A matter of principle

Former U.S. Attorney John McKay brings his integrity and experience to the law school
Dean’s perspective

After wrapping up another successful year with the Class of 2007’s graduation, we look ahead to next year, our 35th anniversary. This year set the stage.

The School of Law’s national profile has soared. After recognizing Lt. Cmdr. Charles Swift ’94 for his landmark U.S. Supreme Court victory last fall, we remained in the national news as we welcomed former U.S. Attorney John McKay to our faculty and hosted a successful forum with him and two of his former colleagues. We are proud that John McKay will continue to teach with us next year.

I’ve just returned from a fabulous ceremony at the Library of Congress, where Professor Laurel Oates received the Burton Award for Outstanding Contribution to Legal Writing. When Laurel was hired in 1980, she expected to stay a year. Almost 30 years later, she has become the most highly respected legal writing professor in the country. We’re all fortunate that “year” became, instead, a generation of success. She is now sharing her expertise in Africa, where she and Professor Mimi Samuel have conducted numerous training projects.

Our Academic Resource Center (ARC), led by Director Paula Lustbader ’88 and Professor David Boerner, celebrates its 20th anniversary this summer. ARC is a leader in the country for its admissions program – which is uniquely based on a holistic assessment of each applicant – and for the strong academic support it provides. Our ARC graduates’ successes and a generous benefactor who has created an endowment of more than $4.7 million ensure the future of this program.

Many other law school programs are likewise thriving. The Center on Corporations, Law & Society held its fifth annual Directors Training Academy in June. It sold out weeks beforehand — further evidence that the center run by Dana Gold ’95 has become one of the premier programs of its kind. Our nationally acclaimed Access to Justice Institute has an exciting new leader in Diana Singleton ’98, who had a distinguished career with the Northwest Justice Project.

This has been one of our most productive years for faculty scholarship, and we have hired several impressive faculty members: Tayyab Mahmud, a nationally known scholar and teacher, who will also serve as our associate dean for faculty research and development; Andy Siegel, a Constitutional law expert and former Justice Stevens clerk; Deborah Aherns, an exciting new voice in criminal law and procedure; and two very promising additions to our acclaimed legal writing program, Deirdre Bowen and Norman Printer.

Finally, it has been remarkable to see our law school’s international reach extend. I, along with Professors Hank McGee, Maggie Chon, Jan Ainsworth, Christian Halliburton, Rafael Pardo, Chris Rideout, Marilyn Berger and Russell Powell have recently lectured at international venues. Additionally, I just returned from Rio de Janeiro, where our students are taking part in a study abroad program and Professors Mark Chinen and Melinda Branscomb are teaching. Our South Africa summer program, led by Professor Ron Slye, launched in June.

These highlights scratch just the surface of all that is Seattle University School of Law. Standing for excellence, reaching for justice — we are making our mark both at home and abroad. While we’ve accomplished more in our first 35 years than many other schools have in triple that time, I’m convinced that the best is still to come. You are a crucial part of our future, and we are eager for your involvement. Together we can chart a path of excellence that will ensure that when we celebrate subsequent anniversaries we will have commandingly assured our permanent place among the nation’s leading law schools.

—Kellye Testy

Dean, Seattle University School of Law

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Diana Singleton named new director of the Access to Justice Institute

Diana Singleton ’98, a respected attorney with extensive public interest experience and strong connections with the equal justice community, has been named director of the Access to Justice Institute.

Singleton brings almost a decade of experience as an attorney with the Northwest Justice Project. She represented low-income people in King County on a variety of matters, from consumer protection to domestic violence protection. She also served as a staff attorney on CLEAR, the Coordinated Legal Education Advice Referral, a centralized intake hotline for a wide range of civil legal issues.

Among her accomplishments, she co-founded the Legal Services Consumer Law Task Force and conceived and supervised a grant-based, 18-month immigrant financial justice project. Her community activities include volunteering with the Union Gospel Mission Legal Clinic and the Cross-Cultural Family Law Clinic.

Dean Kellye Testy made the appointment after an exhaustive national search that brought five outstanding finalists to the law school for interviews.

“With such a strong pool of candidates, I am so proud that our top choice is a Seattle attorney and graduate of our law school,” Testy said. “This is a very exciting time for our Access to Justice Institute. Diana has a sophisticated understanding of our mission and an exciting vision for connecting to the regional and national equal justice communities to enhance opportunities for our students and faculty and to advance our reputation and impact.”

Singleton has made numerous presentations on consumer law, immigration law and predatory lending, and has been a guest teacher at law school classes. She looks forward to a more direct role working with students.

“I am honored to be chosen as the director of the Access to Justice Institute. I look forward to encouraging and supporting all law students in their interest in public service, being an integral part of the law school community and collaborating with the greater legal community,” Singleton said. “I am thrilled to join Seattle University School of Law in carrying out its mission for social justice.”

Law clinic partners with Hate Free Zone to help immigrants

The United States Human Rights Fund has awarded $75,000 to a collaboration between Seattle University School of Law’s International Human Rights Clinic and Hate Free Zone, a local nonprofit advocacy organization dedicated to advancing the concerns of immigrants in the Greater Seattle area.

The project, which will be based out of Hate Free Zone, will develop advocacy strategies based on applying the international human rights framework to the lives of immigrants residing in the United States, specifically in the Northwest. The Clinic’s collaboration with Hate Free Zone will take several forms, including:

• A focus on the conditions of detention and treatment of immigrants held at the ICE Detention Center in Tacoma;

• A focus on due process issues involved in the processing of their cases. Observation and other forms of fact investigation will be devoted to determining if the treatment detainees receive satisfies international human rights standards, as well as standards guaranteed by the federal constitution.

• Clinical Professor Gwynne Skinner’s ongoing work on the right to family unity, specifically, the right to have courts or other decision-makers take into account the impact deportation would have on the family ties of all affected members of a potential deportee’s family.

Dean honored for service, becomes host of TV show

Dean Kellye Testy was honored for her commitment to justice at the Washington State Trial Lawyers Association Law Day Dinner May 1. Testy received the Public Justice Award, which recognizes an individual or organization whose efforts, courage, litigation or innovative work results in the creation of a more just society.

You can read about her commitment to social justice in a profile by the Seattle Post-Intelligencer at http://seattlepi.nwsource.com/local/316016_justice17.html?source=mypi

The dean also is the new host of the TVW program “The Docket.” Each month, the show sponsored by the Washington State Bar Association explores the court rulings, law school activities and other legal issues. You can view current episodes at www.tvw.org/TheDocket/index.cfm.

She was proud to host two other women bar leaders this semester: Karen Mathis, president of the American Bar Association, and Ellen
During Spring Semester 2007, Oates worked in India and Africa. She and Professor Mimi Samuel trained magistrates in Uganda in February, hosted a conference for law school professors and provided workshops for attorneys in March. In April, they led training for judges in South Africa.

2007–08 Scholars for Justice committed to working in the public interest

Two more outstanding students have received Scholars for Justice awards from the law school. Kevin DeLiban and Celeste Miller are the recipients of this year’s full-tuition award for students committed to working in the public interest.

Miller earned a master’s in social work from Portland State University in June. She dedicated her life to helping underserved populations, especially children and immigrants.

DeLiban is a 2003 graduate of Berkeley who has been an advocate for youth and the disenfranchised.

“Seattle University School of Law is a really good match for me because my area of focus is on social justice,” Miller said. “I always knew that I wanted to work with people and especially people in need. During my first year of graduate school I realized that I could best help people by becoming a lawyer.”

Miller’s dad worked on and off as a forestry contractor while her mom stayed home with her and her four younger siblings. They lived in a “ghost town” in rural Oregon, and she attended a K-12 school with 80 students. Still, her parents instilled the importance of education, and she really didn't know how poor her family was until she moved away to go to Linfield College. She worked at the Portland Boys and Girls Club, where she saw how much rougher the city can be on families. There she saw immigrants and single parents working to raise children on minimum-wage jobs or with no work at all.

Legal Writing Director Laurel Oates earns national award, teaches in Africa, India

Laurel Oates ’78, director of the law school’s acclaimed legal writing program, received the award for Outstanding Contributions to Legal Writing Education from the Burton Awards for Legal Achievement.

“This is well-deserved recognition for Laurel and another commendation of the outstanding legal education offered at Seattle University School of Law,” Dean Kellye Testy said.

Seattle University School of Law’s Legal Writing Program has consistently been ranked by U.S. News and World Report as one of the top legal writing programs in the country.

Oates helped co-founded the Legal Writing Institute, which has more than 2,000 members from more than 150 law schools and which works to improve the teaching of legal writing. As a member of the Legal Writing Institute, Professor Oates helped establish The Second Draft, which is the Institute’s bulletin, and helped organize and host seven national conferences. She is the co-author of five books, including “The Legal Writing Handbook,” which is now in its fourth edition, and has authored a number of articles.

Conedera Dial president of the Washington State Bar Association. They joined Testy and others for a luncheon at the law school to discuss youth at risk. Mathis was at Seattle University for the Youth at Risk symposium sponsored by the state bar association.

Law school celebrates 35 years of standing for excellence, reaching for justice

The fall of 2007 marks the 35th anniversary of the founding of the School of Law, and the 2007-2008 academic year will include many opportunities to celebrate how far the law school and has come and where it’s going. Watch for details of events and celebrations throughout the year. E-mail the 35th anniversary coordinator at 35thann@seattleu.edu or call 206-398-4210 for the latest information.
“I knew I could be a good social worker because I didn’t think someone was a bad parent just because they were struggling to make ends meet. I know how hard it is, and no one deserves to live in poverty.”

DeLiban also has a passion for helping the less fortunate. Among other things, he founded a class at Berkeley on the history of hip hop, which turned into a program at an alternative middle school in Oakland, Calif.

“It was a lot of fun, and we did some good,” he said. And he gained insight into just what desperate times can do to families and children. “You see the role that need and survival play in some people’s lives,” he said.

After college he worked for the San Francisco Ethics Commission as a campaign finance assistant, where he turned into a whistle-blower and was recognized by the Society of Professional Journalists for his efforts to bring the allegations he uncovered to light. He works at LAW Advocates in Bellingham, where he helps disabled and mentally ill clients get treatment and benefits. That started as a volunteer position in 2004, but the work appealed to him, so he stayed on full-time.

DeLiban looks forward to combining a legal education with his experience and passion for the underserved. He is grateful for the award that will allow him to do the work he loves without incurring law school debt.

“I really doubt that I would go to law school without this award,” DeLiban said.

Former Dean Fred Tausend named Ninth Circuit’s outstanding lawyer

Former Dean Fredric C. Tausend of Seattle, an elite trial attorney and early advocate of diversity in the legal profession, has been selected the 2007 recipient of the Ninth Circuit’s John P. Frank Award, recognizing an outstanding lawyer practicing in the federal courts of the western United States.

Tausend, who continues to serve as an adjunct professor at the law school, will receive the award on July 16, during the opening session of the 2007 Ninth Circuit Judicial Conference at the Sheraton Waikiki Hotel in Honolulu.

“Fred has been and continues to be a very effective advocate for our law school,” Dean Kellye Testy said. “He is beloved by the regional legal community, and we are indeed fortunate to continue to have him teaching with us.”

Tausend took a partial leave of absence from practice from 1980 to 1986 to become dean of the School of Law, which flourished under his leadership. He had served previously as an adjunct professor of law at the school, teaching courses in antitrust, trademark and copyright and legal ethics.

His legal career spans nearly 50 years. Since 1990, he has been a senior counsel at Seattle’s Kirkpatrick & Lockhart Preston Gates Ellis, LLP, where his practice focuses on litigation and appellate practice. Prior to joining that firm, he practiced for 32 years with the Seattle firm of Schweppe, Krug & Tausend, where he made his mark as a top antitrust lawyer and was involved in precedent-setting antitrust cases in federal and state courts around the country. He also served during the 1960s in the antitrust and consumer protection division of the Washington State Attorney General’s Office.

More recently, Tausend has devoted an increasing amount of his practice to alternative dispute resolution, serving both as a mediator and arbitrator.

