Calendar of Events

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May 15, 2004
Commencement
Sacramento Memorial Auditorium

May 21 – 22, 2004
International Alumni Reunion
Zurich, Switzerland

June 14 – July 9, 2004
Pacific/McGeorge China Institute
Sacramento and Suzhou, China

July 3 – 24, 2004
Institute on International Legal Studies
Salzburg, Austria

July 15, 2004
San Diego Chapter Charity Golf Tourney
Coronado Municipal Golf Course

October 13, 2004
High Tea at the U.S. Supreme Court
Washington, D.C.

October 16, 2004
80th Anniversary / All-Alumni Reunion
with Justice Anthony M. Kennedy
Pacific/McGeorge

November 5, 2004
International Financial Services Symposium
Pacific/McGeorge

December 1, 2004
State Bar of California Swearing-In Ceremony
Pacific/McGeorge

January 22, 2005
Alumni Association’s Southern California MCLE
The Queen Mary, Long Beach

January 29, 2005
Alumni Association’s Sacramento MCLE
Pacific/McGeorge

February 20 – 21, 2005
24th Annual International Law Symposium
Pacific/McGeorge

Message from
The Dean

The term “world class” may be overused, yet if there is a more apt description for the programs at your law school, I have yet to find it. There is a palpable excitement here that I hope you will take the opportunity to experience when you next visit the area. Pacific/McGeorge is continuing its upward trajectory, and we’re moving from simply being “on the map,” to becoming a prime destination for legal and government leaders, new faculty and our excellent students who will soon join you as colleagues, fellow alums and legal leaders.

And, as we continue these upward moves, our view of the landscape is changing, and our reach is extending into new areas. This issue of Pacific Law highlights some of the many initiatives we have underway in the Pacific Rim: New efforts in China, including a new summer program with Kenneth Wang School of Law at the University of Soochow in the city of Suzhou; a unique program, funded by the U.S. State Department, training prosecutors and public defenders from Chile; and continued efforts in Viet Nam, Taiwan, and our long-standing programs in Europe—I could go on…

All are proving to the rest of the world what we already know: Pacific/McGeorge is making a difference—and an increasingly important mark—locally, nationally, and globally.

For example, looking back on the few months that have passed in 2004, Pacific/McGeorge has hosted:

■ Two MCLE events, attracting nearly 1,000 alums between them;
■ Two cohorts of Chilean lawyers for intensive eight-day advocacy training programs;
■ An international symposium addressing the challenges of ‘moving from command to market economies’—with Russia’s Yukos Oil situation and Iraq’s rebuilding issues as case studies, and China as a model;
■ A roundtable on the status of prisoners at Guantanamo Bay, featuring General Thomas Henningwag, legal advisor to the Military Commissions on Detainees;
■ A meeting of the Pacific/McGeorge Alumni Board of Governors, which adopted an ambitious program of reanimating Alumni Chapters;
■ A ‘Dine with Alumni’ event bringing alums from various legal specializations together with students interested in their particular areas of practice;
■ A national conference on Charter Schools as part of our Education Law initiative; and, most recently;
■ A national symposium on “Three Strikes” and Sentencing Reform—attracting the leading scholars in this contentious area of law and politics.

And I have yet to even mention our remarkable students! They are the real key to the excitement here, and you deserve the opportunity to meet them. Yes, some of them are featured in this issue of Pacific Law, but no article can possibly do them all justice. Like the many Pacific/McGeorge alumni I have met, they are bright, interested and interesting, and getting to know them is a pleasure. You will be proud to call them colleagues and fellow alumni when they graduate, and I hope you will help them with advice and opportunities when you’re considering summer interns and new hires.

Today’s students—as when you were here—are learning from a masterful faculty that is now increasingly recognized for its excellence: the Pacific/McGeorge Advocacy Program is now acknowledged among the national elite and ‘best in the West;’ all our academic programs have been recast, with faculty guidance, into three overarching “Pacific Centers” in Global Business & Development, Advocacy & Dispute Resolution, and Government Law & Policy; and the media is consistently camped out here for commentaries on legal matters in the news.

The world is finding its way to Pacific/McGeorge, as we are reaching out. I hope you are pleased with the progress and activity that’s evident at your law school, and that you, too, will make your way back to campus sometime soon. I look forward to seeing you here, or when we get out “on the road” to meet you—and am always eager to hear from you. Please tell us how we’re doing, and how we can do even better!

Regards,

Dean Elizabeth Rindskopf Parker
Pacific/McGeorge’s Pacific Rim Connection

On the 30th anniversary of its program in Salzburg, Pacific/McGeorge expands its international presence, particularly in the Pacific Rim, with new ties to Soochow University in China.
In the fall of 1921, a handful of students were waiting on the second floor of a downtown Sacramento building for their first-year law classes to begin. They were sadly informed that the would-be operators of the fledgling school had decided to abandon the project as of the previous evening. Their professor, a young Stanford Law School graduate from Maine named Verne Adrian McGeorge, offered to lecture on the law at his residence. The students accepted his offer. It was an inauspicious debut for what would become an internationally known law school.

The arrangement continued until January 1924 when several civic-minded leaders joined McGeorge in founding a non-profit corporation, the Sacramento College of Law. The incorporators and members of the first Board of Trustees included Judge Peter Shields, a founder of the University of California, Davis. They had a definite purpose in mind: to provide an opportunity for legal education where none existed. McGeorge was appointed manager of the college, later named dean and professor of law. The new institution acquired quarters in a building at the corner of Tenth and L Streets. Tuition was $100 per year.

In 1925, the first annual commencement program of the Sacramento College of law lists a graduating class of five. A handful of students earned their law degrees each of the next five years. The little law school had little to boast about, but it had its first female graduate, Rose Sheehan, a quarter-century before the Harvard Law School. Lawrence Dorety succeeded Rowland.

As with many small colleges, McGeorge was closed during the war years. McGeorge’s widow, Annabel, who served as registrar until her retirement in 1958, kept the place “alive” during those years answering all correspondence and assuring future law students that there was, and would continue to be, a law school for them.

In the fall of 1946, it again had a new location at 902 J Street on the third floor of the Ruhstaller Building over a radio store. The fire escape consisted of ropes tied to a metal steam-heat register.

In 1955, the law school moved across the street to 924 J Street over the Arcade Bar. As if a gin mill wasn’t enough of a distraction at this location, there was a ravioli factory in the basement. All of the cooking aromas were carried to the upper floors through the elevator shaft.

And so it was over a late-night plate of ravioli, that Swan and a young attorney who taught at the law school, Gordon D. Schaber, vowed to find a permanent home for the institution.
An opportunity to obtain the use of a vacant city health facility, a well-baby clinic at the corner of 33rd Street and Fifth Avenue in the Oak Park neighborhood, presented itself in late 1956 and the Board of Trustees agreed to move the school there. Dean Swan passed away unexpectedly two months prior to the move, but with the assistance of a borrowed pickup truck into which all the library books and furniture were loaded, Acting Dean Schaber moved the school in one trip. When the law school opened for its program of evening classes in the fall of 1957, enrollment was 123 students. There was still no full-time faculty or staff. Library holdings totaled 1,500 volumes. Total assets were listed at $15,000 and the annual budget was $26,000.

Thus began the modern era at McGeorge. Schaber was determined that the law school was going to make a name for itself. That demanded facilities, faculty and publicity. He planned and budgeted for the facilities, knowing that on the horizon increased enrollment would throw off funds for needed expansion, maybe even a campus some day. Schaber knew who the best lawyers in town were and he coaxed them into teaching at McGeorge. He immersed himself in community activities, forging friendships with every state and city official and business leader in the sleepy state capital.

And even though it was only a small night school, Schaber made sure it was a judge, senator or celebrity who gave the commencement address. His friend, Bay Area novelist Erle Stanley Gardner, was the invitee for the 1960 ceremony. Gardner, however, had an emergency appendectomy a week before the event and was forced to bow out. Schaber offered to wheel him over in his hospital bed, but Gardner had a better idea. He told Schaber to invite actor Raymond Burr to give the speech. Burr was the star of “Perry Mason,” a television show based on Gardner’s books because of health problems, the same year McGeorge became the 25th largest private law library in the state of California. The full-time faculty, created when the Day Division was launched in 1967, attracted law professors from around the country. Many a visiting professor from a more renowned law school decided to stay on in Sacramento — for 20 or 25 years. It was a stunning accomplishment, one that earned numerous plaudits from the ABA, which bestowed on him its highest honor for service in legal education, The Kutak Award, in 1995.

Schaber was forced to resign his position as dean that year because of health problems, the same year McGeorge became a fully integrated part of the University of the Pacific. George Washington University law professor and federal administrator Gerald Caplan was selected to succeed Schaber and the school’s enrollment in the mid-1990s made it the 21st largest law school in the country.

Former CIA General Counsel Elizabeth Rindskopf Parker became dean in 2002 and the school celebrates its 80th anniversary with a new summer program in China.

From a lecture in a Sacramento attorney’s home to lecture halls halfway round the world, the Pacific/McGeorge School of Law has definitely come a long way.
Somebody out there likes me…

That’s the feeling our Pacific/McGeorge students get when they are selected to receive one of more than 50 named scholarships at the law school. It’s a feeling that gives them an extra boost in their long hours of study, a comfort that soothes student loan financial concerns, an emotional lift that builds confidence in future success in the legal profession.

By Jan Ferris Heenan; Photography John Blaustein

Scholarship recipients are grateful for the generosity of Pacific/McGeorge’s alumni and friends. The availability of scholarship funds is crucial to their pursuit of a legal education. In their thank-you letters to donors, you’ll often read: “I hope to do for someone else some day what you've done for me.”

• Names such as Jim & Dorothy Adams, Walter Alexander, Tracy Helms, Gary Schaber and Albert Zangerle wound and inspire each year. The Alumni Endowed Scholarship Fund alone awarded more than $129,000 to 58 students this year. • These are some of the many current students who benefit from the thoughtful contributions of graduates who have gone before them. The students are hard-working, focused, mature—and very likely to make their supporters proud in the years ahead.

Work in the criminal investigation division of the Internal Revenue Service piqued William Bishop’s interest in law. But with a wife, a growing family and a career that kept him on the move, it took several years to switch tracks.

Once he did, and enrolled at Pacific/McGeorge, Bishop wasted no time. In addition to his day job, the father of four (ranging in age from two months to 10 years old) wrote for The Transnational Lawyer last year and currently serves as its editor-in-chief. He clerked for a law firm over the summer. When Bishop graduates this spring, he will do so with a designation in intellectual property—and with a litigation job awaiting him at the Sacramento firm of Porter, Scott, Weiberg and Delehant.

Between the IRS and his enrollment at Pacific/McGeorge, Bishop spent several years in insurance claim management for General Accident Insurance. He and his family relocated several times in that job, from Anchorage to San Diego and points between.

“I finally said, ‘Enough moving. I want to go to law school,’ ” Bishop said. “I’ve enjoyed school, but now it’s time for new challenges.”

Sarah Class came straight from Pacific to Pacific/McGeorge to round out her education and to follow her mother’s sage advice. “My mom always told me I should be prepared,” Class explained. “I felt this was a practical choice. Even if I never wanted to be a lawyer, I felt this would enrich my understanding of policy and the world around us.”

Class has been active at Pacific/McGeorge, between her tenure on the law review—first as a writer, this year as an editor—and her membership in the Women’s Caucus. She was also a volunteer in the Big Sister program.

In addition, Class spent a summer as an intern for U.S. Senator Harry Reid (n-rnv) and as a summer associate for the Reno law firm of Hale, Lane, Dennison and Howard. She will join the firm’s real property and finance department after graduation.

“I’ve definitely reached all of my goals of going to law school,” Class said. “I’ve gained an immense amount of knowledge.”
“Almost storybook” is the way Nirav Desai describes the direction his law school experience and the support and encouragement he has received from faculty at Pacific/McGeorge.

This year, for the first time, Desai will compete in the National Appellate Advocacy Competition. Last year, he was a staff writer for the McGeorge Law Review; this year, he serves as chief comment editor.

But Desai says the highlight of his student involvement has revolved around his service as student liaison to the Faculty Recruitment Committee, helping to convene student groups to meet with potential hires. “It’s been one of the best things I’ve done, getting Pacific/McGeorge out there in a positive light and putting our best face forward,” said Desai, the son of doctors and a graduate of Rio Americano High in Carmichael.

Desai has a job awaiting him at the Sacramento law firm of Downey Brand, where he worked last summer. “It will be a long time before I see a courtroom,” he said. “But I’m excited about getting to know the issues.”

As if attending law school wasn’t enough, Justin Lee added a second academic venture to his plate after starting at Pacific/McGeorge: he enrolled in the MBA program at Cal State University, Sacramento.

He has gathered a respectable collection of scholarships and awards along the way. Lee has also amassed a lengthy resume of legal experience, working for Downey Brand and Kronick Moskovitz Tiedemann & Girard, as well as for other area firms. He worked for the State Attorney General’s public rights division, and is currently employed by the Sacramento District Attorney’s Office as a legal assistant in traffic court.

Lee is still deciding which area of the law to pursue, but he doesn’t hesitate when asked about his dream job. NBA referee. Lee has refereed high school basketball for the past eight years, and also referees volleyball.

