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Legal training provides a fount of career possibilities, whether you’re starting out, changing jobs or looking back on a life well-spent. You can run a restaurant empire or a medical diagnostic company; helm a movie studio or perform public service at an international tribunal; enter the diplomatic corps or save the environment, in the twilight of your career. All of these options and more are available with a Penn Law degree.

The Dark Side of James Wilson
BY NATALIE WEXLER, L'83
There’s the public story and the, um, backstory. James Wilson, the founder of Penn Law School, is revered as a scholastic figure, judicial eminence and colonial-era icon. Who knew that he was also a scofflaw and a man engaged in a scandalous marriage with a teenage girl whose life came to a sad and unseemly end.

A Shepherd to Troubled Youths
BY JOHN ROSENGREN
Paul Minorini, L'91, is one of the good guys. As president and chief executive officer of Boys Hope Girls Hope, Minorini takes young people from broken homes and turns them into whole people — well-educated and career-oriented. For that, he’s won accolades and something more important: the gratitude of those he helps.

Doug Frenkel Steps Down as Clinic Director
BY LARRY TEITELBAUM
For nearly three decades, Doug Frenkel, W'68, L'72, turned the legal clinic into his personal laboratory — and one of the best clinical programs in the country. He was a pioneer, a mentor to students and a treasured colleague. His leadership will be missed when he steps down at the end of June.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

ONE OF THE WONDERFUL benefits of my job as dean is the opportunity it affords me to meet an incredible array of alumni all over the country and the world. In my travels, I discover time and again the intelligence, curiosity and sense of possibility that characterize the graduates of this law school. They include leaders in every sector of our society. They are also very nice people.

I often say that you can do almost anything with a Penn Law education, which develops critical thinking skills and encourages discursive habits of thought.

And nothing illustrates my point more than the current issue, in which we bring you stories of a most interesting blend of alumni — some just starting out, others in mid-career or beyond, yet others continuing to contribute to the world after “retirement.” You will read about restaurateurs (Jeffrey Chodorow, W'72, L'75) and movie studio executives (Paul Schaeffer, L'71); diplomats (Charlie Heimbold, L'60) and environmentalists (Sam Pryor, L'53); CEOs (David King, L'82) and young lawyers and clerks (Melissa Iachan, L'06, Stephanie Hales, L'07, and Adam Pollock, L'06 — all of whom found something constructive and satisfying (and sometimes unexpected) to do with their lives.

Certainly, Paul Minorini, L'91, has found enormous satisfaction in his career choice. Paul, who is the subject of a separate feature story in this issue, is president and chief executive officer of Boys Hope Girls Hope. In that capacity, he does meaningful work: Against all odds, he takes troubled youth and turns their lives around. Paul’s organization houses and schools several hundred children, many of whom never forget what he did for them. Last year, Paul received an award from a group dedicated to alleviating poverty. It was an affirmation of his vital work.

Finally, I must take the opportunity to offer my own affirmation of Doug Frenkel, W'68, L'72. Doug is stepping down at the end of June after 28 years as director of the Gittis Center for Clinical Legal Studies. I don’t even know where to begin. Doug has been a leader in clinical education, a great colleague, and a mentor to students. He’s built Penn Law’s clinical education program into one of the best in the country. And it’s all due to Doug’s unflagging energy and inexhaustible supply of ideas.

We are sorry to see him go, but he won’t be going too far: Doug will remain on the faculty, devoting his considerable knowledge to advancing the study and practice of mediation. In this issue, colleagues and students pay tribute to Doug. He is among the many reasons that Penn Law is such a great place to work and to study — or to launch an astounding number of fascinating careers.

Mike
Former Israeli Justice Talks of Protecting the State and Preserving Civil Rights

AS ISRAEL BEGAN erecting a concrete wall in the West Bank to prevent suicide bombers from crossing its borders, Justice Aharon Barak responded by drawing legal boundaries around acceptable military actions. His main concern, as then-president of the Supreme Court of Israel, was to ensure that "the struggle against terrorism is not conducted outside the law, but within the law."

During the 50th Annual ROBERTS LECTURE at the National Constitution Center last September, Justice Barak, who retired from the court in 2006, described the tension between protecting the state and preserving the rights of suspected terrorists in a country that is on constant security alert.

To amplify his argument, Justice Barak quoted an oft-cited opinion in Korematsu v. United States, a landmark case in which the U.S. Supreme Court upheld a presidential executive order that forced Japanese Americans into internment camps during World War II.

Indeed, Justice Barak often relied on international law as a guide, for which he received much criticism inside and outside of Israel.

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Aharon Barak, former president of the Supreme Court of Israel, says it is important to maintain civil rights in times of terrorism.
Human Rights, as well as decisions of national courts, should be considered.

During his near-decade as president of the Supreme Court of Israel, Justice Barak dominated the court, earning the nickname the “John Marshall” of Israel. He was known for his “open door” approach, which made it possible for anyone, including suspected terrorists, to petition the court for alleged civil rights violations.

Justice Barak acknowledged that this approach drew criticism from both ends of the political spectrum. Leaders on the right, he said, argued that judicial review undermined security, while those on the left felt that this practice legitimized the actions of government authorities.

Defending his position, Justice Barak asserted that “terrorism does not justify the neglect of accepted legal norms. This is how we distinguish ourselves from the terrorists themselves.”

Barak said Israel’s Supreme Court is unlike most courts because judges operate in real time, often called on to make decisions on unfolding events, such as the building of the security fence separating Israel from the West Bank. Justice Barak said he deemed sections of the fence illegal and halted construction. He ordered a rerouting of the fence because it interfered with the lives of Palestinian residents, and that outweighed security considerations.

Insiders’ View of the Supreme Court

SUPREME COURT WATCHER Laurence Tribe says the high court remains divided, but he considers that disagreement healthy.

Tribe, a nationally known constitutional law expert and Harvard Law professor, said 24, or one third of cases in 2007, were decided by a 5 to 4 vote. This was the highest percentage in 13 years, he added.

“We are better informed by knowing the range of views in question,” said Tribe, noting that there was only one dissent during the 34 years John Marshall led the court. “As long as there are serious differences, why paper them over?”

Tribe joined fellow National Constitution Center visiting scholar Ted Olson for a program at Penn Law in which they assessed the state of the court as it went into session last October.

Tribe and Olson touched on a number of other subjects including term limits and efforts to televise proceedings.

Olson, former U.S. solicitor general, said don’t expect cameras in the courtroom any time soon. Justices “don’t like to be public figures. Each of them thinks their colleagues will be grandstanding, and they also think that the lawyers will be grandstanding.”

Nonetheless, Olson said televising oral arguments would be good for the country. Tribe agreed. “The grandstanding I think is wildly exaggerated as a risk. The desire of the justices not to be seen, it seems to me, should not weigh heavily in the calculus.”

Responding to a question on term limits posed by moderator, Penn Law professor Ted Ruger, Tribe said he agrees in principle but believes there are more urgent issues, such as health care, that have nothing to do with the Supreme Court or the justices. Olson called it an interesting academic discussion but one without merit, given the advantages of experience.

Predictably, someone asked Tribe and Olson to revisit Gore v. Bush, in which each represented opposite sides. Olson, who represented George W. Bush, said the U.S. Supreme Court was concerned that a recount would violate the Equal Protection Clause and not be completed in time to certify a slate of electors.

Even though Tribe represented Al Gore, he said he accepted the results. “It’s better to have a rule of law, even if you have doubts that it is properly carried out, than to have a coup. The importance of stability and continuity in a world as dangerous as ours has to count for something.”
In Aftermath of Plame Case, Pearlstine Reconsiders Rules for Journalists’ Sources

TWO-AND-A-HALF YEARS after he released the notes of a reporter covering the outing of CIA agent Valerie Plame, former Time Inc. editor-in-chief Norman Pearlstine, L’67, explained why he now believes journalists have a responsibility to assess their legal exposure before granting confidentiality or anonymity to sources.

In a lecture at the Law School last November, Pearlstine discussed the lessons he learned from the case and traced the steps that led him to reconsider the orthodoxy that surrounds the protection of journalists’ sources. His talk came on the heels of the release of his book examining the Plame affair, Off the Record: The Press, the Government, and the War over Anonymous Sources.

Pearlstine said he did not take the case seriously until Time Inc. and one of its reporters were cited for contempt by a federal district court. The district court judge relied on Branzburg v. Hayes, a 1972 case in which the Supreme Court concluded that journalists have no First Amendment protection and face the same obligations as any citizen to testify before a grand jury. After the Supreme Court refused to hear Time Inc.’s petition for review of the contempt citation, Pearlstine said he thought the facts of the case required him to turn over the company’s notes. Among other things, he said the existence of e-mails between the source and the reporter made it difficult to keep the notes from the grand jury.

His decision, he said, unleashed a torrent of criticism from the media, including role models such as The Washington Post’s Ben Bradlee and The New York Times’ Abe Rosenthal. But the Plame case, Pearlstine said, made him realize that journalists need to sort out the terms for interviews. Journalists, he said, disagree on the meaning of terms such as background, deep background, not for attribution, off the record, anonymous or confidential.

“Unlike lawyers, we’re not licensed to practice as journalists,” he said. “We make it up as we go along.” Pearlstine continued, “My feeling is that confidentiality is not something that a journalist can unilaterally confer on a source. It’s something that has to be agreed to.”

Pearlstine also thinks that newspapers and other publications need editorial guidelines that establish ground rules for interviewing sources. His book includes a set of guidelines based on the best practices of leading newspapers and broadcasters.

Largely in response to the Branzburg v. Hayes case, more than 30 states have passed shield laws to protect from prosecution journalists who refuse to divulge their sources. Pearlstine said the media would also benefit from a federal shield law.