“I am delighted to see Fred Tausend receive this award. He is an outstanding lawyer, who has distinguished himself not only for his success in the courtroom, but also for the influence he has had as an educator and mentor to so many young lawyers,” said Ninth Circuit Chief Judge Mary M. Schroeder.

In nominating him for the award, colleagues noted that Tausend recognized the need for diversity long before the rest of the legal profession and advocated quietly on behalf of women and people of color. They also pointed to his contributions as a mentor and friend to generations of young lawyers and to pro bono and bar activities, including his work as a former lawyer representative to the Ninth Circuit.

The John Frank Award recognizes a lawyer who has “demonstrated outstanding character and integrity; dedication to the rule of law; proficiency as a trial and appellate lawyer; success in promoting collegiality among members of the bench and bar; and a lifetime of service to the federal courts of the Ninth Circuit.” It is named for the late John P. Frank of Arizona, a distinguished attorney, author, law professor, civil liberties advocate and legal historian.

Library has more than legal books

As part of its National Library Week events, the law library introduced a new casual reading collection. More than 200 volumes of the latest novels, mysteries, westerns, non-fiction and science fiction form the core circulating collection. The library will add new books once a month. Some of the library staff have previewed select titles and have provided their reviews. The casual reading collection is located on the second floor in the area under the main staircase.

The law library celebration also featured the third annual READ poster display with faculty and staff choosing their favorite books,
posing for photographs and writing about the books’ significance. Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs Annette Clark chose Edith Wharton’s “The Age of Innocence.” Clinic Director Paul Holland picked “True Notebooks: Writer’s Year at Juvenile Hall,” by Mark Salzman, and Assistant Dean for Admission Carol Cochran chose “Singin’ and Swingin’ and Gettin’ Merry Like Christmas,” by Maya Angelou. Associate Professor Rafael Pardo selected “As We Forgive our Debtors,” edited by Teresa A. Sullivan, Elizabeth Warren, and Jay Lawrence Westbrook.

**Online contributions to the law school are on the rise**

Last fall, the law school upgraded its online giving process, making it even easier to make a gift, and many of you have responded. With the new form, donors may elect to have contributions automatically deducted from a debit account or credit card, on a monthly, quarterly or annual basis, and schedule the rate of recurrence based on their preference.

Participation in the law school’s advancement efforts is up 20 percent overall, and online donations have increased since the launching of the updated giving site.

“We want to make it as convenient as possible for our many alumni and friends to support the important mission of the law school,” said Susan Ahearn, associate dean for advancement.

If you would like to support the law school’s development efforts this year and have your name included in the 2007-08 annual report, to be published in a future issue of the Lawyer, access the online giving form from the “Giving” box on the law school website at www.law.seattleu.edu.

**Law school celebrates May 2007 graduation**

The law school sent off 280 graduates in May to join law firms, begin clerkships and work in the public interest. Dean Kellye Testy was proud to recognize all the graduates and to bestow special honors on two at the May 12 ceremony at Safeco Field.

Kathryn Naegeli, who will be a judicial clerk to Court of Appeals Judge David Armstrong in the Court, received the Dean’s Medal, bestowed on the student the dean determines has the greatest potential to achieve the legal profession’s most noble aspirations for justice and ethics. The faculty chose Hozaifa Cassubhai, who will work at the firm of Davis Wright Tremaine as Faculty Scholar.

Among Naegeli’s accomplishments, she won The American Bankruptcy Law Journal Student Prize, was a fellow with the Center on Corporations, Law & Society, member of the American Inn of Court and took part in the Community Development and Entrepreneurship Clinic. She clerked for the United States Attorney’s Office and was a top moot court competitor.

Cassubhai, who also was selected as the student graduation speaker, has served on Law Review, been a member of Inn of Court, and the Moot Court Board and completed summer internships at Foster Pepper and Davis Wright Tremaine.

Also at graduation, Associate Professor Christian Mukunda Halliburton received the Faculty Award, and Clinical Professor Betsy Hollingsworth received faculty emerita honors.

**Several top professors will join faculty this year**

The law school has recruited some outstanding full-time and visiting faculty members for the next year.

### New career faculty:
- **Deborah Ahrens** (Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure Investigative, Sentencing & Plea Bargaining)
- **Tayyab Mahmud** (Contracts)
- **Andrew Siegel** (Constitutional Law, U.S. Supreme Court Seminar, 14th Amendment Seminar)

### New legal writing faculty:
- **Deirdre Bowen**
- **Norman Printer**

### Visiting faculty:
- **Marcy Peek** (Contracts, Race and the Law, Information Privacy)
- **Bob Boruchowitz** (Youth Advocacy Clinic, Law & the Holocaust Seminar)
- **Bradford Steiner** (Legal Writing)
- **Edwin Abuya** (Legal Writing)
- **Steve Shiffrin** (First Amendment Seminar, Constitutional & Political Theory Seminar)
- **Elizabeth Ford** (Mediation Clinic)
Hozaifa Cassubhai applied to law schools across the country 52 times over a three-year period. He took the LSAT five times trying to improve his score.

“In that room, in that pressure-packed environment, I could not perform,” he said. “I was applying everywhere.”

Finally, he heard about Seattle University School of Law’s Alternative Admission Program and Academic Resource Center.

“It was the only school that accepted me, and I was here a month later,” said Hozaifa Cassubhai ‘07.

The program, which takes into account more than the standard admission criteria and looks also at an applicant’s experience and promise, was exactly what Cassubhai – who before law school worked as a paralegal on airline profiling cases at a civil rights firm in Washington,
D.C., and scouted trials to cover for Court TV – needed. He is a perfect example of the kind of success ARC engenders.

Cassubhai went on to graduate magna cum laude in May. He served on Law Review, was named the year’s Faculty Scholar and graduation speaker and has already secured a position with Davis Wright Tremaine in Seattle.

“It has been life-altering,” he said of the ARC program that allowed him to attend law school.

Hundreds of other ARC graduates feel the same way, crediting the program and longtime professors Paula Lustbader ’88 and Dave Boerner with their success.

As the Academic Resource Center celebrates its 20th anniversary, it’s been a great opportunity for them to say thank you and for the program to celebrate its graduates, who have gone on to practice public and private law, to serve as judges and clerks and find success in the legal and business fields.

“This program is helping create a more diverse legal field, and I couldn’t be prouder of the work done by Professors Boerner and Lustbader to ensure that these bright and talented students become ethical lawyers working in the service of justice,” Dean Kelly Testy said.

The only law school program of its kind in the region, the Alternative Admission Program allows a number of promising students who don’t meet traditional admission requirements to be admitted to the law school. They attend an intensive seven-week summer program that integrates a traditional Criminal Law course with legal writing and study skills.

Students admitted through the alternative program are supported throughout law school by the Academic Resource Center. ARC’s primary purpose is to help diverse and non-traditional students adjust, succeed and excel in law school. It also contributes to a more diverse legal profession. In the fall, ARC students have access to resources to keep them on track. The center also helps non-ARC law students referred by professors for support.

The ARC program is one of a few of its kind at law schools in the country. Seattle University School of Law has made it a priority to continue to provide access to a legal education. That institutional support, along with the generosity of an anonymous benefactor who has established an endowment of more than $4.7 million to provide yearly scholarships for a substantial number of students, ensure the future of the program.

“It’s all about access – access to law school, access to the profession,” Lustbader said.

The Washington State Bar Association awarded the 2006 Excellence in Diversity to Seattle University School of Law’s programs.

Many ARC alumni wrote to express their gratitude for the program and Professors Dave Boerner and Paula Lustbader as part of the 20th anniversary celebration in June. They are used throughout these pages.

“I was rather upset when I first got into the ARC program because that meant I got rejected from 14 other schools. Those schools used the index ratio and did not look at me as a person. I struggled with even saying these words upon entry into the legal profession because I was embarrassed. Eight years later, I am so grateful. I wanted to be an attorney since I was about 7 years old. I did not go to law school until I was 31 and married with four children. ARC gave me a chance to realize a dream and practice law. Aside from the financial riches, I am a prouder person. My children and all of the many African-American children I have come in contact with have a positive role model to the phrase ‘hard work and determination pays, keep in stride.’”

Cloretta James, Defense Attorney
and professors for their work in creating a more diverse legal community.

Among the graduates is Frank Cuthbertson ’93, a Pierce County Superior Court judge. He had a previous career as a lobbyist and grassroots organizer around poverty issues in Tennessee. He worked for the Tennessee Hunger Coalition, served on the Health Facilities Commission and worked for the governor.

“Those experiences made me want to go to law school to get a theoretical grounding on the issues I was dealing with,” he said. “I was really interested in Seattle University and particularly the ARC was a fit for me as an older student who hadn’t been in school for a while and had another career.”

He started law school at age 37 and ARC did help ensure his success. Lustbader’s emphasis on work product and legal writing helped prepare him for his first summer job with Davis Wright Tremaine, where he worked alongside students from Harvard and other East Coast law schools.

“At first I was a little bit intimidated working by these people from these famous schools, but I had a very successful summer and was invited to work there, and it was largely because of the emphasis Paula placed on learning the conventions, as Paula calls them, of legal writing and research.”

Cuthbertson was appointed to the bench in 2001, after working at Davis Wright Tremaine and Gordon Thomas Honeywell and as counsel for Group Health Cooperative.

He and other graduates say the summer criminal law program, the emphasis on study skills, test taking, and the personal support and mentoring made all the differ-

“I quickly learned that ARC is not just a program, but a family and everyone supports each other similar to family members. ARC students and staff are wonderful, brilliant and have a drive that overpowers others that are not in the ARC program. At every TA session, I was always so amazed at how much the ARC students want to learn, work hard, and are always, ALWAYS, pushing to do just that much better than expected. Their attitudes are always so positive, uplifting and inspirational to me as a student and person. I was always impressed at how many students work, have families, support families and maintain such a strong spirit all while attending law school. I do not think the program would be where it is today without Paula, her kind spirit, warmth, generosity, intelligence and genuine desire to help others.”

Kelsie (Manner) Sanchez Islas ’02
ARC Teaching Assistant and Teaching Assistant Coordinator, fall 2000-spring 2002
“If not for the ARC Program, I would not have been accepted to law school. Many did not think I could do it because I was a domestic violence victim for 14 years. I was a single mother with four children. I moved three states away from my family to attend Seattle University School of Law. I don’t have any family members here in Washington. Later, I also had twins while in law school. I was determined to do it. I did it with Professor Boerner and Lustbader’s help. I can’t express my gratitude enough for them and this program.”

Pamela K. Rodriguez Solier ’03
Solo practitioner, Graham, Wash.

en to them. Earlier this month, Lustbader walked this year’s new students through a networking exercise in the first-floor lobby, encouraging them to talk to classmates about themselves.

She and Boerner talked students through the summer course and the weekly exams they would take leading up to the four-hour final.

“We’ll get you in shape so you’ll be ready to go the distance,” Boerner said.

He and Lustbader have learned that giving students clear expectations and letting them know they are not alone in their anxiety puts them at ease.

But make no mistake – this is still a very competitive program, and once criminal law is over, students complete the same coursework as all others. Lustbader and Boerner review about 400 admission files every year looking for students – and only about 10 percent are selected.

“In the old days, we had students who wouldn’t be admitted to go to law school anywhere,” Boerner said. “That’s not the case anymore.”

Like Cassubhai, Lee Lambert wasn’t a great test-taker when he was accepted into the program.

“ARC recognizes there’s more to people than their ability to sit there and take a test,” said Lambert, president of Shoreline Community College in Shoreline, Wash. “The reason I wanted to go to law school was a deep commitment to social justice. I saw the law as an opportunity to fight for equity for others, and ARC let me do that.”

Lambert has also worked in human resources and legal affairs at The Evergreen State College, Centralia College, for the state Department of Transportation and the King County Prosecutor’s Office. He serves on the Governor’s Affirmative Action and Policy Committee.

“ARC was the gateway to exposing me to so many different things, not just from an educational standpoint, but from a personal standpoint to find out who you are and what you can do,” Lambert said.