At Sacramento State, Lee has also worked as a graduate assistant in business law. He allows that he has spent more time working than hitting the books the past few years. “That’s why I didn’t make Dean’s List,” he said. “But (the work experience) has made me realize what I like and what I don’t like.”

One of the very last things that Erika Englund says she expected to happen at Pacific/McGeorge was to take such a shine to the law. In fact, she initially enrolled in law school to obtain what she calls a “very portable” degree.

“I just unexpectedly fell in love with the profession,” Englund said. “It has taught me to speak more clearly, to think more clearly and to write better.”

Englund works for the Community Legal Services Clinic at Pacific/McGeorge and is involved in the Women’s Caucus. She has also invested much time and effort in the start-up of a Junior Barristers Club on campus, which she co-founded with two classmates.

In its first year, the organization already boasts 70 paid members, several of whom recently attended a luncheon hosted by the California State Supreme Court. “In law school, there are lots of opportunities for 50 students to meet one attorney. We’re trying to do the opposite,” Englund said.

Englund plans to practice probate law and also specialize in guardianships. It is a way, she says, of melding her psychology background with her legal experience.

Mai Nasrallah inherited her love for numbers from her father, and her concern for the Middle Eastern kingdom of Jordan by birthright. For now, Nasrallah has put her accounting career on the back burner in the hopes that her studies at Pacific/McGeorge — and subsequent legal experience — will help her effect change in her homeland.

“Human rights have always been my passion… and there is more suppressive rule in the Middle East,” she said. “The culture is so male-dominated, though women do play a big part in it.”

Nasrallah, who considers herself Palestinian rather than Jordanian, was raised in Amman, where her father worked as an interpreter at the American Embassy. A Muslim, she met her husband, a Catholic Jordanian, overseas while working as a flight attendant for Royal Jordanian Airlines. The two came to Sacramento together and Nasrallah spent three years as an accounting officer for the state Board of Equalization.

In addition to her studies, Nasrallah is a full-time judicial assistant to U.S. District Judge William Shubb. She is also a member of Pacific/McGeorge’s Amnesty International chapter.
On the 30th anniversary of the Salzburg program, Pacific/McGeorge Law expands its international presence with ties to Soochow University in China. With an increasing number of alumni abroad, Pacific/McGeorge is making its mark throughout Asia and the Pacific Rim. By Robert T. Wazeka
Pacific/McGeorge School of Law has long been a leader in international legal education, and the law school is well-positioned to capitalize on the explosion of economic growth, particularly in the Pacific Rim.

“More is happening internationally at Pacific/McGeorge than at any other law school west of the Appalachians,” says Claude Rohwer, Associate Dean of International Affairs at Pacific/McGeorge School of Law. “Many students come here because they’re interested in international affairs. And this is especially important now because globalization is everywhere.”

At the very moment Pacific/McGeorge is celebrating the 30th anniversary of its European summer institute in Salzburg, the school has launched a new initiative aimed at Pacific Rim countries. Cooperative efforts are well underway with China, Vietnam, Taiwan, and Chile, and this is only the beginning.

The Pacific Rim initiative moves beyond traditional exchange programs with law students, legal scholars, and government officials. Pacific/McGeorge is providing assistance to countries bringing cases before such international bodies as the International Court of Justice and the World Trade Organization. It is offering support to nations developing or revising civil codes or commercial laws and regulations. And, perhaps most excitingly, it is pioneering a series of innovative training programs in cooperation with other nations, particularly in China and Chile.

“Many of the prestigious law schools in the East stress legal theory,” says Dean Elizabeth Rindskopf Parker. “Pacific/McGeorge is different; our approach focuses on the law as it is applied. This makes us particularly effective in assisting other countries with their legal systems.”

China

Pacific/McGeorge’s efforts in China extend back to the early 1980s when the school sponsored pioneering exchange programs with a Chinese law school. One of the Chinese students involved in the program, LL.M. graduate Zhu Su Li, is now Dean of the prestigious Beijing University Law School.

The exchange program stalled in the aftermath of the 1989 Tiananmen Square uprising that dampened Chinese relations with the U.S. When Dean Parker visited Chinese law schools during a 2002 lecture tour, she made contacts at the Kenneth Wang School of Law at Soochow University that led to the creation of Pacific/McGeorge’s new Summer Institute in China, which holds its first session this year. Soochow University is located in the city of Suzhou, northwest and inland from Shanghai.

Instrumental in pulling the effort together was Kenneth Wang’s son, Frank, a prominent San Francisco attorney and adjunct professor at Pacific/McGeorge.

The excitement over Pacific/McGeorge’s work in China is palpable. “The level of interest in American law by Chinese students, half of whom are women, is very high,” says Laura Young, an adjunct professor who accompanied Dean Parker to China. “The Chinese law students were extremely interested in what we had to say.” she says. “Their level of English was high and they posed tough questions about American law and foreign policy.”

The creation of the summer institute reflects China’s effort to modernize its legal system.

Fifteen students each from the U.S. and China will participate in the summer institute. The Chinese students were chosen competitively and with special attention to their English language skills. “We deliberately wanted students with a range of language skills, from highly proficient to barely proficient,” says Frank Wang. “In this way, the students will have to deal with each other and help each other out with translation and other matters.”

Before heading off to China, the American students will spend two weeks at Pacific/McGeorge attending a class in “concepts of Chinese law” taught by Professors Wang, Young and Brian Landsberg, a constitutional law expert. When the students arrive in Suzhou, they’ll receive packets of mock contracts, invoices, and other materials, some written in English and others in Chinese. The Chinese students will receive identical packets.

“We’re working on these right now,” says Wang. “It’s a real challenge, but it’s exciting.” In China, the 30 students will be divided into competitive red teams representing China and blue teams representing the U.S. Each team will include both Chinese and American students. To succeed, students have to help each other with translation and interpretation. “By their interaction,” Wang says, “the students will build relationships that will help to remove cultural preconceptions and stereotypical behavior patterns. In a sense, this can contribute to developing a new kind of common law.”

In addition to the summer program, Pacific/McGeorge has hosted two separate visits from Chinese lawyers and judges and several exchange programs are underway with law schools in Russia and Taiwan.
Chile

Pacific/McGeorge designed and implemented an innovative, hands-on training program in January and February to help school Chilean prosecutors and public defenders in the arts of trial advocacy, mediation, and negotiation. In part because of our highly-ranked Trial Advocacy program, the Cultural Affairs Office at the American Embassy in Santiago chose Pacific/McGeorge to carry out the training. The school then signed a contract with the U.S. State Department to bring eight Chilean prosecutors and 11 public defenders to Sacramento for training.

"From our end, the results were great," says Professor Jay Leach, director of McGeorge's Center for Legal Advocacy and Dispute Resolution. "The Chileans were diligent and receptive, and their reactions were uniformly positive."

Chile's legal system is moving from an inquisitional, judicial-tribunal system to an American-style system of adversarial trial. In lawyers were in need of training in four areas: direct examination, cross-examination, impeachment of witnesses, and closing argument. "One of our concerns," says Leach, "was whether we would teach at the appropriate level of their experience, which varied from individual to individual. Another concern was whether we would take proper account of the similarities and differences between our two systems."

The seven-day sessions included lectures from Professors Joseph Taylor and Fred Galves on trial advocacy and from Professors Gregory Weber and Ed Villmario on alternative dispute resolution. Mock trial segments and a complete videotaped, and McGeorge faculty observed the sessions and made comments and suggestions.

"I accompanied defenders from my office and was very impressed by the professors at Pacific/McGeorge," says Rodrigo Quintana, the Defensor Nacional for Chile's Defensoria Penal Publica. "The Chilean legal system is going through an amazing transformation and it is a great honor for Pacific/McGeorge professors to be asked to share our knowledge with Chilean attorneys," says Professor Galves, who did human rights work in Chile in 1983 under the auspices of the Harvard Human Rights Program and Amnesty International.

Viet Nam

Technical legal assistance also plays a significant role in the law school's Pacific Rim initiative. A case in point is Professor Claude Rohwer's work as a consultant to several different government ministries in Viet Nam. Since 1996, Rohwer has made five separate trips to the country, providing assistance in areas such as contracts, sales, service transactions, personal property financing, and property law.

Rohwer's first visit occurred in 1996, when he went to Ho Chi Minh City under joint funding provided by the U.S. Department of Commerce and UNDP (United Nations Development Fund). Meeting with Vietnamese attorneys, accountants, and bankers, Rohwer consulted on the rewriting of the Vietnamese civil code. In 2002, he went to Vietnam to consult on the bilateral trade agreement with the U.S. and on amendments requested by the World Trade Organization (WTO) to ensure Viet Nam's accession into the WTO. (Assistant Professor Marjorie Florestal has done similar work in Africa, assisting Cape Verde and Ethiopia in preparation for accession to the World Trade Organization.)

In a three-week working session last fall, Rohwer worked with the Vietnamese Ministry of Justice and Ministry of Trade to amend the country's civil code, rewrite some of its commercial law and draft repeal of a 1989 law that has stymied trade.

Mexico

Several Pacific/McGeorge professors are lending their expertise to projects in Mexico. Professor Steve McCaffrey is one of three Americans advising on the NAFTA environmental side agreement. He attended a meeting of advisers to the secretariat of the Commission for Environmental Cooperation on January 31 in Mexico City. They advise all three NAFTA countries, Canada, Mexico and the U.S., on the environmental agreement citizen submission process.

Professor Gregory Weber spent a recent sabbatical year in Oaxaca, Mexico, working for the formerly Mexico-based Forest Stewardship Council. In addition to a project for the World Wildlife Fund, he was one of three consultants who investigated and reported on a dispute involving the setting of regional standards for sustainable forestry in the Maritime Provinces of Canada.

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I went to Pacific/McGeorge for its international emphasis, and 22 years of Pacific Rim practice has proved my choice was right. With Japan and China starting to economically balance the U.S., business interests around the Pacific pond are poised for explosive recovery.

—Chris Jacobson ’82E, Sakai & Mimiru, Tokyo

Elizabeth G. Bynum to coordinate law school projects in Asia.

"We're not focused on the Pacific Rim to the exclusion of any other area of the globe, but we are determined to seize upon opportunities when they come along," Dean Parker says. "We hope to use the experience we've acquired in China and elsewhere as models for assistance and collaboration with many other countries, both inside the Pacific Rim and elsewhere."

To that end, Pacific/McGeorge recently hired Elizabeth G. Bynum to coordinate law school projects in Asia. A summa cum laude graduate of Harvard University where she majored in East Asian Languages and Civilizations, Bynum earned her J.D. at Columbia. She practiced commercial law for more than three years with Debevoise & Plimpton in Hong Kong.

"We're excited to add Betsy Bynum to our team. International law is the exciting growth field of the 21st century and Pacific/McGeorge expects to be at the forefront of international legal education," Dean Parker says.
International Forum Looks At Iraq, China

The two-day 2004 Pacific/McGeorge International Symposium in February explored “Markets in Transition: Reconstruction and Development” and featured world-renowned scholars and practitioners.

Professor Frank Gevurtz moderated two panels and Professor Kojo Yelpaala was the moderator for another. Professors Marjorie Florestal, Michael Malloy, Steve McCaffrey and Ed Villmoare were panel participants along with Adjunct Professors Frank Wang and Laura Young.

On the first day, participants used recent events in Iraq and Russia to debate the approaches best-suited for moving former command economies into fully functioning market economies, looking at China as one model. The final session focused on international project finance and privatization with Martin Kamarck, former chairman of the U.S. Export-Import Bank, delivering keynote remarks.

Plans are underway for the 24th Annual International Symposium that will be held in February 2005.

Pacific/McGeorge Competitive in Trial Advocacy Tournament

Pacific/McGeorge took sixth place in the prestigious National Institute for Trial Advocacy Tournament of Champions held October 30 – November 1 at the University of Akron in Ohio. The team of Rosanne Darling ’91, Laura Froom ’00, Dawn Houston ’28 and Brian Plummer ’20 had a first-round loss to St. John’s, but stormed back to defeat powerful Stetson, defending champion Pepperdine and Alabama. The host Akron team won the tournament with a final-round win over Loyola of Los Angeles.

The tournament brought together teams from the top-rated trial advocacy programs in the country based on their three-year records in the Texas Young Lawyers’ National Trial Competition and the ATLA National Student Trial Advocacy Competition.

The win over perennial powerhouse Stetson was especially impressive. The Florida law school is ranked tied-for-first in trial advocacy by U.S. News & World Report with Temple, which finished below Pacific/McGeorge in the tournament standings. Attorneys Bill Barry ’74b, and Laura Giuliani ’07, coached Pacific/McGeorge, which was competing for the first time in the NITA event after being rated 13th in the country last spring.

General Discusses Afghan Detainees

The participation of a high-level Pentagon official highlighted the February 11 on-campus roundtable discussion on military justice and the rights of the Guantanamo detainees.

Brigadier General Tom Hemingway, the Department of Defense legal adviser on military tribunals that will deal with 620 captured al-Qaida and Taliban members, joined Dean Elizabeth Rindskopf Parker and Professors Linda Carter and Tim Naccarato as featured presenters. Nine commentators with international law or military law backgrounds, including Professors John Sims, Ed Villmoore and Frank Wang, Adjunct Professor Rene Roman, Judge Morrison England ’89, and University of the Pacific regent Tom Eres ’72b, joined as discussants.

