioner for many years and has served as a part-time judge since 1988. He was instrumental in establishing the "Halls of Hope" mental health court in Lebanon.

**Lawrence J. Zweifach, JD '73**, a partner at Gibson Dunn, is a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, one of the premier legal associations in America. Fellowship in the college is extended by invitation only to experienced trial lawyers in the United States and Canada who have mastered the art of advocacy. Mr. Zweifach is

a former chief of the criminal division of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of New York.



**Scott L. Baena, BBA '70, JD '74**, senior partner at Bilzin Sumberg Baena Price & Axelrod, was appointed to the Florida Board of Bar Examiners for a five-year term by the Florida Supreme Court. Mr. Baena is the chair of the business finance and restructuring practice group at Bilzin Sumberg.

**Paul Leiman, JD '75**, is a lecturer at the Johns Hopkins Carey Business School, where he teaches business and leadership ethics, legal issues in biotechnology, and business law. He has been recognized for his work in creating the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council's Testifying School for federal bank examiners and regulators.

**Howard L. Williams, LLM '75**, a partner at Brooks Pierce, was recognized in the 2015 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America* as an industry leader in the field of litigation and tax law.

**Gregory C. Yadley, JD '75**, a partner at Shumaker, Loop &

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## When Giving Back Is Win-Win

**JEFFREY KOHN, JD '84**, REMEMBERS THE FIRST TIME A GW LAW professor called on him.

"I recall standing up in torts class for what seemed like an eternity—when in actuality it was likely no more than 10 minutes—and I remember thinking, 'Does anything I just said make sense?'" says Mr. Kohn, the managing partner of O'Melveny & Myers' office in New York. "That first experience reinforced the importance of preparation."

Although that day may have been stressful, Mr. Kohn has good memories of his time at GW Law. He was happily surprised by the school's collegial atmosphere, and he took advantage of its Washington, D.C., location to work during his first year in the office of a congressman from New York.

"It has been 30 years since I left law school, but I am amazed at how much I have been able to retain," he says. "GW Law had then, and still does, an outstanding faculty that truly enjoyed teaching and cared about its students. Professors like Tom Dienes, Max Pock, Roger Transgrud, Roger Schechter, and Gene Shreve all presented course material in a thoughtful and engaging way.

"I still remember Professor Pock's well-organized, schematic contract law outlines," he adds. "For many years after law school I continued to use them."

Mr. Kohn, who has a Bachelor of Science in Industrial and Labor Relations from Cornell University, says his favorite course at GW was a seminar on labor law cases in the Supreme Court.



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"Each student—there were nine of us—studied the opinions of a Supreme Court justice and analyzed how each justice would decide pending Supreme Court cases," he says.

Mr. Kohn has kept his ties to his alma mater strong, as a philanthropist, as a member of the Law School Board of Advisors, and as a mentor to students. He has steadfastly served on the Class of '84 Reunion Committee and the NYC Dean's Dinner Committee.

"I think about my career and see how people helped me along the way with their guidance and support," he says, "so there is

Kendrick, was named a 2014 *Florida Super Lawyer*.

**Larry D. Harris, JD '75**, was named to the board of trustees of the University of Dayton. Mr. Harris is a construction law attorney and partner at Fox Rothschild in Washington, D.C.

**Daniel Black, JD '76**, was listed by *Hollywood Reporter* as a "Power Lawyer 2014." Mr. Black is a corporate lawyer with Greenberg Traurig and has extensive experience in the television, motion picture, and digital media arenas.

**Steven Goldman, JD '76**, a partner in the New York office of Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel, was appointed to the John F. Kennedy Center for

the Performing Arts' Advisory Committee on the Arts by President Barack Obama.



**Janine M. Landow-Esser, JD '76**, an attorney for Quarles & Brady, was named a 2014 *Illinois Super Lawyers* "Top Attorney." A maximum of 5 percent of lawyers in the state are selected for inclusion in *Super Lawyers*. Ms. Landow-Esser also received the President's Award from the Night Ministry, a Chicago-based organization that provides housing, health care, and human connection to members

of the Chicago community struggling with poverty or homelessness.

**Martin H. Malin, JD '76**, director of the Illinois Institute of Technology Chicago-Kent Institute for Law and the Workplace, was reappointed to the Federal Service Impasses Panel by President Barack Obama. A member of the IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law faculty since 1980, he teaches courses in labor law, collective bargaining, arbitration, public-sector labor law, employment law, contracts, and jurisprudence. He has published six books, including *Public Sector Employment: Cases and Materials* (West, 2011), the leading law school casebook on public-sector labor law. Professor Malin has also written

more than 70 articles on labor law and dispute resolution.

**Timothy L. Bertschy, JD '77**, a partner at Heyl, Royster, Voelker & Allen, was appointed to the board of directors of the Illinois Bar Foundation, the charitable arm of the Illinois State Bar Association. Mr. Bertschy concentrates his practice in the areas of complex commercial litigation, employment, and local government law.



**Marvin Dang, JD '78**, was appointed to a three-year term on the 12-member Council of

certainly a strong desire to give back to a law school and university community that supported me and gave me opportunities to succeed in my career.”

He says connecting with the law school in different ways has also been personally rewarding. “I enjoy meeting old friends from my class and professors from back then. And I enjoy getting to know alumni who I am meeting for the first time,” he explains.

He also notes that his involvement with the law school helps current students connect with O’Melveny & Myers, which regularly recruits from GW.

Mr. Kohn’s law practice focuses on employment and traditional labor law, including employment litigation, labor negotiations and arbitrations, workplace investigations, compensation disputes, and the Employment Retirement Income Security Act. His practice also touches on trade secret litigation and corporate transactions that affect labor, and Mr. Kohn has worked on some notable bankruptcies.

“I started with O’Melveny & Myers following law school and discovered quickly that labor and employment law played to my strengths,” he says. “I enjoy dealing with real-life problems and helping clients address a wide range of issues that affect employees.”

His involvement with GW Law isn’t his only exposure to higher education these days. His son Brian graduated last year from the Tisch School of the Arts at New York University (NYU), and his daughter Alexandra is a junior at Bryn Mawr College. In May, his wife, Martha, received a master’s degree from NYU’s Silver School of Social Work.

Client work and his management and administrative duties at the law firm eat up much of his day, but he manages to squeeze in time for cooking, independent movies, and reading—mostly history books. He is also an avid biker, with three bike trips through Israel under his belt.

— Mary Dempsey

the Fund for Justice and Education. He is the managing member of the Law Offices of Marvin S. C. Dang in Honolulu. The fund supports more than 200 ABA public service and educational programs.

**James Schroll, JD ’78**, a shareholder at Bean, Kinney & Korman, was named a 2014 *Virginia Super Lawyer* in bankruptcy and creditor/debtor rights. He was also recognized in the 2015 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America* for creditor/debtor rights, insolvency, and reorganization law.