“As much as I worry about the overuse and the misuse of anonymous and confidential sources, some of our best stories cannot be written without them, and if there is a public interest component to what we do in journalism, we do need to have that protection.”

D’Souza and Burke-White Air Pointed Differences on Iraq and Civil Liberties

WHILE NOT EXACTLY enemy combatants, Penn Law professor William Burke-White and conservative thinker Dinesh D’Souza squared off in a spirited debate last November over national security and the war in Iraq.

In a preview of the presidential election, D’Souza defended the war and Bush Administration anti-terrorism efforts, while
Burke-White argued for more diplomacy and protection of civil liberties, in a forum sponsored by the Federalist Society.

D’Souza, former policy analyst in the Reagan White House, said the “enemy of freedom is not Bush but a certain species of radical Islam.” He said it is shortsighted to base policy on 9/11 alone, insisting that America must press on in its battle to root out terrorists, even if it means engaging Iran, which he contended is pursuing weapons of mass destruction with “more enthusiasm” than Saddam Hussein had.

He went on to call the mission in Iraq noble, and said it could herald other efforts to supplant Arab theocracy and “Islamic tyranny” with democracy. “If it works, then the entire Middle East has a chance” to experience an historic shift, he said.

Burke-White said he agreed that terrorism is a threat to the West, but disagreed that current policy will ensure security or peace. He called for more efforts to win hearts and minds. “My suggestion to you is that bombing radical Islamists does not work,” he said. “When societies get bombed, they don’t turn into democracies. They get angry.”

On national security, D’Souza argued that tough measures to protect the country, such as torture or wiretapping, are needed and do not compromise civil liberties. Offering historical perspective, he said President Lincoln acted unilaterally to suspend habeas corpus during the Civil War because Congress was unable to meet and the executive branch had to take action to preserve the union. Further, he said, Israel employs torture to coerce terrorists to speak, and it works.

Burke-White countered that America cannot promote liberty at home or abroad without setting an example. He said Iraq is not freer today nor is America safer.

Sharswood Fellow Studies Doctors’ Participation in Executions

IT HAS BEEN MORE THAN a century since the Supreme Court has contemplated whether a method of execution is constitutional. While the lethal injection was instituted as a more humane alternative to the electric chair, two Kentucky death-row inmates are charging that as administered, it violates the Eighth Amendment ban on cruel and unusual punishment.

If administered improperly, the three-drug cocktail can lead to a silent, but torturous death. Veterinarians, for instance, refuse to use the cocktail on animals and have replaced it with a single drug injection.

Nadia Sawicki, L’04, M.BE ’04, the first George Sharswood Fellow at Penn Law, has been spending the year examining the intersection of law and medical ethics in preparation for an academic career. In the aftermath of the Kentucky cases, in which the Supreme Court ruled that the state’s lethal injection protocol satisfies the Eighth Amendment, Sawicki is initiating an inquiry into whether states should enact laws that prevent state medical boards from disciplining doctors who participate in executions. Six states have passed such laws to date, and scholars have only touched on them in passing. Sawicki believes the research is necessary to guide state legislatures as they craft policies on medical participation in executions.

In her presentation at the Center for Bioethics in March, Sawicki explained that the provisions are “imperfect and potentially dangerous mechanisms for ensuring constitutionality of capital punishment” because they can lead to an erosion of public trust in the medical profession.

While the majority of the 36 states that use lethal injection permit or require the presence of licensed medical personnel, the American Medical Association has consistently opposed medical involvement in executions. Also, no court has held that the procedure is unconstitutional in the absence of licensed medical providers.

States fear that a shortage of willing medical personnel will effectively “sound the death knell” for the death penalty, said Sawicki. In response, some states enacted safe harbor provisions, which restrict state medical boards from taking action against doctors who participate in executions.
State concerns are overblown, Sawicki pointed out, because in the thirty years that medical providers have been participating in lethal injections, only one state medical board has ever considered taking steps to investigate or discipline a provider.

The provisions are problematic, according to Sawicki, because they are too broad. Not only do they prevent state medical boards from disciplining doctors who participate in executions, but it also prevents them from disciplining misconduct or incompetence during an execution.

Sawicki said there are ways for states to continue to use capital punishment without compromising the medical profession's integrity. States, for example, can require that non-medical executioners are technically qualified to carry out executions or they can modify the lethal injection protocol by moving to another constitutional method.

A Full Slate of Symposia

APALSA

THE SEVENTH ANNUAL Mid-Atlantic Conference of Asian Pacific American Law Students Association Asian-American lawyers featured an examination of the growing influence of East Asia and the complicated legal and economic issues inherent in practicing law in that part of the world.

Panelists discussed the legal and economic landscape of post-reunification Hong Kong plus debated the global enforcement of copyright and trademark laws. Another discussion centered on intellectual property rights related to the 2008 Olympics in Beijing. Penn Law Professor Christopher Yoo participated in a session devoted to working in Asia and becoming a partner.

Jim Chen, dean of the University of Louisville’s Louis D. Brandeis School of Law, and David Lat, founder of Above the Law.com, a gossip blog about the federal judiciary, delivered keynote addresses. The conference was held in February.

The Journal of Business and Employment Law

THE JOURNAL OF Business and Employment Law explored regulating hedge funds during its symposium last February. Subjects included regulatory measures and alternatives to regulation, as well as the business and legal consequences of regulation. Penn Law Professor David Skeel illustrated how hedge funds can influence a company’s bankruptcy proceedings.

The Journal of Constitutional Law

ON ITS 10TH ANNIVERSARY (see sidebar on page 9), The Journal of Constitutional Law took up litigating cruel and unusual punishment under the Eighth Amendment. Prosecutors, professors and prison officials reflected on a range of issues, including the death penalty, the stay on the use of lethal injection, prison conditions, prisoners’ rights, sentencing requirements and litigating under the Prison Litigation Reform Act. Penn Law fellow David Rudovsky and Sarah Hart of the Philadelphia district attorney’s office evaluated the cost and benefits of Bowers v. City of Philadelphia. Rudovsky represented the plaintiffs, who won the case, which challenged overcrowding and other conditions of confinement in the Philadelphia prison system. Rudovsky, who also moderated a panel on cruel and unusual punishment, delivered the keynote address. Penn Law Professor Stephanos Bibas moderated a panel on excessive sentencing. The symposium was held last February.

The Journal of International Law

THE JOURNAL OF International Law symposium assessed the effectiveness of trade sanctions on state behavior. Panels also explored their humanitarian impact. Judge Delissa A. Ridgway, who sits on the U.S. Court of International Trade, delivered the keynote speech. Her topic: the effect of trade sanctions in Cuba. The Institute of Law and Economics co-sponsored the symposium, which was held last February.

Law Review

AT THE LAW REVIEW symposium last fall, a group of distinguished scholars, judges and lawyers discussed the impact of The Class Action Fairness Act of 2005.

CAFA is considered one of the most significant pieces of legislation affecting litigation in the federal and state courts since the Judiciary Act of 1789. The law opened the federal courts to most large class actions, whether brought there originally or by defendants’ removal from state courts.

Participating in the panel discussions were Penn Law professors Stephen Burbank and Tobias Wolff. Burbank put CAFA in historical and social context, while Wolff addressed jurisdictional issues. Burbank also served as a moderator, as did Penn Law professors Geoffrey Hazard and Catherine Struve.

The papers and some of the commentary will be published in Volume 156 of the University of Pennsylvania Law Review.
Sen. Specter Presses His Case Against Wiretapping

WHEN NEWS LEAKED in December 2005 about President Bush's secret approval of warrantless eavesdropping on Americans, U.S. Sen. Arlen Specter (R-PA) was one of the first to question the program's constitutionality.

During the Journal of Constitutional Law's 10th Anniversary Celebration and Symposium, Specter candidly expressed his concerns about the "vast expansion of executive authority" since 9/11. This development has occurred, he said, in the light of ineffective congressional oversight and courts must now step in to curb it. The symposium, "Cruel and Unusual Punishment: Litigating Under the Eighth Amendment" explored the death penalty and its impact on prisoners.

Specter described his repeated attempts to hold the Bush administration accountable for neglecting to fully inform Congress about warrantless wiretapping, which is illegal under the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act. Bush's argument that he had the authority to do so as commander in chief, under Article II of the constitution amounted to a violation of separation of powers, said Specter.

The straight-talking senator then discussed the administration's recent attempt to give the telephone companies retroactive immunity for turning over millions of customer records to the government under the Terrorist Surveillance program. Although the Senate approved retroactive immunity, Specter explained how his defeated amendment would have allowed customers to pursue litigation against the companies, by substituting the U.S. government as the defendant.

Despite attempting to limit the exercise of executive authority in the war on terrorism, Specter acknowledged that the U.S. is embroiled in a "very tough struggle with Al-Qaeda" and discussed his efforts to ensure that resources allocated to fight terrorism are used effectively.

Specter was equally critical of Pakistani President Pervez Musharraf, whom he visited recently. "We haven't got what we paid for," said Specter, describing his efforts to hold Musharraf accountable for the $10 billion in aid given after 9/11 to coordinate anti-terrorism efforts with Afghanistan in the border provinces. Musharraf also flouted the doctrine of separation of powers, Specter commented, when he put his chief justice under house arrest, and replaced half of the court with justices friendly to his administration.

In contrast to Musharraf, ex-prime minister Benazir Bhutto had "phenomenal potential to unite that very troubled country," Specter said, due to her "movie star glamour," her Harvard-Radcliffe education and her "outstanding political family." Bhutto had been scheduled to meet with Specter after a long day of campaigning, but was assassinated shortly before their meeting.
SEC General Counsel Brian Cartwright says during Distinguished Jurist Lecture that it is important for market watchdogs to keep eye on concentration of institutional investors.