“The war on terrorism is unlike any other war faced in U.S. history,” the General said, explaining the unique status of the 620 detainees (most were captured in Afghanistan) who are being held without charges in the remote maximum-security U.S. naval base facility at the southeast corner of Cuba.

“Al-Qaida is not a nation as has been the case with enemies in past wars, nor is it a criminal enterprise,” General Hemingway said.

He argued that military commissions are the appropriate legal forum for the detainees. “The military commission process is not perfect—no judicial system is,” he said, “but it is fair and meets the security needs of the nation.”

Other panel members cautioned on the importance of world and national opinion regarding American treatment of the detainees, especially in light of past American wars when harsh security measures taken were later discredited.

“T’ain painfully aware of history looking over my shoulder,” said the General.

A distinguished panel of discussants participated in the roundtable on military justice held on-campus in February.
CAMPUS UPDATES

A world class law school must have world class facilities. Pacific/McGeorge has a long-term plan for facility updates—from cosmetic to structural; painting to complete redesigns. Classrooms A & B have state-of-the-art technology and improved access and seating. Other recent updates include the Student Center, McGeorge House and the Dean’s residence. On the horizon are “the Pub,” the Student Rec Center, and the Library. Stay tuned!

McGeorge House: ① The Faculty House often used for receptions and meetings. ② Stained Glass window detail. ③ Reading Room. Student Center: ④ Renovations include the Wall of Judicial Honor. The Quad: ⑤ New banners bordering the Quad. Classrooms: ⑥ Renovated Classrooms A & B will soon be joined by Classrooms G & H. Dean’s Residence: ⑦ Small renovated bungalow—so the dean could live on campus. ⑧ Kitchen. ⑨ Living Room.
When Tim Naccarato graduated from Pacific/McGeorge in the 1970s, he says it was a fact of life that many of the students who couldn’t make it through the rigors of law school on their own would be left behind.

Now jaws invariably drop when Naccarato ’77D, tells former classmates about the Academic Support Program he has helped shape the past two years on the Sacramento campus. “They tell me, ‘Really? You work with the students?’” says Naccarato, a retired U.S. Army colonel and Pacific/McGeorge’s first full-time director of academic support.

The program is centered around teaching study skills to first-year Pacific/McGeorge students who, while at the top of their game as undergraduates, often struggle with the analytical, legal mindset required of them to fare well in law school. The Academic Support Program employs a variety of tools, including individual counseling workshops, peer tutors and a two-unit elective course, Principles of Agency. The course is offered in the spring to students whose fall test scores indicate they would benefit from additional help, addresses agency law problems in exam-writing. The professors then lead their own breakout sessions to go over their fall exams.

“Helping students learn how to learn is not entirely new to Pacific/McGeorge—a part-time professor oversaw similar efforts in the late 1990s; a team of first-year professors picked up some of the duties when she went on to another post at the law school. But when Naccarato left private practice in Sacramento to take the job in the fall of 2002, he became the first full-time director, joining a growing list of American law schools crafting similar programs for incoming students.”

“We have adopted the concept that once you are accepted into Pacific/McGeorge, we will do everything in our power to help you,” Naccarato explains. “There’s a greater understanding now that students learn at different paces and in different ways, so we have developed programs to accommodate those differences.”

The Academic Support Program includes both in-class and extra-curricular assistance. The fall semester “Skills Hour” features nine one-hour, weekly workshops. The topics range from case briefing, note-taking and outlining to practice exams replete with small-group sessions to review the exam results.

In addition to the Skills Hour, Academic Support also sponsored three workshops this school year, geared toward all students. The first, “The Nuts and Bolts of Writing Successful Essay Exams,” drew some 200 students.

In a Saturday “Examination Workshop” held in January, Naccarato assembled a panel with Assistant Dean of Students Carin Crain and four first-year professors to discuss common problems in exam-writing. The professors then lead their own breakout sessions to go over their fall exams.

“Add the program, which Professor Julie Davies pushed for as chair of the faculty Curriculum Committee, has quickly become something of a model for other law schools. Pacific/McGeorge hosted a two-day academic assistance workshop last July sponsored by the Law School Admissions Council that attracted administrators from many other campuses.
Berger Retires After 35 Years

Professor Don Berger, who survived World War II as a child in Germany and went on to become an admired American law professor, has ended a 35-year teaching career at Pacific/McGeorge in December.

Professor Berger taught at Willamette University College of Law for two years before joining the faculty in 1968. He taught Business Associations to thousands of Pacific/McGeorge students, was a fixture in the T.M. in Transnational Business Practice program, and law review adviser. Berger was known for maintaining high standards for himself and his students and encouraging the same from his faculty colleagues.

A former director of the American Society for the Comparative Study of Law and an editor of the American Journal of Comparative Law, Berger published many articles on corporation, securities and conflicts law, both in American and German law journals.

Berger immigrated to the U.S. with his parents after the war and earned his J.D. at UC Berkeley and his Ph.D. at Hastings College of the Law. He served a three-year term on the Corporation Law Committee of the State Bar of California while on the Pacific/McGeorge faculty.

“Professor Berger gave so much to Pacific/McGeorge and its students over these many years,” Dean Elizabeth Davies said. “His work is one of the reasons our law school is held in such high esteem in Europe.”

Supreme Court Preview May Be Annual Event

Professor Ruth Jones inaugurated a “First Monday in October” program last fall that previewed important cases on the U.S. Supreme Court docket. Various Pacific/McGeorge faculty members contributed their expertise.

Adjunct Professor Lance Olson ’77, an attorney who represents the California Democratic party and represented one of the plaintiffs in a challenge to the McCain-Feingold campaign finance law, was among the speakers.

Professor Mike Vitillo examined the three high court cases involving the 37-year-old Miranda rights ruling that mandates police officer warnings of suspects of their rights before interrogations.

Professors Leslie Jacobs discussed Locke v. Davey, a recently decided case that addressed the question of whether it violates the free exercise of religion clause for a state to deny students college scholarships when they plan to pursue a theology degree. She correctly predicted that the Supreme Court would uphold the Washington State Supreme Court’s ruling allowing such denial.

Jones, a former Assistant District Attorney in New York City, who worked as a trial consultant for CBS News and Court TV, teaches Criminal Law and has been a frequent source of legal expertise for media covering the Scott Peterson murder trial this year.

Given the overwhelming success of this year’s event, Professor Jones’ proposal to make the preview an annual event is gaining ground.

American Law Institute Welcomes Levine

Professor Larry Levine has been elected to the American Law Institute, a 1,500-member scholar organization of law professors, practitioners and jurists that drafts and publishes legal reform proposals.

He joins Professor Julie Davies, elected December 2003, and Professors Jan Rein and Mike Vitillo as Pacific/McGeorge faculty members in the 80-year-old organization whose founders included Chief Justice and former President William Howard Taft.

The Philadelphia-based association promotes the clarification and simplification of the law and its better adoption to social needs.

Last year, Lexis published the second edition of Professor Levine’s casebook, Tort Law and Practice. The veteran Torts teacher is one of four law professors who co-authored the text.

In February, the national media called on Levine, who teaches Sexual Orientation and the Law, when the city of San Francisco began issuing marriage licenses to gay couples. His comments were prominently featured in NPR and Associated Press stories.

Leach Wins Fullbright To Teach in Italy

Professor Jay Leach received a Fullbright Senior Specialist grant to teach this spring at the University of Parma School of Law in Italy.

Major Acts of Congress, a weighty three-volume work coordinated by Professor Brian Landsberg, was published by MacMillan Reference USA in November 2003.

“Kudos to Brian are warranted for this extraordinary undertaking in creating what will, I am sure, endure as a major act of scholarship,” says Professor Michael Malloy, Editor-in-chief Landsberg worked on the 1,778-page opus for more than a year-and-a-half. It features 270 entries, each 300-to-2,000 words, written by historians, attorneys and legal scholars. Authors include leading law professors from Yale, Harvard, Columbia, NYU, University of Chicago, University of Pennsylvania and Georgetown.

Eight Pacific/McGeorge faculty members contributed to the work. Professor Malloy wrote seven articles; Professors Julie Davies and John Sims, two apiece; Professors Fred Galves, Heather Macfarlane, Eric McElwain, Mary-Beth Moylan and Gregory Weber, one each. Professor Malloy’s entries include coverage of the Community Development Banking and Financial Institutions Act, the Glass-Steagall Act, the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, the National Banking Act, the Tariff Act of 1789, the Trading With the Enemy Act, and the United Nations Participation Act.


The three-volume book, part of a series of reference on the three branches of the federal government, is being marketed to high school and collegiate libraries worldwide.
Our Director of the Trial Advocacy, Leach came to Pacific/McGeorge in 1986 from Philadelphia, where he was a trial lawyer and part­ner at Drinker Biddle & Reath. In addition to his academic assignments, Leach teaches trial-skills courses to practicing attorneys for the National Institute for Trial Advocacy.

Leach becomes the first faculty member to teach at the Italian law school, which signed an official student/faculty exchange program protocol with Pacific/McGeorge earlier this year. He will teach a six­week course on comparative law this fall.

The Fulbright Senior Specialist Program offers two­to six­week grants to professionals to support curricular and faculty development and institutional planning at academic institutions in 140 countries around the world. The State Department’s Bureau of Educational & Cultural Affairs sponsors the Fulbright Scholar Program, which is managed by the Council for International Exchange of Scholars.

Professor John E.B. Myers

Myers Comments on the Jackson Case

Pacific/McGeorge Distinguished Professor and Scholar John E.B. Myers’ numerous books and articles have earned him distinction as one of the foremost authorities on child abuse litigation.

Though not at ease pontificating on headline news for a media intent on predicting legal outcomes, even a reluctant commentator gets drawn into the discussion when a case in his particular field comes along that engulfs the media.

The Michael Jackson scandal is that exception for Myers. Child molestation charges against the international pop star in November prompted a media frenzy and a flood of requests for legal expertise on such charges after Santa Barbara County authorities raided the eccentric singer’s Neverland ranch and the D.A. later charged him with seven counts of lewd or lascivious acts with a child under 14 and two misdemeanors.

Myers was featured on the CBS Evening News and was interviewed by the Canadian Broadcast Company. When Jackson appears for his preliminary hearing, Myers is sure to face questions again.

“This is somewhat like the O.J. Simpson case. The case is completely ordinary, nothing unusual about it from a legal viewpoint. But because of Jackson’s celebrity status, we hear about it night and day.”

What will happen? Stay tuned. “Credibility becomes the centerpiece. Jackson has endless money to spend and his defenders will uncover every detail of the alleged victim’s life,” Myers says. “But if the child takes the stand, remember children make very powerful witnesses and jurors almost always believe their testimony.”

Financial Spotlight Keeps Malloy Busy

Distinguished Professor & Scholar Michael Malloy, who keeps a keen eye on the business news pages, is a frequent speaker on the business law lecture circuit and one of the faculty’s most prolific writers.

Malloy, who has authored or edited more than 70 books and book-length supplements, delivered a paper, “Financial Services Regulation After NAFTA,” in mid-October at the Michigan State University, Detroit College of Law NAFTA Conference. The following week, he was in New York City for the symposium sponsored by the International Law Association, where he was a panelist on the topic of antitrust and money laundering after 9/11. In November, Malloy lectured on “The Emerging International Regime of Financial Services Regulation” at a meeting of the Irish Society of International Law in Dublin, Ireland.

A former special counsel for disclosure and enforcement at the SEC, Malloy is a favorite of the national business news media for his ability to digest and explain complicated financial stories in laymen’s terms. Dow Jones News, Bloomberg Business, Forbes, MSN Money and CBS MarketWatch have carried his comments on securities regulation, insider trading and corporate collapses.

Malloy wrote an op­ed piece, “The Spin She’s In,” on the Martha Stewart scandal last summer for the Los Angeles Times. The article drew praise from the financial community for its insight into the government’s case against Stewart versus the celebrity’s slanting coverage that flowed from many media outlets.

McCaffrey Makes Four Trips to Africa

Distinguished Professor & Scholar Steve McCaffrey is used to sleeping on airplanes. Just in the past six months, the world-renowned international water law expert traveled to Africa and the Middle East four times.

He went to Ethiopia in September to attend a roundtable on cross-basin water resources cooperation at a meeting of African water ministers. The conference, sponsored by the World Bank, United Nations Development Programme and African Development Bank, brought together officials from the Senegal, Zambesi, Nile Basin organizations. Leaving Addis Ababa, he traveled to Ramallah in the West Bank on September 10 to consult with water officials advising the Palestinian Authority. He is part of the Nile River Basin Negotiating Committee at a meeting of that organization in Addis Ababa. The negotiating committee, composed of delegates from nine of the ten Nile Basin countries, is empowered to produce a framework agreement on the Nile Basin.

McCaffrey flew back to Africa in early March to Entebbe, Uganda, to attend another meeting of the Nile Basin group.

“It’s exciting to be involved in projects that are helping so many people,” Professor McCaffrey says, “but the best part of traveling is the flight home.”

Jacobs Works with Legislature on Reforms

Professor Leslie Gielow Jacobs is working with California legislators to reform the methods used to select charities for state tax checkoffs and nonprofits that benefit from specialty license plates.