**Craig Jacobson, JD ’79**, was listed by *Hollywood Reporter* as a “Power Lawyer 2014.” Mr. Jacobson is a talent lawyer with Hansen Jacobson Teller Hoberman Newman Warren

Richman Rush & Kaller. He represents numerous executives in Hollywood, Calif.

**Michael Jordan, JD ’79**, of Jordan Resolutions was named one of the *Best Lawyers in America* in arbitration and mediation and was named a 2014 *Ohio Super Lawyer* in the field of alternative dispute resolution. He addressed the annual meeting of the American College of Legal Medicine in Dallas in a talk titled “Hospital/ Medical Staff Issues: The Disruptive Physician.”

**Susan Kelly, JD ’79**, was appointed president and CEO of the American Public Power Association’s board of directors. Ms. Kelly has served with APPA since 2004, most recently as general counsel and senior

vice president for policy analysis. She has extensive experience as an attorney dealing with federal regulation, particularly before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

**Jeffrey S. Neeley, JD ’79**, joined the Washington, D.C., office of Husch Blackwell as a partner. He is part of the firm’s technology, manufacturing, and transportation group and brings extensive experience assisting foreign and domestic clients with international and trade law matters. Mr. Neeley previously practiced with the global trade law boutique firm Barnes, Richardson & Colburn in Washington, D.C.



**Debbie M. Orshefsky, JD ’79**, an attorney with the international law firm Greenberg Traurig in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., was recognized in the 2014 *Chambers USA* guide. Ms. Orshefsky was ranked for her practice in real estate, zoning, and land use.

## 1980s

**Richard K. Dandrea, JD ’80**, was elected an at-large member of the executive committee of Pennsylvania State University’s board of trustees, where he serves as a business and industry representative. He is also a member of the executive committee of Eckert Seamans Cherin and Mellott’s board of directors, as well as the chair of its pharmaceutical and medical device litigation practice group.

**Leo Fisher, JD ’80**, was recognized in the 2015 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America* for commercial litigation.

**Todd Nichols, JD ’81**, was elected president of the

Washington State Association for Justice, formerly the Washington State Trials Association.

**Joseph B. Hoffman, JD ’82**, a partner at Kelley Drye in Washington, D.C., was named a 2013 Power Player by *SmartCEO* magazine. *SmartCEO* recognized the Power Players at a special event honoring the D.C. region’s most enterprising attorneys, accountants, and bankers. His business law practice focuses on real estate and corporate transactions cutting across a wide range of industries. He is deeply involved with various local charitable organizations, including the Charles E. Smith Life Communities, and has assumed a leadership role at Kelley Drye.

**Seth Price, JD ’82**, was named to the 2013 *Super Lawyers Business Edition* list for his work in construction litigation. Mr. Price is a shareholder at the Atlanta office of the Houston-based law firm Chamberlain, Hrdlicka, White, Williams & Aughtry. For 25 years his practice has emphasized the resolution of large, complex construction contract disputes in state and federal courts and through arbitration.

**Bette E. Shifman, JD ’82**, has been appointed vice president, director of publications, and special counsel at CPR International Institute for Conflict Prevention Resolution in New York. She is also a co-editor of the recently published *Choice of Venue in International Arbitration* (Oxford University Press, 2014).

**Stanley Soya, JD ’82**, joined Baker Botts as a partner in the firm’s Washington, D.C., office. Mr. Soya, a leading government contracts lawyer, has extensive experience representing clients on a wide range of government contracting matters including protests, disputes and transactional matters, white-collar defense, and compliance matters.

**Thomas J. Curcio, JD '83**, founder of Curcio Law in Alexandria, Va., assumed the presidency of the Virginia Trial Lawyers Association (VTLA). Mr. Curcio has been involved with the VTLA since his admission to the Virginia bar in 1983 and has served on numerous committees within the organization.

**Deborah D. Hoover, JD '83**, was elected to the board of the Foundation Center, the leading source of information about philanthropy worldwide. Ms. Hoover is president and CEO of the Burton D. Morgan Foundation in Hudson, Ohio. She also serves as advisory board chair of the Foundation Center's library/learning center in Cleveland and chair of the Fund for Our Economic Future, a philanthropic collaboration that promotes the well-being of the people of northeast Ohio.

**David Shelledy, JD '83**, received *California Lawyer* magazine's Attorney of the Year Award.

**Peter A. Rome, JD '84**, was recognized in the 2015 edition of *Best Lawyers in America*. Mr. Rome serves as chair of Ulmer & Berne's business department. He was also recognized by *Chambers USA* as one of Ohio's leading corporate and mergers and acquisitions lawyers.

**Kimberly S. Couch, JD '84**, a Verrill Dana attorney, has been named a top lawyer in her field—labor and employment, employee benefits, and compensation—by *Chambers & Partners*, one of the world's most respected legal research and publishing firms.



**Nkechi Taifa, JD '84**, a lawyer and criminal justice reform advocate, received the Wiley A.

Branton Award from the Washington Lawyers Committee. The Branton Award is given annually to individuals whose lifetime efforts exemplify Mr. Branton's deep commitment to pro bono service.

**George F. Indest III, LLM '86**, president and managing partner of the Health Law Firm in Altamonte Springs, Fla., was named a 2014 *Florida Super Lawyer*. Mr. Indest is a well-known attorney both in the local community and statewide. He represents primarily physicians, nurses, dentists, pharmacists, medical groups, and licensed health facilities in Florida and throughout the United States.

**Gregg Berman, BA '84, JD '87**, was recognized by *The Legal 500* 2014 U.S. directory, published by Legalease, for his expertise in mergers, acquisitions, and buyouts.

**Luis Mejia, JD '87**, has joined Perkins Coie's Washington, D.C., office as a partner in the firm's white-collar and investigations practice. Mr. Mejia represents individuals and organizations before the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, the Department of Justice, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority Inc., Congress, and other investigative and regulatory authorities.

**Sandra Sheets, JD '87**, was recognized in Florida Trend's *Legal Elite* special report. She is an attorney in the Lakeland, Fla., office of GrayRobinson. She also was named a 2014 *Florida Super Lawyer* in estate and probate and was included on the 2015 *Best Lawyers in America* list.

**Anthony Venturino, JD '87**, was named a Chemicals Energy Environment and Materials Distinguished Fellow by the Licensing Executives Society International. Mr. Venturino is a registered patent attorney at Novak Druce Connolly Bove + Quigg, and has corporate



Catherine Lindsey, JD '89, and her family enjoy a moment with former New York Yankees superstar Derek Jeter.

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# The Business of Sports

**CATHERINE LINDSEY, JD '89**, DIDN'T FOLLOW FOOTBALL OR basketball on television. She'd never played team sports. But she was interested in the business of sports and how the rights to sporting events were acquired. So she crammed for the job interview, impressing the entertainment industry officials in the room with her knowledge of the sports world.

That is, until they came to the final question: What's the difference between hurling and curling?

"I knew just a little about curling—the stone and the ice—but I didn't know anything about hurling, which is an old form of lacrosse," Ms. Lindsey says.

