A Noteworthy Occasion  Law school looks forward after 35 years
Dean’s perspective

What a magnificent year we had celebrating our 35th anniversary – and we have another exciting year ahead. In addition to our outstanding academic year, we enjoyed some fabulous festivities, capped by the stunning gala at Benaroya Hall you will read about in this issue.

But our 35th anniversary was much more than just a party. It was a wonderful chance to thank the visionaries who founded the law school and those who made the momentous decision to move the program to Seattle, and to look ahead to the future of Seattle University School of Law as one of the nation’s best. It was also an opportunity for alumni to connect and reconnect with each other and with the law school. It was a pleasure for me to see so many of you at events throughout the year, and to foster relationships between you and the law school. I do so hope those connections will grow even stronger.

The upcoming academic year will show just how far the law school has come as we welcome one of the largest corps of new faculty in recent history – an incredibly distinguished and diverse group of professors, including Richard Delgado and Jean Stefancic, two of the country’s most respected scholars who are widely recognized as foremost experts in the area of race and the law; Charles O’Kelley, an expert in corporate governance who will also direct our Center on Corporations, Law and Society; and Robert Chang, also a leading scholar in race and the law and who will teach contracts in our vital first-year program.

Also joining us are new professors Tom Antkowiak, Won Kidane and Dean Spade, who each have unique talents that will enrich our law school. (Read more about all of them on pages 10 and 11.)

I am delighted to welcome these accomplished teacher-scholars to faculty. Their appointments are a testament to our growing reputation as a law school dedicated to the twin goals of academic excellence and education for justice.

In addition, it is rewarding to name two longtime professors to our first faculty chair and professorships – which are further recognition of our continued upward trajectory. It was a thrill for me to announce our first endowed chair, the Donald and Lynda Horowitz Chair for the Pursuit of Justice, and to award that chair to outstanding teacher and scholar Professor Margaret Chon. I extend my deepest gratitude to Don and Lynda Horowitz, both for their generosity and for their tireless work toward equal justice for all. Their faith in the law school is well-placed, as we share the important goal of working for a more just and humane world.

It’s also wonderful to have two new professorships in honor of two champions of the law school, former Dean Fred Tausend and Provost John Eshelman. Professors David Skover and Janet Ainsworth are the worthy holders of these new titles, which recognize the consistent excellence that each professor brings to the classroom and to the scholarly arena.

As we welcome new students and new professors this fall, this is indeed a new era in the life of this law school. Our alumni and friends play an integral role in supporting our trajectory of excellence through our 36th year and beyond, and we are grateful for your involvement.

—Kellye Testy
Dean, Seattle University School of Law
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On the Cover: From left: Dean Kellye Testy, Gala Co-Chair Marlys Palumbo ’82, President Steve Sundborg and narrator Anna Deavere Smith applaud the Seattle Symphony. Photo by Steve Shelton.
When students from the law school’s International Human Rights Clinic started interviewing detainees at the Northwest Immigration Center, their stories spilled out.

“They wouldn’t stop talking once they started,” Riddi Mukhopadhyay said. “They were just glad to have someone listening to them. It was overwhelming, and it was extremely depressing.”

The stories of 41 detainees formed the basis for the report “Voices from Detention: A Report on Human Rights Violations at the Northwest Detention Center,” which found serious violations of international human rights law, the Constitution and the Refugee Convention, including lack of due process, mistreatment of detainees (including strip searches and being prohibited from using the bathroom during a seven-hour flight to a transfer to a facility in Alabama), insufficient food and medical care and language barriers, among others.

“It’s completely humiliating. It destroys them,” said Gwynne Skinner, who oversaw the students as a visiting clinical professor. “It destroys their soul, and frankly, I think it’s somewhat intentional because they want them to voluntarily deport themselves.”

This investigation was conducted by students and faculty in the International Human Rights Clinic and staff from OneAmerica (formerly Hate Free Zone). Over the course of eight months in 2007-08, investigators conducted 46 interviews with 41 detainees, a family member and four attorneys representing detainees. Investigators also took two official tours of the facility, followed by a question and answer session with officials from Immigration and Customs Enforcement.
Enforcement and GEO, the private company that runs the Tacoma detention facility.

Detainees were men and women from all over the world who had been held in detention for varying amounts of time. Of the 41 detainees interviewed, 16 were refugees as defined by the Refugee Convention. Of those 16, four had been given formal refugee status while the others had pending asylum cases.

“The federal government has not lived up to his obligations,” Skinner said.

Skinner said a significant portion of the detainees interviewed actually are in the country legally but are undocumented. She estimates a third of them are refugees.

But it doesn’t really matter what their status is, because each and every one has civil rights.

“It’s a civil detention center,” Skinner said. “It’s not a jail or a prison. If they are being treated as prisoners, they are being punished without due process.”

“We should note that once some people’s rights are abused, all our rights can be abused,” said Pramila Jayapal, founder and executive director of OneAmerica.

There is no federal statute that governs detention centers – something the authors would like to see changed. The report will be delivered to the U.S. House and Senate judiciary committees, and organizers will meet with Washington’s delegation.

An electronic copy of the report can be downloaded through the law school’s website at www.law.seattleu.edu.

Two more bar associations honor Dean Kellye Testy

Two Washington bar associations have recognized Seattle University School of Law Dean Kellye Testy for her commitment to the legal profession and justice system. Dean Testy received the Loren Miller Bar Association President’s Award and the Friend of the Legal Profession Award from the King County Bar Association.

Ron Ward, for whom the LMBA award is named, surprised Dean Testy with the award at the LMBA dinner May 16.

“Her commitment to community service has been remarkable,” Ward said. “Few, if any, have done more to advance intellectual vitality and promote egalitarianism in the Washington legal community.”

The second award from the King County Bar Association recognizes Testy’s “distinguished and meritorious service to the legal profession and justice system.” Linda Strout ’79, deputy chief executive officer for the Port of Seattle and former KCBA president, nominated Testy for the award. Strout said Testy always stands up for what she believes in and "walks the talk" of social justice. “Her leadership brings out the best in others,” Strout said.

Dean Testy has put Seattle University School of Law at the leading edge of legal education, combining academic excellence with education for justice. Under her leadership, the School of Law is strengthening and diversifying the legal profession.

Before becoming dean, Testy was instrumental in the founding of the law school’s Access to Justice Institute, the Seattle Journal for Social Justice and the Center on Corporations, Law & Society. As dean, she implemented the Scholars for Justice Awards, which provide two full scholarships each year to students committed to working in the public interest and she continues to foster in students and faculty a desire to serve the less fortunate.

“Dean Testy understands the vitality and strength that inclusion and diversity bring to the legal profession and justice system, not just for her faculty, students and staff, but for the broader justice community,” said Bonnie Glenn, deputy chief of staff for the King County Prosecutor’s Office. “She radiates a powerfully caring spirit that inspires and challenges the people she meets to ask themselves, “What more can I do to ensure a more just and humane world?”

Testy has also received the 2007 Public Justice Award from the Washington State Trial Lawyers Association and the 2007 President’s Awards from both the Washington State Bar Association and Washington Women Lawyers.

LatCrit conference travels to Seattle this year

Seattle University School of Law will be the host for the 13th annual LatCrit Conference Oct. 2-4. This year’s theme is “Representation and Republican Governance: Critical Interrogation of Electoral Systems and the Exercise of the Franchise.”

The conference will draw leading critical race scholars from around the country. LatCrit originally emerged out of a series of debates stemming from various Critical Race Theory meetings during the late 1980s and early 1990s.

The first meeting for what would become LatCrit, occurred in San Juan, Puerto Rico as part of a Hispanic National Bar Association Law Professors meeting in 1995. Since then LatCrit has grown from a series of annual meetings to a collection of initiatives and projects with both a local and global presence.
Bob Boruchowitz leads project to improve public defense

One of the county’s most respected public defenders is leading a new initiative at Seattle University School of Law aimed at providing better representation for people accused of misdemeanor crimes.

Robert C. Boruchowitz, visiting clinical professor of law and the former longtime director of The Defender Association, is working to advance efforts to improve public defense representation for thousands of people in Washington and provide models for application in other states.

The first project of the initiative is a joint effort with the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers to conduct a comprehensive investigation of misdemeanor public defense in the United States. Boruchowitz is reviewing the structure and effectiveness of defender systems and with NACDL will develop a set of policy recommendations. A report identifying strengths and weaknesses in misdemeanor public defense and incorporating suggested improvements will be completed soon.

The law school and NACDL co-hosted a national conference at the law school in July with public defender leaders, misdemeanor defenders, court personnel, judges, bar association representatives, government representatives and prosecutors. A similar conference was held in New York.

“Most people who go to court in this country go for a misdemeanor, and a very large portion of them end up pleading guilty without ever talking to an attorney except the prosecutor,” Boruchowitz said. “This diminishes not only the substance of justice but also the respect for law.”

Two law students worked with Boruchowitz on the project this semester, and he works closely with the law school’s Ronald A. Peterson Law Clinic. Through a combination of public education, research and writing, and strategic litigation, his defender initiative work focuses on reducing excessive defender workloads that threaten the effectiveness of the right to counsel, fostering a commitment to excellence in representation, and ensuring that defender lawyers with adequate resources are available and prepared to help accused persons at every stage of prosecution. The NACDL project also explores alternatives to traditional prosecution to reduce the number of cases requiring counsel.

“We are so pleased to have Bob working with us. His stellar reputation and life of public service are a great benefit to our students,” Dean Kellye Testy said. “His current project exemplifies his life’s work and fits in perfectly with the law school’s mission of educating outstanding lawyers to be leaders for a just and humane world.”

Legal Writing professors coordinate huge shipment of books to Africa

The Legal Writing professors who have taught in Africa collected two tons of needed book for law schools in Africa. The group Academics Promoting the Pedagogy of Effective Advocacy in Law (APPEAL) organized a book drive to collect badly needed law books for African law schools.

Law schools around the country donated books. While collecting them was not too difficult, getting them to Africa is an expensive endeavor. Legal Writing Director Associate Director Anne Enquist, who is on APPEAL’s Book Committee, worked with her contacts at Boeing to arrange to have the books transported – for free – on a new Kenya Airways plane when Boeing delivers the plane to Nairobi. They were scheduled to be delivered in August.

Visiting Professor Edwin Abuya, who is from Kenya, is helping coordinate distribution of the books once they reach Nairobi with his colleague at Moi University, Henry Mutai.

APPEAL grew out of the Conference on the Pedagogy on Legal Writing for Academics in Africa, which was held in Nairobi, Kenya in March 2007. Legal Writing Professor Mimi Samuel is co-president, and other Legal Writing professors serve on various committees.
Distinguished speakers visit the law school

Students and faculty had the opportunity to hear from well-known speakers on a variety of subjects spring semester. Among them:

- Gov. Christine Gregoire, who gave the keynote address at the in-depth conference exploring the state of food safety in the country, “Who’s Minding the Store?”
- Charlie Halpern, one of the founders of the Center for Law and Social Policy, who discussed his new book “Making Waves and Riding the Currents: The Practice of Law and the Practice of Wisdom.”
- Ha-Joon Chang, one of the world’s leading scholars on economics and development, gave a public lecture about his new book, “Bad Samaritans – The Myth of Free Trade and the Secret History of Capitalism.”