In both instances, Jacobs believes that lawmakers shouldn’t control which viewpoints can be expressed. Instead, she says there should be a separate agency that selects which groups qualify based on objective rules and standards. A federal judge agrees with her and now Jacobs is helping craft state Senate bills that will turn decision-making on tax checkoffs over to the Franchise Tax Board and the license plates over to the DMV.
five years ago, when Professor Linda Carter and her family planned a trip to Italy, she started to study Italian.

"I decided I would learn as much Italian as I could before I went," Carter recalls. "Then I found I just loved the language." She first studied in classes at the Italian Cultural Society. Today, she continues studying the language in a small group.

Carter brings this same passion to the other pursuits in her life, whether playing the piano—from classical to popular music—or teaching Evidence, Criminal Procedure and Criminal Law, and writing about the law. And her role as teacher doesn't end when her students graduate.

"She actively seeks to encourage students in their quest for careers in criminal law and stays in touch with them as they go into internships or permanent jobs," wrote Professor Julie Davies in nominating Carter for the 2002 University of the Pacific Eberhardt Teacher/Scholar Award.

For Carter, students are the joy in teaching. She thrives on interaction with them. Watching them become competent lawyers and following their career paths gives her immense satisfaction. "That's why I like having them stay in touch with me, and contact me, whether it's about issues arising in their practice, or just to say 'hello,'" says Carter, the Pacific/McGeorge 2001 Day Division Teacher of the Year. Carter was a driving force behind the creation of the law school's Criminal Justice Concentration, overseeing a redesign of the criminal justice curriculum to maximize student training.

Passion extends to Carter's research and writing. Her current area of interest is the rights of individuals under international treaties in criminal cases. It's an evolving legal area, which is one reason it interests her. "It's comparable to watching the law unfold before Miranda, not knowing where the court was going to go with the right to counsel, and the right to remain silent," Carter says. "We have a whole area here that is very new for the courts in terms of the effect of various treaties and other international customary law in our capital cases, or criminal cases in general."

Capital punishment has intrigued Professor Carter for many years. She has published five widely cited articles on the death penalty. Lexis recently published a book, Understanding Capital Punishment Law, which she co-wrote with Professor Ellen Kreitzberg of the Santa Clara University School of Law. Her class on the topic is a popular elective among students. "There are issues in death penalty cases that you just don't see in other criminal cases, so it makes it very interesting to study and write about," says Carter, whose articles pertain largely to the rights of the accused.

She recently wrote on The Vienna Convention on Consular Relations, under which detained foreign nationals in countries party to the treaty have the right to be told they can contact their consulate. She even traveled in December to the International Court of Justice in The Hague, The Netherlands, to watch the oral hearing in the case between Mexico and the United States. Mexico is seeking relief on behalf of 13 Mexican nationals on death row in the U.S. for violations of the treaty. "The United States has tended not to abide by the treaty—local law enforcement was largely unaware of it and they were not following it," Carter says. "It became quite a big issue, a major issue in capital cases, particularly where there were foreign nationals from countries such as Canada, Mexico and Germany, where they do not have the death penalty." Carter became interested in civil liberties issues early in her career, first as an attorney for the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Justice Department, where she worked on voting, housing and education discrimination cases. Then she worked as a trial attorney with the Salt Lake City Legal Defender Association, trying a wide variety of cases, including a capital case. "It was a natural for me to continue an interest in criminal law certainly, and the death penalty in particular, when I came to McGeorge in 1985," she says.

During her legal career, Carter has experienced many rewarding moments. "As a public defender, I think my greatest moment—and perhaps most terrifying—was when I was representing someone who was, I believe, truly innocent of a crime," she recalls. Her client, a Vietnamese immigrant, was accused of arson—burning down his house—and insurance fraud. "It was very terrifying to think that he might be convicted unless I was a good enough lawyer," she recalls. Her client ultimately was acquitted. But it marked an important moment for Carter. "It really brought home to me how significant the lawyer's role is," she notes, "and that the criminal justice system is very powerful."

In teaching, there have been many great moments for Carter, including the numerous letters that colleagues and students wrote for her to win the Eberhardt Award. These letters are the just rewards for a teacher that continues to make a difference, in the classroom and in her students' careers. "I will treasure those forever," she says.

This is the first in a series of Pacific Law articles on members of the Pacific/McGeorge faculty who pursue excellence inside and outside the classroom.
Pacific/McGeorge celebrates its judicial alumni legacy

Superior court and municipal court judges and commissioners, federal and state administrative law judges, and immigration judges, serving across 56 states and territories. “We are so very proud of all our alumni judges and appreciative of the honor they have brought to our law school,” Dean Elizabeth Rindskopf Parker said at the event. “This will commemorate your achievements and will inspire current students to follow in your footsteps.” Pacific/McGeorge will continue to add pictures to the Judicial Wall of Honor and new judges are asked to submit photographs to the Alumni Office.

Forty Pacific/McGeorge judges were on hand for the ceremony. The judicial honorees were saluted by Supreme Court Justice Anthony M. Kennedy, who taped a message for the event during a Fall 2003 visit to campus. Justice Richard Goldstone of the South African Constitutional Court delivered the keynote address on “The International Legacy of Brown v. Board of Education.” Justice Goldstone, the chief prosecutor at the United Nations International War Crimes Tribunal for the former Yugoslavian and Rwandan, spoke of the far-reaching effect American judicial decisions have throughout the world.

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Pacific/McGeorge will honor the more than 250 Pacific/McGeorge alumni who serve or have served on the bench, the Wall of Judicial Honor was unveiled on October 18 in the Gary V. Schaber Student Center.

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California cities, counties and water agencies. Among the complex water cases, Slater has handled was a case against Newhall Land & Farming Co. where he served as lead counsel for the plaintiff and prevailing party.

An adjunct law professor at Pepperdine University, he wrote a two-volume, 660- page treatise on water law that was published in 1995. “In some areas of the law, you can make a deal and get the other guy nothing and never see them again,” Slater says. “In high stakes water deals, there are no secrets. It’s a small world… and you have to be honest. You see the same stakeholders over and over.”

The case is unusual in a number of respects. First, in a break from tradition, the Supreme Court decided to let Newdow, an emergency room physician with a law degree, argue the case himself before the court. Second, Justice Antonin Scalia recused himself from participating in the high Court’s decision to accept review because he made disparaging remarks about the Newdow’s claim when it was pending in lower courts. Third, it is not clear the Court should even decide the merits of the case because the non-custodial parent does not have legal authority to direct either the education or the religious education of the child. He will also defend the school...
Message from The Alumni Board President

Dear Fellow Alumni & Friends of Pacific/McGeorge:

It is a pleasure to begin service as the incoming President of the Pacific/McGeorge Alumni Association. First, I want to acknowledge to you that I am a recovering “disaffected alum.”

While my enthusiasm for its current success and positive efforts the law school continues to make on behalf of students and alumni bespeaks my “recovery.” I hope my history as a cynic helps me offer you a candid realist’s view, and will help me accurately reflect your concerns and interests for our law school.

My enthusiasm for the law school is now very real. I am so impressed with Dean Parker and what she’s accomplishing at Pacific/McGeorge—she’s put together a strong administrative team, brought in terrific new faculty, cultivated an Alumni Board with a new sense of mission, initiated new programs and reinvigorated old ones. These are things that are easy to notice in and around Sacramento.

These are uniquely exciting times to be connected with Pacific/McGeorge, as our law school’s trajectory is sharply upward. I hope you’re pleased with the law school’s—and the Alumni Board’s—efforts and successes, and I hope we will hear from you.

With best regards,

Brian Putler ’85D

And the law school’s active reach does not end with the media. I think the Alumni Association is beginning the school’s most important initiative this year: developing Alumni Chapters in New York City, Washington, D.C., San Francisco, Los Angeles, Orange County, San Diego, Nevada and Sacramento for the primary purpose of promoting our student colleagues. Expect to be contacted to help place students into internships and to assist young alumni to find that all-important first job. I’m not sure we could have done this even a few years ago. If you would like to be involved in one of these chapters, please get in touch with me, or with the Dean’s Office at the law school. We’ll certainly be happy to hear from you.

As president of the Alumni Association’s Board of Governors, I would like to hear from you under any circumstances—as would my fellow board members. You’ll see the names and a photo of current board members on the Alumni pages. Get in touch with us, tell us what you think about how the law school’s doing—what you like, what you’d like changed, how you would like to be involved.

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Sharon Sandeen ’85E

Brand, Seymour & Rohwer, and was later a partner of counsel at Hunter, Richey, Dibenedetto and Enizen. Sandeen went back to law school to get her LL.M. from the University of California at Berkeley before embarking on her permanent career in legal education.

**Iraq an Eye-Opener for Young Alumnus**

Tyrus Cobb ’01D, a civilian U.S. Department of Defense employee, is in Iraq working for the Coalition Provisional Authority under the direction of U.S. Ambassador Paul Bremer.

One of a handful of Pacific/McGeorge alums in Iraq, Cobb is the national regions coordinator for the CPA’s Democracy Building and Civic Education. He arrived in Baghdad on the day Saddam Hussein was captured and has worked with Dr. Larry Diamond, a world-renowned Stanford University expert on transitional democracy. In February, he helped organize a Baghdad Town Hall Meeting—the first democratic town hall meeting in the capital of Iraq.

“It was almost surreal as I looked out over a room where sheiks sat with veiled women and women wearing no headdress sat with businessmen,” Cobb said.

“Here I am, a 28-year-old, answering questions from the Baghdad City Council to help them understand the meaning of democracy. Talk about your first day in Con Law class.”

Cobb, whose family lives in Reno, passed the Nevada bar and the California bar before taking his current assignment. He is clearly enjoying it.

“There are some dangerous moments, but to see the Iraqi people clamoring for democracy,” Cobb said.

“These people clearly love having their voices heard and everyone back home would be proud to see how much our hard work means to them.”

**Ruppert at Center of FBI’s Big Cases**

“I am sure you were contacted by the agent doing my background check, but I made it into the FBI any way,” Greg Ruppert ’97D, began a recent letter to Professor Larry Levine.

Ruppert didn’t just make it into FBI; he made it into the frontlines of the storied agency’s biggest millennium cases. A special agent since 1996, Ruppert worked in Boston until 9/11. That office quickly became the focal point of the terrorist attacks.

A U.S. Army soldier secures an area while smoke and fire rise from a U.S. Army armored personnel carrier after an attack in Baghdad. Photograph by Mike Romanov, courtesy of the Sacramento Bee.
Margaret Vick ’83D

Vick Takes Second Place in International Caen Competition

Margaret Vick ’83D took second place at the 17th Annual International Competition of Counsel’s Speeches on January 25 in Caen, France. An Arizona civil attorney who is currently pursuing her L.L.M. in International Water Resources at Pacific/ McGeorge, Vick spoke on the plight of illegal immigrants on the Arizona-New Mexico border with Mexico. Though her practice concentrates on natural resource law and tribal law, Vick has recently been drawn towards international human rights issues.

Last summer, she attended the Pacific/McGeorge Institute on International Legal Studies, taking Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy’s course Fundamentals of International Rights in Europe and the United States as well as Professor John Sims’ course Using International Law to Protect the Individual.

Outgoing California Governor Davis Names Three to Bench

Former Governor Gray Davis named three alumni to the Superior Court bench before leaving office. He appointed Bernard Schwartz ’86L, to that county’s bench, elevated Brian Aronson ’86L to the Proposition 56 drug court. Schwartz began his career with the San Francisco firm Rogers and Majeski; joined the Riverside Public Defender’s office in 1988; and two years later, founded the partnership of Johnson and Schwartz, specializing in criminal defense.

Hight, the former director of the state Department of Fish and Game, joined the Sacramento County Superior Court bench on November 6. An expert on real estate and environmental law, he was chief counsel and executive officer at the California Lands Commission before taking cabinet position in the state executive branch in 1999.

Aronson had worked in the Sutter County District Attorney’s office since 1989. Appointed to the position of chief trial deputy in 2000, he was responsible for the criminal master calendar and most of the felony filings in Sutter County.

Before joining the D.A.’s office, he worked as a deputy public defender in Yolo County from 1987 to 1989, and as an associate in the Sacramento law firm of Johnson and Hoffman, handling insurance defense matters, from 1986 to 1987.

Schwartz oversaw the Riverside misdemeanor master calendar court after his appointment as a court commissioner in July 2000. He also presided over preliminary hearings in felony cases, heard criminal trials, and handled the Proposition 56 drug court.

McGeorge students may follow,” Putler said. “We have numerous high-profile graduates practicing in the country’s biggest cities and we need to revitalize our alumni chapters in those or other programs — they are integral to our future success.”

Please contact any board member about these or other programs — they are interested in hearing from you!

Your Pacific/McGeorge Alumni Association Board has adopted these four overarching goals for this year & beyond:

1. Increase placement of Pacific/McGeorge alumni & students. 2. Create goodwill among alumni & students, leading to increased charitable support of the law school’s programs, scholarships for students, etc. 3. Increase exposure of the Alumni Association to the students for the purpose of establishing long-term relationships.