She didn't get the job, although she attributes that more to her lack of experience in trademark work, a key component of the position. Still, Ms. Lindsey was tenacious, and she continued to knock on doors, track the industry, and tap the GW Law alumni network for advice and leads. Today she is general counsel and executive vice president for business affairs at CBS Sports Network.

Mindful of how alumni kept their doors open for her, Ms. Lindsey says GW Law students always get an interview at her office. "If my staff gets a résumé from GW, we definitely give that person a call because we know they are smart students who always do a great job," she says. "Last year we had an intern from GW Law."

Ms. Lindsey remains engaged with the law school in other ways. She was involved with the 1989 reunion committee and is active with the New York City alumni base. She also keeps in touch with her GW Law roommates, Diane Hull Hertz, JD '89, and Candida Perotti Wolff, JD '89.

"It's impressive," she says. "Everyone in my class is so successful."

While she was in high school, a job at Burger King in suburban Philadelphia took her to Washington, D.C. "Burger King was selected to provide food for the White House's July 4 picnic, and I was one of the employees from across the country who was chosen to work at the event," she says. "We wore these old-fashioned uniforms—the theme was the 1800s—and served people on the White House lawn."

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She loved D.C., and after she earned a degree in finance from Pennsylvania State University, she applied to law school in the nation's capital with an eye on doing trial work—until a summer job ignited a new interest.

"I did half the summer in Philly with a law firm and half in Los Angeles with an entertainment law firm," Ms. Lindsey explains. "We went to the Johnny Carson show, we went to a partner's home in Malibu, and I attended a deposition of *Jeopardy's* Alex Trebek.

"It was all very exciting, and it made me appreciate what was going on in the entertainment field," she says.

After graduation, she found herself back in Philadelphia. She spent three years as a corporate associate at Wolf, Block, Schorr and Solis-Cohen and then as a litigator at Cozen O'Connor in Philadelphia.

"I realized that I wasn't happy being a litigator, and I wanted to get back into entertainment," Ms. Lindsey explains. "So I started going to seminars and networking." She says GW Law alumni were instrumental in giving her job leads and opening doors. In one instance, GW led her to the general counsel at ESPN. Although she wasn't hired, those ESPN contacts kept in touch and provided job leads in the sports industry.

"In effect, I got my job through the alumni directory," she says.

Ms. Lindsey ended up at IMG/TWI, the world's largest sports and entertainment agency and independent television producer. During her eight years with the company, she rose to the position of vice president and negotiated talent, licensing, sponsorship, and endorsement deals. Muhammad Ali was one of her accounts.

When a friend from Penn State decided to launch a TV network devoted to college sports, he persuaded Ms. Lindsey to join his team. In 2006 CBS bought the company, and today Ms. Lindsey manages CBS Sports Network's Business Affairs and Legal department. She and her staff negotiate and draft the network's agreements with conferences, universities, and other partners, its affiliate sales agreements, its syndication agreements, and its talent and sponsorship agreements.

"I'm involved in many of our new programs, in the contracts and in negotiating the on-air talent agreements," she explains, "as well as the agreements we negotiate to acquire rights to various collegiate games."

Ms. Lindsey says her down time is spent with her 6-year-old twins, a boy and a girl, and her husband, an attorney who also works in the sports entertainment industry.

"He's at a sports agency and negotiates contracts for athletes, coaches, and on-air talent, so he understands what I do every day," she says. "I even had to negotiate against him once. Of course, it was one of my toughest negotiations."

— *Mary Dempsey*

and law firm experience both as a chemical engineer and patent counsel.

**Stephen Welch, JD '87**, was named chief Kent County, Del., prosecutor, responsible for directing the 40 prosecutors, legal support, and victim services personnel who prosecute criminal cases throughout the county.

**Terry Jennings, JD '88**, will take on the new role of head of public policy for the U.S. on Reed Elsevier's global government affairs team. Ms. Jennings, who joined Reed Elsevier in 2006, will be responsible for public policy development and communication on key policy issues at the state and federal levels.



**Karen A. McGee, JD '88**, an attorney in Barnes & Thornburg's Washington D.C., office, was named a 2014 *Washington D.C. Super Lawyer*. Ms. McGee was recognized for her work in international, intellectual property, and nonprofit organizations law.

**David S. Osterman, JD '88**, a senior partner in Goldberg Segalla's Princeton, N.J., office, has been appointed vice chair of the American College of Trial Lawyers' New Jersey State Committee. Mr. Osterman is certified as a civil trial attorney by the New Jersey Supreme Court and has tried more than 45 cases to verdict in five states and the District of Columbia.

**Peter D. Russin, JD '88**, was named a 2014 *Florida Super Lawyer* in the category of bankruptcy/business litigation. He is currently a shareholder at Meland Russin & Budwick.

**John C. Stringham JD '89**, was recognized by *Best Lawyers*

*in America* in litigation, intellectual property, patent, and trademark law.

**Charles T.J. Weigell, JD '89**, will chair the 1,772-member intellectual property law section of the New York State Bar Association. A partner at Fross Zelnick Lehrman & Zissu, Mr. Weigell concentrates his practice in intellectual property law, specifically the clearance, prosecution, and protection of trademark registrations and design patents.

## 1990s

**John Lewis Jr., JD '90**, serves as head of global diversity for Coca-Cola Legal. He previously was the company's senior managing compliance and global anti-bribery counsel, leading compliance programming for Coca-Cola's North America business operations. Mr. Lewis, who joined the company in 2002 as litigation counsel, created Coca-Cola's Legal Division Diversity Council (LDDC) in 2005, which he led until June 2013. Under the LDDC's leadership, Coca-Cola Legal has built an award-winning supplier diversity program, increasing five-fold the company's spending with Minority and Women Business Enterprise law firms since 2005.

**Francis X. Manning, JD '90**, a partner at Stradley Ronon, was named one of 25 Executives of the Year by *South Jersey Biz* magazine. The honorees were recognized as "the area's most respected names in business." The only practicing attorney selected, Mr. Manning, who serves as partner-in-charge of Stradley Ronon's Cherry Hill, N.J., office, was praised for "helping executives with commercial disputes and product liability matters." He represents businesses and their owners and executives in areas such as health care and business torts.

**Karin Sinniger, LLM '90**, successfully scuba dived with an elephant in February in the Andaman Islands, India, to set a world record for scuba diving in the most countries. India was the 115th country she dived in. Ms. Sinniger, who is a citizen of Switzerland, Hong Kong, and the United States, has been diving since 1992 and has logged more than 1,000 dives. She lives in Angola and, when she is not diving, decompresses by practicing law.

**Robert M. Bauer, JD '91**, was listed in 2015 *Best Lawyers in America* in the information technology law category. Mr. Bauer is a registered patent attorney with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. His practice focuses on patent litigation, licensing disputes, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office procedures, the use of patents to secure financing, and other information technology matters.

**Joe Edmondson, BA '88, JD '91**, was elected to the board of directors of the Washington Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights and Urban Affairs. Mr. Edmondson's election follows more than 20 years of service as pro bono counsel in fair housing and other discrimination cases and several years of service as a trustee representing Foley & Lardner, where he is a partner in the securities enforcement and litigation practice.