Though Lambert didn’t pursue a typical legal practice, his JD helped him immensely. The principles he lives by in his career and life – integrity, open and honest communication, reasonable and consistent policies and accountability – are largely based on what he learned in law school.

“A law degree is the most flexible or versatile degree in the marketplace,” Lambert said. “Legal training prepares you to look at things in a different way, to become a problem solver.”

Susan Kitsu ’92 is director of the Civil Rights continued >

Professor Dave Boerner, joined the faculty in 1981 and taught in the ARC program before it was officially a program. Photo by Matt Hagen.
I would have probably never had the chance to practice law and become the person and attorney I am today if it wasn’t for the ARC program; I am so very grateful to have been given this gift. The ARC program takes into account one’s character apart from traditional means of selecting law students...some of the best attorneys I know went through this program. These attorneys have a different perspective on life and have used their law degree by making a commitment to service in the community. If the ARC program had not considered me, I would not be able to use my education to help others.”

Sara K. Wahl ’99
Hanis Greaney Prothero, PLLC

More than 20 years ago, Paula Lustbader was a student in Dave Boerner’s professional responsibility class. She was displeased about the way he handled an incident in class and told him so.

“It was a wonderful exchange – I got to know her better, and it went from there,” Boerner said.

Lusbader became Boerner’s student assistant for a new type of summer criminal law class he was teaching.

“And the rest is history,” Lustbader said.

The law school at the time had an early-entry program in which students had a week or two of help before school. Boerner didn’t think it was working well, and he suggested to then Dean Fred Tausend that they incorporate the summer criminal law class with the early entry program. Tausend bought the idea, and Jim Bond ran with the program when he became dean in 1986.

Lustbader went on to direct the program that Boerner started. Twenty years later, they have a great working relationship and have made a difference in the lives of hundreds of students. They are the face of the program. Lustbader has become a national expert in academic assistance programs, law school pedagogy and diversity, and Boerner is recognized as an expert in criminal law and ethics. Both are passionate about the program.

“It gives people who otherwise wouldn’t become lawyers the opportunity to become lawyers,” said Boerner, who was a prosecutor and practiced law for 18 years before joining the faculty. “That’s worth doing.”

They have been the mainstay of this program, and students and graduates have great love and loyalty for them.

“Because it’s their only class, and the class is smaller, we get to know them better,” Boerner said.

Pierce County Superior Court Judge Frank Cuthbertson said Boerner’s practical experience made him an excellent professor.

“Through Professor Boerner you can get a feel for the bar here, what it means to be a lawyer in Washington – he epitomizes that,”

Boerner and Lustbader are ‘mentors for life’
lawyers, administrators and leaders in our communities,” she said.

Among her successes, Kitsu was a pro bono attorney for Japanese American families in Hawaii who were wrongfully discriminated against by the military during World War II. As a pro bono attorney, she was assigned to assist each of the families with applying for reparations. The legal team worked hard to win $2.5 million for the families.

She was recently named one of 40 leaders in Hawaii under the age of 40.

“I owe all of these successes to the ARC program. The program prepared me to be a leader and I hope to pass it on to the next generation of law students,” she said.

As Lambert learned in law school and sees at the community college system:

“If you give people an opportunity, it’s amazing what they can do with it.”

“I would like to express my deepest appreciation for the opportunity you gave me to be part of the ARC program and for allowing all ARC students to realize their lifelong dream of attaining a law degree. Your mentoring and support helped us achieve a high level of success on both the academic and legal practicing arenas. The success of our ARC graduates is a reflection of the foundation you provided during our academic years. Thanks for creating a legacy that has transcended the traditional notions of legal education and diversity in the profession.”

Ramon “Quique” Ortiz ’06
Director of Security, Port of Tacoma

Cuthbertson said. “When I was sworn in, he was one of the people I asked to speak because he was such a big influence.”

Lee Lambert ’92 still remembers his first days in his summer class and the mentoring he received along the way.

“To be a first-generation college student who didn’t have much exposure to the legal profession, Paula and Dave were very welcoming,” he said.

When Lambert was struggling to find a job after a number of interviews, he sought Lustbader’s help. She helped him frame questions and answers in a different way – and he started to have better interviews and get offers.

Students continually seek Lustbader’s guidance and hearty laugh. Graduates remember her love for the color purple and keep in close touch. It’s hard to get through a meeting in her purple-decorated office without students stopping by to say hi or ask a question.

“I have the best job in the law school,” she said, beaming. “What a joy and privilege to work with these students.”

She is always quick to point out that whatever work she puts in, it’s ultimately the students who are responsible for their own success.

Still, many consider both of them lifelong friends.

“I still recall receiving my letter of acceptance to the law school back in 1989,” said Susan Kitsu ’92. “I couldn’t believe that I was on my way to law school. Part of the acceptance packet included letters signed by Paula Lustbader and David Boerner. Little did I know that these two influential people would be my mentors for life.”

Watch for coverage of the 20th anniversary celebration dinner in the Winter Issue of the Lawyer.
Professor Tayyab Mahmud mentioned to his first-year class about a law student organization he learned about that was providing hurricane relief in the Gulf Coast.

Students immediately became interested, and within a couple of months, 25 students were committed going to New Orleans for spring break and spending their own money to work with the Student Hurricane Network.

“Your first year, you’re looking for ways to get involved,” Matt Milner ’09 said. “We actually got involved and we can actually make a difference.”

The students spent the week surveying hurricane victims who are still living in FEMA-issued trailers to help build a database of information and to hopefully lead to securing help for those who want to rebuild.

“It was an opportunity to put the law into practice, to realize why I’m going to law school and help people who need it,” said Christy Lubovich ’09, one of the organizers.

Some admitted they weren’t sure how much they could really help a year and a half after Katrina.

“A lot of us were thinking, what is there really left to do?” Jessica Rosenberg ’09 said. “Then we go down there and it’s a completely different story.”

The students stayed in the French Quarter, which didn’t receive major damage and where some normalcy has returned. When they drove out of town, they were appalled by the deplorable conditions and devastation they saw. For blocks, dilapidated homes barely stand but have not been demolished. Porches with stairs lead to empty lots, where homes were washed away, and debris litters streets and yards. Families are crowded into tiny trailers, waiting for their own insurance or government agencies to help them rebuild.

“It’s shocking, and it makes you angry,” said Milner, who went on the trip with his wife, Allison, also a 1L. “But it’s also embarrassing that this is happening in the United States. This didn’t just happen. We have the resources to do something.”

The students have formed an independent group at Seattle University School of Law, the Student Disaster Relief Network. They hope to raise money for a spring break trip every year to
First-year students spend spring break helping hurricane victims

help with disaster relief somewhere. They want to raise awareness on campus as well.

“I’m very proud of them,” Mahmud said. “This was entirely student-driven, and it’s a very successful example of what can be done and what the law school stands for. On all counts, it’s the kind of thing we should do more of.”

The students plan to follow through, not to forget the people they met or the lessons they learned.

“One thing we heard over and over was ‘tell our story,’ please,” Lubovich said. “It was just devastating, but these people have so much hope. A lot of them have lost faith in the government, but they’re so thankful for the help they get.”

Alumni connections

Seattle University School of Law alumni are among those doing hurricane-related work.

Davida Finger ’02 is a staff attorney of Loyola School of Law in New Orleans, working primarily with students on hurricane-related legal issues and litigation and setting up new clinics around New Orleans. Among other cases, she helped a Gretna, La., woman keep her FEMA trailer even though the city didn’t want to issue a permit.

Mark Perez ’01 is an assistant United States attorney in the Southern District of Mississippi, prosecuting fraud cases involving federal funds that were dispatched to the area after Hurricane Katrina.
Before John McKay talked to the media, before he told his colleagues that he had in fact been fired from his job as United States attorney for Western Washington, he explained the situation to the students in his class at Seattle University School of Law.

“He told us before it hit the news,” 3L Daniel Brown said. “We gave him a standing ovation. He talked to us about integrity. He’s a great professor, a great attorney, a stand-up guy. I rave about him.”

McKay, one of eight U.S. attorneys abruptly fired in December, felt he owed his students the truth. He had resigned quietly in December when asked. But when he saw that the truth was being eroded as the controversy surrounding the dismissals grew, he realized he could not go quietly. When testimony before Congress attributed the dismissals to performance issues – and as the controversy turned to what he calls a cover-up – he was compelled to speak out.

“I responded because I felt it reflected on the work being done by my colleagues. I felt it was necessary to defend my work and the work of the people in my office.”

> To review video and materials from the forum, visit www.law.seattleu.edu/cle/events
“It began to look worse and worse,” McKay said. “Silence equaled participating in the lie, and I wasn’t going to do that, and neither were my colleagues.” McKay went on to testify before Congress and has been widely interviewed, including an appearance on “Meet the Press.”

The unprecedented simultaneous dismissals of McKay and his colleagues remain under investigation. The federal Office of Professional Responsibility and the Inspector General are both investigating. The outcome could lead to more changes at the Department of Justice and the Attorney General’s Office or could lead to criminal charges. McKay has given five hours of sworn testimony to the Inspector General’s investigators.

Through this nearly all-consuming personal and professional turmoil, McKay has become an important part of the law school, teaching courses on national security and terrorism, helping organize a powerful public policy forum and looking for ways to contribute to students.

Dean Kellye Testy asked him to sit on her Dean’s Leadership Council, an advisory body she is forming to assist her with advancing the School of Law. Also, McKay and former Superior Court Judge and equal justice advocate Don Horowitz are designing symposia to encourage all students – no matter the area of practice they choose – to work for the common good and to introduce them to a range of lawyers in practice who are doing just that.

“We are privileged to have a strong affiliation with John, and we look forward to a long relationship,” Dean Testy said. “His experience, his integrity and his dedication to our students and our mission are so valuable.” McKay’s syllabi rely in part on his experience in cases such as the “millennium bomber” Ahmed Ressam, and James Ujaama, who was convicted of providing material support to the Taliban. His guest speakers have included U.S. District Judge John Coughenour, who ruled on Ressam’s case.

Though he has assumed a new position as senior vice president and general counsel at Getty Images, the world’s leading creator and distributor of visual content, McKay said his work at the law school is particularly rewarding.

“I loved it as soon as I got there. I have a high regard for what teachers do, and I felt very inspired to be a teacher,” McKay said. “I really feel so blessed to be able to teach at a law school that is literally trying to make

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the world a better place. I am really grateful to the law school and the university. I hope I can return as much as the law school has given me.”

Though some have criticized him and his former colleagues for talking publicly about their dismissals, McKay said he has no regrets. He has spoken before bar associations and legal groups in Washington, California and Hawaii.

“The reason I want to do that is I have a duty to educate on the importance of prosecutorial independence, even though it is a little personally uncomfortable,” he said. “Every time I stand up to speak, I have to tell everyone I got fired.”

More than 200 participants and media from around the region and the country turned out for the public policy forum with McKay, Paul Charlton of Arizona and David Iglesias of New Mexico.

Charlton, who has been more reticent about talking to the press, appeared at the forum and spoke candidly about his firing at McKay’s request.

“I’ll do anything for John,” he said.

Iglesias scoffed at the notion that McKay’s firing had anything to do with his pushing too hard for LINX, a state and federal law enforcement information-sharing system.

“Criticizing John McKay for being too much of a zealot for LINX is like criticizing Henry Ford for pushing that mass assembly idea too fast,” Iglesias said.

McKay, who was president of Legal Services Corporation, a private, nonprofit corporation established by Congress to ensure equal access to justice under the law for all low-income Americans, said the law school’s social justice mission is important to him. He grew up with the Peterson family for whom the Ronald Peterson Law Clinic is named and called Peterson “a great friend and hero to me.” He said the streetfront clinic, which gives students real-world experience helping people who might not otherwise have lawyers, is one of the best things about Seattle University School of Law.

McKay, who also has been a White House Fellow, working as a special assistant to the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Washington, D.C., and managing partner at Cairncross & Hempelmann, is excited about his new roles as general counsel and as professor.