4. Create a culture of community, giving and service.
1935-1959
Francis B. Dillon "50E

James E. Harris "50E

Ervin F. Vaughan "53E
Died October 7, 2003. Compliments from dentists at the age of 86 in West Sacramento. His West Sacramento law practice stretched over parts of five decades and once served on the Yolo County Board of Supervisors.

The Honorable Randolph R. Mall "64E
I retired as an Administrative Law Judge in 1976. No contacts with law business since then: 3 children (1 retired), 5 grandchildren, 4 great-grandchildren! I am still an active Red Cross volunteer! (Sacramento)

Laurence B. Baldwin "59E
Died August 1, 2003.

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Robert S. Willett "61E
Professor, Northern California School of Law. I teach Land Use and Environmental Law. (Sacramento)

Daniel H. Sandberg "65E
Died September 29, 2003, at the age of 72 in Sacramento. Practiced law in the Sacramento area for 34 years.

The Honorable Clarence Walden "65E
The Judge of the Court of Law, the traveling officiate. In 2003 I united 76 happy couples in marriage. More on calendar in 2004. (Woodland, California)

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The Honorable Raul A. Ramirez
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Still going strong doing mediations and arbitrations. Very proud to have been selected Top 50 Neutrals in California by Los Angeles Daily Journal. Was also selected by Sacramento Mayor and City Council to head up the commission setting their full-time salaries. On a full-time role, kids are grown and all is well. Hope it is true. "You don’t get older, you just get better!” (Sacramento)

Hugh O. Allen
How grateful I am to be able to practice law since January 1971. Thank you, McGeorge. As of this writing, I started my 30 year retirement. Hope I can make it. I really would like to retire when I reach 90, but I suspect all the rest of you retired before I have. As it was in school, but a little slower than the rest of you. (Rancho Cordova, California)

Rae L. Endres
Retired. (Folsom, California)

The Honorable Stephen R. Cline
Mostly retired now. Worked two weeks a week for the court system here as a Domestic Case Facilitator. Do some private mediations and AAA Arbitrations in construction cases. When Bob Young’s kid graduated, he did wear a U.S. Military hat! (Grand Junction, Colorado)

Breton K. Lohner
General Counsel, San Diego International Airport. After 32 years as Senior Asst. City Attorney for the City of Los Angeles, including seven years as General Counsel for Los Angeles International Airport, I decided to retire. This was cut short when I was offered the general counsel position at San Diego’s new Airport Authority and decided to take the job. I never dreamed that at 60 I would start a new job, move to another city and start over (San Diego, California).

Douglas A. Sears
Senior Partner, Mathern, Sears, Linkert & Long. I recently became the first Vice President of the 100 member Association of Defense Counsel of Northern California and Nevada and will be President in 2005. Grandson, James Douglas Sears, was born June 2003 and James and his parents, Aaron and Justine, continue to reside in San Francisco. 18-month-old gran-dughter, Lily May, and her par-ents, Ashley and Billy Van Ness, continue to reside and prosper in Steamboat Springs, Colorado. Life is good. (Sacramento)

1970e
Terrence B. Smith
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1971d
The Honorable Fred H. Budrow, Jr.
Retired. (Roseville, California)

James D. Driscoll "67E
Died August 28, 2003 of lung cancer at the age of 72 in his Fresno home. Served as chief clerk of the California state Assembly from 1963 to 1986, overseeing the paper work for thousands of bills in that legislative body.

The Honorable Robert B. Lynch "67E
Presiding Judge, Riverside Municipal Court, retired. (Palmerston, Arizona)

Aaron B. Epstein "68E

Howard D. Conn "69E
Retired and inactive. (Sparks, Nevada)

Alan M. Lewis "69E
Died October 25, 2003 at the age of 83 in Stockton. Maintained a general practice in Stockton until his retirement.

James L. Mikatchik "69E
Attorney, Solo Practitioner, Mikatchik Law Office, Sacramento. Graduating retired last two years. Enjoying grandkids, more golf, some traveling. (Sacramento)

Peter H. Pickslay "69E
The State Bar of California Board of Legal Specialization – Real Estate Law; Primarily criminal law. (Sacramento)

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Many years have come and gone and we find ourselves as the old folks that attended McGeorge a long time ago. This is the 50th class reunion for the state of California in the 200,000+. We have experience. Hopefully, with experience comes good judgment. Vince Jacobs and I have been practicing together for the past 32 years and we often speak of our classmates and what they are doing now and when and if we will have another reunion. I would like to see all of us try to get together for our 50th class reunion that will come in 2006. That’s not too far away. I will start making plans through the alumni office and work towards that goal. Anyone who wants to be involved in the planning, please let me know. On a personal note, I am still working, and believe it or not, having a great time representing my clients. As many of you may recall, I represent the Seventh-day Adventist church, my church, and have handled and lectured extensively in promoting their legal interests. Sach, my cur- rent wife of 36 years, travels with me and we are having a great time with our kids and their spouses/ friends/ (no grandchildren, yet). Vince Jacobs ’71, and Bob Roth ’74, Ray Lewis ’80, Dean Schimmel ’89 are my partners (shorthanded) and we just hired a guy from another school (USLA), which provides some diversity in legal education. I know we all are busy, however, please give Vince or me a call sometime and we will find time to have lunch and/or just talk. See you for our class reunion in 2006... mark your calendars. (Sacramento)

Phillip A. Cabe
I continue to be a plaintiffs PI attorney, and I am expanding my workers’ compensation practice. I frequently serve as an arbitrator and as a mediator in Sacramento, Placerville, and Eldorado counties. My father-in-law’s law firm should complete construction of a new home (connected to our old home) by March or April. I don’t have retirement scheduled. I’m OK. You. OK? (Sacramento)

The Honorable Thomas L. Hiller
McDonald, Hollist & Allen, APC, River City Office. Since leaving the bench in 1993, I have devoted most of my practice to Alternative Dispute Resolution. I find I too often have to leave the bar numbers for low-income Californians. From this point on, I will be practicing law in the state of California. Life is good.

Retirement, well, I continue to buy lottery tickets. (Yuba City, California)

Herman Keesewyn
Partner, Hewitt & Keesewyn. (Sacramento)

Gerry W. Mc Ge
Law Office of Gerry McGw, Eureka, California. Primarily criminal defense, personal injury plaintiff, and civil litigation practice. (Eureka, California)

Victoria J. Salisch
I continue to work—harder than ever. Handling business and real estate transactions and very little litigation. Now that all children are grown and gone, I am more involved in my community—a Rotarian, member of the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce, Board of Directors of Commercial Real Estate Women, etc. Recently took a wonderful trip—sailing/biking for 10 days in the Caribbean. (Fresno, California)

The Honorable Arjuna T. Saraydarian
Arjuna T. Vignarajan, Judge, Riverside Superior Court. Best wishes and greetings to all my friends. This being my twentieth year of service as a Judge, I am retiring at the end of this year and looking forward to a wonderful time of traveling with my wife of four years, reading, writing, and plunk fun! (Blythe, California).

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Gary L. Case
Retired January 2003 as President CEO of Assoc. Admin., Inc. Moved to Bend, Oregon, fulltime. Continue to provide con-sulting/business planning to clients in the Pacific Northwest—will also continue on a limited business basis involvement with Mediation and Arbitration via Inwood Consulting & Resolutions, LLC, located in Bend, Oregon. (Bend, Oregon)

John A. De Romo, Jr.
Partner, DeRonde & DeRonde, Fairfield. On April 9, 2003, Judge John A. DeRonde passed away after a short illness with cancer. He was 80. Those of us in the profession community know how tirelessly he gave of himself, especially our classmates in the California Judges Association. Donations may be made in his name to the John A. DeRonde Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o Solano Community Foundation, 744 Empire Street, Fairfield, California 94533. (Fairfield, California)

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Once again, the McGeorge directory has come into play. Having cases in Utah and Fairfield, the directory gave me McGeorge Alumni to contact! Hope we will have an update for 2004. Since retiring from the state, just keeping up with the day-to-day activities and the family has kept us busy. Hope we did all this work and thank you, (Sacramento).>
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The Honorable David W. Abbott Superior Court Judge Superior Court Judge, San Juan County, Utah. I am still in Dept. 33 doing my 41st year of tenure. I graduated from Tulane Law School and have practiced in San Francisco, St. Petersburg, and I just retired at our 32nd anniversary. She teaches Third Grade in Tracy, California.

James Spagnole Assistant Secretary, CalEPA. Since retiring, I have been serving as CalEPA. Since retiring, I have been working as an attorney for www.legaladvicecenter.com. I am a retired attorney at the age of 74 and have been practicing tax and business law for over 40 years. I have been a frequent speaker at tax and business seminars and have written articles on tax and business law for various publications.

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I still have two thumbs and eight fingers but am not sure if I need a couple of local emergency rooms. (Gold River, California)

Karen Rubinger
I have never updated any information, thus this year is the exception. I have younger son, Joe, 26, moved back home to Stoughton after about eight-year absence for school and work. (Stoughton, Massachusetts)

Susan L. Sutherland
I retired from lawyering and am working in physical therapy in a therapy post. My three kids have moved out of state and are doing well. (San Diego, California)

Marshall Whitehead
Ow my own law firm. I am a well-licensed immigration attorney. I am a frequent lecturer on immigration issues at seminars, groups, chambers of commerce, congressional committees, lectures, etc. (Phoenix, Arizona)

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Chief Civil Deputy District Attorney for San Joaquin County. (Stockton, California)

Richard H. Halladay
Vice President and Trust Officer, Union Safe Deposit Bank.

Helen S. Stockdale
Attorney and Mediator
3610 American River Drive, Suite 112. I am thoroughly enjoying a life as a full-time practice mediator and collaborative divorce attorney. The collaborative divorce process is growing nationwide, and I am interested in this new approach to the divorce process that puts the parties at the center of their family. It is all very helpful and happy—me, too. (Sacramento, California)

Robert B. Lang
Run, swim, ski and attend events in Minnesota. (Palo Alto, California)

David M. Cuniff
Medical malpractice defense. Come to see the WSU Legal Clinic, Western State University College of Law. (Pullman, Washington)

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Herbert I. Levy
The doctrine of estoppel is alive and well in California law. (Los Angeles, California)

Robert C. MacKichan Jr.
Now doing well out there. Following are some notes from some of our classmates.

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Thomas W. Anthony, Jr.
Jersey City, New Jersey

Robert W. Armstrong
Ranger Regiment serving in the U.S. Army. Son Brian (West Point ’01) is a Second Lieutenant. Daughter Labelle is practicing law in Sacramento. University of California law school. Married June 6, 2003 and I moved my office to Folsom to be nearer my children. Life is good. Four attorneys are better than 2. We now have an office in Napa, too. (Dublin, California)

Allen L. Owen
Managing Partner, Timmons, Owen & Inc. Continues to practice personal injury law in Sacramento with my brother as my partner. Playing more golf these days. Got I’d like to see more of you old friends to keep you all alive. I am proud of all your kids fighting to keep us safe. I pray that in 2004 we can live to find peace and that Governor Arnold realizes trial lawyers aren’t so bad after all. (Samarcto)

Diane C. Popowski
Retained. (Oakhick, Wisconsin)

Margaret G. Venturi
Happily retired from the California Department of Justice. (Austin, California)

Gerald L. White
Gary Gale and I terminated our partnership of 16 years as of Dec. 31, 2003. My office in Fair Oaks was closed and we moved our office to Folsom to be nearer my kids, who are ages 6 and 7, during the day. (Folsom, California)

Charles E. Morris
Life as a trial lawyer is better than 24. We now have an office in Napa, too. (Dublin, California)

Arnold realizes trial lawyers aren’t so bad after all. (Sacramento)

Richard L. Elmore
Chancellor, Thomas Altieri, Holy Cross, Lane in Renton. In January, 25 years as a shareholder in the law firm. Recent $2 million jury verdict in a real estate malpractice case. Currently vice chair of the Nevada Law Foundation that administers inter- ests of the late Juan R. Altieri to fund accounts for the benefit of the dis- advantaged. Life is good! (Reno, Nevada)

Dorothy Nash Holmes
Administrator, Correctional Programs Division, Nevada Department of Corrections. I am now responsible for a 57-prison system over which we have no control to give inmates the opportunity to rehabilitate themselves. That’s Karma after all keeps us young. Specializing in education, and we are more successful than their dads. They each have two kids who are far too bright to be with our three horses, cat and Bernese Mountain Dog puppy. Picked in California for Christmas and for her work in the community for 54 years.) At the same time since 1972. Thirty for dinner. It will be another 30 years . . .

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October. Zachary is a sophomore at UC Davis majoring in

Phillip J. Coker
General Counsel, Benes, Inc.
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Jennifer Tachera
Staff Attorney, California Energy Commission. Recently appointed to the Sacramento Metropolitan Arts Commission. Continue to work on the KVE Art Auction. Won a prize for works on paper and sold some artwork in Napa. Oh, and still practice law. (Sacramento)

Marc W. Tress
Senior Counsel, Environmental Restoration Branch, Environmental Law & Litigation Division, Air Force Legal Services Agency, Roslyn, Virginia. Retired from active duty on December 1, 2003. On December 8th, began new career as a civilian attorney with the Air Force, now at the same position and paid. I had occupied from 1997–2003 as an active-duty Judge Advocate. (Alexandria, Virginia)

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Maria S. Lessin
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Senior Counsel, Environmental Law & Litigation Division, Air Force Legal Services Agency. (Salt Lake City, Utah)

Nancy J. Sheehan
with each other. Rich’s son and his

Working so as to continue to work on workers’

Douglas C. Miller
Special Projects "Tax" Attorney, California Department of Human Resources. (Sacramento)

Lisa Brown
Nothing earthshaking to report.