**Brian Malkin, BA '88, JD '91**, has joined McGuire Woods as senior counsel to lead its Food and Drug Administration regulatory team. He has been in practice for 20 years, including nine years in the New York and Washington offices of Frommer Lawrence & Haug, where he focused on the confluence of food and drug law and patent law. Mr. Malkin will also serve as chair of the 242-member food, drug, and cosmetic law section of the New York State Bar Association.

**Lori Johnson, JD '92**, recently joined national law firm Chamberlain, Hrdlicka, White, Williams & Aughtry as an equity shareholder in the Atlanta office. She was previously a partner in the Atlanta office of Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garrett & Dunner.

**Martin Schulz, JD '91, MBA '92**, is managing director of international equity at PNC Capital Advisors. His international team's flagship fund recently generated accolades in the investment management arena and received an overall five star rating from Morningstar.

**Douglas J. Zeltz, JD '91**, a managing partner of the Princeton, N.J., office of Fox Rothschild, was elected to the board of trustees of Greenwood House, a skilled nursing, rehabilitation, and assisted living center in Ewing, N.J.

**Marc Druckman, JD '92**, has joined Carlton Fields Jordan Burt's business transactions practice group in Miami. Mr. Druckman has a broad range of experience in the practice of corporate law with an emphasis on mergers and acquisitions. Prior to joining Carlton Fields Jordan Burt, he was a partner at Akerman in Miami. In 2006 he founded the firm's New York City office and served as its managing partner for three years.

**Heidi Davis Knapik, JD '92**, has joined the board of directors of the South Florida chapter of the National Association of Industrial and Office Properties (NAIOP). Ms. Knapik is a shareholder in Gunster's Fort Lauderdale, Fla., office, where she focuses her practice on land use, environmental, and real estate law. She has been a member of NAIOP since 2009 and is currently its vice chair of programming.

**Margaret A. O'Brien, JD '92**, was re-elected vice chairman of the New Hampshire Bar

Association's labor and employment law section. Her practice includes the representation of public and private employers in all aspects of employment law and litigation. Prior to joining the firm in 1995, Ms. O'Brien worked for the New Hampshire Public Defender Program, where she handled criminal matters from arraignment through jury trial and appeal.

**T. Sky Woodward, JD '92**, was named the next chair of the Center for Law and Public Policy at The Voice of the Defense Bar (DRI), the largest professional organization of defense bar attorneys in the country. An active member of the organization since 1996, Ms. Woodward has chaired or been a member of 34 DRI committees and task forces. She has also written several scholarly articles for DRI publications and served as chair of the 2012 DRI annual meeting in New Orleans.

**Darrin P. Gayles, JD '93**, was nominated by President Obama to serve on the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida. Judge Gayles has served as a circuit judge in the 11th Judicial Circuit of Florida since 2011. From 2004 to 2011, he was a county judge in the same circuit. He is the first openly gay African American man to become a federal judge.

**Arden B. Levy, JD '93**, has joined Miller Friel, a specialized policyholder insurance coverage practice law firm. She is based in the firm's Washington, D.C., and Alexandria, Va., offices, where she focuses exclusively on helping corporate clients maximize their insurance coverage. Prior to joining Miller Friel, Ms. Levy was the founder of her own law firm, formed after more than a decade of coverage litigation experience at Howrey.

**Ethan R. O'Shea, JD '93**, is a partner at Hamburg, Rubin,

Mullin, Maxwell & Lupin in Lansdale, Pa., and was recently named chair of the Montgomery Bar Association's employment and labor law committee. Mr. O'Shea has been a member of his firm's litigation department for 12 years and focuses his practice on employment law, commercial litigation, and criminal law.

**Travis Stearns, JD '93**, published an article in Seattle University School of Law's *Journal for Social Justice* titled "Legal Financial Obligations: Fulfilling the Promise of Gideon by Reducing the Burden" in the spring 2013 issue. The article can be found at [digitalcommons.law.seattleu.edu/sjsj/](http://digitalcommons.law.seattleu.edu/sjsj/). Mr. Stearns is deputy director of the Washington Defender Association.

**Ivan Wasserman, JD '93**, has been named administrative partner of Manatt, Phelps & Phillips' Washington, D.C., office. A partner in the firm's nationally preeminent advertising, marketing, and media division, Mr. Wasserman focuses his practice on matters involving the marketing of foods, dietary supplements, cosmetics, drugs, and medical devices.



**Sam Feigin, JD '94**, has joined Crowell & Moring's corporate group as partner, based in Washington, D.C. Mr. Feigin, who previously worked at Nixon Peabody, has long represented a wide variety of clients around the globe, particularly in the high-tech, technology, media and telecommunications, life sciences, and consumer goods industries. At Crowell & Moring, he will help spearhead the continued growth of the firm's corporate group and will play leadership roles in a number of interdisciplinary initiatives.

**Andre M. Forte, JD '94**, was named 2014 Lawyer of the Year by the D.C. Defense Lawyers' Association at the organization's annual banquet in June.

**Jim Schuster, JD '94**, recently joined Roetzel as a partner in the firm's Cleveland office. Mr. Schuster, who focuses his practice on regulatory health care, technology, and intellectual property law, is a member of the firm's business services practice group and part of the firm's expanding team of health care law attorneys.

**Raighne Delaney, JD '95**, a trial lawyer for Bean, Kinney & Korman, was named a 2014 *Virginia Super Lawyer* in business litigation.

**Michael R. Greco, JD '96**, of Fisher & Phillips was named a 2014 *Pennsylvania Super Lawyer*. Mr. Greco litigates and provides counseling nationwide to employers on legal claims and issues arising from the movement of employees between competitor firms.

**Matthew Keiser, JD '96**, was recently promoted to partner at Arnold & Porter and is a member of the firm's labor and employment practice. He concentrates his practice in employment law counseling, employment litigation, and employment-related aspects of corporate transactions.

**Daniel Lopez, JD '96**, formerly of Briglia Hundley Nuttall & Lopez, is now a partner with Briglia Hundley, a full-service law firm in Fairfax, Va. Mr. Lopez, who has been practicing criminal defense in both state and federal court for 17 years, is also a substitute judge appointed in Arlington, Va.

**Michael S. Levine, JD '97**, was promoted to partner at Kleinberg, Kaplan, Wolff & Cohen. He focuses his practice on advising financial institutions on the purchase and sale of par and distressed

assets, such as secured bank loans, subordinated, notes, and trade claims, as well as equity interests and other securities issued by companies located in North America and worldwide.

**Margaret Rosenfeld, JD '97**, is a partner at Raleigh, N.C.-based Smith Anderson and the head of the firm's international law practice. She has been recognized by *Chambers USA* as one of "America's Leading Business Lawyers" in North Carolina for corporate/mergers and acquisitions law. She is the only woman in North Carolina to be honored in this category.