Panel explores Race, Justice and the Military as part of Fort Lawton veterans tribute

A law school panel explored Race, Justice and the Military in July as part of a tribute to the veterans of the 1944 Fort Lawton Court Martial.

The discussion was part of tribute to 28 members of an all-black Army unit stationed at Fort Lawton who were convicted in 1944 and sentenced to a combined 200 years in prison in connection with a riot that followed the mysterious lynching of an Italian POW also held at the base. The convictions stood until an Army review of the case last year.

A Mass in memory of Pvt. Guglielmo Olivotto, the POW who was lynched, was presided by Fr. Stephen Sundborg, S.J., president of Seattle University, following the forum.

The panelists were:

- Moderator Margaret Chon, the Donald and Lynda Horowitz Professor for the Pursuit of Justice at Seattle University School of Law.
- Jack Hamann, author of “On American Soil: How Justice Became a Casualty of WWII,” an investigation into the Fort Lawton court-martial that was directly responsible 2007 Army Board for Correction of Military Records to overturn the verdicts in the infamous 1944 Fort Lawton court-martial.
- Maj. Gen. Timothy Lowenber, Adjutant General for the State of Washington who heads the Washington National Guard, commanding the Army and Air National Guards and the Emergency Management Division. He is an adjunct professor at the law school, teaching in the areas of labor law and trial advocacy.
- Law School Professor Robert Chang, who writes primarily in the area of race and interethnic relations and is the author of “Disoriented: Asian Americans, Law and the Nation-State” and numerous articles, essays and chapters.
- James Bible ’03, president of the Seattle/King County NAACP.
- Gabriel Brooks, a retired educator and Army veteran. He is an adjunct faculty member for Seattle Pacific University, Columbia College and Seattle Central Community College.
The briefcase: law school news

Summer conferences on varied topics fill law school

Sullivan Hall was bustling this summer with a variety of conferences and activities, ranging from training corporate directors to fostering Catholic legal thought.

The Sixth Annual Directors Training Academy addressed “Adding Value through Legal, Ethical and Responsible Governance.”

The premier full-day corporate governance training institute for public and private companies in the Pacific Northwest, the academy provides corporate board members, senior executives and their counsel with the practical insights and necessary tools to improve the expertise and effectiveness of board directors in our continuingly shifting legal, political, and economic landscape.

Presenters included many directors of major corporations, including Paula Rosput Reynolds, CEO and president of Safeco and director for Safeco, Delta Air Lines and Anadarko Petroleum Corporation, and Steve Reynolds, chairman, CEO and president of Puget Energy and Puget Sound Energy and a director for Intermec and Green Diamond Resource Company.

The 2008 Summer Institute on the Conference on Catholic Legal Thought brought Catholic law professors from all over the country to the law school for three days to explore ways to foster the development of the emerging body of “Catholic Legal Thought” rooted in Catholic social thought and teaching. These annual meetings are directed both at those who are just beginning the enterprise of integrating Catholic thought into their teaching and scholarship and at those who are more experienced.

The National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers and The Defender Initiative at Seattle University School of Law hosted a conference to examine the strengths and weaknesses of misdemeanor public defense in the United States and to develop recommendations for improvement. Organized by Visiting Clinical Professor Bob Boruchowitz, director of The Defender Initiative, the conference, and a similar one in New York, were a key part of a project aimed at improving public defense. It included judges, defense attorneys and prosecutors from many jurisdictions in the Puget Sound area.

The Center for Legal Aid Education hosted its Summer Institute on Community Lawyering at the law school. The law school is the West Coast headquarters for CLAE, run by distinguished practitioner Ada Shen-Jaffe. The course taught how legal aid advocates have achieved lasting community change by working with local organizations and covered topics such as community advocacy, developing relationships, community legal education and media and policy advocacy.

Judge Mary Yu brings night docket courtroom to Sullivan Hall

King County Superior Court Judge Mary Yu held her motion calendar at the law school’s Justice Fred H. Dore Courtroom in June. She held a number of civil hearings in the evening – the first time her court has convened such a calendar in the evening. She chose to do so in order to allow evening students an opportunity to observe the hearings. Afterward, Judge Yu answered questions from students.

Paula Rosput Reynolds and Steve Reynolds gave the keynote address at the Sixth Annual Directors Training Academy. She is CEO and president of Safeco and director for Safeco, Delta Air Lines and Anadarko Petroleum Corporation. He is chairman, CEO and president of Puget Energy and Puget Sound Energy and a director for Intermec and Green Diamond Resource Company.

King County Superior Court Judge Mary Yu goes over a detail with her law school extern, Helen Rickey, during a session at the law school.
Center for Professional Development adopts new online job board system

School of Law alumni now have a new tool in the job search process. The Center for Professional Development has selected a new program to manage the job board. Called Symplicity, it replaces eAttorney and offers graduates enhanced job listing access and improved career management tools.

To access Symplicity, please go to https://law-seattle-csm.symplicity.com/students and register. Once you register, you will be e-mailed a password and can access the system.

Here are some tips on using the Job Search function:

> JOBS Lists current job postings (job title, employer, location, posting date, and deadline date).

> JOB TITLE Lists details about the specific position. It allows you to perform a basic search of the current positions.

> ADVANCED SEARCH Allows you to perform a more in-depth search of the current positions. Be sure to click CLEAR before starting a new search. You can save your search parameters as SEARCH AGENTS for future use.

Should an employer request application materials online, you can upload the requested documents and apply electronically. It is likely that a majority of employers will still prefer to receive materials via e-mail or postal service, but this system presents a new option.

Symplicity has HELP menus and video tutorials to assist you with the system. If you are unable to find answers or need other assistance, please contact The Center for Professional Development at lawcareers@seattleu.edu.

State Supreme Court justices visit law school

Students had the opportunity to watch attorneys argue before the Washington State Supreme Court and the chance talk to the justices at the law school.

The court visited the law school for two days earlier this year. Justices attended classes, had lunch with students and heard oral arguments on three cases in the Justice Fred H. Dore Courtroom at Sullivan Hall.

“The Supreme Court has been incredibly gracious with their time,” said Eric Chiappinelli, former associate dean and professor. “It is so kind of them and so valuable for us. Our students are very much better off for what you have done.”

Associate Chief Justice Charles Johnson, a 1976 graduate of Seattle University School of Law, said it was a pleasure to bring his colleagues to his alma mater. (Read more about him on page 30)

“We are so proud of Seattle University and the legal education being provided here,” Chief Justice Gerry Alexander said.

The Washington Supreme Court’s nine justices had lunch with students and spoke to classes about legal careers.

The court heard oral arguments in three cases and answered questions in between.

Associate Chief Justice Charles Johnson ’76 takes time out of his busy schedule to talk with students on a variety of legal issues.
Seven new faculty join law school in fall 2008

The School of Law welcomes seven distinguished and diverse faculty members this fall, including Richard Delgado, one of the country’s most cited legal scholars.

That is the largest group of incoming faculty since the early days of the law school and shows the great strides the law school is making in ensuring a superb legal education.

“It is so exciting to welcome these accomplished scholars and teachers to the Seattle University School of Law faculty,” Dean Kellye Testy said. “Their appointments are a testament to the law school’s commitment to its twin goals of academic excellence and social justice, as well as its growing reputation for attracting top-notch faculty.”

Joining the law school’s career faculty are:

Assistant Professor Thomas Antkowiak

Professor Antkowiak was most recently the program director at The Due Process of Law Foundation in Washington, D.C., where he directed a program of strategic litigation, law reform, and human rights training in several Latin American countries. He also served as a supervising adjunct faculty member for the International Human Rights Clinic at George Washington University Law School in Washington, D.C. Earlier, he worked as senior attorney at the Organization of American States’ Inter-American Court of Human Rights. Professor Antkowiak has worked with diverse institutions on human rights–related issues and was assistant to Oscar Arias, Nobel Peace Prize winner and president of Costa Rica. He received his A.B. degree from Harvard University and his J.D. degree from Columbia Law School, and has written numerous articles on international human rights law, reparations, and the Inter-American System. Professor Antkowiak joins the tenure-track faculty in the Ronald A. Peterson Law Clinic and will teach the International Human Rights Clinic in the fall and spring.

Professor Robert S. Chang

Professor Chang joins the law school from Loyola Law School, Los Angeles, where he was the J. Rex Dibble Fellow. He received his A.B., cum laude, from Princeton University, his M.A. from Duke University and his J.D., with honors, from Duke University. During the 2006-07 academic year, Professor Chang was the Sturm Distinguished Visiting Professor of Law at the University of Denver Sturm College of Law. He is the author of “Disoriented: Asian Americans, Law, and the Nation-State,” numerous articles, essays and book or anthology chapters, and is a frequent presenter at conferences and schools. He will join the tenured faculty in the fall and will teach courses in Asian Americans and the Law and Immigration and Citizenship in the spring.

University Professor Richard Delgado

Professor Delgado is one of the country’s most respected legal scholars in the area of race and the law. One of the most cited legal scholars in the nation, Delgado served as the University Distinguished Professor of Law and Derrick Bell Fellow at the University of Pittsburgh School of Law. His specialties are civil rights and critical race theory. One of the leading commentators on race in the United States, Delgado has appeared on “Good Morning America,” the MacNeil-Leher Report,” PBS, NPR, the Fred Friendly Show and Canadian NPR.

Author of more than 100 journal articles and 21 books, his work has been praised or reviewed in The Nation, The New Republic, The New York Times, Washington Post, and The Wall Street Journal. His books have won eight national book prizes, including six Gustavus Myers Awards for outstanding book on human rights in North America, the American Library Association’s Outstanding Academic Book, and a Pulitzer Prize nomination.

He received his undergraduate degree from the University of Washington and his J.D. from the University of California-Berkeley (Boalt). He will team teach U.S. Races and the Justice System in the spring.
**Assistant Professor Won Kidane**

Professor Kidane, a native of Ethiopia, was a visiting professor at Penn State Dickinson. He received his LL.B. from Addis Ababa University, LL.M. from the University of Georgia, and a J.D. from the University of Illinois College of Law. Before beginning law teaching, he practiced in Washington, D.C., with a focus on international arbitration and litigation matters. Prior to that, he worked as a legal officer in association with the Regional Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in Africa and taught criminal procedure and law of evidence as an adjunct faculty in Addis Ababa. Professor Kidane is a recipient of visiting scholar awards and fellowships from various institutions. His areas of interest and research include administrative law, immigration law, the law of armed conflict, and international arbitration and litigation. He joins the tenure-track faculty and will teach Immigration Law in the fall and Immigration Law Clinic in the spring.