SEC General Counsel Assesses Shift in Stock Ownership to Institutional Investors

AFTER SPENDING A DECADE studying the mechanics of the universe as an astrophysicist, Brian Cartwright has turned his telescope to the universe of securities as the new general counsel to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

Last October, Cartwright delivered a timely lecture on the future of securities regulation as the subprime mortgage crisis came to a head and the economy displaced the Iraq War in the national news. THE DISTINGUISHED JURIST LECTURE was sponsored by the Institute of Law and Economics.

The nature of securities has evolved since the 1950s, observed Cartwright. Back then, individual, or “retail,” investors directly owned 90 percent of their stock, as compared to 30 percent today. Retail investors continue to own stock, but indirectly through intermediaries like mutual funds.

Securities have also witnessed the growth of new trading classes such as venture capital, private equity and hedge funds, which exclude retail investors. These dynamic new markets are only open to institutions that can invest a minimum of $100 million.

According to Cartwright, the SEC assumes that unlike retail investors, institutions can devote the time and money to research, which renders government intervention unnecessary, except in the case of fraud. Regulation would prevent these funds from pursuing the risky and innovative investment strategies that yield high returns.

The joint impact of these trends, which Cartwright calls “deretailization,” is that stock ownership is increasingly concentrated in the hands of a few institutional investors. By some estimates, the 100 largest money managers hold 60 percent of all stocks collectively. Some of these, like foreign governments, who own and invest large pools of capital through sovereign wealth funds, may not be motivated by purely economic purposes.
Just as we scrutinize the business practices of companies on the stock market, we will also have to “start worrying about the governance and collaboration of the largest 100 institutional owners who increasingly will influence and control the Dow Jones Wilshire 5000,” said Cartwright.

As a legal advocate for investors, Cartwright believes the “new frontier” for the SEC is to help investors make better decisions about which fund to choose, by applying “the most recent developments in the theory of finance.”

For the future, Cartwright identified a dual challenge for the SEC: it must create avenues for retail investors to access exclusionary markets without exposing them to too much risk, while preserving the markets as intrusion-free zones so that they are free to pursue lucrative investment strategies.

Should Stockholders Vote on Executive Compensation?

IN THE MARCH CHANCERY COURT program, academics addressed whether and to what extent stockholders should vote on executive compensation. The participants debated the impact of stockholders’ vote on the authority of boards of directors, and discussed if such a change would be compatible with traditional corporation law. Speakers were Stephen Bainbridge of the University of California- Los Angeles School of Law and Harvey Goldschmid of Columbia Law School. Leo Strine, L’88, vice chancellor of the Chancery Court of Delaware, and Penn Law Professor Michael Wachter, co-director of the Institute for Law, were moderators.

Paul Levy, L’72, and Charles “Casey” Cogut, L’73, participate in a discussion on hedge funds during a corporate roundable sponsored by the Institute of Law and Economics last December. Levy is founding partner and managing director of JLL Partners, a private equity investment firm in New York. Cogut is global head of the Mergers & Acquisitions Practice Group at Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP, and is the leader of the firm’s worldwide private equity practice.
Penn Law Alum Helps Overturn Pa. Town’s Anti-Immigration Law

WHEN HAZLETON, PA., became the first city in the nation to enact an ordinance curtailing the rights of illegal immigrants, Ilan Rosenberg, GL’02, knew he had to get involved.

Rosenberg, who emigrated from Mexico to the United States seven years ago, said he was motivated to work on the case because he did not think it fair to deny illegal immigrants due process or to treat them like criminals, particularly in a country built on immigration.

As a member of the Cozen O’Connor legal team, Rosenberg helped overturn Hazleton’s law. Last November, he joined three colleagues from the Philadelphia law firm in reviewing the case before a group of students at Penn Law. The firm worked pro bono.

In July 2006, Hazleton passed a law threatening to take the licenses from landlords and employers who failed to fire or evict illegal aliens. The town also sought to require immigrants to speak English. Defending the ordinance, the mayor argued that an influx of undocumented immigrants had led to increased crime, rising tax rates and failing schools.

“We argued that landlords and tenants have property interests that are protected by due process in the 14th amendment,” said Rosenberg.

This and other arguments prevailed. In July 2007, U.S. District Judge James M. Munley ruled that the ordinances conflicted with federal immigration laws and regulations and violated due process. Hazleton filed an appeal, which will be heard by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit in late summer or early fall.

The case drew national media coverage and stirred anti-immigrant fervor — especially since it followed the rancorous congressional debate on immigration policy. More than 100 municipalities adopted ordinances modeled on Hazleton’s.

Although the plaintiffs won the case, the damage had been done: a number of illegal immigrants no longer felt welcome and moved out of town.

Rosenberg devoted more than 500 hours to the case. “My participation in this case has enriched my knowledge, strengthened my client relationships and renewed my sense of professional purpose,” he said.

New Certificate of Study in Middle East and Islamic Studies

PENN LAW, in collaboration with the Department of Near Eastern Languages & Civilizations and the Middle East Center, is now offering a certificate of study in Middle East and Islamic Studies. Students can either focus on the modern Middle East or study the region’s ancient and medieval languages and civilizations. The certificate requires students to take three courses in Middle Eastern/Islamic studies and one law-related course.

A small, but steady stream of students have been pursuing the joint study of law and Middle East and Islamic studies since the early 1980s, which opened up opportunities to practice law in the Middle East, or work with U.S.-based firms that do substantive business in the region. The growing demand for comparative, interdisciplinary study, coupled with the increasing political and economic importance of the...
Middle East, prompted the three Penn institutions to formalize the coursework as a certificate, said assistant professor Joseph Lowry, L'89, G'91, GR'99, HOM'07, faculty advisor for the certificate of study.

Lowry is with the Department of Near Eastern Languages & Civilizations in the School of Arts & Sciences. He has extensive experience practicing law in several Middle Eastern countries, including Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates and Qatar, and teaches a course in Islamic Law.

Penn Law Appoints Eyerly to Lead Communications Effort

MARK EYERLY, a communications executive with broad experience in higher education, has been named associate dean of communications at Penn Law School. He was appointed in February.

In his most recent position, Eyerly was associate vice president at Temple University, where he led university-wide communications about research, teaching, community service and student life to everyone from prospective students and their parents to alumni, faculty and staff, opinion leaders, journalists and the general public. “This was particularly important as Temple transformed itself from a commuter school to a residential campus of growing academic rigor that attracts students from throughout the mid-Atlantic states and even across the country and around the globe,” Eyerly said. He joined Temple in 2003.

Eyerly was drawn to Penn Law for its strong sense of community, which, he said, is “rare in high-quality institutions.” This collegiality and the school’s emphasis on interdisciplinary study are “part of the DNA of this law school,” said Eyerly, who plans to use these distinctions to increase Penn’s visibility and reputation in the legal community and beyond. Over the last five years, law faculty have been increasingly quoted by the news media as experts in emerging news stories and Eyerly plans to build on this momentum by positioning Penn as a resource in broader stories about the law and legal education. “I would like to see Penn Law recognized as a leader in legal pedagogy,” said Eyerly.

To this end, Eyerly will be conducting research and consulting with a variety of groups including current and prospective students, faculty and staff, lawyers, judges and academics to determine the best way to reach these multiple audiences.

Along with a background in journalism and higher education, Eyerly brings to the position experience in the nonprofit and private sectors. He spent four years as a newspaper reporter before joining Cornell University, where he served as senior staff writer and as assistant director and managing editor of the News Service. He then served as assistant vice president and vice president at PNC Financial Services, where he proposed and executed public relations strategies for the CEO, other top executives, and lines of business.

In 1999, the William Penn Foundation created the position of director of communications and public affairs for Eyerly. Two years later, the Foundation named Eyerly chief of staff. During his tenure, he managed a strategic planning process, developed new Web sites, and wrote speeches and essays about the Foundation’s work.

Eyerly received his bachelor of arts in journalism summa cum laude from Temple and his master of science in organizational dynamics from Penn.

Professor Suzanne Last Stone delivers the Gruss Lectures last September. The title of her lectures was “Between Revenge and Reconciliation: Rabbinic Views on Historical Justice.” Stone is professor of law at Cardozo School of Law and director of Yeshiva University’s Center for Jewish Law and Contemporary Civilization.
A Rising Star, Finkelstein Assumes Leadership of Toll Public Interest Center

ARLENE RIVERA FINKELSTEIN, who built the public interest education program at Widener University School of Law, has been named the assistant dean and executive director of the Toll Public Interest Center. She assumed the job in February.

Described as a rising star in the field of law school public interest programming, Finkelstein was the first director of the Public Interest Resource Center at the Widener University School of Law, where she earned a reputation as deeply committed to students’ development and growth as public interest and pro bono attorneys. She also received high marks for her work teaching legal methods and public interest lawyering courses.

A dedicated public servant with a deep commitment to serving the poor, Finkelstein came to academia after seven years in public interest law, both at the Defender Association in Philadelphia and in private practice. She is an active member of the American Bar Association’s Government and Public Sector Lawyers Division and of the American Association of Law Schools’ Section on Pro Bono & Public Service Opportunities.

In making the appointment, Penn Law Dean Michael A. Fitts said: “Her commitment, energy, innovative approach, and dedication to student development make her exactly the right person to advance our public interest program at this moment in time. We look forward to Arlene’s leadership as we build upon the strong foundation of our award-winning Pro Bono program, the Toll Scholars program, our PILRAP efforts, and our wide-ranging public interest programming.”

Rubenstein received her B.S. from Cornell University and her law degree from Temple University. She is a member of the boards of Friends of Farmworkers, Delaware Valley Legal Services, Inc., Community Legal Services, and Philadelphia Volunteers for the Indigent.

Sparer Symposium
Innovative Banker Gives Poor People a Hand Up to Rebuild Inner Cities

IN THE EARLY 1970S, Mary Houghton and her team of bankers proposed an audacious plan for a start-up bank: it would provide capital to low-income minorities in South Side Chicago who had been denied loans by other banks. These
budding entrepreneurs would use the money to renovate rental housing.