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John Hen. Penecost
Partner, Hart, McLaughlin & Cole. This year I have made a commitment to my family due to events in 2003. Firm is doing great. My family and I have relocated to San Clemente. Surf’s up! (Santa Ana, California)

Jennifer J. Tachera
Staff Attorney, California Energy Commission. Recently appointed to the Sacramento Metropolitan Arts Commission. Continue to work on the KVE Art Auction. Won a prize for works on paper and sold some artwork in Napa. Oh, and still practice law. (Sacramento)

Tomato A. Collins
President, Ranchier Cupp: Chairman Elect, Elder Law Section, Nevada State Bar.

First Grade at St. Ignatius. I am, of course, on the parent club board and, shamefully, am the Browne troop leader! I hope everybody is well and happy. (Sacramento)

Steven D. Iams
Vice President, Global Aerospace. (Short Hills, New Jersey)

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Michael D. Welch
Formerly of Bartko, Zentki, Tamir & Miller M. Welch, has joined the Sacramento office of Gordon & Reives.

R. Hilary Willott
Director, Publications & Services at USF’s, America’s Mortgage Banking Attorneys. I am continuing to create and publish legal publications for about four years now. Must be doing something right—recently finished another book—available in Colorado, Virginia and France. Enjoyed Paris and the French courts—although it would have been better if I had learned more French in my college days. Back to school! (Austin, California)

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Susan H. Hollingshead 6129 Shadowrock Drive Granite Bay, CA 95746 916.791.1882 Home 916.791.5405 Business Christopher P. Rugard 2637 Haddlich Drive private practice—20 years now. My twin boys, Connor and Devon, will be 11 in May and finishing Fifth Grade. I stay busy managing our little League teams—six years now. Will celebrate 17th wedding anniversary in May. Had a great two-week trip to Cape Cod in June 2003 and took the family to a game at Fenway Park. I hope all my friends are continuing to stay healthy and happy. (San Ramon, California)

Serge Tomassian Managing Partner of Thomcohnstock, Beckston & Tomassian in Irvine, California. A native of Beirut, Lebanon, 50 years old, married, with a 6-year-old son, Zach, born in San Francisco. I have been in private practice since 1983, currently heading the litigation division in my building. The only thing I enjoy more than the law is traveling. For fun, I travel, read books, and have won reelection in NovemberLas Vegas. mpolk@fmglegal.com.

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Brian R. Aronsen Sutter Health Superior Court. Was appointed to the Sutter Superior Court in February, 2003. Currently handling all matters involving differing family law practitioners, dependency, adoptions, and family law matters. (Yuba City, California)

Paul J. Pimentel My 16-year-old twins is a know it all — a 14-year-old is beginning to think he is right, which I find amusing. I am only thinking about sports, and my 9-year-old wonders why her brothers are not as athletic. Almost makes me want to work longer hours, but I can’t do that to my wife. Doing more edible and fast illness and beginning to know what he is talking about. I am basically enjoying life and work. (Fresno, California)

Genaro C. Ramirez Chief, Family Protection Division. (San Diego, California)

Lawrence W. Rice Jr. Assistant United States Attorney, Fresno, California. (Fresno, California)

Jennifer Rosenfeld Mother of three girls. Almost three years away from “the law,” and I have not looked back yet. Now that my youngest is in kindergarten, I am thinking of what to do next. (Hermosa Beach, California)

Carole S. Strauss Garfield & Paris, Irvine, California. Trolling away in a small firm for the past two years. More than 90 percent of my caseload has been in San Francisco—lots of frequent flyer miles. Our 6-year-old daughter is a joy. (My wife, David, obtained her degree and has a side consulting business. We juggles schedules but manages to have fun too. Watching for “free time” in 2004. (Irvine, California)

in contact. We value your friendship. Another big thing for me was the San Francisco law firm of Ken & Markowitz. MacDougall has joined the firm and is now a partner. I am very proud of him. Life continues to be good. Last summer the girls learned how to surf, water ski, sail, and skateboard. They are really into it and doing well. We are so proud of them! (Durham, North Carolina)

Donald B. MacDougall, Jr. is a partner at the San Francisco law firm of Ken & Markowitz. MacDougall has joined the firm and is now a partner. He is a civil trial lawyer and trial attorney who has extensive experience representing international and domestic corporations, aviation-related entities, and airlines such as American, Southwest, and Spirit.

Hollie Rutkowski
As a lawyer practitioner, I am doing very well and have had fun running my own law office practicing workers’ compensation. Unfortunately, with the workers’ compensation reform of 2003 with Governor Schwarzenegger’s proposals to cut benefits and medical treatment even further, I may not be in the black much longer and my clients will be hurting even more than they already are. This is a very uneasy time for injured workers in California. On a personal note, I am still trying to have children, using the best medical science has to offer. (Sacramento)

The Honorable
Bernard J. Schwartz
Got a call on Tuesday, October 6, 2003 informing me that Governor Davis had appointed me to the Riverside County Superior Court. I am honored to now serve this beautiful county as a judge. (Riverside, California)

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Daniel A. Johnson
Holland & Knight has added Daniel Johnson as partner in its litigation practice in Los Angeles.

Peter L. Doman
I have been a partner with Myer Wilds for almost three years now, and my wife Jackie and I have eight children and expect our ninth in March. We built a new house on 10 beautiful acres here in Ventura County, and I am very happy with the location, the school district, and the environment. This will be the fourth year that I have participated in the March of Dimes Walk. I am now a proud father.

John A. Sheehan
Partner at Carlson & Barnos, PC., western New York’s largest personal injury law firm with 40 attorneys. I have been a partner at the firm since 2000, and moved home from Georgia with my fiancée, Donna Lew, and our daughter, Chevelle “Wolf” Froner. Closed our home on December 13, 2003. Married on July 12, 2003. Honeymoon in Montreal. Life is sweet and everything possible. For information, see www.movinghelp.com to learn more about the firm. (Sacramento)

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Laura G. Skojec
Law Offices of Denise L. Dricks. Still working hard at the practice of law. This is going well and so is the family. Never hear from the ‘89 Day Crew anymore. Where are you all? (Roseville, California)

Paul E. Echols
Shawnovitch, Curtis & Arias. Mostowski as a shareholder has the added responsibilities of mentoring new attorneys and contributing to the management of the firm.

John L. Gezelius
Solo practice, Tustin, California. Retired from Air Force Reserve with 24 years, 8 months and changes. Active in local bar activities and the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys. (Tustin, California)

Todd F. Haines
Law Offices of Todd F. Haines. Practice continues to grow. I am still a covenanter in Oak Park, Ventura County, California. Still married—three kids, Kecky, Chad and Teert. (Agoura Hills, California)

Jennifer D. Hubach
Judge Pro Tem, Reno Justice Court. Denon and Open Law Office. (Reno, Nevada)

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The Honorable
Richard K. Knutson
Husband, Mike Knutson, jumped to the plaintiff’s side for a change and won a major victory in a sensational termination, age discrimination. The punitive damage phase has yet to be tried. Second Knutson baby due February, 2004. (More time off for marriage?) (San Francisco, California)

Jeffrey L. Diamond
Partner, Metcalfe & Kilius, LLP. Hello, it’s me! Work is busy as usual. I am very active with all the new legislation and attempts to revamp the workers’ compensation system. Personally, the kids are 6 & 7, so well in school and doing well in all respects. The girls are both gone and are now replaced (physically) by a beautiful Russell that thinks he is a Rott. I am feeling very much in love and just wishing to cast and call the lid to this. (Sacramento)

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Stephen H. Baker
Shasta County Superior Court Judge. After 13 years with Carr, Kennedy, Peterson & Frost, Steve Baker left his Redding law firm to be sworn in as a Shasta County Superior Court Judge in September of 2003. (Redding, California)

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Superior Court Staff Counsel, Legal Office of the California Department of Conservation. I am the lead attorney on the many legal issues relating to the Department of Conservation’s mission in support of agricultural and forestland conservation, with a particular focus on the William J. High Act. My wife, Susan Ellis, is a senior scientist with the Department of Fish and Game. We have two teenaged daughters, Stephanie and Mary. Both are student-athletes, playing water polo as their primary sport. (Sacramento)

Frank M. Pacheco
Solo-practitioner, Stockton, California. Memberships: Aircraft Owners & Pilots Association; Experimental Aircraft Association; American Radio Relay League. Professional memberships: Association of Trial Lawyers of America, Los Angeles Bar Association & Group One, and will be the Staff Counsel Advocate for three years. This is considered to be ‘too easy’ as I’ll be dealing on aircraft carriers and other large ships to represent other lawyers on operational law issues. Luckily, the deployments are on those three months to 70 and 80 grades and I can handle my command is located in San Diego, California.)

Christine J. Cusick
Stay-at-home-mother of two sons, 2 1/2 and 4 years old. I’ve worked in over two dozen years. They are excited about it! I played on my col-

Teresa M. Fee
Administrative Law Judge, California Unemployment Insurance Appeals Board. (Los Angeles, California) 1993D

Rosa L. Steward
Resource Specialist, American Canyon Middle School. As of February 04, I am in my school’s first coaching staff. Balthrmann has been added to our school’s sports teams. I will coach a co-ed team of 11th graders and we have two girls’ teams that are excited about it. (I played on my col-

My husband, Marty, and I are enjoying parenthood. Our son, Matt, just turned 1 in December 2003. My daughter, Kristine, is a sophomore at Washington University in St. Louis. Dylan, just turned 1 in December 2003. (Las Vegas, Nevada)

Steve Holden
Partner, Palmer Kaiserian Holden, LLP. Our labor and employment firm has been quite successful, and we continue to grow. We recently moved to new offices at 520 Capitol Mall in Sacramento. We have a large room for new associates and staff. I serve as the board president for the Family Service Agency for the Greater Sacramento Area. The Agency has been a full-time job doing amazing work supporting families in need through a variety of innovative programs. I will complete in my second year as a board member. I was born and raised in California. (Sacramento, California) 1993E

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Lawyer, Law Office of Michelle M. Balke, 2121 Mission Street, San Francisco CA 94110. I am a member of the firm’s commercial litigation department, and his practice focuses on complex commercial disputes.

Vicki T. Redd
Supervising Attorney, California Unemployment Insurance Appeals Board. (Los Angeles, California)
Sonia E. Taggart
Senior Deputy Attorney General, Nevada Office of the Attorney General. Continuing to work part-time and spend the rest of my time with my daughter, Sophia, who is 2 years old. (San Francisco, California)

Michael J. Harris
President, Genora Corporation. I am still keeping busy with my business providing expert-witness services on construction delay and accelerations disputes, Pells, Linda, is well and doing fine. My son, Daniel, will graduate from high school this year and is waiting to hear back from the universities he applied to. (Lexington, Virginia)

Gordon E. Hart
Partner, Paul, Hastings, Jonasdahl & Walker, San Francisco office. Works in the firm’s real estate group, representing businesses in law enforcement matters under state and federal law.

Andrea L. Mc Cann
Professor, American Samoa’s Council of Education, California. Education Division. (San Francisco, California)

Robert K. Roskopk

Paul G. Taggart
Attorney, Taggart & Taggart, Ltd. After arguing the Nevada Hlib case before the United States Supreme Court, I left the Nevada Attorney General’s Office and opened my own law firm with two partners. We now practice private and I am enjoying my 2-year-old, Sophia, and expect- ing a son in January, 2004. (Carson City, Nevada)

Traci L. Williams
Director, Parker Resources, Consulting & Training. Director of H.R. for my company, as well as helping clients stay compliant from a human resources/employment perspective. Published articles for the American Society of Doctoral Administrators in Puget Sound and in New Jersey. (Seattle, Washington)

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Robert L. S. Agrest
Solo practitioner, Santa Rosa, California. I got married on August 31, 2003, my lovely wife, Michelle. I still practice criminal law at both the trial and appellate levels. One of my appel- late cases — unfortunately a loss — was published this year, People v. Rivera, 217 Cal. App. 4th 1374 (2003.) (Santa Rosa, California)

Angela M. Bader
Partner, Laski & Nomura, L.P., Reno. Nevada. I just practiced my second year as partner. Our firm is in the process of constructing our own law firm building with con- struction to commence in April 2004, completing in January 2005. We will move from the downtown area to South Meadows. Reno. My husband and I have kept quite busy with our two daughters, Jordan, age 3.5, and Kathrynn, age 5. Friends and family can reach me at my new e-mail address at laski-nomura.com. (Reno, Nevada)

Leigh R. Bass
Hi, there: I’ve been delayed or, rather, switched to new tracks since my brain tumor surgery in October 1997. The tumor and surgery complicated by its a delay a diabetic and attorney. Today, I practice healing and art instead of law. I’d love to hear from fellow classmates — email: digian@softcom.net, or call 916.427.8646. (Sacramento)

Matthew D. Ence
Solo Practitioner. After a year of living in the beautiful Carson Valley, I have decided to make it our permanent home. I opened my own practice the end of June 2003 and are going well. (Minden, Nevada)

Susan Green
Deputy County Attorney, Sutton County, DC. Just completed my fifth homicide case. Jury returned a murder conviction which helped ease the morning sickness I suffered during the 2-week trial. Connor’s sibling is due July 12, 2004. Connor is 2. (N.Y. City, New York)

Scott Hervey
Shanghai, China. Genshlea, Chediak Sproul. His practice focuses on technology and intellec- tual property matters, issues concerning the Internet, licensing, and entertainment law.