“What I tell my students here at the law school is to watch and listen and find examples of integrity where you can,” McKay said. “Courage sometimes means not being afraid to have some of your friends not like you for a while. On matters of principle, don’t be afraid to be unpopular.”
Forum draws packed house as attorneys detail dismissals

Loyola Law School Professor Laurie Levensen moderated a panel with three former U.S. attorneys, starting out by outlining their successes and distinctive careers. Then she got things rolling with a simple question: “How is it that we lost all these wonderful, talented and dedicated public servants on Dec. 7, 2006?”

“What happened?”

These men “who shared a political foxhole,” as former Arizona U.S. Attorney Paul Charlton said, outlined their experiences, each telling a rapt audience that they think there were political issues at play, and that there have been no good answers to that simple question.

“I, to this day, do not know who fired me or why,” McKay said.

Reasons given during Congressional testimony related to performance or policy matters have held little weight as further evidence mounts that attorneys were let go because they didn’t pursue corruption or voter fraud cases important to the Republican Party.

James Eisenstein, professor emeritus of Pennsylvania State University and an expert on the history of U.S. attorneys, called the firings “unprecedented, extraordinary and troubling.” It’s not uncommon for United States attorneys to be replaced with a change in the administration, but for sitting attorneys to be summarily dismissed during the administration of the president who appointed them is unheard of, he said.

“It seems that the explanations are after-the-fact rationalizations for decisions that were made for some other reason, and so it’s appropriate to ask what the reason was,” Eisenstein said.

Seattle University Law Professor Christian Halliburton, who spoke at the forum, said nonpartisan independence of U.S. attorneys and transparency in the system are crucial.

Organized by Jim Rosenfeld, director of Continuing Legal Education, the forum drew hundreds of audience members and press from around the regional and country. Articles by McKay and Charlton will be part of an upcoming Seattle University Law Review. Speakers with differing views declined to participate.

The former U.S. attorneys were well-received. “Professionally and personally, I greatly admire them,” said Levensen, director of the Center for Ethical Advocacy at Loyola.

That feeling is shared by many. David Iglesias of New Mexico, who has been very vocal in an effort to clear his name, was approached by someone at Sea-Tac Airport who recognized him and thanked him for what he was doing to bring problems to light.

“People really respect and value people of integrity,” said Iglesias, a former Navy JAG lawyer whose representation of a young Marine charged in a military hazing incident in Guantánamo Bay in 1986 was the inspiration for the Tom Cruise character in the movie “A Few Good Men.”

Despite what has occurred, Charlton trusts the truth will prevail.

“I have a great deal of faith in the system,” he said. “History will be able to shine a light on this in a way that we have a better understanding of exactly what happened.”
calling environmental protection the “most critical civil rights issue” facing the country, Robert F. Kennedy Jr. helped honor three Seattle area lawyers who share his passion at the annual Strawberries & Champagne Women of the Year Reception in April. Kennedy, a staunch defender of the environment who was named one of Time magazine’s Heroes for the Planet, said protecting the environment is good for the economy and the community. He gave an impassioned speech that criticized the Bush administration for setting back environmental policy and also moved many in the audience with his sincere love for the outdoors.

“We’re not protecting the environment just for the sake of the fishes and birds,” Kennedy said. “We’re protecting it for our own sake, because we recognize that nature is the infrastructure of our community.”

“Nature enriches us. It enriches us aesthetically and recreationally, culturally, historically and spiritually. When we destroy nature, we diminish ourselves, we impoverish our children.”

Kennedy said corporations don’t have to decide between profits and sound environmental policy and said President Bush has harmed rather than protected the environment through his policies and appointments to key positions.
“In 100 percent of the situations, good environmental policy is identical to good economic policy,” he said.

Dean Kellye Testy said it is important for the School of Law and the university to embrace environmental protection.

“As a Jesuit Law school that stands in solidarity with the poor and the oppressed we are ever aware that issues of environmental justice fall most harshly on communities of color, on poor communities,” Testy said at the celebration that drew hundreds to Sullivan Hall. “It is the job of each and all of us to work for environmental justice.”

Following Kennedy’s keynote, the Women’s Law Caucus presented its Women of the Year awards to Patti Goldman, managing attorney for the Northwest Office of Earthjustice, a nonprofit public interest law firm dedicated to protecting the environment, and Martha Kongsgaard, president of the Kongsgaard-Goldman Foundation, a private foundation that supports programs in environmental protection, human rights, civic development, and arts and humanities. Her husband, Peter Goldman, shared the award. Both are 1984 graduates of Seattle University School of Law who met as first-year students.

Dean Testy also recognized Ellen Conedera Dial, president of the Washington State Bar Association, for her hard work.

The honorees encouraged students and others in the audience to find a job that reflects their passion and their values.

“If you pursue justice – and you’re very fortunate to go to a school that places such a high value on pursuing justice – you will have a very rewarding career,” Patti Goldman said.

Kongsgaard shared the award with her husband and recognized that it takes many committed people to make a change.

“We live in a really strange and wonderful world, and I think hopeful new world,” Kongsgaard said, “…where green is the new black, and a

Robert F. Kennedy Jr. gave an impassioned speech to hundreds at the celebration at Sullivan Hall.

50-year-old lifelong self-proclaimed man can be named a woman of the year.”

Quoting Earth Day Founder Denis Hayes, she said, “Pessimism has no survival value. Hope and compassion do. If a small fraction of you in this room were to use that with your law degrees, organize yourselves with that in mind, we would go a long way toward healing the world.”
Martha Kongsgaard and her husband, Peter Goldman, shared the award. Both are 1984 graduates of Seattle University School of Law, who met as first-year students.

Martha Kongsgaard is president of the Kongsgaard-Goldman Foundation, a small, private foundation formed in 1988 to support programs in environmental protection, human rights, civic development, and arts and humanities. The foundation favors projects reflecting a deep and broad level of citizen participation and leadership and aims to help fund the building of grassroots organizations with the power to change their communities and improve their lives. Her husband and foundation cofounder, Peter Goldman, shared the award. Both are 1984 graduates of Seattle University School of Law, who met as first-year students.

Patti Goldman is the managing attorney of Earthjustice’s Northwest Office. She has fought to safeguard endangered salmon, ancient forests and public health and has led battles against lawless logging and for salmon protection. She has taken on hazardous pesticide use and international trade institutions that threaten to undermine environmental protection. Earthjustice is a nonprofit public interest law firm dedicated to protecting the environment.

Patti Goldman told students in the audience to pursue justice.
Seattle University School of Law is proud of its distinguished faculty and grateful for our professors’ many scholarly pursuits and contributions to the legal and greater community. Here is a sampling of the numerous accomplishments of our faculty members this academic year.


Professor Janet Ainsworth spoke on a panel title, “Materials for the Classroom: The Usual Suspects and New Ideas,” at the AALS meeting in Washington, D.C. She presented on the subject of selecting casebooks, giving general considerations and talking about what was learned through the Seattle University Law Review’s casebook review series. Her article, “Curses, Swearing, and Obscene Language in Police-Citizen Interactions: Why Lawyers and Judges Should Care,” has been accepted for publication in the Serè Informes, Institut Universitari de Linguistica Aplicada.

Legal Writing Professor Lori Bannai spoke at the University of Michigan School of Law about the World War II Japanese American internment cases, government power during times of crisis, and the Korematsu coram nobis litigations.

Visiting Clinical Professor Bob Boruchowitz received the Paul Robeson Peace and Justice Award from Mothers for Police Accountability and was accepted for the 2007 Silberman Seminar for Law Faculty: The Impact and Legacy of the Holocaust on the Law at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum.

Clinical Professor Lisa Brodoff taught two seminars to management and employees of REI covering how to plan for possible future incapacity or death with durable powers of attorney, living wills, wills, disposition of remains documents and mental health advance directives. She also spoke at the Corporate Trustees Association’s annual Northwest Trust Conference on Legal Issues Surrounding Long Term Care Financing and spoke about accommodating people with disabilities in the hearing process at the Fourth International Administrative Law Conference in Vancouver, B.C. Her article “Lifting Burdens: Proof, Social Justice and Public Assistance Administrative Hearings” has been accepted for publication in the winter 07-08 New York University Review of Law and Social Change.

Library Director Kristin Cheney presented at the National Business Institute’s CLE, “Internet Strategies for Legal Professionals.”


Associate Dean Eric Chiappinelli was elected to a three-year term on the Executive Committee of the AALS Section on Business Associations.

Associate Director of Legal Writing Anne Enquist won the 2007 Service Award from the AALS Section on Legal Writing, Reasoning and Research.

Distinguished Academic in Residence Thom Fischer was elected chairman of the Bainbridge Island Planning Commission. He and Associate Professor Ron Slye, at the request of the U.S. State Department, working through the World Affairs Council and Access to Justice Institute, conducted a symposium for four Spanish judges interested in the U.S. response to the Hague Convention on International Child Abduction. The presentation
Above the bar: faculty achievements

was a follow-up on a two-part symposium that Justice Barbara Madsen asked Professor Fischer to conduct for Washington State jurists at their annual meeting last fall in Spokane. The first half dealt with domestic child abduction in the United States and the second part with the Hague Convention.

Associate Professor Christian Halliburton spoke at the UC Davis Law School’s Symposium “Katz v. United States Forty Years Later: From Warrantless Writetaps to the War on Terror.” He presented his most recent article, “Letting Katz Out of the Bag: Cognitive Freedom and Fourth Amendment Fidelity,” which will be published in the upcoming issue of the Hastings Law Journal. He also presented on a panel entitled “Individual Rights and Due Process in an Age of Terrorism” at the Federal Bar Association of the Western District of Washington’s Annual Federal Practice CLE.

Law Clinic Director Paul Holland appeared on a panel at the University of Michigan Law School’s recent conference, “Looking Ahead to the Next 30 Years of Child Advocacy.” His panel addressed “The Role of Interdisciplinary Education in Child Advocacy,” and he also moderated a panel, “Kids and Confinement: The Use of Detention for Children in Dependency and Status Offender Proceedings,” at the WSBA Youth at Risk Summit. His article, “Schooling Miranda: Policing Interrogation in the Twenty-First Century Schoolhouse,” which was published in the most recent edition of the Loyola Law Review, was included in the National Juvenile Defender Center’s 2006 Juvenile Defender Resource Guide.

Associate Professor Lily Kahng was appointed vice chair of the Washington State Citizen Commission for Performance Measurement of Tax Preferences. Established by the 2006 Legislature, the Commission is charged with developing a periodic review process for all state tax exemptions, special deductions and credits, and other tax preferences, which number more than 500. It is hoped that this review process will increase government transparency and accountability and will enhance efforts to achieve a fair and efficient state tax structure.

Associate Professor Jack Kirkwood presented “Reforming Entry Analysis in Merger Cases” at the Loyola Antitrust Colloquium in Chicago and participated in the Georgetown Conference on Conservative Economic Influence on U.S. Antitrust Policy. The paper he coauthored on the goals of antitrust laws will appear in the conference volume published by Oxford University Press.

Clinical Professor Raven Lidman was the keynote speaker at an international conference at Catholic University Law School in Lima, Peru, in May. The topic of the conference was Social Justice Outreach by Law Schools in the 21st Century, and she spoke on access to justice at Seattle University School of Law. Her article, “Civil Gideon as a Human Right: Is the U.S. Going to Join Step with the Rest of the Developed World?,” was published in the Temple Political and Civil Rights Law Review.

Externship Program Director Susan McClellan spoke about “International Externships: Boondoggle or Peak Experience?” at the AALS Workshop on Clinical Legal Education in New Orleans in May. She also presented at the Washington Color of Justice Program and the Alaska Color of Justice Program. Those programs encourage minority students and women to study law with the goal of becoming judges.

Professor Henry McGee received a certificate of appreciation from the Ethiopian Anti-Polio Committee for his work in Ethiopia in 2005. Professor McGee helped dispense medicine outside Addis Ababa to prevent the spread of the disease.

Douglas Nash, director of the Institute for Indian Estate Planning and Probate, presented legislative updates on federal regulation implementing the American Indian Probate Reform Act at the Montana State University Indian Land Symposium in April.