The concept proved successful for the bank, which has invested nearly $3 billion in these projects, and for the people of South Side Chicago whose neighborhood gained 52,000 affordable housing units.

Where other banks saw deteriorating markets, ShoreBank saw an opportunity to advance an “anti-poverty and race relations strategy,” said Houghton during her keynote address at the Sparer Symposium in March. Participants in the symposium examined the issue of urban revitalization.

Houghton, president of ShoreBank, said her bank found a “fabulous niche.” Shorebank financed loans to South-Siders who had “talent and right-sized” projects, Houghton explained, which turned out to be “very profitable for average people,” and created a stock of affordable rental units.

ShoreBank's approach influenced policy-makers on Capitol Hill. Ron Grzywinski, founder of ShoreBank, was the only banker to testify in favor of the Community Reinvestment Act (CRA), which banned redlining in 1977, and made the United States the only country in the world to mandate fair lending practices. As a result, $4 trillion has flowed into low-income communities.

The CRA and the international micro-finance movement have shown that “poor people do pay back their loans,” spurring activists from around the world to approach her for advice on implementing similar measures in their own countries, said Houghton. For example, she said, she advised the founder of Grameen Bank, which initiated the micro-credit movement in South Asia by extending credit to the poor in rural Bangladesh without requiring collateral.

Today, ShoreBank is embracing another set of “untouchables”— homeowners who face exploding adjustable-rate mortgages. The bank plans to locate the 10,000 people with ARMs in its service areas and persuade them to convert to fixed-rate loans. So far, the bank has converted 100 loans worth $15 million.

Although ShoreBank has effected transformation from Chicago to Calcutta, Houghton identified several areas in need of innovation. In the immediate future, she warned, cities will need well-managed institutions to deal with foreclosed properties, or “vast blocks in many cities will be rotten places to live.”

Student makes bid during auction for Equal Justice Foundation.

**EJF Tops $60,000 in Fund-Raiser**

THE EQUAL JUSTICE FOUNDATION (EJF) raised more than $61,000 in its auction last February, on the strength of an eclectic offering of items, from a murder mystery dinner evening with Professor Stephanos Bibas to private tours of art collections at the Whitney museum and beer and pizza with professors Seth Kreimer and David Rudovsky. The money will be used to support students pursuing public interest summer programs, as well as subsidize bar exam fees for 3L students taking public interest jobs. Per custom, Robert Toll, L'66, served as auctioneer. In addition to the auction, the EJF organizes book sales, the Tortfeasers’ Ball and Poker Night to help support public interest students.
Whether you’re starting out, in mid-career, or in retirement, alumni can look back at Penn Law as a catalyst for a rewarding career and productive life. It is the yeast for achievement, in what is a journey of continuing education and self-discovery.
Young Guns

Melissa Iachan, L'06,
Stephanie Hales, L'07,
and Adam Pollock, L'06,
took different paths after graduation.
Iachan joined a big law firm,
Hales opted for a clerkship,
Pollock entered public service.

Stephanie and her co-clerks conquered the tax law situation, and have since worked on civil and criminal cases on all sides of the legal spectrum, including rulings on immigration, gender and disability discrimination, drug prosecutions, and search and seizure law, to name a few. For Stephanie, clerk to the Honorable Diane P. Wood, one of the most interesting cases in which the judge has participated this year involves a controversial policy prohibiting federal death row inmates from having face-to-face interviews with the media. The 7th Circuit ruled on January 15 that death row inmate David Paul Hammer will be able to move forward in his challenge to the eight-year-old policy prohibiting reporters from personally interviewing inmates sentenced to the execution unit.

Many believe that the policy — instituted after the nationally broadcast interview with Oklahoma City bomber Timothy McVeigh on CBS's "60 Minutes" in March 2000 — arose from a desire to limit prisoners' speech in public venues. U.S. Sen. Byron Dorgan (D-ND) reportedly wrote to federal prison officials criticizing them for permitting the McVeigh interview and demanding the prohibition of similar interviews with other death row inmates, according to the court opinion. Shortly thereafter, prison officials denied Hammer's and others' requests for media interviews, and on April 12, 2001, then-U.S. Attorney General

Taxing? Not at All. Hales Finds Lively and Interesting Clerkship Just Her Speed

BY MAURA D'FELIPPO

“Oh lovely,” thought Stephanie Hales, L'07. It was August 2007 and she and her co-clerks had just received the docket for their first session of oral arguments as judicial clerks for the 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Chicago. And what was the first case listed? A tax law case. Stephanie had never taken tax law at Penn, and now, after earning a prestigious clerkship coveted by lawyers across the country, she had been asked to assist her judge in forming an opinion on the subject. “Oh lovely” aren’t the first two words that would come to the minds of most.

Despite her lack of tax law classroom experience, Stephanie, fresh out of law school, felt confident in her ability to help tackle the issue for the court. In fact, she believes her law school education challenged and prepared her to deal with exactly this sort of situation. “I was taught how to think about these problems, how to approach them,” she says. “Every class you take helps you confront a new legal problem...teaches you how to start from the ground up and build your own analysis.”
John Ashcroft announced a blanket policy prohibiting death row inmates from conducting personal interviews with the media, according to the court opinion. In announcing this policy, Ashcroft explained that it was designed to prevent murderers from, in his view, altering our culture by glamorizing violence.

Stephanie found the issues in this case fascinating. “There are so many cases that don’t involve those big 1L questions that have to do with freedom of speech and human rights and constitutional law. And this one did,” she says.

Nearing the end of her year-long clerkship, Stephanie still marvels at the many rewards of her job, including the rare opportunity to observe the legal process not from the side of the lawyer, but from the side of the decider. Working everyday in the chambers of the Honorable Diane P. Wood has been what Stephanie describes as “one of the most rewarding experiences of my life.” She would recommend clerking to anyone and explains that “even though it can be pretty hectic sometimes, it’s still manageable.”

Stephanie’s schedule has always been hectic when you consider she graduated from Penn cum laude in 2007 with not one but two graduate degrees. Taking advantage of the University’s cross-disciplinary approach to education and the unrivaled strength of Penn Law’s interdisciplinary programs, Stephanie concurrently earned her JD from the Law School and her Master of Biomedical Ethics from the School of Medicine. “It was a really nice way to complement my legal education,” she says.

Stephanie’s interest in healthcare can be traced to her undergraduate days at Washington University in St. Louis. While earning a bachelor’s degree in English literature, she volunteered and interned for many health and wellness organizations, including the St. Louis Chapter of the American Red Cross, Life Crisis Services (a 24-hour national suicide hotline) and the school’s Office of Health Promotion & Wellness. Later, she worked for the Indiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence and the Custody and Support Assistance Clinic in Philadelphia.

After the completion of her judicial clerkship this August, Stephanie will have the opportunity to integrate her legal and medical ethics training. In the fall, she plans to move to Washington, D.C., to join the regulatory healthcare group of a large international law firm. She looks forward to refocusing her efforts on healthcare policy issues, the largest of which she believes is the lack of health insurance for 45-47 million people in the U.S.

Until then, Stephanie looks forward to continuing her work with the U.S. Court of Appeals. “There are so many amazing legal minds on the 7th Circuit...it’s so fun to see them working together,” she says.

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Melissa Iachan, L’06, could not be happier as an associate in Linklaters’ New York office.

**A Primary Choice**

Iachan Puts Aside Interest in Politics to Focus on Legal Career

BY LARRY TUITELBAUM

Melissa Iachan, L’06, faced a moment of truth in her career last fall. The political activist turned corporate lawyer received a phone call from a John Edwards operative, who wanted to know if she could take a leave of absence from her law firm to join the campaign’s press advance team. Talk about a tough decision. While in college, she had worked on several political campaigns, including Al Gore’s presidential bid. Should she pack up and run off to join the political caravan to work for a candidate she really believed in, or finish the job she started as a member of the defense team in an antitrust investigation? Iachan spent the night of the New Hampshire primary on assignment in Europe.

“Four or five years ago, it would have been a no-brainer,” Iachan proclaims during an interview in a conference room at Linklaters’ New York office. “But I realized that I’m so happy doing what I’m doing that I didn’t want to lose my position in this big case that I’ve worked really hard to earn and secure... And I basically said, ‘If I were not so happy right now, I would take that in a heartbeat.’ "

Iachan voted for Linklaters because it is an ideal fit for her. The London-based law firm offers international reach, with 30 offices in 23 countries. Yet the firm runs a small operation in New York, where there are only 145 attorneys, of which 30 are partners. There is also a decidedly humane tone to the place, perhaps reflecting its European roots. This means Iachan enjoys occasional breaks (read: reasonable hours) from the day and night treadmill that many of her friends are on as young associates at other Manhattan law firms. In short, Iachan has found a place which offers plenty of opportunities to travel and to consult with senior partners in a 40-person litigation group.

“It’s pretty cool the way that we do get that access to partners and kind of hands-on responsibility and traveling and more than just simply looking at documents or answering research questions and writing memos,” says Iachan. “We’re even given a little client contact.”

In other words, Iachan is entrusted with meatier work than is typical for first- or second-year associates. That, along with the firm’s reputation for training and mentoring young lawyers, is why she cast her lot with Linklaters.

Iachan was a summer associate before joining the firm in September 2006. She spent several months working on bankruptcy and banking cases before moving to litigation. On her first day, she walked into her new office, only to find that the firm was sending her to London for five weeks to work on a case involving a multinational company accused of improperly securing contracts.