**Professor Charles (Chuck) R.T. O’Kelley**

Professor O’Kelley joins the law school from the University of Georgia, where he was the first holder of the M.E. Kilpatrick Chair of Corporate Finance and Securities Law. He is an expert in corporate governance and the co-author of one of the most widely used casebooks in the field of corporation law. He will be the faculty director of the Center on Corporations, Law & Society. Prior to joining Georgia Law, O’Kelley practiced law in Atlanta for five years and then, sequentially, taught law at Tulane University, the University of Alabama and the University of Oregon, with an intervening stint at the University of Virginia. While at Oregon, O’Kelley founded and served as the first director of the Law and Entrepreneurship Center. He completed his years at Oregon by serving as associate dean from 1993 to 1994 and dean from 1994 to 1997. He joins the tenured faculty and will teach Corporate Governance, Business Entities and Corporate Law Appellate Litigation.

**Assistant Professor Dean Spade**

Professor Spade completed his undergraduate studies at Barnard College, where he graduated Phi Beta Kappa and summa cum laude, and was awarded the Jane S. Gould Prize for Best Women’s Studies Senior Thesis. He is a 2001 Order of the Coif graduate of UCLA School of Law, where he was a member of the UCLA Law Review and an Emil J. Stache Public Interest Law Fellow. In 2002, Professor Spade founded the Sylvia Rivera Law Project, an innovative law collective focused on gender, racial, and economic justice. SRLP provides free legal help to low-income people and people of color facing gender identity and/or expression discrimination. SRLP also operates on a collective governance model, prioritizing the governance and leadership of trans, intersex, and gender variant people of color. Professor Spade’s current research interests include the impact of the War on Terror on transgender rights, the bureaucratization of trans identities, and models of non-profit governance in social movements. He joins the tenure-track faculty and will teach Poverty Law in the fall and Administrative Law and Critical Perspective on Transgender Law in the spring.

**Research Professor Jean Stefancic**


Before joining the Pittsburgh faculty, Stefancic spent 10 years at the University of Colorado, where she was affiliated with the Latino/a Research & Policy Center and the Center of the American West. She will team-team U.S. Races and the Justice System in the spring.

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**New Visiting Faculty, 2008-09**

Professor Norman C. Bay, associate Professor of Law at the University of New Mexico School of Law.

Professor Danshera Cords, associate professor of Law at Capital University Law School.

Professor Cynthia Drew, associate professor at the University of Miami School of Law.

Professor Jacqueline Hand, professor of law at the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law.

Professor Richard Kuhns, professor of law at Washington University School of Law.

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Professor Judith P. Lipton, professor of law at Case Western Reserve University School of Law.

Professor Joe Knight, most recently dean of University of Washington School of Law.
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 year.


Professor Janet Ainsworth had two papers accepted for publication by peer-reviewed linguistics journals. Register and Context will publish “Linguistic Features of Police Culture and the Coercive Impact of Police Officer Swearing in Police-Citizen Street Interaction,” and the Journal of Speech, Language, and the Law has accepted “You Have the Right to Remain Silent... But Only If You Ask for It Just So: The Role of Linguistic Ideology in American Police Interrogation Law.” She also spoke at Brooklyn Law School on linguistic ideology in law and its impact on criminal procedure caselaw.

Assistant Professor Tom Antkowiak published “Remedial Approaches to Human Rights Violations: The Inter-American Court of Human Rights and Beyond,” in the Columbia Journal of Transnational Law.


Legal Writing Professor Lorraine Bannai (top) and Associate Director of Legal Writing Anne Enquist presented “Cultural Consciousness: Awareness of the Experiences of ‘Others’ as an Essential Professional Skill” at the 2008 SALT Teaching Conference at the University of California, Berkeley School of Law. Their presentation included video re-enactments with Professors Mark Chinen, John Mitchell, and Janet Dickson appearing as appellate judges.

Professor Marilyn Berger and John Mitchell and Distinguished Practitioner in Residence Ronald Clark (left to right) have completed a second edition of their book, “Trial Advocacy: Planning, Analysis, and Strategy.” The teacher’s manual includes a DVD with a movie of trial demonstrations, a video crime scene tour and trial visuals.

Visiting Professor Bob Boruchowitz was re-appointed to the Washington Minority and Justice Commission. He spoke at the Washington Defender Association CLE on “How Defenders with Too Many Cases Can Raise Ethical Issues with Their Supervisors.” He also wrote a short article called, “Enough is Enough! Defenders Act on Excessive Caseloads”, published in the NLADA Cornerstone magazine, and he moderated a panel on “Case Overload – Ethical and Political Considerations,” at the American Bar Association Summit on Indigent Defense Improvement in Los Angeles. He wrote an article called, “At 45, Gideon Right to Counsel Remains Elusive” in the March issue of the King County Bar Bulletin, and he spoke at a symposium at the State Supreme Court on the anniversary of Gideon v. Wainwright.

Legal Writing Professor Deirdre Bowen wrote, “The Imprisoned Parent: Differential Power in Same-Sex Families Based on Cultural and Legal Understandings of Parentage,” which was accepted for publication by the William and Mary Journal of Women and the Law. Her article, “Calling your Bluff: How Prosecutors and Defense Attorneys Adapt Plea Bargaining Strategies to Increase Formalization” has been accepted by the peer-reviewed journal, Justice Quarterly, one of the top-ranked journals in criminology and criminal justice.
Clinical Professor Lisa Brodoff spoke at a QLaw CLE about how gay and lesbian couples can plan for financing long-term nursing home and in-home care, and how the Medicaid program discriminates against GLBT couples. She also spoke at the law school’s Planning for End of Life CLE about how lawyers can work with clients and their families on planning through Living Wills, Medical Powers of Attorney, Disposition of Remains documents, and by advising them on the Medicare Hospice benefit.

Reference Librarian Tina Ching published “Alaska Initiatives and Referenda” in Legal Reference Services Quarterly. The article was published simultaneously in Exploring Initiative and Referendum Law: Selected State Research Guides, published by the Haworth Press. She also has been appointed to a two-year term on the Access to Electronic Legal Information and Citation Committee, a standing committee of the American Association of Law Libraries. This committee works with court and government agencies in improving access to authentic and official legal information to the public. She and librarian Kerry Fitz-Gerald spoke at the full-day continuing education seminar, “Find it Free and Fast on the Net: Strategies for Legal Research on the Web”, sponsored by the National Business Institute.

Professor Maggie Chon co-authored “Slouching Towards Development in International Intellectual Property,” which was published in the Michigan State Law Review. She also moderated a session on “Exceptions for Preservation and Education Exceptions for Government,” for the Cardozo Law School Conference on Developing International Norms for Limitations to Copyright.

Vice Dean Annette Clark is the 2008-09 James B. McGoldrick, S.J., Fellow. Named for the former president who was known for his generosity of spirit and dedicated service to Seattle University, the fellowship is awarded to a faculty member or administrator who exemplifies commitment to students and to the values of the Jesuit educational tradition.


Distinguished Academic in Residence Thom Fischer conducted a training session for the Washington State Judiciary concerning international child abduction. His most recent article, “An American Looks at the European Union,” was published in both the United States and Europe. As chairman of the Bainbridge Island Planning Commission, he hosted visitors from Turkey, Lebanon, and Burma, as part of the World Affairs Council’s international visitors program. The visitors wanted to learn how local citizenry participates in, and has an impact on, decision-making in small municipal governments. Also, at the request of the State Department and the Seattle World Affairs Council, Professor Fischer hosted a law delegation from South Korea (labor, management and migrant-worker officials).

Reference Librarian Kerry Fitz-Gerald moderated a panel on “Harmonizing United States and Canadian Gun Control Legislation” at the Crossing Borders – Issues and Resolutions conference held at the University of Washington. She wrote a piece in the Spring 2008 WWL State Reporter called “This Blawg’s for You: Using the Right Law Blog.”

Associate Professor Jack Kirkwood was named chairman of the Buyer Power Committee of the American Antitrust Institute. The committee is drafting the chapter on buyer power for the transition report on antitrust enforcement that AAI is preparing for the next administration. His article, “The Fundamental Goal of Antitrust: Protecting Consumers, Not Increasing Efficiency,” co-authored with University of Baltimore School of Law Professor Robert H. Lande, was accepted for publication by the Notre Dame Law Review. His paper, “The Fundamental Goal of Antitrust Law: Protecting Consumers, Not Increasing Efficiency,” was featured in the latest issue of FTC: Watch, the Washington, D.C. newsletter that covers the Federal Trade Commission and antitrust
enforcement. His article, “The Robinson-Patman Act and Consumer Welfare: Has Volvo Reconciled Them?,” was reviewed in Antitrust, the magazine of the Antitrust Section of the American Bar Association.

Legal Writing Professor Connie Krontz was added as a third author, along with Professors Anne Enquist and Laurel Oates, on the second edition of “Just Briefs” published by Aspen Publishers. She also helped write the new chapter on drafting appellate briefs for the federal courts.

Associate Professor Paula Lustbader wrote “You are Not in Kansas Anymore: Orientation Programs Can Help Students Fly Over the Rainbow,” which was published in Washburn Law Journal.

Associate Professor Natasha Martin presented a faculty workshop at the William S. Boyd School of Law at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Her article, “Immunity for Hire: How the Same-Actor Doctrine Sustains Discrimination in the Contemporary Workplace” was published in the latest issue of the Connecticut Law Review.

She also was invited to moderate a panel titled “E-racing the Color Line in Sports” at the AALS Annual Meeting in New York. The papers from the panel will be published in the Virginia Sports & Entertainment Law Journal. She also will serve on this year’s executive committee of the AALS Section on Employment Discrimination Law. She presented a faculty workshop at the University of Cincinnati College of Law and was invited to be a part of their 2007-2008 faculty workshop series.

Professor John Mitchell moderated a panel exploring the moral and ethical arguments on both sides of the assisted suicide debate at Seattle’s Town Hall. Mitchell is the author of the new book, “Understanding Assisted Suicide: Nine Issues to Consider,”

Associate Professor Hank McGee was nominated by the Diversity Committee at his alma mater, DePaul University College of Law, to serve as the inaugural scholar for the “Last Lecture” series. The series is designed to have an established scholar deliver a “last lecture” representing the collective wisdom of one’s body of work. The lecture will take place this fall in Chicago. He also spoke on gentrification in the U.S. Northwest cities at a conference at the University of California, Irvine, sponsored by the UCI sociological society.

Professor from Practice John McKay was a panelist, along with senior Ninth Circuit Judge Stephen Trott, at the Federal Bar Association of Los Angeles on the topic, “Politics & Prosecutors: Maintaining the Independence of Federal Prosecutors.” He presented his Seattle University Law Review article, “Train Wreck at the Justice Department: An Eyewitness Account” to a consortium of student groups at Stanford Law School. He and his brother Mike shared the Charles A. Goldmark Award from the Legal Foundation of Washington in recognition of their exceptional work toward ensuring equal justice.

Douglas Nash, director of the Institute for Indian Estate Planning and Probate, and Deputy Director Cecelia Burke participated in the U.S. Office of Hearings and Appeals National Judicial Training in Albuquerque, N.M.