Associate Professor Laurel Oates and Legal Writing Professor Anne Enquist recently published the second edition of their book, “Just Memos.” The new edition has new chapters, including an opening chapter designed to assist students in their transition from other forms of writing to legal writing. The second edition also has a more international emphasis so that it can be used by readers in other countries as well as the U.S. “Just Memos” is the fourth in the “Just” series that Oates and Enquist have co-authored. The other three are “Just Writing, Just Briefs, and Just Research.”
Associate Professor Catherine O’Neill spoke at Cardozo Law School’s Symposium on Poverty and Family Health; at Lewis & Clark College of Law as part of its Distinguished Environmental Justice Speaker Series; at the Yale School of Forestry’s conference, Global Perspectives on Large Dams; and at the Tribal Environmental Programs Workshop, sponsored by the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission and the EPA. Her article, “No Mud Pies: Risk Avoidance as Risk Regulation,” was published in the Winter 2007 volume of the Vermont Law Review.

Associate Professor Rafael Pardo presented “An Empirical Investigation into Appellate Structure and the Perceived Quality of Appellate Review” (co-authored with Jonathan Nash) at the Re-envisioning Law Colloquium held at the University of Houston Law Center, and at the Stanford/Yale Junior Faculty Forum. He will make a presentation to the Joint Annual Meetings of the Law and Society Association and Research Committee to the Joint Annual Meetings of the Law and Faculty Forum. He will make a presentation at the Stanford/Yale Junior Colloquium held at the University of Houston.

Mimi Samuel has been appointed to the Legal Writing Institute’s newly-created Committee on Global Legal Writing Programs. In addition, she will serve on the Online Resources Subcommittee, which will create a bank of resources for faculty teaching international LLM students.

Julie Shapiro made a presentation to the New England Fertility Society on “Gay Men, Lesbians and Assisted Reproductive Technology: Old Questions, New Questions, No Answers.”


Dean’s Distinguished Scholar David Skover signed a contract with Rowman & Littlefield to publish a book (coauthored with Ron Collins) “Those Who Won Our Independence: The Story of Louis Brandeis’s Great Free-Speech Opinion.” The two are co-editors of a new book series “Free Speech in America,” which will feature one to two scholarly books per year by prominent First Amendment scholars and practitioners on pressing current free-speech issues. Skover and Collins also co-authored “Trial of the Angelheaded Hipsters: The challenge to ‘Howl, the powerful poem that turned the ’50s into the ’60s,” in the Legal Times.

Professor Ron Slye co-wrote “International Criminal Law and Its Enforcement.” He delivered a paper, “Apology as a Judicial Mechanism,” and moderated a panel at the annual meeting of the International Studies Association and presented a talk, “Teaching Poverty Law from an International Perspective,” at Fordham University School of Law.

Professor John Strait presented “Ethical Considerations” at Seattle University for the South Asian Law Student Association, and “Terminating the Contingency Representation; Contingency Fees vs. Quantum Meruit” for WSTLA Legal Educational Seminars & New Member Committee’s Ethics Fee Disputes CLE.

Dean Kelly Testy published “Leading for Mission,” an invited chapter in “Law School Leadership Strategies” and spoke as panelist at the Dean’s Forum on Socio Economics and Economics Justice and at the Future of Socio-Economics during the AALS annual meeting in Washington, D.C. She was appointed to the AALS Committee on the Recruitment and Retention of Minority Law Teachers.
Thirty years ago, there were only a handful of African American law students and Washington bar members. To mark the progress made since then and to recognize the trailblazers, the law school celebrated Black History Month and honored African American members of the legal profession at an alumni/student reception in February.

The Black Law Student Association honored John Terry ’77 and Harold Booker ’77 for their practice over the last 30 years. Students and alumni thanked them for paving the way for today’s students.

BLSA also recognized Professor Henry McGee, the first tenured black faculty member at Seattle University School of Law, presenting him with the first Black Law Student Legal Legacy Award for his “dedication, encouragement and support of students of color in the legal profession.”

Booker is a retired Boeing engineer who devotes his time to Volunteer Attorneys For People With AIDS and other community agencies. He received an award for his pro bono work from the King County Bar Association in 2005. Terry is in private practice, specializing in school, labor and employment law. He serves as an arbitrator for King County Superior Court and was the first African American to sit as a pro tem judge in Federal Way.

McGee’s career highlights include serving as a county prosecutor in Chicago, a litigator in a Chicago law firm, a civil rights attorney in Mississippi and regional director of the U.S. Office of Economic Opportunity Legal Services Program. He is a professor emeritus from UCLA School of Law, where he served as director of the UCLA Center for Afro-American Studies, and as director of the UCLA School of Law LL.M. program. A faculty member at Seattle University of Law since 1994, he has won two Fulbright Awards and now directs the Latin America-U.S. Program for Academic and Judicial Exchanges.
Judith Billings ’87 receives Law Review Award at 30th anniversary celebration

Judith Billings ’87, the former state school superintendent who is now a consultant on K-12 education and HIV/AIDS education, received the fourth annual Law Review Leadership Award at an April dinner that also marked the 30th anniversary of the first Law Review issue.

Billings gave a passionate keynote address, saying there are a number of issues important to her – public service, the K-12 education system, children’s welfare, politics and the health care system, among them. But the foundation of all of those issues is justice. She applauded the School of Law for creating and supporting the Access to Justice Institute.

“In my mind those two terms are inextricably intertwined – without access there is no justice, whether we are talking about access to education, health care, housing, insurance, nutritious food, job training, living wage and the list goes on,” she said.

Sharing the words of Eleanor Roosevelt, Billings urged the audience to work for equal justice by doing their part, “Where, after all, do universal human rights begin? In small places, close to home – so close and so small that they cannot be seen on any maps of the world…Such are the places where every man, woman, and child seeks equal justice, equal opportunity without discrimination. Unless these rights have meaning there, they have little meaning anywhere.”

Billings closed with words of encouragement. “All of us here can affect those small places close to home in positive ways, to foster the creation, the existence, the maintenance, of a culture of justice. We can do it in both our personal and professional lives.” Moved by her speech, the audience of students, faculty and alumni gave her a standing ovation.

A teacher for 18 years, Billings decided to attend law school in order to change the educational system in the State of Washington and was elected Superintendent of Public Instruction in 1988. At the end of her second four-year term as superintendent, Billings announced in 1996 that she had contracted HIV from donor sperm and left public office to become an advocate for AIDS research and public education. She now runs a private consulting service, Target Alliances, which emphasizes equal educational opportunities for high risk students, and HIV/AIDS education.

She is a tireless advocate for education, serving on numerous community service boards and councils including the Rainier Institute Board of Directors, WSBA Council on Public Legal Education, Agency for Instructional Technology, Governor’s Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS, Planned Parenthood of Western Washington and several national boards. She speaks to many professional, legislative and educational groups around the United States on diverse education issues.

Celebrating 35 years of standing for excellence and reaching for justice

The 35th Anniversary of the founding of the School of Law is the 2007–08 academic year. It is time to celebrate more than three decades of educational and professional achievement. This year will involve recognition of our roots, celebrations of the present, and strategies for the future of this wonderful law school. We would love your help. Send us stories and ideas and offer your time. Watch for details of events and celebrations throughout the year. Contact Eva Mitchell at mitche@seattleu.edu or 206-398-4210 with ideas or to help.

Alumni news and events

Alumni and faculty enjoyed catching up at the third annual Olympia alumni CLE and reception in May. More than 80 alums were on hand to learn from revered Professor Shelly Frankel, who gave a talk on changes to the distribution of traditional IRAs that were enacted in 2006. Several faculty and staff members joined the group for a reception and great networking.

The fourth annual Alumni and Friends Job Shadow Week was once again a successful experience for both the students and the attorneys they shadowed. Students were able to spend time with more than 100 job shadow volunteer attorneys observing and participating in court appearances, meetings, lunches and dinners. Thank you to all who helped show our students the realities of working as a lawyer.

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Upcoming events

**Sept. 20**  Alumni and Student Get Connected Program  
Rainier Club

**Sept. 24**  Mentor/Mentee Reception  
Law School

**Nov. 8**  Speed networking dinner  
Tacoma

**Dec. 6**  35th Anniversary Holiday Celebration
On the last day of their law school classes, members of the Class of 2007 gathered for an especially memorable happy hour. After the marathon of law school, they took time to celebrate and enjoy each other. And they took time to thank the law school, making gifts and pledges of support.

Many students wrote checks and contributed locker deposits as the Class of 2007 Gift Committee urged all to participate. Dean Kellye Testy expressed her thanks, while Hozaifa Cassubhai and Erin Shea rallied the crowd. At the end of the evening, the class had achieved close to 35 percent participation needed to guarantee a generous $1,000 challenge gift from classmate Tony Ravani. By graduation on May 12, the class had raised the biggest class gift ever – more than $4,500 with 36 percent of the graduates participating.

Members of the gift committee spent weeks galvanizing support for a class gift to the law school’s annual fund. Several committee members wrote articles in the Prolific Reporter reflecting on their law school experiences. Others organized tables to encourage gifts and class T-shirt sales, while others developed regular updates with information on progress, benchmarking statistics from other law schools, and general information on the law school’s annual fund, its purpose and impact.

Working closely with Director of Annual Giving Satcha Dearborn Graham, the committee was outstanding: David Andrews, Gena Bomotti (SJSJ managing editor), Hozaifa Cassubhai (Faculty Scholar), Bryan Guy, Greg Hitzel, David Lance, Corey Parker (Student Bar Association president), Ankita Patel, John Pfeil, Penney Radillo, Erin Shea, Bryan Terry (Law Review editor-in-chief), Diane Utz (Moot Court Board chair) and Amy Worrell Kneller (Women’s Law Caucus co-president). The committee was representative of the diverse, multi-talented Class of 2007.

The Class of 2007 raised the bar for other classes. Rumor has it that the Class of 2008 is up to the challenge.

Dean Kellye Testy quipped at the Dean’s Club reception for current and prospective members in March, “I’ve never had my own club, but I like it!”

Testy described the law school’s first ever Dean’s Club, which launched last fall, as the top giving level for alumni and friends who donate $1,000 or more annually to the law school. All Dean’s Club members will be recognized annually on a plaque to be mounted at the west entrance of Sullivan Hall.

“The Dean’s Club is vital to the law school’s continued success as we meet the challenge of supporting our outstanding faculty and students as the cost of education rises,” Testy said.

Contributions to the Dean’s Club include both unrestricted gifts to the law school’s annual fund, which supports students, faculty, and programs, as well as restricted gifts for special purposes. Members of the Dean’s Club are also automatically members of Seattle University’s President’s Club. All Dean’s Club and President’s Club members are listed each year in the annual giving reports of both the university and the law school. A program unveiling the plaque is planned for the fall.

“Dean’s Club members provide critical leadership for this young, richly deserving law school, which is intent on building a program of private support commensurate with its growing and increasingly national reputation,” Associate Dean for Advancement Susan Ahearn said.
1975

William Beecher, who was the first applicant to the law school in 1972, is in his 32nd year of practice in Tacoma. He and Desa Conniff ’84 specialize in bankruptcy law at Beecher and Conniff. When not working, he is on the golf course.

Marilyn Cesarano is in private practice in Miami, specializing in marital and family law. She is on the board of the Junior League Foundation and is a member of the St. Thomas Episcopal Choir, which is going on tour to Venice, Rome and Florence. She is married to attorney Paul Morris.

1976

Chuck Althauser is a senior partner with Olson, Althauser, Lawler, Samuelson & Rayan in Centralia.

Joe Quinn is a municipal law specialist representing primarily fire districts, which has earned him the nickname the “firehouse lawyer.” He enjoys semi-retirement.

1977

Bob Terwilliger assumed the role of administrator for Snohomish County Superior and Juvenile Court in January after completing 23 years with the Snohomish County Auditor’s Office. He was deputy auditor from 1979 to 1993, and served as auditor from 1993 to 2006, when term limits 1983 to 1993, and served as auditor.

Allan Olson has been working for the Swinomish Indian Tribal Community in Skagit County for 25 years. He is the tribe’s general manager and oversees 220 tribal employees, including the legal department.

1980

Dianne Garcia is risk and claims administrator for Providence Health and Services. She celebrated her 25th year with the company.