It was a great baptism, thrusting Iachan into the heart of criminal defense work. She can’t share the specifics of the case, but Iachan does appreciate the experience she’s gained this past year. She’s attended meetings with high-ranking officials in the Antitrust Division of the U.S. Department of Justice, prepared witnesses for interviews with the government, and observed court proceedings. In the process, she’s come to love the criminal defense side of litigation, everything from the assiduous gath-
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erding of facts to earning the trust of witnesses to researching precedents in the service of plea agreements.

She also retains a fondness for Penn Law School, where she made many friends and learned to think like a lawyer. Iachan says she misses the sense of community, as well as the professors and stimulating classes, at the Law School. But she says she’s found a reasonable facsimile in the small and congenial environment at Linklaters. “I know everyone here,” she says.

But she admits the resemblance ends there. As difficult as law school was at times, as fried as she felt during exams and in keeping up with the demanding reading, she could, after all, make her own schedule after the first year, rarely taking classes before noon. The world of work offers no such freedom—and despite the relatively normalcy of her hours, there are periods when she has to work every day of the week (yes, weekends, too) until 10 or 11 p.m. “I never knew I could be so tired,” says Iachan, dressed for success in her tailored blue pantsuit. “I couldn’t even talk on the phone (after work), I was just so beat. But then after a little bit, you get used to it.”

Iachan is also getting used to the extensive travel. In January, she left for a quick hop to Paris and Berlin, where she prepared witnesses for examination and met with officials from the Department of Justice, as the Edwards’ campaign went on without her—though she did receive hourly e-mail updates on the results of the New Hampshire primary.

“I never thought,” says Iachan, “that I would end up in a private practice, in a corporate law firm, that it would be one of the biggest law firms in the world, and that I’d be so freaking happy that I would turn down a political position.”

### Big Test for Young Alumnus

Pollock Ventures into Heart of Darkness with First Assignment at ICC

**By David A. Love, L’03**

Imagine yourself as a young lawyer recently out of law school, the ink barely dry on your diploma, suddenly thrust into the uncharted world of an international criminal tribunal.

And you are representing the first person to stand trial before the tribunal.

You have placed yourself in the shoes of Adam L. Pollock, L’06, who is pursuing a unique and challenging career in the emerging field of international criminal justice.

In September 2007, after completing a federal clerkship with the Hon. Gabriel W. Gorenstein in the Southern District of New York, Pollock reported to work at the International Criminal Court (ICC) at The Hague in the Netherlands.

Pollock is an intern on the defense team of Thomas Lubanga Dyilo, the founder and leader of the Union of Congolese Patriots (UPC), a group in the northeastern, resource-rich Ituri region of the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Lubanga, the first person to stand trial before the ICC, was charged with enlisting and conscripting hundreds of children to fight in the armed wing of his political party, which has been engaged in tribal conflicts in the eastern part of the country.

Pollock, who is interested in pursuing international criminal law, first applied to the Special Court for Sierra Leone. He received a response from the defense team of Charles Taylor, the former president of Liberia who is being tried at The Hague. Unexpectedly, Taylor fired his defense counsel, leaving Pollock to seek another team with which to work. Lubanga had recently changed lawyers, and Pollock was able to join his newly formed defense team.

For Pollock, his experiences as a student at Penn Law formed his career choice. “I think that law school got me interested in criminal law, especially under professors Morse and Robinson,” Pollock says. “And with Professor Burke-White, I became interested in international law.”

In addition, Pollock was a Levy Scholar while at the Law School, an opportunity from which he has benefited a great deal. “Being a Levy Scholar and being at Penn gave me the sense that opportunities are available to me. There were no doors that were not open, which is really a liberating feeling,” he says. According to Pollock, one of the most rewarding aspects of the Levy Scholars program was his ability to have close contact with a
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Adam Pollock, L'06, fulfilling his dream and gaining experience in challenging work at the International Criminal Court.

faculty member. In addition, the financial assistance that comes with being a Levy Scholar allowed Pollock to pursue opportunities such as the ICC.

Founded in 2002, the ICC is an independent permanent court that was established to prosecute genocide, crimes against humanity and war crimes. Being a part of a small defense team of seven, including two in Paris — the prosecutor’s office has a staff of 300 people — provides a young lawyer such as Pollock with a unique opportunity to contribute and to learn. “We do have this small team, and I get to see the whole picture,” says Pollock. “I think it is challenging to work on the defense of an alleged warlord.”

Nothing in law school could have prepared Pollock for the rigors of being on a defense team in the ICC. “I think it’s a big transition from clerking to practice,” says Pollock. “I think that that transition is particularly hard here in Europe where roles seem to be very title driven and my title happens to be ‘intern’. Obviously, as an attorney, I can and do perform at a much higher level than that, but I still feel a struggle against the confines of the title.”

And while the practice of law by itself can pose great challenges, these challenges often are compounded in an international setting. While the rest of the defense team consists of native French speakers, the court and the prosecution operate in the English language. This requires Pollock, who speaks French as a second language, to conduct bilingual legal research and writing, and to maneuver the law in a language that is not his native tongue. Daily headaches range from dealing with bilingual transcripts, the back-and-forth volleys between defense and prosecution via headphones, and ensuring the defense has adequate computer resources, to more weighty issues such as the scope of victim participation in the trial.

For Pollock, The Hague is an exciting and stimulating city. With many international courts located in one place — including the ICC, the International Court of Justice, the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, and the Permanent Court of Arbitration — this third largest city in the Netherlands is the consummate city of international law.

Living in The Hague, and influenced by his Law School experiences, Pollock has a sense of purpose about his work at the ICC. “I believe in international criminal justice,” he said. “And if you are going to have a fair and just trial, then you need a strong defense.”

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Career Changers

Don’t think a law degree is a ticket to an unforeseen, exciting career? Tell that to Jeff Chodorow, W’72, L’75, David King, L’82, Libby Liu, L93, WG’93, and Paul Schaeffer, L’71.

Emperor of China Grill

Chodorow Runs Hip Eateries with Fun on the Menu

By Belinda Hulin

Maybe it was the salty, sultry Miami Beach nights. Maybe it was the bustling dining rooms, the delicious aromas wafting past the tables, the sounds of Italian, Cuban and American voices in the kitchens. Or maybe it was just the indulgence of tucking into a perfect bowl of linguine with white clam sauce.

Whatever the sensory trigger, Jeffrey Chodorow, W’72, L’75, can trace his passion for food and for the joys of restaurant dining to his colorful, quirky childhood in South Florida. The Bronx-born restaurant mogul moved to Miami Beach with his mother as an infant, just after his father died.

“My mother and my aunt worked as manicurists in a Cuban barbershop,” he says. “It was a lively place, with people coming and going, a mix of cultures. My mother met a lot of people and she dated a lot. And when she couldn’t afford a babysitter, she brought me with her. These guys would take her to really nice restaurants, so at age five, I’m eating baked clams oregano.

There was this one really good Italian restaurant owned by a member of the Bruno crime family. I think that’s where I was
introduced to linguine with white clam sauce. That's my favorite dish to this day.”

Still, the road from gourmet to the owner of China Grill Management, a $250-million Miami-based international restaurant empire, was anything but direct. Initially, Eagle Scout Chodorow emolled in the Wharton School at the suggestion of a revered scoutmaster. After spending his junior year abroad, he decided on law school and supported himself through Penn Law by teaching accounting at Wharton. “At the time, you weren’t allowed to work during your first year in law school,” he says. “When I told them I couldn’t attend without the tuition assistance from teaching, the powers at Penn Law allowed me to continue teaching, but insisted they would make no accommodation to my schedule.”

Chodorow made it through Penn Law, then spent three years in practice at the Philadelphia firm of Blank Rome LLP before leaving to make his first million in commercial real estate development. He met his wife Linda, a former model and Philadelphia native, during that time and to feed his foodie soul, he gave dinner parties. “I’d spend three days preparing a meal and the kitchen would look like an earthquake hit it,” he laughs.

These days, his home kitchen is safe. Chodorow is more likely to be traveling the world scouting restaurant concepts, menu ideas and new locations. Whenever possible, he takes Linda and sons Zach, 22, and Max, 19, along for the fun, which might include sampling raw chicken in Japan or dining on freshly shaved white truffles in New York. In between, his days in the office might be punctuated by calls from hospitality guru Ian Schrager or star chef Alain Ducasse, or by purchasing agents checking on the exact weight specifications for a steak on the menu. “I know it sounds like I micromanage — I really don’t. At least I try not to,” he insists.

Chodorow’s restaurant career began with a serendipitous encounter on an airplane. A former maitre d’ at Wolfgang Puck’s restaurant Chinois sat next to Chodorow on a flight from L.A. to New York. Their conversation, plus a few hundred ironed-out details, led to Chodorow opening China Grill on 53rd Street in New York. The Asian fusion bistro was an instant hotspot. Twenty years later, nicely-heeled diners still crowd the place, supping on wasabi-laced mashed potatoes, lobster pancakes and panko-crusted veal chops.

Today, there are China Grill locations in six U.S. cities, with a few more planned. It’s the flagship of Chodorow’s 30-plus restaurant company, but far from the only concept. Notable venues such as Asia de Cuba, Kobe Club, Red Square, Suka, Tuscan Steak and Hudson Cafeteria are all part of the mix. With the exception of a few hotel nosh counters, all China Grill Management establishments are high-end, hip, theme-driven restaurants.

“There used to be a perception that a good restaurant had to be a serious restaurant,” says Chodorow. “And that a fun restaurant couldn’t be a great restaurant. My goal was to prove that wrong. Dining out is not just about the food. It’s about the ambiance, the décor, the service. Food is at the core, but the other things are important as well.”

Though Chodorow loves the nuances of food preparation and menu planning, his skills as a restaurateur mostly are focused on the business side of the ledger. In 2003-2004, viewers of NBC’s reality TV show The Restaurant got a sample of Chodorow’s no-nonsense management style while watching him battle high-octane New York chef Rocco DiSpirito. The saga, which followed the rise and fall of a new Italian restaurant named Rocco’s, ended with moneyman Chodorow getting a court order barring DiSpirito from the premises. “The problems were even worse than you saw on TV,” says Chodorow. “I’ll just say it was a wasted opportunity.”