Legal Writing Director Laurel Oates, along with Legal Writing Professor Mimi Samuel and Visiting Legal Writing Professor Edwin Abuya, sat on the closing plenary for the Global Legal Skills Conference III held at the Facultad Libre de
Derecho de Monterrey in Monterrey, Mexico. The panel was titled “After the Conference: Developing and Maintaining Connections Made at International Conferences.”

Associate Professor Catherine O’Neill’s article, “No Mud Pies: Risk Avoidance as Risk Regulation,” was selected for inclusion in Volume 39 of the Land Use and Environment Law Review. She gave a presentation titled “New Jersey v. EPA: Mercury Regulation in the Bush Administration” at the law school’s Environmental Law Roundup CLE.

Associate Professor Rafael Pardo spoke on a panel on “Transparency and the Selection of Judges” as part of a symposium “Tradeoffs of Candor: Does Transparency Erode Judicial Legitimacy?” at New York University School of Law. He was selected to present “Anatomy of An Adversary Proceeding: An Empirical Study of Undue Hardship Discharge Litigation” at the Houston Higher Education Finance Roundtable and to present “An Empirical Investigation into Appellate Structure and the Perceived Quality of Appellate Review” at the Annual Meeting of the American Law and Economics Association at Columbia Law School. The paper is co-authored with Professor Jonathan Nash and has been accepted for publication in Volume 61 of the Vanderbilt Law Review.

Legal Writing Professor Mimi Samuel had her article “Focus on Batson: Let the Cameras Roll” accepted for publication by the Brooklyn Law Review. Her article has also been selected to be the first recipient of the Bronson Dillehey Award by the American Society of Trial Consultants. She has also been invited to do a magazine version of the article for the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers’ publication. She co-conducted a five-day seminar on clear and effective legal writing at the International Law Institute’s African Centre for Legal Excellence in Kampala, Uganda. The seminar was attended by attorneys in private practice and from government agencies in Tanzania, Uganda, Nigeria, Rwanda and Malawi.

Associate Professor Ron Slye was a panelist at the conference, “Justice Delayed? The Impact of Time on the Trials of Gross Atrocities,” which was the annual Robert L. Bernstein International Human Rights Fellowship Symposium at Yale Law School. He was also a roundtable participant on “Feminism v. Feminism: What is a Feminist Approach to Transnational Criminal Law,” as part of the annual meeting of the American Society of International Law. He gave a talk to law students, faculty, alumni, and administrators at the University of Indonesia on the advantages of clinical legal education and spoke at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association on “Confessions: The Rule of Law and the Rule of Truth.” He also spoke at the opening night of the Seattle Human Rights Film Festival in connection with the film, “New Year Baby,” about Cambodia and a family that survived the Khmer Rouge atrocities.

Dean Kellye Testy was named to the Board of Trustees of The Northwest School, an independent college preparatory school for grades six through 12 on Capitol Hill.

Chiappinelli named dean at Creighton

Longtime professor Eric Chiappinelli has assumed the deanship at Creighton University School of Law in Omaha, Neb.

He thanked Dean Kellye Testy for her leadership and encouragement, and she congratulated him.

“While I am very pleased for him, we will all surely miss having him as our colleague at Seattle University School of Law,” she said. “He is an accomplished corporate scholar and beloved professor; these past two years he has also been very helpful on the administrative side of the law school.”

Chiappinelli joined the faculty in 1985, and most recently was associate dean for alumni and professional relations. He leaves a legacy of great teaching and dedicated institutional service. “His talents will greatly benefit Creighton students and faculty as he takes on this exciting new position,” Testy said.

She said she is pleased that Chiappinelli was selected to lead another Jesuit law school, as it shows that Seattle University School of Law faculty is looked to for leadership in Jesuit education.

“We are extremely fortunate to be able to attract a teacher, scholar and administrator of Dean Chiappinelli’s caliber,” said Patrick Borchers, Creighton’s now former dean and vice president for academic affairs.

Tenure and promotions:

Associate Professors Jack Kirkwood and Christian Halliburton were awarded tenure.

Laurel Oates was promoted to the rank of professor of law. Paul Holland and Russell Powell were promoted to the rank of associate professor of law.
Former Judge Don Horowitz is continually looking for ways to help people connect with Seattle University School of Law and advance his efforts toward equal justice.

He and his wife, Lynda, endowed the law school’s first faculty chair, and he worked with Professor from Practice John McKay to develop a yearlong series to show how lawyers can incorporate public service into their lives.

In one case, it was a cute dog that helped him in his mission. Don and Lynda were traveling from Boston to Seattle with their beloved Yorkie, Queenie, when they noticed Akshat Divatia and his wife, Prachi, waiting to board a flight with their mini Dachshund, Dinho.

The couples ended up sitting next to each other on the plane. Besides their adoration of their small dogs, Horowitz and Divatia discovered they shared a love of soccer – and a passion for the law and the struggle for justice.

Divatia, who had been doing immigration work as a paralegal at a Boston firm for eight years, told Horowitz he was considering law school and had been looking mostly at East Coast and Midwest schools.

“He told me I should just visit Seattle University,” Divatia said.

His wife is from the area, so they took him up on the suggestion. Divatia met with Dean Kellye Testy and others. He was inspired by the spirit of the school and started this summer.
“Don was a large factor in that. Don packs more enthusiasm than a high school pep rally,” Divatia said. “He’s a mentor and a friend. He was involved every step of the way.”

Horowitz is thrilled that Divatia has enrolled.

“I’ve seen a lot of schools that talk a good game, but don’t really deliver,” Horowitz said. “But Seattle University School of Law, with Father Sundborg and Dean Testy and a committed faculty and staff, is really doing it. They understand that to be a school that works effectively for social justice, the values must permeate and actively live in the school, in its operations as well as its teaching, and that academically the school can be no less than excellent.”

The Horowitzes showed their confidence in the law school by making a $2.5 million commitment to fund the Donald and Lynda Horowitz Chair for the Pursuit of Justice to assure that pursuing justice will be an enduring value and ongoing activity at the School of Law.

“This is the highest honor a law school can bestow on a scholar, made possible by two individuals who have dedicated their lives to pursuing and ensuring equal and high quality justice for all,” Dean Kellye Testy said. “Don has been an incredible advocate for the underrepresented, and now he is advocating for our students and faculty with this wonderful gift.”

Don and Lynda Horowitz met through their work with the justice system. Lynda was a psychiatric social worker for clients of Associated Counsel for the Accused. Don has been practicing law and working in the justice system since his graduation from Yale Law School in 1959, when he came to this state for a one-year clerkship for Washing...
ton Supreme Court Justice Harry Ellsworth Foster. He never left, instead becoming an associate with Foster & Foster in Olympia and then a partner in the Seattle firm of Schroeter, Farris, Bangs & Horowitz, later Farris, Bangs & Horowitz.

In 1970, he became the first chief counsel and senior assistant attorney general to the newly formed State Department of Social & Health Services. He served as a King County Superior Court judge and then a partner at Levinson Friedman in Seattle. In 1991, Horowitz decided to focus on his public service interests and became of counsel to his colleague and friend, David Balint.

He and Lynda have talked over time about how best to accomplish their goal of a more just legal system and settled on the chair as a major aspect. They both embrace the law school’s mission of educating outstanding lawyers to be leaders for a just and humane world and appreciate the diversity the law school embraces.

Lynda is not without criticism of the current state of the justice system. She says she has become particularly disillusioned with the high, sometimes exorbitant, fees many lawyers charge, and the lack of access many have to counsel.

“We’ve talked a lot about the practice of law and how to do it better,” she said. “The legal process and justice itself is largely inaccessible to the poor and the vulnerable, and also the middle class. It’s very disturbing. We hope and intend that this contribution will enable both faculty and students to take a meaningful part in changing this terribly unfair condition of our society, among others.”

**Making a Difference**

Don Horowitz spent much of the last year encouraging students and young lawyers to do just that through the program he and McKay organized, “Making A Difference: Using Your Law Degree to Make the World a Better Place No Matter Where You Go in Your Career – and Life.” The series was capped with an unforgettable moment.

In 1963, Horowitz was asked to represent a black man who been sentenced to death in Georgia on essentially non-existent evidence in a murder trial that took less than an hour. The convicted man escaped when someone at the prison left a door open. He made his way to central Washington, where he worked for local farmers and was known for his reliability and honesty. But then he was found and faced extradition back to Georgia and the death penalty. Horowitz and co-counsel Carl Maxey, and the farmers who came to the hearing to stand up for the man, convinced then-Gov. Albert Rosellini not to send him back. Rosellini agreed evidence showed the man was wrongfully convicted and presented no danger.

It was the only extradition Rosellini ever declined as governor.

Forty-five years later, the client – who continued a law-abiding life, working and having six children, six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren – had the chance to thank the governor when Horowitz brought them both to the law school for an emotional meeting.

“I thank you and I’m glad to meet you, and I thank you,” the man told Rosellini, now 98, as he grasped Rosellini’s hand. “Thank you,” he said again. Smiling broadly, Rosellini said that he never forgot that case, or the man. “I knew I did the right thing then, and I know that even better now. I can see he’s a good citizen today as he was then.”

That is one example of both the life-changing work lawyers committed to justice can accomplish, and the ways the law school encourages students down that path.

“Oh, that was quite a night,” Horowitz
In addition to the Donald and Lynda Horowitz Chair, the law school was pleased to announce two professorships in honor of Provost John D. Eshelman (left, top) and former dean Fred Tausend.

“John and Fred have been wonderful friends and advocates for the law school, and I’m thrilled that we can honor each in this way.” Dean Testy said

The recipient of the John D. Eshelman Professorship is Janet Ainsworth, and the recipient of the Fredric Tausend Professorship is Professor David Skover.

An active member of both the law school and university communities who is frequently called upon to chair various committees, Jan is an outstanding teacher. A former public defender, Ainsworth is active in numerous pro bono activities and served as a consultant to the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, from which she received its Outstanding Service Award in recognition of her many contributions.

Skover is a nationally renowned constitutional law scholar and prolific author who recently co-authored “The Trials of Lenny Bruce.” In 2003, Professor Skover and his co-author Ron Collins successfully petitioned Governor Pataki of New York State to posthumously pardon Lenny Bruce. Professor Skover is currently working on a book on the First Amendment jurisprudence of Justice Louis Brandeis.

said. “There were few dry eyes in that large room.”

The series, which included four sessions with guest speakers, was so successful that other law schools have asked Horowitz and McKay to replicate it.

Horowitz first became involved with the law school almost 30 years ago when former Dean Fred Tausend asked him to be adjunct professor. Years later, as chair of the Access to Justice Technology Bill of Rights Committee of the State Access to Justice Board, Horowitz asked SU to host a kickoff conference and he invited McKay to give the keynote. That event laid the foundation for a long relationship with both the law school and McKay, who affectionately refers to Horowitz as his “cousin O’Hagan.”

The Horowitzes have been involved in numerous public service activities, including founding Seattle SCORES, the only after-school program to combine the world’s most popular sport – soccer – with literacy and public service to serve elementary school children in high-risk communities.