Douglas E. Love
Senior Corporate Counsel, Genentech, Inc. (San Francisco, California)

David A. Martin
Owner, Law Office of David A. Martin. Recently passed exam for Senior Deputy Attorney General, Sacramento office has 17 attorneys and now has six attorneys working with him providing a broad range of legal advice to unions, community organizations, criminal defense, bank- ruptcy, estate planning and civil litigation. His new office, Jennifer Holshuch, helped him find the practice in the present and now acts as the firm administrator. Robert was published in the September 2003 issues of the Colorado Lawyer. His article, entitled “Family Law Practice: An Overview of Review and Approval Procedures,” 32-SEP Colo. L. 91, was adapted as a chapter in the 2004 edition of a Colorado Bar Association publication, The Practitioner’s Guide to Colorado Domestic Relations. (Denver, Colorado)

Matthew D. Wilber
Pettitawattie County Attorney, Iowa. Just completed his first year as the Chief Prosecutor. In addition to supervising 12 assistant county attorneys, he recently successfully prosecuted a rape case carrying a mandatory sentence of life in prison without parole. Matt and his wife, Lisa, live in Carver, Iowa with their three children: Alexa 7, Lucas 5, and Samuel (born March 25, 2003.) (Council Bluffs, Iowa)

Randy S. Wong
General Counsel, Principal, Golden Horizon Enterprises, Ltd, 11th Floor, Beachfront, California 92660. On December 27, 2003, Monica and Randy were married! (Los Angeles, California)

Jennifer M. Runnion
Trial Attorney, Correll & Associates. I have really come to enjoy the practice of law. It’s been a long time since I stepped foot in a courtroom. I am now in my eighth year in business and loving it! (West Chester, Pennsylvania)

Hi, all: Life is going great. My wife and I are kept busy and happy by our two sons, ages 2 and 1. We had a canoeing trip this past fall. After nine years of juvenile law, I moved to the downtown office of the San Francisco County Superior Court. I now perform a wide variety of challenging tasks relating to the functions of our county government. It has been an exciting time of change. I hope everyone is doing well. (Sacramento)

David E. Durance
Member, Senior, Weiner, Eisenberg & Schur. Elected to firm membership November, 2003. (San Francisco, California)

Michael E. Vinding
Attorney, The D UNSPOOK Law Firm. (Sacramento)

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Robert B. Wareham
Has expanded his firm in the southeast Denver, Colorado metro- politan area. In September 2003, he moved into a new office space and now has six attorneys working with him providing a broad range of legal advice to unions, community organizations, criminal defense, bank- ruptcy, estate planning and civil litigation. His new office, Jennifer Holshuch, helped him find the practice in the present and now acts as the firm administrator. Robert was published in the September 2003 issues of the Colorado Lawyer. His article, entitled “Family Law Practice: An Overview of Review and Approval Procedures,” 32-SEP Colo. L. 91, was adapted as a chapter in the 2004 edition of a Colorado Bar Association publication, The Practitioner’s Guide to Colorado Domestic Relations. (Denver, Colorado)

James W. Bean
Counsel, Intellectual Property Group, Chobee, Chester County Probate and Parole Department, Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania County of Common Pleas, October, 2003, elected to Board of Directors, Domestic Violence Center of Chester County. (West Chester, Pennsylvania)

Kevin T. Collins
Collins is a founding member of the firm’s Sacramento office, which opened two years ago. His areas of expertise include land use, business, and construction litigation. He represents public entities including cities and special districts, as well as private enterprises including Fortune 500 companies. Collins repre- sents public entities including cities and special districts, as well as private enterprises including Fortune 500 companies. Collins rep- resent public entities including cities and special districts, as well as private enterprises including Fortune 500 companies. Collins rep-resent public entities including cities and special districts, as well as private enterprises including Fortune 500 companies. Collins repre-
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Michelle M. Shoebenberger
Associate City Attorney, Roseville City Office. My husband and I had a baby boy in September 2003. We are adjusting well to the demands of parenthood and work. (Sacramento)

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Christine M. Galves
Assistant Director, The California Education Master Plan Alliance. After serving as a gubernatorial appointee in former Governor Gray Davis’s office of the Secretary for Education, Galves-Carmona joined as a consultant to help develop California’s Master Plan for Education. In December 2003, she began her position in the new, nonprofit organization, The Master Plan Alliance. She continues to teach Legal English each summer in the program of UC Davis. She and her stepson recently welcomed their 5-year-old brother to their family through adoption. (Sacramento)

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Laura M. Andrew
Staff Attorney, WEAVE. I am still loving my job as a claims assistant for WEAVE. (Halley, California)

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Stephanie M. Bamberger
Staff Attorney, WEAWE. (Sacramento)

Jeanine C. Boyers
Mom, home! David Boyers ’86 and I are expecting our second child, a baby girl, in April. (Sacramento)

Richard A. Chavez
Bullivant Houser Bailey PC. Recently joined the litigation practice group in the Sacramento Office, which services national and regional clients in the areas of environmental litigation, commercial litigation, products liability, employment counseling and litigation, real estate and construction matters.

Jana Du Bois
In-House Health Care Attorney. Sutter Health, President, Sacramento County Bar Association, Health Law Section. (Sacramento)

Justin M. Gingerly
Attorney, Gingerly, Thompson & Dowنشki. Terry Thompson, ’95, Ryan Dowنشski ’90, and I are still working at this law corporation. I am still chasing ambulances, Terry and Ryan, and trying the cases, and our staff is operating the offices in Sacramento and Manteca. We are all shooting for an early retirement in Boracay. (Sacramento)

Allison C. Laflotte
Associate, Knoff, Bokor, Smart, Perry & Christopherson. (Sacramento)

Belinda T. Lin
Senior Litigation Specialist II, Sedgwick Claims Management Services. I am proud to announce that James Han and I finally tied the knot on November 15, 2003 at one of our favorite vacation destinations. James is thinking in his work as an insurance defense (Litigator) and I am still loving my job as a claims adjuster. (Hayward, California)
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Associate, Krin, Leemon and Anapolsky. (Sacramento)

Dora A. Corby
Now practicing as a real estate attorney in a small town in Con-necticut where, if you can believe it, one of the partners is a PacificMcGeorge graduate—Paul Swenson. I am also interested in starting an alumna chapter for the northwestern coast of New England. If you are interested, please contact me at thtwoby@yahoo.com. (Danbury, Connecticut)

Brian K. Duffey
I’m very pleased to inform my fellow alumni of my new law firm affilia-
tion. On December 8, I joined my practice into the firm of Hodgson Russ, LLP. Hodgson is a firm that traces its roots back to 1871. Hodgson has 200 attorneys in six law offices throughout the U.S. and Canada. Our office in Boca Raton has 20 attorneys. Some of you may be familiar with the firm that was included in the book “New York’s Greatest Places To Work With A Law Degree.” I’ve joined the Estates & Trusts practice group. It’s quite a change to go from a two-lawyer firm to a 200-lawyer firm, but the sky’s the limit with a McGeorge JD! I hope many of my former classmates will take this opportunity to drop me a line and let me know what they are doing. I miss many of those unique personalities that helped me survive the “Hells” of 25 (almost “unique” professors to remain nameless). My son Patrick will graduate from high school this May, and I have received a nomination to the United States Naval Academy (swimming/praying for an appointment). My daughter, Kyle, is playing her second year as a goalie on her middle school soccer team and doing well in school, we beautiful. My wife Sandra is looking younger every day and enjoys working as a paralegal in a terrific firm in Boca. Boo drop me an em or call! Brian K. Duffey, Hodgson Russ, LLP 1801 Military Trail, Ste. 200 Boca Raton, Florida 33433. Direct Dial 561-482-4716 Direct Fax 561-482-4983 Email: bduffey@hodgsonrusa.com (Boca Raton, Florida)

Wendy A. Gable
Scott, Nick, and I are well. Nick earned his Eagle Scout rank and is a sophomore at Julliard HS. (Elsah, Illinois) Coral reefs.

Scott K. Holbrook

Maria M. Ramirez-Palafoux
Purchased, PX, Preston, May 22, 2002. (Rossville, Georgia)

Richard M. Wiessner

Elizabeth A. Foll
Attorney, Allied Employers, Kirkland, Washington. I continue to enjoy the ever-changing labor relations field and have had many successful arbitra-tions in the past year. I am looking forward to my first major contract negotiations for Pugat Sound Grocery employers this year. My husband, Stephen, and I will welcome our first child, a boy, in early March, 2004. (Kirkland, Washington)

Kimberly H. Goel
Associate, Waskow & Rice, LLP. Married July 26, 2003. (Long Beach, California)

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Jonelle C. Beck
Law Office of Jonelle C. Beck. I survived my second year as a solo practitioner, focusing on busi-ness litigation, business formation, and transactional law. In addition to the law practice, my wife and I purchase Spyke Vineyards LLC, a small family winery in Napa, California. Our label is catching on and the business continues to grow. Check out our website at www.spyke.com. Cheers! (Gold River, California)

Monica M. Miner
Labor Relations Representative. Danielle Marie was born November 27, 2002. (Redding, California)

Elizabeth M. Morris
Associate, McMillen, Dodge, Nes, Byatt, Slattery & Philzer, LLP. Beth and her husband, Peter, have a daughter, Chloe Hunter, born January 5, 2003. (Walnut Creek, California)

Toan-hoa B. Nguyen
Council at PacCipCo. (Joned an IP firm), an investor, utility, legal, legal agency, with a focus on energy law and practic-ing before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. (San Francisco, California)

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Richard F. Desmond
Associate, Desmond, Italian, Lurie, Curtiss & Curcuru. (Sacramento)

Sukhdeep Kaur
I am presently with Bradford & Barthel in the Fresno branch of the firm, defending employers and insur-ance companies. When I am not doing that, I am adventuring in and out of state. This year’s vacations were in Carmel, Taos, Santa Barbara and Catalina Islands, in that order. In May, I plan to explore the Caribbean. Maybe I’ll run into the pirates. Also, I am enjoying my salsas and pic�es classes in my non-working hours. I am pondering doing the #10k Mini marathon in July but am wary of the sharks. Think they’ll show me professional courtesy? (Fresno, California)

Dene M. Ovieler
Attorney, Fisher, Philips, LLP.

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Will F. Schuetz
Attorney, Girard & Vinson, Sacramento. Sacramento, California has been a great year for a lot of reasons. Best of all, however, is the birth of our first child, Emme, born September 16, 2003. (Sacramento)

Anne M. Sherlock
Partner, Girard & Vinson, LLP. I also bought my first home. (Sacramento)

Debra A. Najer
Deputy District Attorney, El Dorado County District Attorney’s Office. (Placerville, California)

Tony K. Smyth
General Counsel, Cyberfact Enterprises, Inc. Currently enjoying a challenging in-house practice with some very interesting, albeit spor-aic, litigation experience thrown in for good measure. Recently returned from two separate trips to Hawaii. Looking forward to traveling to Japan again this year with my wife and daughter. (Rancho Cordova, California)

Chad A. Thorberry
Foreign Service Officer, U.S. Department of State. In January 2004, I left the Department of Justice to join the State Department as a foreign service officer. I expect to be serving abroad by the end of the year. (Washington, D.C.)

Lizbeth V. West
Attorney, Whittaker Geraci, Chedik, Spruill, Law Corporation. Successfully argued before the Third District Court of Appeal that employing FMLA/CFRA violators to facilitate an employer’s planul refusal to work or to demand that your client be released by the trial court. California editor of the Council on Education in Management’s “Wages of Passion: The 2004 Update: Avoiding the Legal Land-mines.” Co-editor of the California Employment Law Programs for the Council. (Sacramento)

Paul Astler
Associate, White, Flower, Holtz, Green.

Helen C. Byrd
Adult Clinician at Ventures Unlimited, a private, nonprofit, outpatient men-tal health agency providing therapy to people without insurance or those who have MediCal or MediCare. I am also self-employed as a Forensic Social Worker providing supervision, assessment, and treatment.