Before leaving Miami to check on his coming attractions in the Dominican Republic, Atlanta and Denver, Chodorow acknowledged that he’s a long way from his early years as a Philadelphia lawyer. “The legal background I acquired at Penn Law has served me well,” he says. “I use it every day. It allows me

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Chief Temperature-Taker
As Head of LabCorp, King Learns to Run the Numbers and Make Tough Calls

By LARRY TEITELBAUM

As CEO of LabCorp, one of the world’s largest clinical laboratories, David King, L’82, is in a good position to diagnose the ills of our health care system. The way he sees it, doctors spend too much time on episodic care rather than long-term outcomes, as if EMTs waiting for an accident to happen.

“What’s wrong with healthcare is we don’t treat people with chronic disease as a patient,” observes King. “We treat them as, today they’re in because their blood sugar’s high; tomorrow they’re in because their HDL is high. We don’t have a system in which we reward care that leads to improvement in the patient’s condition. We have a system in which we reward performance of procedures.”

In some respects, King is head diagnostician at LabCorp, which is a public company listed on the New York Stock Exchange. He takes the company's temperature and reports the results to shareholders and board members. He hits the road nearly every week to meet with customers and attend investor conferences. Inevitably, he finds himself pushed by the same short-term pressures as physicians.

“The mentality of the investment community tends to be extremely short term,” King says. “Most investors are interested in this quarter and maybe the next quarter. And what I need to think about as CEO is, what should we be looking at three years down the road, five years down the road?”

King was appointed president and chief executive officer of LabCorp in January 2007. He leads a $4 billion company with 26,000 employees and 1,700 testing centers nationwide. The North Carolina company performs more than 370,000 tests per day.

He joined LabCorp after spending most of his career as an attorney. In his last position, he was a partner with the Baltimore firm of Hogan & Hartson, where he principally handled regulatory and compliance issues for health care providers including LabCorp. He started as general counsel at LabCorp, a period in which he also co-chaired the strategic planning committee. He was later promoted to executive vice president and chief operating officer. When he moved to the business side, he benefited from the careful tutelage of the retiring CEO.

He says this helped him prepare for the top job. Still, King emphasizes that no amount of preparation wholly prepares one for the task of running a major public company. He’s come to appreciate, for instance, how little control he has over factors, such as the national economy, that can impinge on the company.

“You just have to get over that.” Unexpected events can also test CEOs. Back in October, wildfires in San Diego forced the company to evacuate its lab which processes bloodwork and other tests. LabCorp rerouted these specimens to another company lab in Phoenix.

King says he’s been surprised as well by the grind of travel, and the time he has to spend on the road explaining the fundamentals and economic performance of the company to investors and customers. He’s also learned how accountable he must be. “There’s
nobody who feels the responsibility for performance the way that
the CEO has to, and that’s the way it should be.”

And then there are the tough decisions to close unprofitable
businesses and cut expenses by, among other things, laying off
employees. King addressed this aspect of the job in a talk with
Penn Law students last fall. He said lawyers often make bad CEOs
because they are ill-equipped by nature to make hard decisions.
This inability, he said, stems from lawyers’ penchant to overana­
lyze situations rather than go with their gut instincts. Lawyers, he
said, need to learn how to deliver bad news to people.

He told students that lawyers generally have good judgment
and strong problem-solving skills, and can learn to make
the tough calls, just as they can learn to master the financial
data that is so important to investors. In King’s case, the prior
CEO advised him to study and understand the numbers if he
wanted to advance in the company. King took that advice to
heart, bringing financial reports with him everywhere he went.
He still does, turning to his calculator like doctors do their
stethoscopes. “When I’m in the airport and have spare time,
I take out my calculator and look at the numbers and try to
see what there is in them that helps me understand and make
decisions about the business.”

So what is his calculus on the company’s future?

King says he sees enormous promise in the multibillion dol­
lar market of companion
diagnostics, in which lab
tests pinpoint the drugs that
should be used and the pre­
cise dosage administered to
treat everything from breast
cancer to heart attacks and
strokes. He also welcomes the
growth of personalized medi­
cine, where doctors employ
tests, diet and medication to
address the individual needs
of every patient.

“We see this as a very
significant opportunity for
expansion of our business,”
King says.

And what’s good for the
bottom line is also good
for patients.

Breaking Through the Static
As President of Radio Free Asia, Liu Broadcasts Unfiltered
News to Repressed Peoples

By Michael Callahan

When Libby Liu, L’93, WG’93, was eight years old, growing up
in Silver Spring, Md., her mother, Rae Yen-Yo, was the victim of
a terrible case of medical malpractice — a dentist broke a needle
into her gum, then left it in there. (It came out two years later.) A
slick team of attorneys descended upon Libby’s flustered parents,
which only made matters worse: those who grow up in China
have a terrible fear of the legal system. Scared, Mrs. Liu took a
$1,000 settlement and waived her rights. “I knew my parents
got ripped off,” Liu says today. “It never sat right with me.”

Rae Yen-Yo and her husband, Shih Chi, had come to the
United States, in 1962, from Taiwan, where they had settled after
fleeing the communist revolution in China. The couple, who had
earned postgraduate scholarships to the University of Califor­
ia, Berkeley, were lucky: back then, only 104 Chinese citizens
were permitted entry into the U.S. annually. Their hardship and
pluck made them tough and, as parents, they demanded their
two daughters be self-sufficient. Refusing to micromanage their
children’s lives, they simply set high standards and expected

In radio interview, Libby Liu, L’93, WG’93, describes Radio Free Asia’s mission to bring unvarnished
news to repressed peoples.
"The regimes we deal with are so arrogant as to think if they lie enough, they can change reality," says Libby Liu. "We are breaking through their censorship. We want people to hear what is going on in their lives, to know that other people around the world care about them."

them to be met. "I think it made me more independent," Liu says today. "It gave me a sense of responsibility early on."

Today she bears a heavy responsibility as president of Washington, D.C.-based Radio Free Asia, one of the most influential and important media organizations on the planet. RFA brings vital and unvarnished news reports and information to repressed peoples around the globe, with 250 employees working to bring unfiltered (read: accurate) reports to Asian nations which, for the most part, are shut off from genuine news, instead forced to swallow propaganda from their own governments. In her post, Liu oversees operations in headquarters and in nine overseas bureaus that broadcast truthful, objective international news to closed-off Asian nations in nine languages: Mandarin, Cantonese, Khmer, Tibetan, Burmese, Korean, Lao, Uyghur, and Vietnamese. Just as Radio Free Europe provided a beacon to communist countries during the Cold War, Liu says Radio Free Asia wages the same crusade today. If you look back, she says, you can see that Radio Free Europe made a huge difference, just as RFA does today.

"The regimes we deal with are so arrogant as to think if they lie enough, they can change reality," says Liu, 43. "We are breaking through their censorship. We want people to hear what is going on in their lives, to know that other people around the world care about them."

The seeds for Liu's passion for social justice, like her legal activism, were planted early. Like her parents, she attended Berkeley as an undergraduate ("Penn wait-listed me," she says with a laugh), with designs on going to Wharton and getting her MBA. But as she got ready to matriculate into the MBA program she remembered her parents' legal settlement so many years prior, and "threw in" an application to Penn Law. "It was one of the very few schools that had a focus on public service," she says. "There was a fostering of that. Lani Guinier was there at the time, and there was a real cognizance of how the law could really influence the quality of people's lives."

She married a fellow student and went to work at a white-shoe firm in New York, diving into labor law. After moving west to San Francisco to help care for her ailing father-in-law, however, she acknowledged a long-suppressed desire to work in the criminal justice system, going to work as a prosecutor for San Francisco District Attorney Terrance Hallinan, whose reputation for creative alternatives to incarceration interested the young, idealistic Liu. She took a $60,000 pay cut to do it. "What you are going to get," Deputy District Attorney Marla Miller told her in her interview, "is spiritual income."

Indeed, Liu got that income, and more. After leaving the D.A.'s office after five years to take another corporate gig, her thirst for public service returned, and in the early part of the decade she became director of strategic planning and administration at the NAACP.

Two years later, in 2003, she joined Radio Free Asia as vice-president of administration and finance; in 2005, she was named its president.

The work can be trying; the oppressive regimes RFA attempts to shine a light both on and through are daunting, powerful forces. She tells story after story of brave citizens who have risked sometimes unthinkable punishments just to hear RFA broadcasts, flickers of light in some of the world's darker corners. There are underground Chinese sites where people devotedly surf proxies to listen to RFA broadcasts republished daily in numerous venues, and tales of rickety, homemade antennas deep in the jungles of Burma bringing hope to the oppressed. Those are the people who sustain her, she says, people so desperate for truth they risk their lives to hear it.

Her dream is to one day have a world where no one has to hide to hear that truth. "Our goal," she says, "is to go out of business."

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In Mandalay Entertainment, Schaeffer Has a Tiger by the Tale
Former Attorney Mints Movies as ‘Nuts and Bolts’ Partner in Film Studio
BY BILL WINE

If you’ve seen Donnie Brasco or Sleepy Hollow or Wild Things or The Score, you’ve seen the tiger.

It’s Mandalay Pictures’ iconic mascot, on view before the opening credits of all their theatrical movies, an eye-grabbing orange tiger emerging from a stark black-and-white jungle.

Paul Schaeffer, L’71, just might feel like that tiger in reverse, leaving the black-and-white world of the law for the most colorful jungle of them all — Hollywood.