With their generous gift to the law school, they hope to inspire a new generation of lawyers to make a difference. The first person to occupy the chair will be Professor Margaret Chon, a prolific scholar and dedicated teacher whose current scholarly interests include technology, law, critical theory and social justice.

“We are very pleased with Maggie,” Lynda said. Don agreed, “She’s the right person.”

Chon said it is a privilege to be named the first recipient of the chair.

“It’s an honor for me to have them both as donors and now as friends,” Chon said. “The chair is hugely significant in making a tradition in our law school as we stand for excellence and reach for justice.”

She hopes the chair will provide her additional latitude to make interventions in the areas of international intellectual property, technology and law and as an advocate for social justice.

Along with their important social justice work, Don and Lynda make a point to enjoy their lives. They are world travelers and they love to laugh as much as they can, especially together.

“We like to do things that make a ripple in the water that will grow and add more ripples over time,” Don Horowitz said. “We hope this chair will make that kind of difference for many people for a long time to come.”
A NOTEWORTHY OCCASION

Gala celebration a night to remember

Photos by Matt Hagen and Steve Shelton

It was, by all accounts, a spectacular celebration.

More than 1,000 alumni, students, faculty and friends of Seattle University School of Law packed Seattle’s Benaroya Hall for the 35th anniversary gala celebration in April. It was an evening for reminiscing, connecting and savoring the success of the law school.

“The gala was a great opportunity to reconnect with classmates, some of the original and current faculty and administration,” said Bob Russell, ’75, a judge with Colorado District Court who came from Denver with his wife, Catharyn Baird ’74. “I met new friends Co-Chair Marlys Palumbo ’82, and Seattle Symphony Maestro Gerard Schwarz. Marlys and her husband, Ralph, were invaluable in helping plan the gala. Other steering committee members were The Honorable Richard and Leslie Jones, Honorary Co-Chairs; Joe and Terri Gaffney, Lon and Pat Howell, Lucy ’77 and Paul Isaki, Laura Newton Kimball ’95 and Bob Kimball, Martha Kongsgaard ’84 and Peter Goldman ’84, John McKay, Sim Osborn ’84 and Monica Hart, Tony ’07 and Mitra Ravani, Stu ’78 and Lee Rolfe, Professor Emeritus Dick and Trish Settle, The Honorable Mary Yu.

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who are forces in their cities, states and in the nation. It was in total a moving and fun experience.”

While looking back at where the law school started, the gala was also about looking forward, building on the strong foundation laid in the first three-plus decades and continually moving toward becoming the premier private law school in terms of academic excellence and education for justice.

“We have changed a lot in 35 years, but our unwavering goal of academic excellence has provided the polestar to navigate our development as one of the nation’s leading law schools,” Dean Kellye Testy said. “Our founders and our early graduates carved a pathway to excellence that we have enthusiastically followed, heightening our aspirations, our reach, and our impact along the way. I am continually grateful for the chance to be a part of this law school and to see the difference it makes.”

The audience was treated to a stirring performance of Aaron Copland’s “Lincoln Portrait,” chosen for its historical importance and perfect fit with the law school’s mission.

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Peter Kram ‘76 and Catherine “Kitty” Gouze ‘75 had a great time seeing each other again. Chris Rideout, associate director of the Legal Writing Program, and his wife, Katherine Koberg, took to the dance floor.

Acclaimed actress and playwright Anna Deavere Smith provided the unforgettable narration to the Seattle Symphony’s moving performance, under the direction of Maestro Gerard Schwarz.

“The presentation by Anna Deavere Smith was very powerful,” said Rich Olin ’86, general counsel for Costco. “The 35th Anniversary Gala was a first-class event that highlighted some of the law school’s many impressive accomplishments. I particularly enjoyed the opportunity to connect with several of my former professors and law school colleagues. It was a great evening.”
The dramatic performance followed Testy’s exciting announcement of the establishment of the law school’s first endowed chair, the Donald and Lynda Horowitz Chair for the Pursuit of Justice, the Fredric C. Tausend Professorship and the John D. Eshelman Professorship. (Read more on page 16.)

Marlys ’82 and Ralph Palumbo, gala co-chairs, were instrumental in the success of the event.

“What a fabulous job you’ve both done,” Testy said. “You have heart-felt thanks from me and the entire law school community.”

Marlys Palumbo was honored to be involved.

“I couldn’t be prouder of my law school, particularly of the momentum we’ve realized and run with in recent years as Seattle University took us under its wings,” Marlys said.

Indeed, SU President Fr. Steve Sundborg said acquiring the law school was one of the university’s best moves.

“This law school is a gem,” he said, “one the university prizes highly as we foster a concern for justice and the competence to promote it.”

Anita Crawford-Willis ’86, hugs Provost John Eshelman, for whom a professorship was named. Seattle University Trustee Ann Wyckoff is seated to the right.

Eva Mitchell, 35th anniversary coordinator, talks with Chuck Granoski ’74 and his daughter, Lucky. Eva retired after more than 20 years with the law school as registrar and Alumni Relations director. In her last year, she organized the gala and October kickoff event at the Museum of Glass in Tacoma.
On Aug. 4, 1994, Professor Jim Bond (uncharacteristically wearing a T-shirt) taught the last class at the University of Puget Sound School of Law. A few weeks later, on Aug. 24, Professors Marilyn Berger and Tom Holdych taught the first classes at what had become Seattle University School of Law. The law school awaited the construction of its new home, Sullivan Hall, on the Seattle University campus. It would be five more years before the school would physically move to Seattle, but its transformation was under way.

Faculty and staff learned about this unusual change of “sponsorship” of the law school at a surprise meeting Nov. 8, 1993. None of us who were there at the time will ever forget the mysterious memo in our faculty mailboxes telling us that there would be a press conference later that day and that instructed us that if we needed “to cancel a class in order to be there, do so.”

There, the faculty was first introduced to Father William Sullivan, president of Seattle University, who welcomed the law school and explained the transfer of affiliation. Neither will any of us ever forget our colleague Doug Branson’s good judgment in leading a standing ovation by the faculty for Father Sullivan and Seattle University that day. The transaction had been a well-kept secret, so the announcement was a shock to faculty, students and alumni. It caused no small controversy in Tacoma and other South-Sound communities. Nonetheless, we knew immediately that it was better to be wanted, better to be bought rather than sold.

Most of the faculty knew little about Seattle University. Some of us knew it was on Capital
Some had heard of Elgin Baylor or the O’Brien twins and the legendary basketball program SU enjoyed in the 1950s. Most of us did not know at the time that we would become the 13th Jesuit law school – joining Georgetown, Boston College, Fordham, and the Loyolas, among others. It is fair to say that many of us were initially concerned with how the Jesuit identity of Seattle University would affect the law school and its programs. As it turned out, any concern was unfounded.

Events moved rapidly from that day, and there was much to do to make the transfer a successful one, not the least of which was to construct a new building in Seattle, hire a new dean, and restore accreditation by the ABA. Don Carmichael, who had become the interim dean just before the transfer was announced, had to figure out how to integrate with a new institution thirty miles to the north and at the same time keep the school in Tacoma running on an even keel. Don Carmichael’s lasting gift to the law school was his calm and unruffled management in a time of great change.

As faculty and staff began to work with their counterparts at Seattle University, it became clear that the problems that would have to be worked out were overshadowed by the opportunities the new affiliation offered. As a major urban university in the Northwest’s largest city, Seattle University wanted the law school to be both physically and functionally a part of the university as soon as possible. As a comprehensive Jesuit university, Seattle University wanted and needed a School of Law in order to make its mission of justice in action come alive.

Not enough can be said about the efforts of President Sullivan and Provost John Eshelman to make the transition a successful one. Anyone who worked with these two during the transition saw the commitment of Seattle University to the success of the law school in its new home. Another key person in the transition was Virgina Parks, who served as the point person for a transition committee, working out all of the many details of the transaction. Seattle University’s commitment was matched by the law school’s: the faculty, administration and staff worked extremely hard to make the new law school a functioning reality. And of course, the flexibility and support of the law school’s students, alumni and friends was vital to the success of the transfer as well.

**Becoming Seattle University**

The first dean of Seattle University School of Law was James E. Bond, who had also been dean of the law school from 1986-93. The law school began the process of reforming itself to fulfill the mission and goals of Seattle University. At the same time, the regular day-to-day business of the law school continued uninterrupted. The first faculty member hired by Seattle University was Henry McGee, a professor at UCLA School of Law. Professor McGee was the first tenured faculty member of color in the law school’s history. Annette Clark ‘89 and Melinda Branscomb were the first faculty members to be granted tenure by Seattle University.

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The law school has become a hub of intellectual activity that draws students who are committed to both academic excellence and justice.

school with Seattle University. There were soon more additions to the faculty: Connie Krontz ’89, Lori Bannai and Mimi Samuel joined the Legal Writing faculty. The school began to experience the first significant wave of generational change, with Professor Beaver’s death and several faculty retiring or taking new positions (including Professors Don Carmichael, John LaFond, Doug Branson, Anita Steele and George Nock).

At the same time, many talented new colleagues joined the faculty, which become more diverse. Professor Margaret Chon became the first tenured woman of color, coming from Syracuse and bringing with her expertise in the areas of race and law and intellectual property. Mark Chinen came from large firm practice in D.C. with experience in international trade, and Ron Slye brought expertise from Yale in public international law with an emphasis on human rights.

Lisa Brodoff joined the clinical faculty after serving as Washington’s Chief Administrative Law Judge. Carmen Gonzalez, with expertise in international environmental law, and Gregory Silverman, an enrolled member of the Mohegan Tribe of Indian of Connecticut and an expert in electronic commerce and intellectual property, joined the faculty and brought increased depth to the Intellectual Property and International Law areas, both of which have grown into key areas of excellence for the law school.

Settling into Sullivan Hall
Moving a law school is no small matter. Not only did the library and all of the faculty’s books and materials have to be moved, but so did 20-plus years of administrative materials and records. The big move happened the week before school started, and many details weren’t yet complete in the new building. In fact, there weren’t even any chairs in the classrooms until two days before students arrived. But faculty and students settled into
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the beautiful new building, and a formal dedication – including the naming of Sullivan Hall in honor of the president who worked so hard to bring a law school to SU, was held in October 1999.

Having built the new harbor and safely navigated the ship into it, Jim Bond decided to step down from his deanship to once again return to teaching. So, the search for a new dean began. The law school found an experienced legal educator and administrator, Rudolph Hasl, who had previously been the dean of both St. Louis University’s School of Law and of St. John’s. Dean Hasl started the important process of connecting the law school to its new city, reaching out to the legal community, encouraging the growth of international programs, and upgrading the law school’s technology systems to a level befitting this tech-savvy region.

The size of the student body increased in Seattle, and with that, so did the size of the faculty. New Professors Catherine O’Neill, Lily Kahng, Christian Halliburton, Natasha Martin, Jack Kirkwood, Bryan Adamson and Joaquin Avila joined the faculty, adding significant diversity and needed subject-matter expertise in the areas of environmental law, tax, criminal law, employment law, antitrust, consumer law and voting rights.