Clinton M. McClifGill
Contract Manager, Califormia Grummian Mission Systems. Department of Defense contracting continues to be interesting and rewarding but, to reality, I think the legal life is, I started moonlighting as an associate in a small general prac-tice firm in Salt Lake City. Peggy and I are closing in on seven years of marriage and we now have two chil-dren: three year old Madison and two year old Sam. (Clairfield, Utah)
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Kevin G. Howard
Attorney, Law Office of K. Greg Peterson. I work in business litigation, real estate law and environmental law. I represent several clients throughout California. I recently received significant national media attention for my work on the case of the company that manufactured the defective roof tiles used on California’s State Capitol building. The case resulted in a settlement of over $500 million. I am an associate with Darling, Robertson & Lee, LLP, a firm that represents several of the largest insurance companies in California. I am also a member of the American Bar Association’s Environment, Energy, and Natural Resources Law Section. (Sacramento)

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Kendal M. Asadi
Associate, Lyneye Kato-Carter, family law firm focusing on property division. (San Jose, California)

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Associate, Drobny Law Firm, Oakland, California. I work as a partner in the firm’s litigation department. I specialize in commercial litigation, real estate law and appellate law. I have handled several cases in Salt Lake City and other cities in Utah. I also worked for the criminal defense firm of Gould & Birney, LLP in Salt Lake City during the past two years. I graduated from the University of Utah in 1998 and joined Gould & Birney in 2000. I am currently staying at home with my new baby, a boy named Zane, who was born in May 2004. (Reno, Nevada)

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Judy L. Ford
Attorney, Medical Malpractice Section, Porter, Scott, Weiberg & Delehant. My family is delighted with the presence of Marine Corp. Vet. Darin Rafford. I worked in the criminal law firm of Gould & Birney, LLP in Salt Lake City during the past two years. I graduated from the University of Utah in 1998 and joined Gould & Birney in 2000. I am currently staying at home with my new baby, a boy named Zane, who was born in May 2004. (Reno, Nevada)

Gina R. della Maggiore
Deputy District Attorney, San Joaquin County, Stockton, California. I am an associate with Darling, Robertson & Lee, LLP, a firm that represents several of the largest insurance companies in California. I am also a member of the American Bar Association’s Environment, Energy, and Natural Resources Law Section. (Sacramento)

Roman M. Plachy
Attorney, Massie Haskett & Amick. Roman is enjoying married life with Megan and his new job at Massie Haskett & Amick. He is practicing in the labor law firm of Massie Haskett & Amick. I am an associate with Darling, Robertson & Lee, LLP, a firm that represents several of the largest insurance companies in California. I am also a member of the American Bar Association’s Environment, Energy, and Natural Resources Law Section. (Sacramento)

Lisa M. Gillman
Attorney, Owner, Law Offices of Lisa M. Gillman. I specialize in civil and criminal litigation. I represent several clients throughout California. I recently received significant national media attention for my work on the case of the company that manufactured the defective roof tiles used on California’s State Capitol building. The case resulted in a settlement of over $500 million. I am an associate with Darling, Robertson & Lee, LLP, a firm that represents several of the largest insurance companies in California. I am also a member of the American Bar Association’s Environment, Energy, and Natural Resources Law Section. (Sacramento)
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Kimberly S. Sullivan
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Elizabeth A. Fenton
Chief of Staff, Senator Liz Patterson. (Sacramento)

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Carla B. Higginbotham
Civil Litigation, District Court, Washoe County, Nevada for the Honorable Peter J. Brown. I have relocated to Reno and recently passed the Nevada Bar Exam. I have also accepted a position as a judicial law clerk starting in September 2004 on the Honorable Procurator Hugh T. on the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals. (Reno, Nevada)

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LL.M. BUSINESS & TAXATION

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Haywel, Orriss & Watkins, A Professional Law Corporation. Effective July 1, 2004 I take office as President of the Alumni Association of the University of California at Berkeley. I will begin a one-year term as a voting member of the UC Board of Regents. In 2003-2004, I have served as Secretary of AAUC and as a non-voting Regent-designate. AAUC is composed of representa-
tives from each alumni associa-
tion of the nine-campus UC system. AAUC has four officers, all of whom serve as Regents. The Presi-
dent and Vice President are voting positions. (Stockton, California)

LL.M. TRANSLATIONAL PRACTICE

Michael R. Perna '84
Managing Member, Pernia & Perna, LLC, and has been a partner in the firm since 1985, concentrat-
ing in personal injury litigation, estate matters, complex real estate transactions, domestic issues and business litigation. He also has focused significantly on matters involving international trade and commerce. (Kemnay Square, Pennsylvania)

Thomas R. Parker '85
Partner in Turnaround Tax Services, Ernst & Young, Madrid. Just returned from two year assignment as head of the Spanish Desk of Ernst & Young, LLP in New York. In 2004, looking good (third child, Spanish economy picking up). Stop by if you should come to Madrid. (Madrid, Spain)

Shiwon Yong '91
President, Alpha Systems, Inc., Fremont, California 94538. (Fremont, California)

Mina N. Gross '92
We started our own company: Ayojo A.G. (petjo@ayojo.com or mina@ayojo.com) Caroline Louise Gross was born July 4th, 2003, leading to the birth of Caroline — and godfather John Cellucci. (alum LLM 1992) (Switzerland)

Peter L. Gross '92
Owner and Managing Director of Ayojo Advisory AG, Zurich. In 2003 I launched my own consultancy firm. A small business, but highly comp-
petent and experienced team of profes-
sionals advises international pri-
tice clients in succession tax and corporate law. (Zurich, Switzerland)

Thomas F. Klumper '88
Assistant U. S. Attorney, U.S. Attorney's Office, Criminal Division, San Juan, Puerto Rico. (San Juan, Puerto Rico)

Henry P. Vonston '88
Assistant Director, Public Services Support Dept., Palm Beach Property Appraiser’s Office. Achieved Bronze Life Master at Duplicate Bridge. Earned Interna-
tional Association of Assessing Officers designation of Assessment Administration Specialist. (West Palm Beach, Florida)

Kathleen J. Smith '89
Dean, College of Business and Technology, University of Nevada at Reno. (Reno, Nevada)

Jose L. Gonzalez Peces '91
Partner, Gonzalez, Garcia & Associates, Madrid. His practice focuses on corporate law that enables me stay home with the children. (Sacramento)

Patti L. McGillson '83
NavTel Technologies, Inc. Corporate Counsel, Corporate Secretary. Working in-house is giving me more time with two boys, Jackson, and 4, Louis, 2, while still keeping up on corporate and securities law. (Online, California)

Michael A. Pane '93
Sharpley, Goodhart, & Girard, Camden, New Jersey. (Camden, New Jersey)

Natalie S. Rolfe '94
International Legal Counsel for Stevns, a company specializing in the design and build of water treatment plants. (Louvainceimes, Celles, France)

Hubertus Leo '95
Married Emily Smith on 20 December 2003. (Hamburg, Germany)

Catherine E. Davey '95
Attorney, Catherine E. Davey, PA. We welcomed the birth of our daughter, Emma Grace Davey, on May 10, 2003. (Maitland, Florida)

Alexander Dhouly '96
Joined the Lexisnexis office of White & Case. (Dusseldorf, Germany)

Saudia F. Sulta '96
Lecturer, School of Business, North South University, Dhaka. She has been teaching at N.S.U. since 2001 and in fall 2003 I was assigned to teach all the business law classes at the BBA level. (Dhaka, Bangladesh)

Christine J. Cusick '83
Stay-at-home mother of twins, age 2. I haven’t worked in over two years since my twins were born. I plan to return to work in some part-time capacity in the next year or so and will, hopefully, eventually find full time work when my children start school. Luckily, my husband, David Cusick, ’92, has a successful solo practice that enables me stay home with the children. (Sacramento)

Masaru Yoshimura '98
Finally, I obtained a steady job in Tokyo. I willingly report this to the McGeorge community. Thank you! (Tokyo, Japan)

Dr. Denis Gebhardt '00

Dr. Urs P. Goss '00
I have written a newsletter on the new Merget Law in Switzerland which can be retrieved at www.wwp.ch. I was also on the panel of the CILS conference on ‘Corporate Governance in an International Marketplace’ and talked about ‘Corporate Governance in Switzerland.’ Finally, I held several presentations on the ‘New Merget Law in Switzerland.’ (Zurich, Switzerland)

Mark C. Popovich '00
In-House Counsel, Williamsburg, Virginia. On April 24, 2004, I will marry Sara Elizabeth Thayer at the Virginia Beach United Methodist Church. Virginia Beach, Virginia. Sara is currently attending Eastern Virginia Medical School and will graduate in May 2005, with a Masters as a Physician’s Assistant.

Naveed A. Siddiqi '01
Sawyer & Company, Advocates. Taxation and corporate law consultants, trademark, patent, design, and copyright attorneys. (Karachi, Pakistan)

Heather L. Dauler '03
Legal Advocacy, The California Alternative Payment Program Association. (Sacramento)

Hector M. De Avila '03
LLM, Transnational Business Practice, Adam & Hayes Law, (Lincoln, California)

Roman M. Pleschy '03
Attorney, Magadan Holstet & Amick. Roman is enjoying married life with Magadan and his new job at Magadan Holstet & Amick. He is practicing in the labor department trying to learn the ropes as a new attorney. (Sacramento)

Cecilia M. Kierkegaard '03
Vejle, Denmark. Enjoying married life with partner Kierkegaard. (Pfaffikon, Switzerland)

Minh T. Tran '03
Assistant Director, Public Support Unit,888-278-0999, City of Dallas, (Dallas, Texas)

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Pacific/McGeorge takes pride in its programs, growing reputation and 80-year history. But above all else, we take pride in our greatest treasure and resource — you — our more than 10,000 Pacific/McGeorge alumni & friends. We look forward to your continued involvement & investment in your Pacific/McGeorge community.

Since 1924, when Verne Adrian McGeorge founded this law school, alumni have created a legacy of excellence, locally & globally, in their chosen roles as legal leaders, legislators, distinguished members of the judiciary, recognized scholars, entrepreneurs, dealmakers, top litigators, and honored counselors in the public sector & private practice. They continue to distinguish themselves in legal aid offices as advocates for the underrepresented, in small firms and as sole practitioners. All in all, encompassing a wide range of traditional and non-traditional law roles.
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In a sense, the Starks went through law school together; he enrolled in September 1957, they married in October 1957. Classes were conducted at the law school's earlier site, at 9th and J streets, in a room above a radio store. Gordon Schaber, who later became dean in 1957, was on the faculty then and a close personal friend. Schaber, the architect of the law school’s growth from that site to today’s 22-acre campus in Oak Park, persuaded Stark to join the faculty.

"We were kissing cousins," she said. "Gordon was such an integral part of Sacramento and Robert was proud of the wonderful law school his friend built up in Oak Park."

Upon graduating in 1955, with great distinction, and his admission to the State Bar of California in December 1955, Stark joined Bradford, Cross, Dahl & Hefner, a firm that traced its history back to 1896. It later became Dahl, Hefner, Stark & Marosi and was one of Sacramento’s largest law firms in the 70s and 80s.

Stark taught law as an adjunct professor at McGeorge from 1962 to 1988. His academic assignment included Estate Planning and Estate and Gift Tax—courses that blended his legal talent with his analytical skills.

Outside of the law office, Mr. Stark was a member of the Easter Seals Guild and the Boys Club, and enjoyed spending time with his nieces and nephews, as well as their canine friends. He passed away in February 2000 at age 78.

Thanks to the foresight of Dorrie and Robert, a half-century later those who follow his legal career path through Pacific/McGeorge will benefit from his love of the law and his law school.

—Carol Terracina Hartman
Dahl’s Devotion to the Law Lives On

It is fitting that the Judge Loren S. Dahl Award for Bankruptcy Excellence is based solely on merit. Judge Dahl’s 1980 appointment as U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Eastern District of California came after a rigorous, merit-based selection process. And, according to his daughter, Candy Dahl ’60, the judge was a stickler for excellence in everything he did.

The annual award goes to the second- or third-year student at Pacific/McGeorge who earns the highest grade in the law school’s bankruptcy class. Last year’s award was $2,700, but next year’s will be upwards of $4,000 because of increases in the fund’s endowment.

Upon his retirement from the bench in 1994, Judge Dahl died on March 12, 2003. Dahl graduated from the College of the Pacific in 1942. He met his future wife, Luana Siler, in a chemistry class; he helped fund his college education by his winnings playing pool; and he once arranged for classmate Dave Brubeck to practice piano at Luana’s sorority when the music school was closed on a weekend.

Postponing law school, Dahl enlisted in the Army Air Corps during World War II. He attended navigator school when he was seeing a client.” Judge Dahl went on to say that his secretary had to work outside in the hallway because of intense private practice. But the combination of the new 1979 federal bankruptcy law and the 1982-83 recession, which greatly increased bankruptcy filings, made that impossible. He had to work very long hours.”

“As judge,” she says, “Dad was never arrogant. He was always pleasant and gracious, and he even would help people who were having trouble presenting their cases.” He also helped UCLA law grad Walter, now a Pacific/McGeorge adjunct professor, learn bankruptcy law. “Dad would assign me a chapter, I’d read it, and then I’d go over to his office and he’d quiz me about what I’d read. Following a four-year period as an Assistant Attorney General in Arizona, Candy Dahl joined her brother Walter at the Sacramento firm of Dahl & Dahl, whose specialties include bankruptcy. Judge Dahl maintained his connections to the University for the Pacific throughout his life. Both Luana, who died in 1977 of cancer, and his second wife Pamela were highly supportive of his involvement with the University and the law school. He was active in the alumni association from 1970 on, including two terms as president. He served on the University’s Board of Regents from 1980 until his death. After retirement, he frequently sat in as a judge in Pacific/McGeorge’s Trial Advocacy course. One of the many ways in which his memory will live on is through the Judge Loren S. Dahl Award for Bankruptcy Excellence.”
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