**Mehrnaz Boroumand Smith, JD '98**, is the managing partner of Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton's San Francisco office. Ms. Boroumand Smith is the first woman to lead the San Francisco office. She focuses her practice on intellectual property and complex commercial litigation matters.

**Anessa Owen Kramer, JD '98**, was named an Intellectual Property Star by *Managing Intellectual Property* magazine. Ms. Kramer is a partner in Honigman's intellectual property department and its trademark and copyright and IP litigation practice groups, and is the co-managing partner of Honigman's Bloomfield Hills, Mich., office. She represents a number of owners of well-known brands, counseling them on issues such as global clearance and filing strategies, IP management, trademark enforcement and litigation, and trademark licensing.

**Matthew J. Kreutzer, JD '98**, has joined the Las Vegas office of Howard & Howard Attorneys, where he concentrates his practice on franchising. He was named a 2014 *Mountain States Super Lawyer*. He was also appointed to a four-year term as commissioner of the California State Board of Legal Specialization.

**Carl A. Kukkonen III, JD '98**, a member of the intellectual property section of Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky and Popeo, has been selected for the *Daily Journal's* 2014 Top Intellectual Property Lawyers in California list. Mr. Kukkonen, who focuses his practice on strategic intellectual property counseling, is one of 25 portfolio managers/patent prosecutors to be recognized by the *Daily Journal*.

**Melissa S. Woods, JD '98**, was appointed to the AFL-CIO Lawyers Coordinating Committee's Diversity Initiative Steering Committee. Ms. Woods is of counsel in Meyer Suozzi's labor and employment law practice. She has been a member of the LCC's board since 2012.

**Latisha Atkins, JD '99**, was appointed executive director of the District of Columbia Office on Women's Policy and the Commission for Women—committed to enhancing quality of life for women and their families in the District of Columbia. OWPI, working in conjunction with the DC Commission for Women, serves as a liaison between the public and private sectors and the Executive Office of the Mayor.

**Paul Barger, JD '99**, was elected to the Friends of Karen board of directors. Friends of Karen provides support to New York tri-state families caring for

children battling cancer and other life-threatening illnesses. Mr. Barger is an attorney whose practice focuses on children with special needs.

**Sonia Baldia, SJD '99**, is a partner at Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton based in the Washington, D.C., office. A member of the firm's global sourcing and technology team, she is consistently recognized by *Chambers USA* as a leading information technology and sourcing lawyer.

**Erek Barron, JD '99**, has been named president of the J. Franklyn Bourne Bar Association, which serves primarily African American attorneys in Montgomery and Prince George's counties, Md. Mr. Barron co-chairs Whiteford, Taylor & Preston's administrative and regulatory law practice group and is a member of the firm's business litigation section.

**Brian Finch, JD '99, MA '99**, has been promoted to partner in the public practices section of Pillsbury Law in Washington, D.C., where he represents major corporations with their public policy and global security strategy and compliance needs. Mr. Finch is also a leader of Pillsbury's new multidisciplinary, multi-office global security team.



**Scott M. Grossman, JD '99**, an attorney in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., with international law firm Greenberg Traurig, has been recognized in the 2014 *Chambers USA Guide*. Mr. Grossman was ranked for his practice in bankruptcy and restructuring.

**Jeffrey H. Perry, JD '99**, a government antitrust litigator, is leaving the Federal Trade Commission to join Weil, Gotshal & Manges as a partner. Since December 2012, he has managed a 30-attorney team at the commission's competition bureau investigating merger transactions involving hospitals, consumer goods, supermarkets, and other industries.

## 2000s



**Michael J. Engle, JD '00**, a partner at Greenblatt, Pierce, Engle, Funt & Flores, was one of the course planners for a continuing legal education program focusing on white-collar law practice, hosted by the Pennsylvania Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (PACDL). Mr. Engle, who co-chairs PACDL's white-collar practice committee, also addressed Pennsylvania trial judges at the Pennsylvania Conference of State Trial Judges' mid-annual meeting on the topic of "Secrets of the Grand Jury."

**Jens C. Jenkins, JD '00**, was recognized by *Best Lawyers in America* in copyright and patent law.

**Stephen J. Wukela, JD '00**, was awarded an honorary degree from Francis Marion University during spring commencement ceremonies. Mr. Wukela, now in his second term as the mayor of Florence, S.C., also served as the university's commencement speaker. He has practiced with the Wukela Law Firm since 2000 with a focus on trial and appellate practice in the areas of general tort and workers' compensation law.

**Gerald Audant, JD '01**, was elected equity partner at

Fenwick & West. He counsels established and emerging technology and life sciences companies on employee benefit and equity compensation matters in corporate transactions. Mr. Audant also advises clients on the design, modification, and negotiation of compensation arrangements, including employment agreements, equity and cash-based incentive plans, and separation agreements.

**James Carlin, JD '01**, has joined Roetzel in Orlando, Fla., where he is part of the firm's real estate practice group. Mr. Carlin has extensive commercial and residential real estate law experience, including acquisition, sale, leasing, development, title insurance, survey, contract preparation and negotiation, and financing.

**Jason Day, JD '01**, was named a 2013 Colorado Lawyer of the Year by *Law Week Colorado*. He is a partner with Perkins Coie in Denver.

**Christopher J. Kirkpatrick, BA '98, JD '01**, was named secretary of the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

**Erika Moritsugu, JD '01**, was nominated by the White House to serve as assistant secretary for congressional and intergovernmental relations at the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Ms. Moritsugu is currently the deputy assistant director for legislative affairs at the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection. Prior to that, she served as deputy legislative director for U.S. Sen. Daniel Akaka (D-Hawaii) from 2010 to 2012.

**Oscar Ramirez, JD '01, MA '01**, was appointed to the Chesapeake Bay Trust board of trustees. He is a principal at the Podesta Group. Mr. Ramirez previously served as special assistant and chief of staff to Rep. Hilda Solis (D-Calif.), deputy chief of staff to Rep. Al Green (D-Texas), and legislative director

to Rep. Joe Baca (D-Calif.). He served two terms as president of the Congressional Hispanic Staff Association and was named by *Washington Life* magazine as one of Washington, D.C.'s most influential movers and shakers under 40.

**MaKara Rumley, JD '01**, is one of 35 outstanding Georgians participating in the 2014 class of the Institute for Georgia Environmental Leadership. Ms. Rumley was also selected for inclusion in *Who's Who In Black Atlanta*.

**A. Neal Seth, JD '01**, has joined Wiley Rein as a partner in the firm's intellectual property practice. Mr. Seth, who advises clients on patent prosecution and portfolio matters, has served as lead counsel in defending against claims of patent infringement in the manufacturing and pharmaceutical sectors. He has an extensive list of client contacts in India, having previously served as president of the South Asian Bar Association of Washington, D.C.

**Odin Smith, JD '01**, has joined Perkins Coie as senior counsel in the firm's Washington, D.C., office. He is a member of the firm's environmental, energy, and resources practice. Before joining Perkins Coie, Mr. Smith was an attorney adviser for the U.S. Department of the Interior.