Onward and upward

As the law school settled into Seattle and began to blossom, Seattle University’s aspirations to become a premier university continued to climb under the effective leadership of Father Stephen Sundborg, S.J., Father Sullivan’s suc-
In 2004, the university began the search for the next dean of the law school, seeking a leader who could propel the law school to its next level of excellence. After a national search, the university selected as its first choice one of its own: Professor Kellye Testy. Dean Testy succeeded Rudolph Hasl, becoming the first female dean in Washington state.

A popular teacher and successful scholar at the law school since 1992, Testy had already had a significant impact upon the school’s direction as she assumed the decanal role. In addition to having a part in the law school’s new mission statement and a number of key faculty hires, Dean Testy also founded or co-founded three key programs: The Access to Justice Institute, the Seattle Journal for Social Justice and the Center on Corporations, Law and Society. Dana Gold ’95 was hired to run the new center in 2003, and it has now become nationally recognized for its Directors Training Academy, the premier corporate leadership training program in the Northwest. This fall, corporate governance expert Professor Charles O’Kelley will take over as director.

Since 2005, the School of Law has thrived in Seattle. Its national rankings have climbed, including being ranked as one of the top programs in the country for legal writing and as one of the most diverse law schools in America, and the law school draws faculty from the most distinguished ranks in the country.

Many programs have grown. In the summer of 2005, the law school became the host of the Institute for Indian Estate Planning and Probate, the only program of its kind...
in the country. Through funding from the Indian Land Tenure Foundation, it offers paid summer internship opportunities to second and third-year law students who work under the direction of experienced attorneys to provide will drafting and other estate planning services for tribal communities on reservations in Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana.

The Center for Global Justice combines a justice-based approach to globalization with a commitment to academic excellence. Among the center’s projects are a speakers series, a student fellows program and internship opportunities. Our International and Comparative Law Program, directed by Ron Slye, has grown significantly, offering summer programs in Brazil and South Africa and externship opportunities throughout the world. Faculty members have completed research and taught around the world.

The Access Admission Program/Academic Resource Center, directed by Paula Lustbader ’88 and Professor David Boerner, has continued to make a legal education possible for students with diverse backgrounds who demonstrate their potential for legal study through measures other than the LSAT and GPA. This program has benefited enormously from the generosity of an anonymous donor, who has endowed a scholarship fund or more than $7.5 million to support ARC students.

Student life has grown, with now more 40 student organizations and many co-curricular opportunities. Hardly a week goes without a student-sponsored event, such as a forum on a current legal topic or a get-together with members of the bench and bar dealing with practice areas.

With more than 10,000 alumni who are practicing in every state in law practice, government, public service and business, the School of Law is a strong presence. Dean Testy has raised the external profile of the law school in the region and the nation. She is committed to becoming one of the nation’s premier private law schools, built on the twin pillars of academic excellence and education for justice. This message is one that resonates strongly with the law school’s alumni, friends and the legal community, both regionally and nationally. External support for the school has increased dramatically since 2005, topping a 500 percent increase and permitting the school to offer more scholarships to students and more programs that enhance the quality of its educational mission.

When the law school celebrated its 35th anniversary at the April gala at Benaroya Hall, Dean Testy announced the creation of the first endowed chair, the Donald and Lynda Horowitz Chair for the Pursuit of Justice, and two named professorships, the Fredric Tausend Professorship and John Eshelman Professorship. (Read more on page XX) As the strength of the law school will continue to depend on the quality of its faculty, offering endowed chairs and professorships is critical to the future of the law school.

This past year was one of the most successful ever for the School of Law in faculty hiring. Seven distinguished and diverse professors join the law school this fall. (Read more about them on pages 10-11.)

The past 35 years have taken the law school from Benaroya Business Park to Benaroya Hall. The path that has been traveled is only a projection of the exciting path that is to come. Seattle University School of Law has become a magnet for outstanding students and faculty and serves both the profession and society in many ways. We continue to seek new ways to educate outstanding lawyers who will stand for excellence and reach for justice.

This is the second part of a two part history of the law school. The author has been privileged to be part of all of those stories for the last 35 years. Read Part 1 at http://www.law.seattleu.edu/alumni/lawyer/07winter/roots.pdf.
Justice Charles Johnson ’76 laughs during an informal lunch with students at the law school. He says his work with students is one of the most rewarding parts of his job.

Good decision
Justice Charles Johnson takes pride in work with the law school

As a jurist, Washington State Supreme Court Associate Chief Justice Charles Johnson is objective in hearing cases – but he admits to one area of prejudice.

“Judges are supposed to be impartial, but I am biased in my selection of clerks,” said Johnson ’76, the only graduate of Seattle University School of Law to serve on the state’s highest court.

Only a handful of the 36 clerks he has had over the years came from schools other than Seattle University School of Law. He said he’s so confident in the legal education the students receive and has such respect for the faculty recommending them, that he favors graduates of his alma mater.

Johnson, who has served on the court for 18 years, has long been involved with the law school, teaching a course, serving on alumni boards, attending events, judging Moot Court competitions and even writing a Law Review article. He also has externs from the law school.

“We are so grateful for all Justice Johnson does for the law school and our students,” Dean Kellye Testy said. “He embraces the law school’s mission and is helping our students and graduates gain crucial education and experience.”
“I count working with students as one of the highlights of being on the court. It’s enriching and rewarding to be part of the law school.”

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Program Two Justices Scholarship. He annually contributes to various charitable organizations including the YMCA Partners for Youth Program and the law school Dean’s Club.

In 1997, he received the Award of Distinguished Law Graduate from the Seattle University School of Law, and in 1999, he received the Public Service Award from Seattle University for his continued dedication to law-related and community activities. In March 2002, Justice Johnson was recognized by the American Bar Association’s Council on Racial and Ethnic Justice for his dedicated service and commitment to equal justice.

A second generation lawyer – his father practiced law for more than 60 years in Pierce County – Johnson opened his own law practice in 1977, representing clients in nearly every area of criminal and civil litigation. He and his wife, Dana, live in Gig Harbor.

He knows many consider his an exalted position, and he said he’s grateful for it, but he wants to be approachable and considers himself a “humble servant.”

“You have to stay grounded and balanced,” he said. “When I’m out and not in my official capacity and people ask me what I do, I say I work for the state,” he said.

He said he wants his legacy to be that he worked to help people to better their lives and the judicial process.

“As a legal system, we can’t turn our backs on those less fortunate,” he said. “We can’t exclude anyone.”
Building a legacy

Family connections deepen law school roots

A lot of students and graduates say Seattle University School of Law feels like family to them. For some people, it really does run in the family.

Commencement is one time when family connections really stand out, as alumni who have family members graduating have the chance to take part in the traditional “hooding” during the ceremony. (Faculty members hood other graduates.)

Jim Holman ’76, had the chance to hood his son, Jason, at May Commencement, and see his daughter-in-law, Helen Williams, hooded by her aunt, Martha Kongsgaard, ’84. Jason and Helen met during law school, just as Kongsgaard met her husband Peter Goldman ’84. Holman will have the chance to take part in another ceremony when his daughter, Jessica Holman Main, graduates in 2010.

“I had never been part of that, and to walk up there with and hear his name called and be part of the hooding, it was tremendous,” Holman said. “When Jessica graduates, she’ll have me and Jason and Helen…there won’t be any more room on the stage.”

Holman, who sponsors a yearly ethics seminar at the law school, said his children shared his interest in the law. He said he didn’t really steer them toward Seattle University School of Law, but his love for the law school just rubbed off on them.

“I think I spoke so highly of the law school and Dean Testy and everything the law school stands for that they had no other choice,” he said.

Craig Beetham ’89 has already had the opportunity to hood two of his sons: Scott ’06 and Brett ’08. Beetham, a member of the Law Alumni Board, also welcomed graduates to the alumni community at a speech during the ceremony.

“We look forward to all of your contributions in the future, just as the contributions of alumni contributed to your experience here,” he told them. (Read more about the Beethams at www.law.seattleu.edu/alumni/amicus/200805/beetham.htm)

The law school is a family affair for the Garcia family as well. Carlos Garcia ’08 was one of the two student speakers at May Commencement. He was hooded by his brother, Raul, ’99 and his fiancée Elizabeth Alvarado ’06. The couple met during law school. Carlos plans to return to his Texas home to join his brother in practicing immigration law.

“Getting hooded by my fiancé and my brother is a memory I will never forget.”

—Carlos Garcia ’08

It was special for the others as well.

“It was special for the others as well. “The ceremony reminded me of my days at Seattle University School of Law and the amazing future that both my brother and I will have as a result of our education at SU,” Raul Garcia said.
Building a legacy

Alvarado added: “Participating in the graduation ceremony made the culmination of our law school journey much more meaningful and our future in the legal profession even more exciting.”

The tradition goes back much farther than this year. If you are among the many graduates who have family members that are also alumni of the law school, the Office of Alumni Relations would like to hear from you. Please contact us at lawalumni@seattleu.edu or (206)398-4600 and share your connections.

Here is a complete list of graduates hooded by a family member in 2008:

Brett Beetham
by P. Craig Beetham ’89, father

Daniel Anthony Brown
by Jennifer Johnson Grant ’92, cousin

Amanda Gabrielle Butler
by Christopher Barton Butler ’97, brother in-law

Hagen Jaimes Ganem
by Alison Yasutaki Ganem ’05, sister in-law

Carlos Mocetzuma Garcia
by Elizabeth Alvarado ’06, fiancé, and Raul Garcia ’99, brother

Scott Frederick Goodrich
by Kathryn A. Miller ’92, wife

Jason Holman
by James Holman’76, father

Jane Kathleen Hutchins
by Matt Hutchins ’06, brother

Hil J. Kaman
by Shannon Tillar ’06, fiancé

Kathryn M. Knudsen
by William Knudsen ’74, father

Steven C. Spitz
by Rebecca Rivenbark ’98, wife

Katherine Lee Taylor
by William H. Taylor ’76, father

Helen Ogden Williams
by Martha Kongsgaard ’84, aunt

Law School honors alumnae at annual BLSA reception

More than 100 alumni, students, faculty and members of the legal community gathered at the law school to honor Judge Anita Crawford-Willis ’86 and Karen Murray ’91 for their contributions to youth in the community.

Seattle University School of Law’s Black Law Student Association hosted its annual reception to celebrate and honor the accomplishments of Black alumni in the community. The student organization relishes the opportunity to connect with and honor their mentors for their inspiration as leaders who paved the way and opened doors for law students to follow in their footsteps.

“Tonight we honor two incredible human beings, jewels in the tapestry of our school,” Dean Testy said. “Together, they represent those values we as an institution hold most dear – passion, creativity, leadership, but most of all they are outstanding attorneys who work toward making this world more just and humane.”