Barbara Linde is chief presiding judge of King County District Court.

Jeffrey Loudon established a business publishing a national tourist magazine. He practiced at Johnson & Curran after graduation, becoming partner in 1984. In 1985 he bought and managed his family business until it closed in 1998. He retook the bar in 2004, and practiced for two years before starting his latest venture.

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1981

Christopher K. Shank started his own firm specializing in family law in 2004 after working as a partner at Williams, Kastner & Gibbs and Bogle & Gates.

Darcia C. Tudor is a forensic advocate for the best interests of children and the elderly involved in the legal system. After law school, she earned a master’s degree in clinical psychology specializing in child development, cultural identity development and child psychopathology. Her practice is focused upon conflict resolution of family and parenting issues.

1982

Charles F. Bryant II was appointed administrative law judge pro tem for the Office of Administrative Hearings in Olympia. He continues to practice law in Federal Way, concentrating in the areas of criminal misdemeanors (such as defending DUI and domestic violence cases) as well as dissolution, family law, wills and probates.

Michael Gallagher devotes his practice almost exclusively to family law, particularly post-dissolution matters. He has been producing television commercials promoting his practice since 1989.

Margo T. Keller is a mediator and arbitrator with Washington Arbitration and Mediation and sits on the Board of Directors of Steward Ventures, Inc., the largest National/Alamo Car Rental franchisee. She practiced for 20 years at Lasher Holzapfel Sperry and Ebberson. She plans a hike in the Pyrenees with a group of law school alumni this summer.

Allen T. Miller, former chair of the Thurston County Chamber, has returned to private practice in Olympia. His practice emphasizes real estate, land use, natural resource, water and environmental law. Allen also is a registered lobbyist. He left the Thurston County Prosecuting Attorney’s Office after two years as the chief land use and environmental deputy.

1983

Gail Holcomb Banks practices part-time in Stevenson, Wash., in the beautiful Columbia Gorge. Her husband, Peter Banks, is the elected prosecutor for the county, and she has two near college-age daughters.

Steven P. Krafchick developed a practice helping people get long-term disability benefits under ERISA and non-ERISA plans or insurance coverage. He represents people with individual insurance or group insurance. His practice includes fighting for the rights of people injured in motor vehicle collision and other tort cases.

1984


Eric Dickman opened E. Dickman Law Firm in Seattle, where he practices maritime law. He is also an adjunct professor in the paralegal program at Highline Community College. When not working, Eric is active in Burien Little Theatre as a technical designer and vice-president of the Board of Trustees.

Phil Patterson has worked at the Office of the Public Defender in Tallahassee, Fla., since 1984. He is a supervisor in the appellate section, where he has worked for 20 years.

1985

Karen Koehler will be president of the Washington State Trial Lawyers Association for 2007-2008.

Susan Preston is moving to San Francisco to become the general partner for the Clean Energy Angel Fund, which will focus on early stage investments in clean energy companies in the Bay area and elsewhere. Her second book, “Angel Financing for Entrepreneurs - Early-Stage Funding for Long-Term Success,” was recently published by Wiley Publishing. She is the architect of a bill currently in Congress for a federal income tax credit for private equity investing, which was introduced in the Senate and House.

1986

Don Bennett is deputy director of Washington’s Higher Education Coordinating Board. He served as interim executive director for the state’s Workforce Training and Education Coordinating Board since July 2006, and was executive director for the Personnel Appeals Board from 1997-2006.
Scott Clement formed Clement & Drotz, PLLC in Seattle with John Drotz ’92. The firm handles construction defect, personal injury and product defect litigation.

Jeffrey Frank moved to the Seattle office of Foster Pepper, practicing in the area of construction and development.

Mike Lande is the CEO of a Seattle area software company called InstantService, which serves clients in every time zone of the world providing industrial strength chat, e-mail management and knowledgebase solutions.

Sunny Pietrafesa will celebrate 15 years with the Civil Rights Division at the Department of Justice. She worked for over 12 years enforcing Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act in the Housing and Civil Enforcement Section and recently moved to the Disability Rights Section, where she enforces Titles II and III of the Civil Rights Act. Sunny’s daughter, Amelia, at one time the “law school baby,” graduated from Fordham University at Lincoln Center in Manhattan with a degree in fine arts.


1987

John D. Goodman has a private practice in Vail, Colo., focusing on commercial and residential resort real estate transactions. He has assisted in the development of more than 300,000 square feet of commercial space. He has served as an adjunct professor at the University of Denver and won the Colorado Legal Services/Continental Divide Bar Association Pro Bono Award in 2001 and 2006. He and his wife have been married for 20 years and have three teenagers.

Mary Lobdell is lead attorney on automobile dealer issues for the State of Washington. Mary was promoted to section chief of the Tacoma Consumer Protection Division in December 2006.

Frank Mylar has a solo practice and recently won a precedent-setting Utah Supreme Court case, Jones v. Barlow.

1989

Gregory Zempel was re-elected to his fourth term as the Kittitas County prosecuting attorney. He is past president of the Washington Association of Prosecuting Attorneys and past president of the Washington Association of County Officials. He has two children and coaches youth baseball and soccer.

1990

Jane Beckstead has worked as the public defender for the Quileute and Hoh River tribes since 1995. She represents defendants in the adult and juvenile criminal court and represents parents in Indian Child Welfare cases.

Anita Braker is a volunteer with CARE, which seeks to eliminate poverty in developing countries by empowering women to take leadership roles in their community. She recently participated in a CARE-led program in which hundreds of poor and low-caste women in Nepal learned how to harvest and bring to market sustainably sourced products. She is now helping CARE to offer similar opportunities to other small groups of women, beginning in Seattle and hopefully spreading throughout the country. She previously was general counsel for Sur La Table kitchen stores.

1991

Shaleen Brewer is a partner at Cheifetz Iannitelli Marcolini, P.C., a central Phoenix firm with a diverse practice. She has two children, Katie and Andrew.

Lora Brown started a solo law firm in Seattle after 14 years with Stokes Lawrence. She continues to practice in the estate planning arena, including estate and gift tax planning, advising on philanthropic options, negotiating and drafting premarital, postmarital and cohabitation agreements, advising fiduciaries of trusts and estates, and assisting with the resolution of conflicts arising in a trust or estate setting.

Bob Cumbow was honored by Washington Lawyers for the Arts with the Robert C. Cumbow Bri Award. A partnering attorney with Graham & Dunn in Seattle and an adjunct professor at the law school, he has dedicated 15 years to the organization. This first-time award was created in Bob’s honor to celebrate his tremendous contribution to the arts community. As part of this award, the Northwest Film Forum donated space for Bob to host a private screening of a film of his choosing. In addition, a Robert C. Cumbow Bri Award plaque will be mounted permanently at The Northwest Film Forum. Over the years he has been with WLA, Bob has been a tireless volunteer both at the Arts Legal Clinic (a collaboration of WLA with the Seattle University School of Law) and as a speaker on numerous intellectual properties issues in WLA’s brown bag series, and at seminars at schools and arts organizations around the Puget Sound area.

John Elliott took over the firm he and his father ran for several years in Hillsboro, Ore. He is a single father with one child and lives in Lake Oswego, Ore.

1992

Wendy Howe works for Lombino Martino, which administers prepaid legal benefits for the State of Washington. She is also a Title 26 Guardian Ad Litem for Pierce County custody cases.

Michael T. Zoretic is a partner at Stanislaw Ashbaugh in Seattle, where his practice covers a wide range of civil litigation, with a special emphasis on construction and commercial disputes. He and his wife, Yvonne, have two young daughters, Katharine and Caroline.

Thomas J. Bogar recently returned from Afghanistan, where he and his trial team spent time in preparation for trial before a military commission. Lt. Colonel Bogar is an Army Reservist who has been mobilized to represent Abdul Zahir, an Afghan accused of war crimes before the U.S. Military Commissions.

Jonathan Dunn is a partner at Sedgwick Detert Moran & Arnold, LLP, an international litigation and trial firm. He is the Orange County, Calif., chair in the construction practices group, which includes construction-related litigation and counseling and creditor rights and remedies/bankruptcy. He and his wife, Kristen, have been married since he graduated, and they have four children: Mitchell, Amanda, Grant and Holly. John is a Little League baseball manager, Little League board member and soccer coach.

John Drotz ’92 formed Clement & Drotz, PLLC in Seattle with Scott Clement ’86. The firm handles construction defect, personal injury and product defect litigation.

Charlotte VanDyke retired from law after 10 years to become part of the Sisters of Providence Leadership Team. Her office since 2005 has been in the Smith Tower in Seattle.
1993

Shawn Bunney is a Pierce County Councilman. His focus on the council has been economic and job development and performance audit recommendations to improve county operations. He also is a Puget Sound Regional Council Executive Board member. Before his election, he was a Pierce County Council staff attorney for 10 years. He and his wife, Patti, live in the Lake Tapps community.

Ed Comitz is a shareholder in the Phoenix office of Bonnett Fairbourn Friedman & Balint, P.C. He heads the Health and Disability Insurance Practice Section. Ed also serves as a judge pro tem with the Maricopa County Superior Court and an adjunct professor at Arizona State University College of Law.

Martin Garthwaite is practicing patent law at the Seattle office of the law firm Newman & Newman.

Noelle McLean was presented the Local Hero Award by the Washington State Bar Association for her noteworthy contributions to her community. She practices in Kelso, Wash., and has served on many boards and committees, including the YMCA Mock Trial Competition and the Cowlitz and Wahkiakum County Youth Commission. She also has worked with the Safe Kids Coalition and the Humane Society of Cowlitz County. Noelle is president of the Washington state chapter of Epsilon Sigma Alpha, a leadership and service organization and is a past executive board member of Cowlitz Wahkiakum County Bar Association. She has served as a board member of the Cowlitz County Legal Aid Society and the local chapter of the Salvation Army. She also was coordinator of the Cowlitz County Family Law Brown Bag Association, made up of judges and family law practitioners who gather to discuss common issues in family law.

1994

Marianne Jones mobilized with the Army and served as a Judge Advocate at Fort Lewis, Wash., in a variety of capacities from June 2004 to July 2006. Upon release from active duty, she became the fiduciary trust officer for the Office of Special Trustee for American Indians, Puget Sound Agency and Seattle offices. She remains in the Army Reserves as the Deputy Commander for the 6th JAG.


Catherine McDonald is in her 14th year as public defender, her 10th year as one for Society of Counsel (SCRAP) in Seattle, and her fifth year working exclusively in the adult felony unit at SCRAP. She runs marathons and trails and enjoys sailing with her husband on their 28-foot sailboat on Puget Sound.

Vonda Sargent is a solo practitioner in downtown Seattle, representing people who have been injured. She will speak in Prague about discovery disputes for the company. She also is a partner in a litigation practice firm with a friend. Her practice focuses mainly on transnational entertainment law and work for the studios and production companies.

Steve Fricke joined Townsend and Townsend and Crew LLP as a partner in the litigation practice.

Lyn Johnson was named managing director in contracts for Boeing Commercial Airplanes. He manages the Commercial Contracting for new Boeing aircraft in the Americas region.

Mark Lindquist is a deputy prosecuting attorney and author. His new novel, “The King of Methlehem” explores the world of methamphetamine and was published by Simon and Schuster in May, following the success of his critically acclaimed novel, “The King of Methlehem.”

Jessica Eaves Mathews is head of litigation and compliance for Vulcan Inc., managing all litigation and disputes for the company. She also is a partner in a litigation practice firm with a friend. Her practice focuses mainly on transnational entertainment law and work for the studios and production companies.

Steve Fricke joined Townsend and Townsend and Crew LLP as a partner in the litigation practice.

Robert Prince opened his own practice in 2006 after 10 years of working as an associate with his father, Robert E. Prince, “the most wonderful mentor,” who retired May 31, 2006.

Franni Turean opened a solo firm in Seattle focusing on family law.

Peter Schalestock is deputy counsel for Rudy Giuliani’s presidential campaign. He is handling general legal work for the campaign, as well as election law compliance and ballot access issues. He lives in Manhattan.