**Timothy J. Abraham, JD '02**, was honored by the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation as one of its 40 Under 40 Outstanding Lawyers of Miami-Dade County for his community service and legal accomplishments. An assistant U.S. attorney in the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Florida, Mr. Abraham has worked for the U.S. Department of Justice since 2004.

**Stefanie Alfonso-Frank, JD '02**, was elected to counsel at Arnold & Porter. At GW Law, Ms. Alfonso-Frank graduated first in her class and received

the John Bell Lerner Award for attaining the highest cumulative average. She also served as notes editor of *The George Washington University Law Review*.

**Eric Berman, JD '02**, joined Venable as counsel in Washington, D.C. Previously, Mr. Berman worked for Williams Mullen, where he served as a partner and chair of the firm's antitrust and trade regulation practice.

**Lorie Burch, JD '02**, was honored by the *Dallas Business Journal* as one of the city's top 26 women in business and was elected the national president of the American Business Women's Association (ABWA). She is the first openly gay national president of ABWA. Ms. Burch's Dallas law firm—the Law Office of Lorie L. Burch, PC—focuses on estate planning, including wills, trusts, probate matters, and powers of attorney.

**Edward W. Chang, JD '02**, a partner at Blank Rome, has been selected for the 2014 Fellows Program of the Leadership Council on Legal Diversity, a landmark program created to identify, train, and advance the next generation of leaders in the legal profession. He joins a class of more than 170 attorneys from around the country—the largest class in the program's history. Mr. Chang, who serves as vice chair of Blank Rome's consumer finance practice group, focuses his practice on consumer financial services and commercial litigation.

**Colin D. Cook, JD '02**, joined INPEX Corp. as senior legal counsel. INPEX is a Tokyo-based oil and gas company.

**Andrea H. Evans, JD '02**, was recognized by the White House as a STEM Diversity and Access Champion of Change. Ms. Evans is principal of KidGINEER, LLC, a STEM enrichment program targeting

students ages 5 to 10. She is also the principal of The Law Firm of Andrea Hence Evans, an intellectual property firm in the Washington, D.C., area.

**Nicholas E. Johansson, JD '02**, was appointed to the Maryland Economic Development Commission. Prior to joining Whiteford, Taylor & Preston as an attorney in 2004, he served as an attorney for the Baltimore City Solicitor's Office. He is the author of several articles on elder law issues.

**Andrew Blau, JD '03**, was promoted to counsel at Davis Polk & Wardwell in the corporate department, practicing in the executive compensation group in New York. He advises clients on compensatory and benefit arrangements, such as equity-based incentives, deferred compensation and retirement plans, and retention and severance agreements, with particular emphasis on issues arising in mergers and acquisitions, initial public offerings, and new and joint ventures.



**Adam M. Foslid, JD '03, LLM '04**, is a shareholder with the litigation practice group of international law firm Greenberg Traurig. He was also appointed a trustee of the Miami Music Association, the Board of Trustees for Cleveland Orchestra Miami, where he will work to build a culture of passionate, dedicated concertgoers in Miami.

**Chad Nydegger, JD '03**, was recognized by *Best Lawyers in America* in litigation, intellectual property, and patent law.

**Kiran V. Somashekara, JD '03**, has joined Reed Smith as counsel in the firm's New York

City office. Mr. Somashekara represents clients across the United States, conducting internal investigations; managing regulatory enforcement matters initiated by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, the SEC, and state regulators; and representing firms and individuals in customer disputes. He has been named a *New Jersey Super Lawyers* "Rising Star" since 2011.

**Vincent Lyon, JD '04**, has joined Chiumento Selis Dwyer in Palm Coast, Fla., where he concentrates his practice in business, litigation, and personal injury law services.

**Michael J. Rigelsky, JD '04**, was named a 2014 *Ohio Super Lawyers* "Rising Star." Mr. Rigelsky is an associate at Roetzel & Andress in Akron, Ohio.

**Joyanna Smith, JD '04**, was named ombudsman for the D.C. public school system. Ms. Smith is a former charter school official who will serve as a mediator and clearinghouse for parents' concerns.

**Wesley Smith, JD '04**, was named director of state and federal relations by Utah Governor Gary Herbert. Prior to this role, Mr. Smith served as executive vice president of government affairs and general counsel for the Salt Lake Chamber, overseeing the chamber's government relations efforts and providing legal expertise.

**Rachel A. Alexander, JD '05**, was promoted to partner at Wiley Rein, where she is a member of the health care, government contracts, white-collar defense and government investigations, and insurance practices. Ms. Alexander counsels clients on health care and government contracting matters. Prior to entering the legal profession, she spent more than a decade



## '79 Classmates Stay Connected

THIRTY-FIVE YEARS AFTER GRADUATING FROM GW LAW, FIVE members of the Class of 1979 are still closely connected. The group members, who have kept in touch since meeting in their first-year contract class, gathered recently for their own mini reunion. Pictured at the get-together are (from left to right):

**Tod Gold**, who practices environmental law with Joyce Ziker Parkinson in Seattle. Earlier in his career, Mr. Gold worked at WMATA and the Environmental Protection Agency headquarters.

**Art Hoffman**, who practices health care litigation with Thomas, Thomas & Hafer in Harrisburg, Pa., after previously working for Duane Morris LLP. Before entering private practice, he worked at Israel's Environment Ministry in Jerusalem and served as a prosecutor for the Pennsylvania Board of Medicine.

**Barry Hartman**, who practices environmental, white-collar, and administrative law at K&L Gates in Washington, D.C. Previously he served in the Justice Department as deputy assistant attorney general, and as deputy general counsel to the governor of Pennsylvania.

**Mike Hammer**, who is now retired after serving as a communications lawyer at Willkie, Farr & Gallagher in Washington, D.C.

**Steve Katich**, who practiced law for four years before being hired to help bring Major League Baseball to Denver. Today, he is the director of business development and government relations for JE Dunn, a large national general contractor.

The five have enjoyed their own private pool for the NCAA tournament for more than 35 years, betting on who would pick the fewest right. The lucky winner gets a T-shirt. They send their congratulations to the Class of '79 and encourage anyone in the Denver, Harrisburg, Seattle, or Washington, D.C., areas to look them up.

in health care administration working for industry leading providers and health plans.

**Kimberly A. Ashmore JD '05**, was promoted to partner at Wiley Rein. She is a member of the firm's insurance practice, where she represents insurers and professionals in connection with complex professional liability disputes. Earlier in her career, she clerked for the Hon. Deborah K. Chasanow at the U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland.

**Thomas A. Janczewski, JD '05**, has been named partner at the Milwaukee office of Michael Best & Friedrich. He practices general commercial litigation in both state and federal courts.

**Colleen King, JD '05**, was promoted to of counsel at Wiley Rein. A member of the firm's communications practice, she counsels clients on Federal Communications Commission rules and compliance with ongoing regulatory requirements, particularly related to satellites, earth stations, international authorizations, and submarine cable licenses. She advises clients on communications issues including licensing, foreign ownership, and national security.