Both women are respected members of the legal community in King County. Crawford-Willis is the senior judge for the Office of Administrative Hearings in the Seattle Office. She also supervises the extern program and coordinates the Take Our Daughters to Work Day. In addition she serves as a pro-tem judge for Seattle Municipal Court and King County District Court. Murray has devoted her life to representing indigent defendants as a public defender with the Associated Counsel for the Accused, where she is a Seattle Municipal Court Supervisor.

Both give back outside of work as well. Crawford-Willis’ spirit of public service, coupled with her commitment to inspire young people to pursue their scholastic dreams, makes her a highly sought after mentor. She serves on the university’s Alumni Board of Governors. As a law student, she was an active member of the Black Law Student Association, both at the law school and on the national level. She was active in other organizations, including the Women’s Law Caucus and received a Loren Miller Bar Scholarship.

Murray has always taken an interest in volunteering and serving on committees to advance access to justice for those disenfranchised, or confronted by inequities due to their racial, economic, or cultural background. She has been an outspoken voice as former co-chair of the Drug Policy Project’s Disparate Impact Celebration Committee, co-chair of the King County Bar Association Elder Law Clinic, and member of the King County Bar Foundation’s Future of the Law Institute board of directors. Murray also spends many hours judging mock trials for the annual YMCA Youth & Government Mock Trial Competition, and SU Law’s appellate arguments. Since Hurricane Katrina, Murray has been an active volunteer, journeying several times a year to devastated states – providing much needed legal counsel to residents.
Law Alumni Board:  your alumni governing body

The Law Alumni Board (LAB), includes leading members of the alumni body who have made a commitment to advance the mission of the law school. Established to engage alumni in support of Seattle University School of Law’s mission of educating outstanding lawyers who are leaders for a just and humane world, the LAB advises the alumni office on initiatives and activities designed to strengthen relationships in building an inclusive law school community of alumni, students, faculty, staff and friends.

Members of the Law Alumni Board are leaders dedicated to the advancement of the law school and actively involved in making a difference in the legal field.

"With leadership comes responsibility, and as a relatively early graduate of the law school, I knew I wanted both to help build community appreciation for our excellent school and to make a difference in the legal community,” said LAB member Linda Strout ’79, deputy chief executive officer for the Port of Seattle. “I hope my professional and community service activities over several years in some small way help to honor the legacy of this law school.”

LAB is seeking new members for the next term. The Law Alumni Board, and the Office of Alumni Relations, would like your help in identifying alumni leaders to serve on LAB. The nominations committee looks for alumni who are willing to devote time, imagination and resources to the LAB’s goals. These goals include acting as advisors to the alumni office and the dean; acting as informed advocates for the mission and vision of the School of Law; serving as a liaison between the school and the legal community; taking a leadership role in sponsoring events, fundraising, and supporting the school on public policy issues; recognizing professional achievements of alumni; fostering a sense of responsibility for the law school among its graduates; and serving as mentors to its students and recent graduates.

If you would like to nominate a graduate or yourself, fill out the nomination form included in this issue. LAB members are expected to attend three meetings each year, support the annual fund, represent the alumni community at key events, and to participate on at least one of the standing committees of the LAB.

Reunion program

The Seattle University School of Law Reunion Program is a chance for all graduates to reconnect with each other and faculty, celebrate the success of former classmates, revisit the law school and reminisce about time spent at the law school, while attending special programs and receptions.

Join your reunion committee!

If you are a member of the 10, 20 or 30 year classes, we invite you to join the reunion committee. As a member of the committee you are in the best position to insure the success of your reunion by encouraging your alumni colleagues to attend and support class efforts.

Upcoming Events

Thursday, September 4
Alumni Career Mentoring Session with John Worden ’89, Schiff Hardin LLP, San Francisco

Thursday, September 11
A Presentation by Justice Carlos Moreno of the California State Supreme Court

Tuesday, September 30
Alumni Mentors meet 1L Mentee’s Reception

Monday, October 6
Red Mass

Tuesday, October 28
Reah Whitehead Public Leadership Award Breakfast

Thursday, November 13
Public Interest Law Foundation 15th Anniversary

Thursday, November 20
Alumni Networking Social with Students

The 2008–2009 Law Alumni Board Members

Jason P. Amala ’05
P. Craig Beetham ’89
Interim Chair, Annual Fund Committee
Donald W. Black ’95
Interim Chair, Nominations Committee
Sandra L. Brown ’98
Sang I. Chae ’91
M. Lorena Gonzalez ’05
Interim Chair, Program Committee
Grace J. Han Stanton ’98
Dale L. Kingman ’76
Kalai Lau ’99
Michele G. Radosевич ’94
Sharon A. Sakamoto ’84
Jeffrey M. Sayre ’89
Linda J. Strout ’79

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—Linda Strout ’79
Class of ’08 achieves 43 percent participation rate in giving

More than 43 percent of the graduates of the Class of 2008 made a gift to Seattle University School of Law through the Class Gift campaign – the highest participation rate in history.

The success represents a tremendous effort by the Class Gift Committee and other volunteer campaign leadership. This year’s fundraising efforts were chaired by Adam Jussel, Anu Luthra and Chris Kattenhorn. The full committee of 17 members included many students who held key leadership positions as editors of journals, Student Bar Association officers and the heads of major student groups.

Many who contributed say the campaign strengthened their ties to the school and their resolve to stay involved in the future as alumni.

“Seattle University School of Law offered me the incredible opportunity to receive a legal education,” Jussel said, one of the Class Gift co-chairs. “The class gift seemed like a small way to give back to the law school that had given me a lot. This school has really become part of my identity and will remain that way for the rest of my life.”

The Class Gift at Seattle University School of Law is a fund-raising campaign led by students in their last year of law school. It is a great way for the class to make a real difference in the school and begin a tradition of giving back to the law school.

Key events during the campaign included a class gift kick-off party and a wine and cheese event the last week of finals. Many students “gave” their locker deposit (paid when they first entered law school) as a gift to the school. Committee members utilized e-mail, flyers and in person solicitation to get the word out about the need to give to the Class Gift campaign.

And, for the first time this year, graduates had the opportunity to make gifts in honor and in memory of family and friends and have these names listed in the graduation program. Many graduates utilized this opportunity to thank members of their family and friends who had supported them through their law school journey.

Funds raised through the class gift help support student scholarships, faculty and programs, including the Ronald A. Peterson Law Clinic, the Center for Professional Development, the Law Library, the Academic Resource Center and the Legal Writing Program.

“As we start our transition from law students to lawyers, our responsibilities change,” Hillary Madsen told classmates in support of the campaign. “The Class Gift marks the beginning of our collective role as the protectors and benefactors of Seattle University School of Law. Instead of going to school, receiving the benefits and advantages of the scholastic community here, we now create the benefits and advantages for students here.”

Advancement office welcomes major gifts director

Sue Bean, a seasoned development professional with more than 20 years of experience in fund-raising, was named director of major gifts for the law school.

Bean has worked with Chancellor Charles Mitchell of the Seattle Community Colleges as executive director of advancement, responsible for managing major gifts and a $25.5 million capital campaign for three community colleges and more than 80 educational programs. Before assuming this role, Bean served as executive director of the Seattle Central Community College’s foundation, where she led the school’s first successful $3 million capital campaign.

“I believe in the power of philanthropy to change lives, and I have been committed to working in higher education for the past decade,” Bean said. “I am excited to be at Seattle University School of Law. It is an honor to work in the advancement profession, and I treasure the relationships with donors I have formed over the years.”

Dean Kellye Testy said Bean’s experience will help the law school continue its development efforts.

“Together, we are building an advancement program for the law school and level of private support commensurate with our increasingly national reputation and stature,” Testy said.
1979

Malcolm Lindquist was elected to the American Law Institute, a distinguished group of judges, lawyers and legal scholars who are accomplished professionally and have demonstrated an interest in improving and clarifying the law. Lindquist is a chair of Lane Powell’s Financial Institutions Industry Group, practicing in both the Seattle and Tacoma offices. He concentrates his practice on commercial finance, equipment leasing, mergers, acquisitions and the Uniform Commercial Code and has extensive experience representing parties in bankruptcy proceedings, receiverships and out of court workouts.

1980

Judge Judith R. Eiler has been elected a three-year term on the Board for the American Bar Association’s Judicial Division in the National Conference of Specialized Judges. She represents judges from Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Alaska, Nebraska, Wyoming and Montana.

1982

Kimberly Prochnau was appointed to the King County Superior Court by Governor Gregoire. She has been a court commissioner and a substitute judge for the King County Superior Court since 1994. Additionally, she has been honored with the King County Bar Association’s (KCBA) Elder Law 2007 Section Award and was recognized by the Access to Justice Board in 2002 as a “Champion of Justice.” She also received the KCBA President’s Award in 1995 and was the Professional of the Year in 1991 for the family law section of the Washington State Bar Association.

1984

Kaleen Cottingham was appointed by Governor Gregoire as the director of the Washington Recreation and Conservation Office in Olympia. The office supports the work of five statewide boards dealing with funding for outdoor recreation, salmon recovery, conservation of farmland and important wildlife habitat, biodiversity preservation and eradication of invasive species. In 2007, the office provided more than $200 million for more than 700 environmental and recreation projects statewide.

Casey Nagy published his first novel, “Imagined Glories,” a piece of work that began a decade ago. The novel is set in the contemporary times in Port Townsend, Wash., his native city.

1985

Mark J. Hillman was appointed a family law court commissioner in King County Superior Court. He is assigned to the Norm Maleng Regional Justice Center.

Wayne Fricke was elected president of the Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Association. He is the only private attorney specializing in criminal defense elected to the post in more than a decade.

1986

Joseph D. Schleimer argued and won a case before the United States Supreme Court, Preston v. Ferrer, an artist/manager case. The court ruled 8-1 in favor of his client. He has 20 years experience as an entertainment litigator, including 10 years with his own law firm. He was a senior trial attorney at Lavelly & Singer P.C., the premier entertainment litigation firm in Century City, between 1987 and 1995. While at Lavelly & Singer, Joseph handled or assisted in litigation matters for Sigourney Weaver, Sylvester Stallone, Michael Jackson, Rodney Dangerfield, Sherman (“George Jefferson”) Hemsley and Thomas Haden Church, among others. In 1995, he started his own firm and continued representing prominent artists and small companies in litigation matters, including Walter Matthau, Dick Wolf, ZZ Top, The Spin Doctors, Arnold Preston, and a number of other actors, producers, directors, recording artists, composers, managers and industry executives. In August, 2000, he and Kenneth D. Freundlich founded Schleimer & Freundlich, LLP, in Beverly Hills.

1988

Michael G. Merrill has been practicing as a labor arbitrator since 2004, when he formed his own practice. He worked as an employment law attorney from 1989 to 2002 at Allied Employers, where his specialty was labor arbitration advocacy. He left Allied when his wife was diagnosed with breast cancer, and was a full-time dad to his two young sons after she died. Michael is happy to report that his practice has been growing steadily and still allows him to be a near full-time dad. He remarried in 2006 and lives in Maple Valley, Wash.

Randall Zeiler is executive director of the Labor Relations Association for Allied Employers.