Variously described through the years, fairly or not, as a sunny spot for shady people, a town that has to be seen to be disbelieved, and a state of mind surrounded by Los Angeles, Hollywood remains a place where the world is seen through gross-colored glasses.

“I had never envisioned me in the entertainment business,” says Schaeffer, “but my role in that business is consistent with my training and experience, which is corporate-oriented.”

Schaeffer, a one-time accountant and then a lawyer, is now the vice chairman and chief operating officer of the Mandalay Entertainment Group — the parent company of the film studio, Mandalay Pictures — which he co-founded in Culver City in 1995 with Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Peter Guber, former head honcho of Columbia Pictures and now familiar to the masses as the co-host of the American Movie Classics television series, Shootout, opposite Variety Editor-in-Chief Peter Bart.

“I represented Peter in 1977 as his attorney in the sale of one-half of his music and film company, Casablanca Record and Filmworks,” explains Schaeffer. “I continued to represent the company and him personally until 1990, when I joined Sony Pictures Entertainment as executive vice-president of Worldwide Corporate Operations, and reported to Peter, who was Chairman and CEO. Then we formed Mandalay in 1995, naming it after an artist colony in Burma.”

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Schaeffer’s legal and accounting background, both as a student and as a practitioner, proved the proper training for his eventual foray in, and then hooray for, Hollywood.

"Most of my day-to-day responsibilities involve solving problems or planning activities," he says. "My legal training and the practice of law taught me how to address problems and how to find creative solutions. Also, many of the problems are legal in nature or contain legal issues, so my legal background is invaluable. It gives me both insight and credibility."

Both of which come in handy when you’re competing in the marketplace with the mammoth movie majors. Is the designation of Mandalay as one of Hollywood’s “mini-majors” (as opposed to, say, majors Warner Brothers or Paramount) still apt?

"Not exactly," says Schaeffer. "From its inception, Mandalay financed and distributed its films through domestic and international sub-distributors. So, because of our ability to self-finance, we were considered a mini-major. But that’s no longer always the case. Today we look primarily to studio financing."

In 2002, Mandalay entered into a multiyear financing and distribution agreement — a first-look arrangement, as it’s called — with Universal Pictures which continues today, thus allowing the company to have a studio home base as an independent producer of theatrical films. However, during that time, Mandalay has also released films through, or have had development projects with Paramount, Warner Bros., Fox, Summit and Sony Pictures.

For Schaeffer, the road to Mandalay began with training in tax, corporate and real estate law, followed by spending fifteen of his first twenty postgraduate years in corporate entertainment law.

Over the years, Schaeffer has been characterized by entertainment journalists as Guber’s “nuts and bolts partner.”

True?

"Yes, Peter is the visionary, the dreamer, and the catalyst for most of our activities. I am the implementer, the overseer, and the administrator."

Mandalay Entertainment Group does a lot more than produce movies, with divisions devoted to television, brand marketing, sports entertainment, and sports marketing.

Those latter categories allow Schaeffer — a coach of youth baseball, basketball, and soccer over the years — to indulge another side of his interests as part-owner of Mandalay Sports Entertainment, which owns and operates professional sports teams, including eight minor-league affiliated baseball franchises such as the Dayton Dragons, Frisco RoughRiders, and Scranton Yankees.

Schaeffer also continues to do considerable, time-consuming charity work for various charitable organizations as a way of giving back. But it’s the high-stakes, high-profile movie business, with its umbilical connection between creativity and risk, that keeps him hopping.

"The constant pull and tug in the movie business is between creative license and cost," he says. "The higher the cost doesn’t always equate to higher risk because adding elements that have broader appeal, such as known talent, sometimes actually reduces the risk. Ultimately, the risk is in the story. Generally, a good story, well cast and well shot, adds up to a successful film. And it’s the judgment about those elements as well as the judgment of the movie gods that determines the result."

So, acknowledging the truism that moviemakers love all their “children” equally, are there any films that bring Schaeffer particular pride?

"Sure. Donnie Brasco, The Score, Seven Years in Tibet, Beyond Borders and Into the Blue come to mind."

And on the Mandalay horizon?

"We’re very excited about doing the remake of Alfred Hitchcock’s The Birds. And we’re also producing a 3-D animated film about dinosaurs called When Giants Ruled the Earth.”

For Schaeffer, file his career agenda as a good-natured fantasy adventure titled When Mini-Major Mandalay Rules Hollywood.

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Charlie Heimbold, L’60, and Sam Pryor, L’53, prove that there’s a lot left to do as you wind down from a long life of accomplishment.

Of Kings, Nobelists, and Terrorism

Heimbold Finds Respite in Connecticut Countryside After Perilous Time as Ambassador to Sweden

By Edward N. Eisen

Three days after history’s worst attack on American soil, Charlie Heimbold, L’60, took off on a chartered plane to Sweden. Eight hours later the former CEO of Bristol-Myers Squibb touched down in Stockholm, greeted by the chief of protocol.

Ten days later as America was considering its options against Afghanistan, the man who served as chairman of the Board of Overseers of Penn’s Law School, was seated in a horse-drawn carriage, attired in top hat and tails on his way to the Royal Palace to present his diplomatic credentials to King Carl XVI Gustav. And so, at 68, Charles A. Heimbold, Jr., became President Bush’s new ambassador to Sweden, stepping away from the high stakes world of business to a new world somewhere between retirement and international terrorism.

Heimbold was required to give up key corporate board and consulting positions to allay any conflicts of interest. These included ExxonMobil, Bristol-Myers Squibb, and the Federal Reserve Bank of New York providing compensation of $2 million annually. As ambassador to Sweden, the annual salary was $110,000.

Of his meeting with the king, Heimbold says simply: “We had a pleasant chat.” Clearly, Charlie Heimbold is a man not given to hyperbole, a man who, as the successful chairman of one of the world’s largest pharmaceutical companies, was accustomed to meeting with decision-makers, such as Jiang Zemin, the Chinese leader, Jacques Chirac, former president of France and Presidents Bush, 41 and 43.

Some days earlier Heimbold had presented his credentials to Anna Lindh, minister of foreign affairs, the same woman who would later be stabbed to death by a madman in a Swedish department store.

So what was it like to be the U.S. ambassador to a country — once a harsh critic of America’s Vietnam war policy — that was now facing the new threat of global terrorism?

For Heimbold and his Swedish-born wife, Monika, it was an experience they are not likely to soon forget. Among the highlights was the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Nobel Prize awards. The Heimbolds hosted 101 American laureates and their wives — three months after 9/11. (They also picked up the tab.)

Those were the good days. The bad was that America was at war and the fear of terrorism was constant for the 2 1/2 years the couple remained in Sweden, where a 12-member security detail was assigned to protect them. Not everyone in Sweden is blond and
blue-eyed. The country is also home to 400,000 Muslims, many of them Iraqis. And most quite peaceful. Yet the man who once served as a naval destroyer officer, confesses the buzz of violence was pervasive. But the threat never materialized. Some Muslims even expressed gratitude. There were bouquets sent to the embassy from Kurds and a beautifully framed card that read: “To the freedom people of America. Thank you. My Iraq is free now.”

Heimbold remembers the reaction of Foreign Minister Lindh when he presented her with the reasons for America’s planned retaliatory attack on Afghanistan. “Ambassador,” came the testy response, “you’re a lawyer. And I’m a lawyer. There is no evidence here that you are presenting.”

“Madam Lindh,” Heimbold responded, “this is not a trial. These are the reasonable actions of a nation that has been attacked.” With the realization that Osama bin Laden had proclaimed he was behind 9/11, the foreign minister backed off.

Wherever he visited — mosques, schools, chambers of commerce, media organizations — Heimbold reminded his audiences of President Bush’s early admonition: America’s war on terror was not against Islam. Heimbold carried that message to implore Muslim leaders to turn their people away from violence.

In 2003 Heimbold was diagnosed with cancer. He resigned as ambassador a year later and the couple returned home to Riverside, Conn. The Heimbolds spent the next year in treatment and recovery. (Monika had also been diagnosed with cancer.) Now, at 75, he and Monika are enjoying a new transition, a more relaxed phase of a busy life enmeshed in passions for education, investments and causes on behalf of the poorest of the poor in society.

There’s also time now for children and grandchildren and time for Charlie’s other passions: In 2007 he chartered a boat and made a transatlantic passage from the Canary Islands to Antigua, where the Heimbolds have a refuge from the Connecticut winters. There’s time for visits to his friends around the country, hunting sports and yes, for that yearly return to the Heimbolds’ beloved Sweden.

A ‘Gray Flannel’ Trailblazer
From the Concrete Canyons of New York, Pryor Devotes His Free Time to Preserving Open Space

By Edward N. Eisen

Even in retirement, Samuel F. Pryor III reports to his office near Grand Central Station. A 21st Century “Man in the Gray Flannel Suit,” he takes the train from his home in Westchester County, N.Y. everyday and then walks three blocks to Lexington Avenue, in the heart of midtown Manhattan, where he toiled for more than 40 years as a corporate lawyer at Davis Polk & Wardwell. Amidst this concrete canyon Pryor tends to one of his abiding passions: protecting the environment.

Over the years he has scaled mountains, both literally and figuratively. An avid hiker, Pryor and his family have experienced the beauty of open areas, hiking all over the world, from New Hampshire’s White Mountains to the Alps, the Himalayas and even Kilimanjaro.

A modest man, not given to monologues about his achievements, Pryor has nonetheless been effective in persuading politicians to work with him to preserve open space. So when you ask Sam Pryor, L’53, to explain his devotion to this cause, you don’t get grand Walden-like pronouncements on the beauty of nature. Rather, Pryor puts it plainly: “If you don’t protect open space, it will be gone in due time.”