**Peter L. Olszewski, JD '05**, was promoted to counsel at Buckley Sandler, a leading financial services and criminal and civil enforcement defense law firm. He works in the firm's Washington, D.C., office.

**Stephanie Roy, BA '97, JD '05**, is a member of Steptoe's telecom, Internet, and media group, where she represents domestic and foreign telecommunications and media clients before the Federal Communications Commission and other government agencies. Previously, she clerked for Judge Eric L. Clay on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit.

**Kimberly L. Sikora Panza, JD '05**, was promoted to special counsel at Wiley Rein, where she is a member of the franchise, intellectual property, and privacy practices. She is also a professorial lecturer at the George Washington University Law School.

**David Kanuth, JD '06**, was a Democratic candidate in the open primary for California's 33rd Congressional District. His campaign raised more than \$800,000 in less than two months. Mr. Kanuth says that his experience as a public defender shaped his ideals and passion for public service.

**Adam H. Koblenz, JD '06**, an associate with Sahn Ward Coschignano & Baker, received *Long Island Business News* "Leadership in Law" Award in the associate category. He was named a 2014 *New York Metro Area Super Lawyers* "Rising Star" in the area of general litigation.

**Jason McCullough, JD '06**, was promoted to counsel at Davis Polk & Wardwell in the litigation department, resident in Hong Kong. He has substantial experience in matters related to the enforcement of international anticorruption and antitrust laws, as well as related civil litigation.

**Jered E. Matthyse, JD '07**, was named a 2014 *Texas Super Lawyers* "Rising Star" in the intellectual property category. Mr. Matthyse is a senior associate at Austin-based Pirkey Barber, one of the few U.S. firms specializing exclusively in trademark, copyright, and unfair competition law.

**Ben Esplin, JD '07**, an intellectual property lawyer, was promoted to partner at Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman, where he serves as lead counsel on the social media and games team based in the firm's San Diego

North County office. Before practicing law, Mr. Esplin was a patent examiner with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and a patent clerk.



**David Kim, JD '07**, an attorney in Armstrong Teasdale's intellectual property practice group, was named central regional governor of the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association for the 2013-14 session. He was also selected to participate in the 2013 NAPABA Prospective Partners Program.

**Vacharaesorn Vivacharawongse, LLM '07**, joined Goldberg Segalla as an associate in its New York City office. He is a member of the firm's risk and litigation avoidance strategies, business and commercial, and product liability practice groups. Previously, he was an associate at Sedgwick LLP.

**Brian C. Willis, JD '07**, an associate at Shumaker, Loop & Kendrick's Tampa, Fla. office, was a panelist at a Not Your Average Speakers community conversation on transit. He also was named a 2014 *Florida Super Lawyers* "Rising Star."

**Theodore Dokko, JD '08**, is an associate at Richardson Harman Ober, a Pasadena, Calif.-based law firm. Mr. Dokko has experience representing clients in all aspects of civil litigation, with an emphasis on labor and employment matters including wage and hour, discrimination, and wrongful termination claims.

**Reetuparna Dutta, JD '08**, was promoted to senior associate at Hodgson Russ.

**Bryan King, JD '08**, is an associate at Bass, Berry & Sims in Washington, D.C. He joins the firm's government contracts practice group, which was launched in early 2014.

**Alejandro Luis Sarría, JD '08**, has joined the Congressional Hispanic Leadership Institute as general counsel. Mr. Sarría is also continuing his role at McKenna Long & Aldridge as a government contracts litigator, where he focuses his practice on government contract claims and disputes, federal contractor tort litigation, and bid protests.

**Thea Burns Johnson, JD '09**, married Geoffrey Keenan Bickford on Dec. 15, 2013, in New York City. Ms. Johnson is a Thomas C. Grey Fellow at Stanford Law School, where she teaches legal writing and research to first-year law students and researches criminal justice issues.

**Julie Oliver-Zhang, BA '02, JD '09**, was named a 2014 *Washington, D.C., Super Lawyers* "Rising Star." She is the founder and managing partner of Oliver-Zhang Law, which specializes in personal injury, immigration, and medical malpractice.

## 2010s

**Amanda Hogue, LLM '10**, is a family law attorney at Conroy Law Firm. She is also an expert in commercial and business litigation.

**Daniel Lehman, JD '10**, published two recent articles in the *New York Law Journal*: "Condemnation: Are Exercised Options Evidence of Value?" which appeared in the Nov. 12, 2013, issue, and "Duty to Disclose Condemnation Information in a Transaction?"

in the Jan. 3, 2014, issue. Mr. Lehman works at Berkman, Henoch, Peterson, Peddy & Fenchel, in Garden City, N.Y., where he specializes in eminent domain law.

**Aron C. Beezley, LLM '11**, was named a 2014 *Washington D.C. Super Lawyers* "Rising Star" in the area of government contracts law. Mr. Beezley is an associate with Bradley Arant Boult Cummings, where he focuses primarily on government contracts and construction law.

**Amanda K. Brady, MS '11**, has joined Major, Lindsey & Africa, the world's leading legal search firm, as managing director and global practice leader of its law firm management practice. She is the only executive search professional to hold a Master of Professional Studies degree in Law Firm Management from GW.



**Katie A. Calogero, JD '11**, was named a 2014 *Washington, D.C., Super Lawyers* "Rising Star." An attorney at Jackson Kelly, she is an associate in the firm's government contracts and investigations practice group.



**Lucas J. Myers, LLM '11**, has joined Alston Hunt Floyd & Ing as an associate, where he practices in the area of commercial litigation. Prior to joining the firm, he was an associate with Secrest Wardle in Michigan.

**Maggie Priest, JD '11**, married Dan Silky on Oct. 12, 2013, in Syracuse, N.Y. GW Law guests in attendance were

**Alison Shurtleff, JD '11; Julia Tamulis, JD '11; and Greg Rosen, BA '08, JD '11**. The couple resides in Manlius, N.Y., where Ms. Priest works as an attorney at Priest Law Offices and Mr. Silky works for Xerox Corp.

**Jillian M. Mueller, JD '12**, has joined Husch Blackwell's St. Louis office as an associate on the labor and employment team. Ms. Mueller previously served as a law clerk for the Hon. José M. López, Superior Court of the District of Columbia and presiding judge of the Domestic Violence Unit.

**Jurgen Van Staden, LLM '12**, was hired as counsel and assistant director of policy at the Network Advertising Initiative in New York City. Mr. Van Staden supports membership and code enforcement as well as policy development for members, including revisions to the Network Advertising Initiative Code of Conduct.

**Alex J. Yastrow, JD '12**, has joined Goldberg Segalla as an associate in its New York City office. He is a member of the firm's global insurance services practice group. Mr. Yastrow specializes in commercial insurance coverage litigation, including regulatory, property, and business interruption matters.

**Daren Daniels, LLM '13**, is an attorney-adviser at the Social Security Administration's Office of Appeals in Arlington, Va.