1990

Alan Bunge moved to Tampa, Fla., where he is managing counsel for USAA, a property and casualty insurance company. He is responsible for the legal department and supervises litigation in nine states. He has been employed by USAA since he graduated and has worked in Seattle, Colorado and Florida.

Mary L. Pate has joined Labor and Employment group at the firm Howard & Howard Attorneys in Kalamazoo, Mich. She focuses her practice mainly in the areas of litigation, labor and employment and construction. She has extensive experience litigating cases at both the state and federal court levels. She has represented employers before various agencies including the National Labor Relations Board, the Alaska Human Rights Commission, the Anchorage EEOC, the Federal EEOC and the U.S. Department of Labor.

1992

Charlotte VanDyke retired from the practice of law in 2003 and accepted a position on the leadership team of the Sisters of Providence, Mother Joseph Province. Her term will be completed Dec. 31, 2009, and she hopes to really retire at that time.

1993

Laura King was elected president of the Washington State Administrative Law Judges Association (WALJA) for the 2007-2008 year. She is an administrative law judge in the state Office of Administrative Hearings and works primarily in Kitsap County.

1994

Daniel Russ was appointed chief information officer for the Washington State Military Department. He has served as IT program director/CIO of state agencies as diverse as the Department of Natural Resources, the Department of Social and Health Systems and Western State Hospital, and had been CIO of Pierce College for eight years. In addition, he has served for 11 years as a Washington Air National Guard (ANG) Judge Advocate. As an attorney, he serves as the Washington State Bar Association liaison to the American Bar Association Committee on Legal Assistance for Military Personnel, as Vice-Chair of the State Bar Association’s Section on Legal Assistance to Military Personnel, and as a Washington State Bar Examiner He will continue serving in...
these capacities and as senior legal advisor for the Western Air Defense Sector (NORAD Region) concurrent with his full-time duties as Military Department CIO. He is on the leadership team reporting to Maj. Gen. Tim Lowenberg, an adjunct professor at the law school.

1995

Dana Gold and her husband, Robert Morrison, welcomed daughter Aziza Gold Morrison May 6. Dana is on leave from her job as director of the law school’s Center on Corporations, Law and Society.

1997

Randy Price recently joined ArenaNet, Inc. as its senior vice president of Global Business and Legal Affairs. ArenaNet is an approximately 150-person massive multiplayer online gaming company located in Bellevue. Additionally, he taught his second course on Legal Issues for New Ventures in MBA program in the SU Albers School of Business and Economics.

1998

Sandy Brown and her husband, Matt, welcomed daughter Josie Ann Ley March 20. She joins big brother Mason.

Melanie Curtice was appointed to the executive committee of the Seattle law firm, Stoel Rives LLP. She will serve a two-year term, shaping policy decisions for the 350-attorney firm. She is a member of the Employee Benefits Section of the Business Services Group, concentrating her practice primarily on health and benefit plan matters including ERISA, HIPAA, tax, and compliance issues. Named a “Rising Star” by Washington Law and Politics, Melanie has served on various boards outside the firm.

1999

Melanie de Leon was appointed as executive director for the Executive Ethics Board by Attorney General Rob McKenna. The Executive Ethics Board and its staff investigate ethical complaints of executive state officials and agencies. The board’s authority also extends to interpreting and enforcing the ethics law, imposing sanctions for violations of the ethics law, developing educational materials, providing ethics training and issuing formal advisory opinions. Directly prior to her appointment, Melanie served as a staff attorney with the state Department of Health. Her other past employment experiences include working in the Attorney General’s Office’s Government Compliance and Enforcement and Social and Health Services divisions and serving in the Air Force.

Cynthia Linet lives in Hawaii on the “big island” in a new home she recently built in a rain forest. She has been a teen court judge for the past 12 years and works in private practice. She also has recently been appointed by the circuit court to become an arbitrator for its mandatory non-binding arbitration program. She recently came back from a five-week trip to Europe and is already planning her next.

Paul Franz was named a principal at Fish & Richardson P.C. He will continue to focus his practice in patent prosecution and litigation in the areas of the electrical and mechanical engineering arts.

2000

Jennifer Gellner has accepted the position of the director of the Low Income Taxpayer Clinic and part-time faculty member of Gonzaga University School of Law. Jennifer will continue her private practice and has opened an office in downtown Spokane.

Christopher Marston is a new associate at the Davies Pearson P.C. firm in Tacoma. His practice is focused on construction law, general business, civil litigation, real estate law, contract review and preparation.

Romina A. Rafer & Jason W. Burnett opened their law firm, Rafer & Burnett, P.S., in 2005. Romina practices immigration law, and Jason practices in real estate and commercial litigation. They are also the proud parents of Benjamin, born April 7, 2005, and Avellana, born March 25, 2007 (pictured above).

2001

Kristan L. (Friday) Ruggerello passed the California bar in 2001 and married Ryan P. Ruggerello in 2002. She worked in civil litigation for a year and then became a public defender for Orange County. She gave birth to twins (a boy and a girl) in April 2006, and is currently taking time off from practicing law to stay at home with her twins.

Joan Tierney has been appointed administrative law judge (pro tem), a career goal she sought since starting law school. In order to be able to pursue her new duties, she resigned her position in the law school’s Center for Professional Development, but she will continue to work for the School of Law on special projects.

2002

Eric Walsh Stoll has started his own recruiting firm, Linkletter Walsh LLC, in Seattle.

2004

Jennifer C. Artiss has joined the Lexington, Kentucky, office of Greene-
baum Doll & McDonald PLLC as an associate. She is a member of the firm’s regulatory and administrative practice group and concentrates her practice on environmental law and litigation. Prior to joining Greenebaum, Artiss was an associate at Cozen O’Conner in Seattle.

2005

Staci Moritz lives in Portland, Ore., with her husband, Karl, and three sons, Aidan, 4, Elliot, 2, and Ariel Ethan, born March 20, 2008. Staci hopes to get around to taking the Bar one day after she catches up on her sleep.

Ford Clary has joined Merrill Lynch Trust Company as an assistant vice president and trust officer.

Carla Lee was elected the new governor-at-large representing the Washington State Bar Association’s Young Lawyers Division. Her term runs through September 2009. She is actively involved with several State Bar committees: she is a member of the WSBA Access to Justice Board of Technology Committee, the Amicus Brief Committee, and the Pro Bono and Legal Aid Committee. In addition to her involvement at the WSBA, she is also the co-vice-president of membership for the Washington Women Lawyers State Board; treasurer of the Loren Miller Bar Association; and an at-large board member of Washington Lawyers for the Arts.

Sara Lingafelter was awarded the 2007 Thomas Neville Pro Bono Award by the Washington State Bar Association Young Lawyers Division. The Thomas Neville Pro Bono Award recognizes the Washington young attorney who has generously committed his or her time and efforts to provide legal services for the public good.

Shane Schnitzius lives in Dallas, Texas, where he works for the Ayco Company, L.P., a subsidiary of Goldman Sachs. The company provides comprehensive financial counseling to corporate executives and their families. He and his wife, Autumn, have two daughters, Emma and Lucy.

Morgan Wais works at Goddard Wetheral Wonder, PSC, in Bellevue. His primary area of practice is DUI and misdemeanor criminal defense for retained clients. He will also serve clients in the areas of workers compensation and plaintiff’s personal injury. Morgan previously practiced with the Wenatchee firm of Woods & Brangwin, PLLC.

2006

Melissa Campos Avelar works at the Northwest Immigrant Rights Project in Tacoma.

David Cohen has been promoted and transferred from his former company, Cain, Watters & Associates, to III: I International Maritime Solutions, both in Dallas, Texas. He counsel for the company, primarily practicing international maritime law. The company is dedicated to maritime-related investments, particularly chemical tankers and anchor handling tug supply vessels. The company purchases the vessels and leases them for the benefit of Cain, Watters & Associates’ clients.

Anita Koyier-Mwamba announces the birth of her son, Oteko Battista Abongo Mwamba, born Dec. 18, 2007. He was 9 lbs, 3 ounces and 20 inches long.

Cynthia Jones is practicing in the area of complex commercial litigation at Rafel Law Group in Seattle. Before joining the firm, she clerked for Washington Supreme Court Associate Chief Justice Charles Johnson ’76.

Fé Lopez joined the law school as assistant director for Student Life. The Law School created the position in order to facilitate collaborative work and communication among the deans, staff, and faculty with the students. She is responsible for creating and managing an array of activities, services, and programs that support the development of a supportive and cohesive student atmosphere at the law school.

Stephanie Nichols has joined the staff of the law school as attorney for Native American Projects. She is working with both the Access to Justice Institute and the Institute for Indian Estate Planning and Probate. She also oversees the law school’s Summer in Alaska program.

Scott Parkinson authored an article on Buzzflash.com titled, “Is Exxon-Mobil the Kind of Person You’d Like To Have A Beer With?”

In Memoriam

1975
Alvin D. “Skip” Mayhew Jr.
1989
A. Kennedy MacNair

1997
Castromo Preston died on January 20. A memorial fund has been set up to help his family, which includes two small children.

2007

Brandon Carroll has joined Betts, Patterson & Mines in Seattle as an associate in the firm’s Complex Litigation practice group, concentrating on business law matters with an emphasis in real estate transactions. Betts, Patterson & Mines, P.S. is a multi-faceted law firm with practice areas providing a wide variety of legal services, including business succession planning, business transactions, complex litigation, construction, creditors’ rights and bankruptcy, employment law, estate planning and probate, insurance coverage, product liability, real estate, taxation and transportation and logistics.

Julie Slawson has accepted a position with the international accounting firm KPMG in the Seattle state and local tax practice.
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The docket calendar of events

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September 4
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John Worden ’89, Schiff Hardin LLP, San Francisco

September 5
CLE: Credit Abuse & Predatory Lending

September 11
“Justice for All Seasons”
Justice Carlos Moreno
California State Supreme Court

September 16
James Bond Moot Court Competition

September 19
CLE: The Department of Homeland Security in the Community

September 30
Mentors/1L Mentees Reception
Alumni/Center for Professional Development

October 2–4
LatCrit XIII Conference
Representation and Republican Governance:
Critical Interrogation of Election Systems and the Exercise of the Franchise

October 6
Red Mass

October 9
Speed Networking Event
Alumni/Center for Professional Development

October 16
Presentation by Katherine Franke
Professor of Law and Director,
Gender & Sexuality Law
Columbia Law School

October 17
Public Policy Forum:
Congress v. The President

October 18
Admission Open House

October 23
Presentation by Judith Areen
Paul Regis Dean Professor of Law,
Georgetown University Law Center

October 24
CLE: Genetic Testing and Non-Discrimination:
What the New Federal Legislation means for Employers and Insurers

October 24–25
Thomas Tang Regional Moot Court Competition

October 28
Reah Whitehead Public Leadership Award Breakfast
Rainier Club

November 8
Special Needs Children and Adults: CLE

November 13
Public Interest Law Foundation 15th Anniversary

November 20
Alumni/Student Networking Event
Rainier Club

November 21
Future of the Law Institute

December 20
Commencement
Westin Hotel

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