Bruce Strothers has joined the legal department of The Coca-Cola Company in Atlanta. As marketing counsel, he supports Coca-Cola in various global branding, media, advertising, entertainment and collegiate and professional-sports-related matters. Prior to his new position, he practiced in San Francisco, New York City and with private corporate law firms in Atlanta.

1995

Eric Gibbs is a founding partner of Girard Gibbs LLP, a 15-lawyer firm in San Francisco that specializes in representing consumer plaintiffs in class action cases and institutional and corporate investors in securities fraud and governance matters. He and his wife, Sandy, have two children, Patrick and Olivia.

Trisha Gum left MGM Studios in 2005 and opened an entertainment practice law firm with a friend. Her practice focuses mainly on transnational entertainment law and work for the studios and production companies.

John Ziobro formed Sperline Telquist Ziobro PLLC, located in Kennewick, Wash., with two other Kennewick attorneys. Practice areas include municipal issues, land use, employment law and general litigation. He was Kennewick city attorney for eight years.

1996

Joel Kent is a partner at Stahancyk, Kent, Johnson and Hook in Bend, Ore. He coaches volleyball, and his Crook County High School team won the state championship.

Jeff Bjornstad is chief of staff for Sen. Patty Murray, D-Wash. He previously served as chief of staff for Rep. Rick Larsen (D-WA) for the past six years, and prior to that was Chief of Staff for Rep. Adam Smith (D-WA). Murray was named secretary of the Democratic Conference and is in the process of expanding her staff to deal with her additional responsibilities. Bjornstad will play an important role in that regard.

John Eltringham was a car rally driver on the reality show “Bullrun,” which aired on Spike TV.

Carol Mitchell was re-elected as president of the historic Tacoma City Association of Colored Women’s Clubs. The association is a nonprofit community service organization that is about to launch a major capital campaign to redevelop the clubhouse

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Kirk Kumagai is stationed at MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa, Fla. He is the deputy staff judge advocate with U.S. Marine Corps Forces, Central Command.

Thaddeus P. Martin is celebrating a successful first year as a solo practitioner. Before starting his own firm in Tacoma, Thad was a partner at Gordon, Thomas Honeywell. He focuses his practice on personal injury in the South Sound of Western Washington. Thad lives in University Place, Wash., with his wife and four children.

Peter F. Malen Jr. has been made an equity shareholder of the law firm of Workman Nydegger, PC. The firm is located in Salt Lake City, UT and concentrates on intellectual property matters.

Kevin Blondin is a partner in the law firm of Reitsch, Weston, and Blondin, PLLC in Longview, Wash. His practice focuses primarily on criminal defense, with some work involving civil litigation. He is married to Andra Blondin ’98. They have two young daughters, Peyton and Kendall. This fall will be Kevin’s eighth season coaching the local community college women’s soccer team.

Suzanne Lee Elliott joined the office of the Assistant Attorney General for Governmental Affairs in Seattle.

Tracy Flood is a solo practitioner in Port Orchard, Wash., who is involved in many volunteer activities. Among them, she is chair of the Washington State Bar Association’s Civil Rights Committee and is on the Family Law Executive Committee. She is co-chairing the second annual Statewide Diversity Conference established by the State Minority Bar Associations, and is president of the Pierce County Minority Bar Association. She is a single parent to daughter Anna.

Shannan L. Frisbie was named partner at K&L Gates and practices intellectual property law in the firm’s Seattle office. Her practice focuses on drafting and negotiating development, acquisition, and licensing agreements in technology and intellectual property. She advises clients on issues related to the acquisition and use of technology, protection of intellectual property assets, and commercialization of technology.

Hunter Goodman argued a capital case, Uttech v. Brown, in the United States Supreme Court April 17. A ruling is expected before the end of June.

Tanya Noreen Lewis is a senior associate with Hutchison & Steffen, LLC in Las Vegas, practicing primarily in the fields of insurance defense, commercial litigation, and family law. She and her husband, Rick, are expecting a son in August.

Hector Steele Rojas is a member of the Washington State Bar Examiners Committee, which administers the Bar Exam. He is an active member of the Latina/o Bar Association of Washington.

Robert A.D. Sauers has returned to his practice at Jacobs & Jacobs in Puyallup after spending a year in Iraq. He practices primarily family law and estate planning.

Matthew J. Segal was named a partner at K&L Gates’ Seattle office. He practices appellate, constitutional and governmental litigation and business litigation law. His practice focuses on litigation at the trial and appellate levels, including complex appellate matters, constitutional law, municipal law, commercial and corporate disputes, environmental and land use actions, insurance coverage, and products liability.

Atham E. Tramountanas was named a partner at K&L Gates Seattle office. He works in the government contracts, construction and procurement policy practice, focusing on construction law, including advising public and private clients on various construction issues, negotiating and drafting design and construction contracts, preparing bid documents, and representing clients in dispute resolution. He has extensive experience in real property litigation and eminent domain for public entities, as well as representing clients in landlord-tenant matters.

Michele Walker has worked for seven years as a prosecutor with the City of Kent Law Department.

Jake Winfrey has joined Helsell Fetterman LLP, a Seattle-based law firm providing legal solutions for businesses, organizations and individuals. His practice is focused on medical malpractice litigation, and he has represented doctors and hospitals in a variety of cases statewide, with particular experience in emergency department and OB/GYN cases. He clerked for the Honorable Thomas S. Zilly in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Washington and spent four years at Reed McClure before joining Helsell Fetterman.

Brian Brunkow relocated his legal practice from San Diego to Bellingham. His practice focuses on residential mortgage and loan compliance, and he also will work with local small businesses and entrepreneurs on business development and contractual matters. He is a current member of both the Washington state and California state bar associations.
R.W. Buzzard is a Lewis County District Court Judge in Centralia. He previously practice with his father, Steven R. Buzzard ’75, and his brother, James M. B. Buzzard ’02, at Buzzard & Associates. He and his wife, Amy, have three young children: Jackson, Audrey and Ellen.

Michele Camille McCarthy works at the New York Mayor’s Office of Labor Relations doing employment law. She previously worked for two years at the Northwest Defenders Association and at Lehey & John-son P.C. and Mintzer Sarowitz Zeris Ledva & Meyers, in New York doing insurance defense work.

Traci Mears moved to Wyoming to accept the position of executive director of CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) of Natrona County in Casper.

Cecelia Rivera is a named partner at Church, Rietzke, Rivera, PLLC in Olympia. She serves as the Thurston County Round-table Chair for the Washington State Trial Lawyers Association and is an active member and past board member of the Latino Bar Association of Washington. She married Charles B. Arnold, a sergeant for the Washington State Patrol and a major for the United States Army Reserves, in 2003. Her son, who was 3 when she started law school, is now a teenager.

Alexis Singletary and her husband, Eric Singletary, welcomed their son, Scott Eric Singletary, May 15, 2006. They will celebrate their 15th wedding anniversary this year. Alexis is in private general practice at Single-tery Law Offices in Auburn.

2001

Kelli Bringolf is an associate with Olson, Althausen, Lawler, Samuelsen & Rayan in Centralia, Wash.

Annette Cook went into solo practice in 2001, specializing in the areas of criminal misdemeanors, family law and dependency. Additionally, she is an independent contractor affiliated with the Law Offices of Nathan Neiman, practicing in the areas of business law, real property, employment law and contracts. She previously worked as a public defender and assistant attorney general.

Rachel J. Drake is senior labor and employment counsel for Weyerheuser Company, in Federal Way.

Michael Evans is working in the civil litigation division of the Cowlitz County Prosecuting Attorney’s Office. He serves as president of the Cowlitz-Wahkiakum Legal Aid Program, is a board member of the Cowlitz-Wahkiakum Bar Association, is secretary and board member of the Cowlitz County Habitat for Humanity, and is a member of the Board of Trustees for the Rural Partial-County Library District. He has three daughters.

Todd Henry is an associate with Oles Morrison Rinker & Baker, LLP in Seattle focusing on construction law and litigation. He has published numerous articles on construction law and has contributed to six books. He has been guest lecturer at the law school and appeared before the Washing-ton Supreme Court in March, representing the respondent in Twin Bridge Marine Park, LLC v. Depart-ment of Ecology.

Thuy Nguyen Leeper moved in-house as assistant corporate coun-sel at Expeditors International of Washington, Inc., a global logistics company. She was a delegate with the Washington Secretary of State’s Trade and Research Mission to Vietnam in May, marking her first trip back to Vietnam since she and her family left in 1975.

Aaron Masser is an assistant attorney general for the Government of American Samoa.

Delaney L. Miller left the Seattle office of Cozen O’Connor in September 2006 to join Shumsky & Backman in Van-couver, Wash., focusing on property subrogation litigation, with an emphasis on products liability, construction defect and negligence cases.

Kevin Rogerson is city attorney for Mount Vernon, Wash.

Brent Ruth is director of new business at Fisher Radio-Seattle, responsible for driving new revenue through the activation and utilization of marketing assets on-air, on-site and online for radio stations: KOMO-AM, KVI, KPLZ and KING-FM. He also works with the sales staff to expose regional decision makers at major companies throughout Puget Sound and the United States to customized marketing and sales solutions designed to drive retail sales.

Joan Tierney has been elected a trustee of the King County Bar Associa-tion and a fellow of the American Bar Foundation in recognition of her contributions to the legal profession and community. She has also served as the 2006-2007 president of Wash-ington Women Lawyers.

2002

Kathryn B. Abele is in private practice in Woodinville focusing on family law.

Davida Finger accepted a job at Loyola College of Law in New Orleans as a staff attorney in the clinic there. She works primarily with students on hurricane-related legal issues and litigation and will be setting up new clinics around New Orleans.

Nancy T. Le is practicing with K&L Gates in San Francisco.

Eric Stoll joined Major, Lindsey & Africa’s Seattle office as managing director to focus on attorney search and recruiting. He has a strong background in career counseling from his pre-law life, so he made the decision to stop practicing corporate law after working at Perkins Coie and Dorsey & Whitney. He has placed numerous SU grads. He and his wife, Emily, welcomed a son, William Freeman Stoll, on Jan. 16.

Rajiv Sarathy, a patent attorney with Perkins Coie, was recently elected to the executive committee of the WSBA IP Group. Rajiv wrote an article for WSLA’s Trial News on behalf of the South Asian Bar Association of Wash-ington, of which Rajiv is a director.

2003

James Bible, a Seattle attorney, has been sworn in as president of the Seattle King County branch of the National Association for the Advance-ment of Colored People. An attorney with The Defender Association and first vice president of the NAACP, he replaces Shelley Secrest ’03.


Jeff Graham is chief compliance officer for Select Portfolio Servicing, Inc. (SPS), a Credit Suisse company located in Salt Lake City, Utah. SPS is a leading residential mortgage servicing company with more than 1,000 employees and a $30 billion portfolio.

Jennifer (Eng) Oana joined the Law Offices of Ing, Horikawa, Jorgensen & Stewart, LLP in Maui as an associate after serving with the Maui Office of the Public Defender. She married Christopher Oana Dec. 17, 2005.

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**Class notes**

**Alexander Ransom** is joining Lustick Law Firm in Bellingham, Wash. He was a public defender for the City of Bellingham for two years.

**Todd Rayan** is a partner with Olson, Althauer, Lawler, Samuelson & Rayan in Centralia, Wash.

**Christine Schonwald** and her husband announce the arrival of their first baby, Charlotte Madison, born May 2. Christine will be taking a break from her law practice through the end of August.

**Bill Scarfoorce** and his wife, Kimberly, welcomed a son, Connor. Kimberly, also a lawyer, in a courtroom.

**Dalynne Singleton** is a partner at Broughton & Singleton, Inc. P.S. in Silverdale, Wash. She serves as president of the Kitsap County Chapter of Washington Women Lawyers. Dalynne has been married for 28 years, has two children and two grandchildren.

**Maya Wright** is practicing with Bell & Ingram in Everett, where she interned during law school.

**2004**

**Robert Allen** is an associate with Luce & Associates in Tacoma. His practice focuses on federal and state workers compensation claims, Social Security disability, and VA disability claims. Robert is a member of the Fife-Milton Rotary and is on the Board of Directors of the Point Defiance Zoo and Aquarium. He and his wife live in Puyallup.