**Michael Friedman, JD '13**, is an associate at Brinks Gilson & Liono, where he is a member of the trademark practice group at the firm's Chicago office. Previously he served as an intern at the U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, and at the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

**Julius Jefferson, JD '13**, has joined the Houston office of Weil, Gotshal & Manges



## A Work of Art

THANKS TO THE EFFORTS OF GEORGE STATHOPOULOS, JD '60, a modern Greek sculpture of Poseidon now graces GW's campus. The 12-foot-tall stainless steel sculpture, created in 1960 by noted Greek sculptor George Zongolopoulos, crossed the ocean this summer and was officially dedicated at GW in October. An art lover and father of two GW alumni, Mr. Stathopoulos facilitated the gift to the university in appreciation of his GW Law education. Pictured above at the dedication ceremony are Mr. Stathopoulos (second from left) with GW Law classmates (from left to right) The Hon. Bruce Mencher, BA '57, JD '60, The Hon. James Cacheris, JD '60, and Ronald Willoner, JD '60.

as an associate in the firm's litigation department.

**Gabrielle Lincoff, JD '13**, married Yissachar Jerusalem on Feb. 16. Ms. Lincoff is an attorney for the George Washington University Office of the Senior Vice President and General Counsel. Mr. Jerusalem is in his third year

of medical school at the George Washington University School of Medicine.

**Robert Platt, BA '09, MPH '13, JD '13**, is an associate at Bass, Berry & Sims in Washington, D.C., where he is a member of the firm's compliance and government investigations practice group.

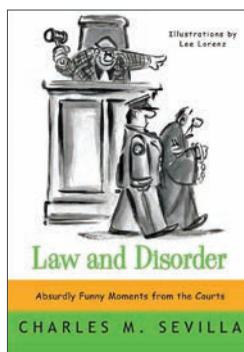
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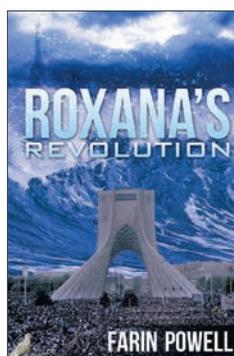
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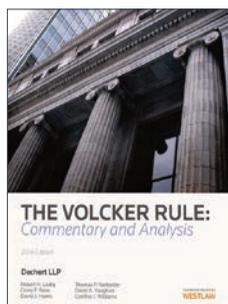


**Charles Sevilla, LLM '71**, a defense attorney in San Diego, Calif., has compiled a third volume of courtroom humor, *Law and Disorder: Absurdly Funny Moments From the Courts* (W.W. Norton & Co., 2014). Mr. Sevilla, who published his first book of courtroom humor in 1986, said in an interview with *The San Diego Union-Tribune*, "Humor is the lubricant that helps us get over the frictions of life."

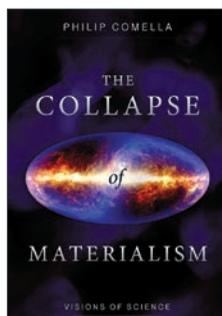


**Farin (Mirvahabi) Powell, LLM '76**, has published three books since 2009. Her most recent book, *Roxana's Revolution* (iUniverse.com, 2013), received the Editor's Choice Award from iUniverse. The novel takes place in 1979 during the Iranian hostage crisis. Roxana, a Wall Street attorney, is forced to return to Iran, where harsh revolutionary rules, Saddam's nightly bombings, and a near death

experience propel her to enter a doomed marriage. Eventually, she returns to the United States, only to face new challenges, and a dire situation takes her to Paris where a life-altering surprise awaits her. For more information visit her website, [farinpowell.com](http://farinpowell.com).



**Robert Ledig, JD '82**, is an editor and coauthor of *Volcker Rule: Commentary and Analysis*, (Thomson Reuters, 2014). The book provides detailed coverage of the recently adopted Volcker Rule provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act that generally prohibit banking entities from engaging in short-term proprietary trading and sponsoring and investing in private equity funds and hedge funds. Mr. Ledig is a partner with Dechert in Washington, D.C.

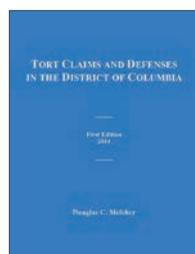


**Philip Comella, JD '83**, has published a new book titled *The Collapse of Materialism: Visions of Science, Dreams of God* (Rainbow Ridge, 2014). For millennia, two opposing

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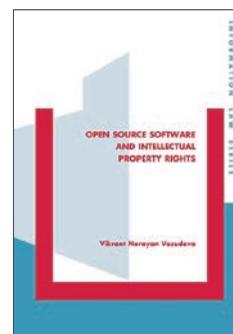
**Gwendolyn Majette, JD '93**, is the author of a chapter titled "Global Health Law Norms: A Coherent Framework to Understand PPACA's Approach to Eliminate Health Disparities and Address Implementation Challenges" in *Law and Global Health*. The book includes 34 articles from scholars around the world in six disciplines. The chapter examines how domestic and international legal mechanisms can be integrated to use as tools to reduce health care disparities that disproportionately affect people of color. In particular it examines the multitude of diverse provisions within the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act that have the potential to reduce health disparities and the moral imperative to reduce health care disparities consistent with global health law norms.



**Douglas C. Melcher, JD '99**, is the author of *Tort Claims and*

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**Brandon Moss, JD '03**, is co-author of a chapter on judicial remedies in the forthcoming *Massachusetts Administrative Law Manual* (Lexis Nexis/Matthew Bender, 2014). He also recently wrote "Suitability Challenged: The Judicial Creation of Suitability Standards for Firearms," published in the *Massachusetts Bar Association Lawyers Journal*. He is a senior associate with Murphy, Hesse, Toomey & Lehane in Quincy, Mass., where he also resides.



**Vikrant N. Vasudeva, LLM '08**, wrote *Open Source Software and Intellectual Property Rights* (Wolters Kluwer, 2014). The book proposes a *sui generis* model for software following the pattern of recently developed technological distinctions in fields like database protection, integrated computer circuits, plant breeders' rights, and the recognition given to collective rights like collective trademark, geographical indication, and traditional knowledge. It is currently available on Amazon.

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**ABOVE** U.S. Supreme Court Justice Steven G. Breyer (right) visited GW Law on Nov. 7 for the kickoff event of the GW Law Review's 2014 Symposium: a conversation with Associate Dean Alan Morrison.

GW Law alumni flocked back to campus in June for an event-packed Reunion Weekend, highlighted by class celebrations around D.C.



Professor Roger E. Schechter (center) speaks with guests at the Class of 1984 cocktail party at Sutherland Asbill & Brennan, hosted by classmate and reunion committee member Libby Langworthy.



Members of the Class of 1969 enjoy their class cocktail party at Ris Restaurant during Reunion Weekend.



**ABOVE** U.S. Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg visited GW on Constitution Day in September to discuss the evolution of women's rights with professor and historian Maeva Marcus (right).

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