**Shane Anderson** formed Spencer Anderson & Buhr PLLC with **Cynthia Buhr ’05** and James Spencer ’05.

**Elizabeth Baldwin** works half-time as the Immigrant Child Legal Rights Coordinator for Volunteer Advocates for Immigrant Justice, a nonprofit that works with detained individuals in removal proceedings. She and her husband, John Chun, have a daughter, Naomi, who turned 1 in March.

**Aaron Christensen** opened his own law firm in Bellevue, focusing on employment, contract and real estate law.

**Melody Crick** was promoted to a felony level attorney at the Pierce County Prosecutor’s Office.

**Michael D. Gustafson** recently joined Stanislaw Ashbaugh, LLP as an associate in the firm’s Construction Law Group. Michael represents developers, general contractors and subcontractors in a variety of commercial and residential construction disputes. He has practiced construction law and commercial litigation since graduating and is active in construction-related trade groups and organizations in support of the construction industry.

**Piper Hackett** lives in Bangkok, Thailand, doing environmental development work for the international development company Planning and Development Collaborative International, Inc. PADCO is implementing a four- to seven-year regional program for the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) aimed at improving access to clean water and sanitation for the urban poor and better environmental compliance. In addition to her coordination role, Piper manages two projects: the conflict management work in the Mekong River basin, and helping Vietnam strengthen the capacity of its environmental inspectors. She was married in September 2006.

**Kirsten Samwel** is an associate at McKell Graff in Vancouver, Wash. The firm specializes in family law, estate planning and probate.

**David Silver** is a second-year associate at McFerran & Burns, P.S. in Tacoma. His work focuses primarily on real property transactions. David married Marnie Bergman last year and lives in Seattle.

**2005**

**Tim Ashby** is managing member of Cabesterre LLC, based in Miami. The firm specializes in international trade and business development, with a focus on Cuba and Latin America.

**Cynthia Buhr and James Spencer** started the firm Spencer Anderson & Buhr, PLLC with Shane Anderson ’04. In late 2005, the law firm was nominated for New Business of the Year by the Greater Seattle Business Association. Cynthia has been appointed vice president of QLaw, the GLBT Bar Association of Washington.

**Stan Myers** joined Spencer Anderson & Buhr as an associate.

**Kirsten Daniels** joined the employment law group at the Seattle office of Lane Powell in March, after 18 months at Betts Patterson and Mines.

**Courtney Erwin** works at the Cordoba Initiative, a multi-national, non-partisan NGO in New York City, with the mission of improving Muslim-West relations. As chief of staff to Chairman Imam Feisal Abdul Rauf, she manages the day-to-day operations of the organization, and as director of programs, she manages the Shariah Index Project, which promotes democratic principles using Islamic law. Her job allows her regular travel to Malaysia and the Middle East. After graduation, she moved to Washington, D.C., where she established a religious freedom and church-state separation program at an interreligious non-profit organization. While there, she worked closely with the Muslim, Buddhist, and Sikh communities.

**M. Lorena Gonzalez** has been appointed as President of Latina/o Bar Association of Washington for 2007-2008 and Co-President of Latino Political Action Committee of Washington for 2006-2008.

**Jason Keyes** joined the renewable energy practice at the Seattle office of Wilson Sonsini Goodrich and Rosati.

**Eric Lawless** has been in Iraq for close to a year and hopes to be home at Ft. Richardson, Alaska, by Christmas. He is an Airborne Company Commander responsible for the security and governance of the city of Musayyib, Iraq. Eric, in camouflage, was photographed with the Musayyib City Council Chairman (on the right) and two other council members and an Iraqi Police Officer.

**Yvonne Mattson** has joined the Seattle office of Perkins Coie as an associate in its product liability department. She previously worked at Gordon, Thomas Honeywell, where she managed insurance defense files at all stages of litigation. She also litigated real estate and commercial cases, representing both plaintiffs and defendants, took more than 100 depositions, and served as second chair in two civil trials. Prior to joining Gordon, Thomas Honeywell, Mattson served as an external to Hon. Ronald B. Leighton, U.S. District Court for the Western District of Washington.

**Pete Meyers** works for Smith, Freed, & Eberhard in Portland, Ore., representing general contractors and...
subcontractors in construction-defect motions practice.

David Cohen has been at Cain Waters and Associates in Dallas, Texas, practicing in trusts and estates and asset management. In August, he will move to Peeples and Hilburn Law Offices in Dallas, doing pension law.

Edward Hassett manages a growing equity investment firm in Kirkland, Wash. Edward serves in youth ministries in his church and works in faith-based charity endeavors in his community and is expecting his fourth child.

Sean Mary Helen Johnson works for the Snohomish County Public Defender Association in Everett as a public defender handling misdemeanor cases in the Cascade District Court in Arlington, Wash.

Joanna Plichta is pro bono counsel at Foster Pepper PLLC, directing and managing the firm’s wide-ranging pro bono cases and projects, advising the firm on pro bono policy, serving as a liaison to local public interest organizations, authoring the Pro Bono Annual Report, and coordinating the Summer Associate’s Pro Bono Program. Since graduating, she has authored several articles on corporate pro bono work, and is the chair of the Pro Bono Coordinators and Counsels in Seattle. She was recently featured in Washington CEO magazine for her dedication to public interest law.

Kasey (Glade) Sancewich earned a master of laws in taxation (LL.M.) from the University of Washington School of Law in June and will start as a tax associate at PricewaterhouseCoopers in July. She married Greg Sancewich at the Hope Island Inn in La Conner, Wash., Sept. 2, 2006.

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Jeremy Yates formed Ascension Law Offices, PLLC, a law firm focusing on providing estate planning and probate services to King and Snohomish Counties, with Bryan Guy ’07 and John Pfeil ’07.

Kate (Cedergreen) Otterstrom and her husband, Karl, welcomed a daughter, Inge, Feb. 22.

James Pirtle started a company named Del Norte Gourmet, LLC, with a flagship product, Salsa del Norte. The product is carried by a number of high-end retailers. He also maintains his solo law practice concentrating on civil litigation, criminal defense and appellate work.

TJ Plakson recently returned from a mission to West Africa, where he was working to bring basic health care and services to several impoverished communities. He is working for the federal government doing environmental work in Washington, D.C., and volunteers in helping fulfill wishes for children with life-threatening conditions. He plans to compete in his first Ironman triathlon this fall.

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B eing known as the E. coli guy doesn’t bother Marler ’87, who has dedicated his practice to representing victims of food borne illness and has been involved in just about every major case food poisoning case in the past 15 years. Marler Clark, the firm he built in Seattle with partner Bruce Clark ’84, is arguably the national epicenter for food borne illness litigation. He and the other lawyers in his firm all have connections to the School of Law or Seattle University.

Back in 1993, while working at the firm Keller Rohrbach, Marler fielded “the case that really changed the direction of my career.” An outbreak of E. coli at a Jack-in-the-Box restaurant sickened 600 people. Four died. Seattle resident Brianne Kiner, who was 9 at the time, spent 42 days in a coma as a result of hemolytic uremic syndrome, a life-threatening complication of E. coli infections. Marler won her a $15.6 million settlement.

When E. coli showed up in Odwalla apple juice just three years later, Marler had one of those light-bulb moments. What about setting up a law firm defined by the business of representing victims of food borne illness? The first people he called were Clark ’84 and Denis Stearns. Clark had been across the table from Marler in numerous cases related to the Jack-in-the-Box outbreak. A defense attorney for 14 years, he was at that time lead attorney for Foodmaker, Inc., which owns Jack-in-the-Box, and decided to switch sides.

The move paid off for Marler Clark, both in financial terms and in the difference this firm has made in making food safer for everyone.

“It’s a business, but it’s become a passion,” Marler said.

The importance of protecting the health and safety of the public makes good sense for the food industry. Juries tend to agree.

“People feel very violated that a company allowed fecal bacteria or a virus to get into the food they served you,” Marler said. “They feel it’s wrong and they get indignant.” The resulting jury verdicts have been tough to swallow for some companies in the food service industry. But those verdicts have served as a warning that the industry must change its ways. Among them:

- $6.25 million for a man who lost his liver to hepatitis contracted from unwashed vegetables at Chi Chi’s Restaurant in Pittsburg;
- $4.6 million for 11 children sickened by E. coli at Washington’s Finley Elementary School.
• Undisclosed settlements to the families of three people who died from the recent E. coli infection associated with Dole baby spinach.

The firm has also represented, to name a few:

• Victims of salmonella at Chili’s Bar & Grill in Chicago;
• Diners sickened by norovirus at Las Vegas’ Flamingo Hotel;
• 17 individuals sickened with E. coli at several Milwaukee restaurants that shared the same meat supplier;
• Children who were sickened after eating Jell-O at an Ohio buffet that had been stored in a refrigerator beneath raw meat that was laced with E. coli. Tainted blood dripped from the meat on the Jell-O the kids ate.

An attack of E. coli. is probably about what a Marler Clark lawsuit feels like to some people in the food and insurance industries, but the firm has forged excellent relations with many of its natural enemies. Through the nonprofit organization Outbreak, Inc., on which Marler now spends as much as a third of his time, Marler Clark attorneys speak to everyone from corporations to cattlemen, offering advice on how to avoid precisely the mistakes out of which outbreaks like Jack-in-the-Box and Odwalla arose.

The Marler Clark offices, which enjoy breathtaking views of Elliott Bay from the 66th floor of the Bank of America Tower, define elegant-casual. Attorneys seem to favor crisply pressed shirts, silk ties – and khaki shorts. There’s a boar’s head on a wall, a bottle of cognac on a shelf, a sense in the air that you can afford to act relaxed so long as you are very good at what you do.

Marler has shared his experience with SU Law students. In 1998, he was named Lawyer in Residence and spent the year giving guest lectures. That’s how Drew Falkenstein ’02 first heard of the firm and decided he wanted to work for Marler. In addition to alumni Falkenstein, Bruce Clark and Marler, there are other SU connections at the firm. Stearns is an SU philosophy graduate who also guest lectures at the law school. The firm’s fourth partner, Andy Weisbecker, spent three undergraduate years at SU, and associate David Babcock is married to SU Law professor Catherine O’Neil.

Bill Marler ’87 has made a career out of making the food industry pay for its mistakes. Photos by Matt Hagen.
“Where the law school came from and where it’s going, I’m very proud of it,” Marler said.

Falkenstein has become a sort of high tech detective. He lives for those “high-stakes” calls, “where you’ve got someone in hospital with their kidneys shutting down and you don’t know why. Because, in terms of disease surveillance, we are on the cutting edge. Sometimes we crack the case, find the source, before any of the federal agencies do.” Of course, he’s working with a somewhat unusual advantage: Marler Clark has an on-staff epidemiologist.

While the meat industry has made significant improvements, and E. coli cases have dropped, Marler Clark is once again suing over tainted beef. Three cases have been filed in recent weeks. In June, the firm sued over the recall of more than 5 million pounds of beef, on behalf of a 4-year-old California girl who developed life-threatening complications after eating tainted meat.

The firm also sued a Fresno meat market where an 80-year-old man bought beef that sickened him.

“The number of E. coli outbreaks traced to beef products in the last few months is disconcerting,” Marler said. “We haven’t seen millions of pounds of meat being recalled since 2002. I thought the beef industry had cleaned up, but there is obviously still a ways to go.”

Despite the recent outbreaks, overall beef-related food poisoning cases are down, while more cases involving fresh fruits and vegetables have turned up.

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And even though millions of Americans are still sickened by their food every year, the United States regulates doesn’t do as much to regulate disease-causing agents like salmonella as it could, Marler said. The message seems to be that food borne illnesses – and legal responsibility for them – are not going anywhere soon.

A new federal “food safety czar” has just been appointed, but mentioning that fact around the Marler Clark offices sets off polite chuckling from all directions.

“Don’t hold your breath,” Clark drawls. “It’s all appearance, no substance. Ultimately what drives change is economic self-interest.”
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