This unlikely power broker — an overseer at Penn Law for 10 years and a recipient of Penn’s Alumni Award of Merit — has done his best to prevent that from happening in his neck of the woods. There’s the time he buttonholed then Speaker of the
EXPERIENCED HANDS

Environmental activist Sam Pryor, L'53, (right) takes a rest after a strenuous bit of hiking with his son Daniel near Mt. Everest in the Himalayas.

"If you don't protect open space, it will be gone in due time," says Sam Pryor.

House Newt Gingrich to support his effort to preserve the Sterling Forest, an 18,000-acre natural refuge in New York State, across from the Hudson River and below the Adirondack Mountains. For his work, he won an award in 1997 from the Appalachian Mountain Club, for which he has been the long-time chairman. That same year, Pryor revived a political action committee named after Theodore Roosevelt.

"Sam moves through the corridors of Washington as he does the trails he knows so well," says Andrew Fallender, executive director of the Appalachian Mountain Club, which honored him with its Lifetime Achievement Award. Fallender says Pryor's influence with moderate Republicans up and down the eastern seaboard resulted in the historic $110 million federal appropriation for land protection, the 2005 Highlands Conservation Act. The Highlands area is a vast disappearing back country from Connecticut to Pennsylvania.

So how did Sam Pryor cultivate such an immense appetite for the environment, fund-raising and volunteerism, time-consuming labors for which he never received a dime of compensation, even as a lawyer?

His story begins at a boys camp in New Hampshire. Sam was 11 when he fell in love with the great outdoors. His roommate, a student at Taft Prep School in Connecticut introduced Pryor to the White Mountains. Thus began a lifetime of hiking, climbing, fishing, sailing and confirming Emerson's notion that we love nature with what is best in ourselves. He studied economics and languages at Yale. One summer in 1950 he worked at a Pepsi-Cola plant and hated it. Pryor realized then he would pursue a career in law. He traveled to Columbia Law School in New York City to apply. The interview ended abruptly when it was discovered he had not taken the law boards. He called home and his father suggested he continue south to Philadelphia. Arriving at Penn Law, Pryor thumped on the large oak doors. It was mid-July and the school was empty except for a man attired in a black robe. He turned out to be former U.S. Supreme Court Justice Owen J. Roberts, who had become dean of the Law School. Roberts waived the admissions process and invited Pryor to return in August to join the class. When he showed up six weeks later, the admissions dean was perplexed by the unorthodox decision but acquiesced to Justice Roberts.

It was at Penn Law that Sam found his niche. His grades and interest soared through three years of law school. Later he enlisted in the Marine Corps and then joined Davis Polk, where he once headed the firm's Paris bureau. In his spare time he shaped organizational missions for such groups as the National Audubon Society, the Appalachian Mountain Club, the National Forest Foundation, and the Palisades Interstate Park Commission.

These days, when not engaged in environmental activism, Pryor is working on a book, "You Make it Happen," that recounts the career of his father, an executive in the early days of Pan Am Airways who was once presidential campaign manager for Wendell Willkie. Pryor also chairs the World Rehabilitation Fund, which provides services to disabled people throughout the world.

Klara Sauer, former executive director of the Scenic Hudson, says of him: "Sam has integrity and a quiet sort of force that comes through because people aren't threatened by him."

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Generations of Penn Law students have heard reverent invocations of James Wilson, the man considered to be the Law School’s founder. His image has a place of honor as one of the two medallions guarding the 34th Street entrance to Silverman Hall (along with that of George Sharswood); his bust, from its perch on Silverman’s second floor, watches over the proceedings within; and both a Law School scholarship and its highest alumni award bear his name.

But how many law students and alumni actually know much about Wilson’s remarkable, and ultimately tragic, life? While he’s beginning to attract more scholarly attention—a new two-volume edition of his collected works was published last year—Wilson remains the nation’s least known Founding Father. And Founding Father he most certainly was: Wilson was one of only six men to sign both the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution—and his influence on the latter is generally considered to have been second only to James Madison’s. In 1789, Wilson became one of George Washington’s first appointees to the Supreme Court—which at the time consisted of only six Justices—and there was talk of his elevation to Chief Justice.

Wilson’s erudition was legendary, and in some ways he was ahead of his time: a firm believer that “the people” were the source of all sovereignty, he advocated direct popular election of the president rather than selection by the electoral college.

At about the same time that Wilson took his seat on the newly created Supreme Court, he agreed to deliver a series of law lectures at the College of Philadelphia, the forerunner of the University of Pennsylvania. Accusations of self-interest, which had been leveled at Wilson before, could have been raised over this arrangement: Wilson was on the College’s board of trustees, and even served on the committee that selected the lecturer. But, as perhaps the nation’s foremost legal scholar, Wilson was in fact a logical choice. The lectures were to be a broad consideration of the entire sweep of American law—an American version of Blackstone’s Commentaries—and the audience at the first lecture, on December 15, 1790, was star-studded. With the federal capital located temporarily in Philadelphia, Wilson drew President Washington, Vice President John Adams, and many members of Congress and the Pennsylvania legislature—in short, as a Philadelphia newspaper put it, “a most brilliant and respectable audience.” The subsequent lectures were delivered to a more modest group of about fifteen actual law students, but several of them went on to distinguished careers.

Wilson’s plan was typically ambitious: the first course alone ran to fifty-eight lectures, and his drafts and final versions fill sixty-one notebooks. But Wilson actually delivered less than half of these lectures, and they were never published during his lifetime as he had intended. His duties on the high court—particularly his obligation, as a Justice, to travel around the country holding circuit courts—undoubtedly interfered. But probably even more distracting were his increasingly complex business affairs. Like many of the founders, Wilson engaged in land speculation, but he did so on an unusually grand scale, borrowing huge sums to buy up thousands of acres of wilderness on the western frontier. Not content with his reputation as
"Despite his essentially democratic outlook, Wilson gained a reputation as a would-be aristocrat — probably because of his wealth, his haughty bearing, and his opposition to the radical Pennsylvania Constitution of 1776."

a fount of legal knowledge, Wilson, whose origins in Scotland were modest, also aspired to be one of the nation's wealthiest men. Among his holdings was a fledgling town in the wilts of Pennsylvania that he christened "Wilsonville."

Despite his essentially democratic outlook, Wilson gained a reputation as a would-be aristocrat — probably because of his wealth, his haughty bearing, and his opposition to the radical Pennsylvania Constitution of 1776. In 1779 an angry mob attacked his house on the corner of Walnut and Third Streets, where he was barricaded along with a number of other prominent businessmen; the incident became known as "Fort Wilson." But in 1793, Wilson came in for some public attention of a quite different nature. While riding circuit in Boston, the 51-year-old Justice went to church one Sunday and spotted an attractive 19-year-old, Hannah Gray. By the time he'd left town ten days later he had proposed marriage, pleading with Hannah to give him an answer that would "authorize me to think and call you mine." Hannah complied, apparently unfazed by the age difference — and by the fact that Wilson, a widower, had six children, at least one of whom was older than she was.

The gossips in Boston, including a young John Quincy Adams, immediately concluded that Hannah had been swayed by Wilson's wealth. The union, Adams opined in a catty note to his brother, rendered Wilson "ridiculous" and Hannah "contemptible." Under the circumstances, it was not an unreasonable conclusion.

Three years after the couple married, Wilson's financial empire began to come crashing down. As a result of a general downturn in the economy, creditors began calling in their loans, and Wilson was either unable or unwilling to repay them. At a time when the country lacked a national bankruptcy law, debtors' prison loomed as a very real possibility, and Wilson failed to show up at a couple of circuit courts, apparently fearing arrest. Philadelphia itself was no longer safe: in 1797 Wilson and his young wife hid out in nearby Bethlehem for several months, causing Wilson to miss the August sitting of the Supreme Court. But in the fall one of Wilson's creditors caught up with him in Burlington, N.J., and had him arrested — conferring on him the dubious distinction of being the first, and only, sitting Supreme Court Justice to be imprisoned. "What shall we come to?" Philadelphia lawyer Thomas Shippen wrote in his diary. "One of the highest Court in the United States, one of the 6 Judges in a Jersey Gaol!"

Wilson arranged for his son to bail him out and then fled southward, settling in the small town of Edenton, N.C., where his fellow Justice James Iredell lived. (Although the two men were on opposite sides of the era's most famous Supreme Court case, Chisholm v. Georgia, they were good friends.) Meanwhile, Wilson's wife Hannah — defying the predictions of the gossips — stayed in Philadelphia with several of her stepchildren; she and Wilson's daughters sold their needlework in an effort to make ends meet. When Iredell arrived — without Wilson — for the February 1798 sitting of the Supreme Court, his first stop was the Wilson house. "Finding Mr. Wilson was not coming," Iredell wrote to his wife, Hannah Wilson "burst into tears."

At this point poor, maligned Hannah, who could have chosen to run home to Boston, decided to accompany Iredell on his return journey and join her husband. Travel in the 18th century was no easy matter, especially in the winter: roads were rough, rivers frozen. And the James Wilson that Hannah found when she arrived bore little resemblance to the man she had married: his clothes were in tatters, his health failing, and his mind increasingly, losing touch with reality. Wilson was stubbornly refusing to come to terms with his creditors, and even trying to raise money to buy more land. Yet Hannah stayed by his side through the spring and summer, when Wilson contracted what was probably malaria. In August, he finally succumbed. "I had not my cloaths off, for three days and nights," Hannah wrote to her stepson, "nor left him till the evening of his death, when I could not bear the scene any longer."

Wilson's death brought a merciful end to an embarrassing episode: had the situation continued, he almost certainly would have become the first Justice to be impeached. But the disgrace of Wilson's final years has led to an undeserved obscurity. His missteps shouldn't be ignored, but neither should his many contributions — even above and beyond the founding of one of the country's preeminent law schools — be forgotten.

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The summer after his graduation from college, camp counselor Paul Minorini, L'91, was floating across a lake in Canada on a flatbed barge with a group of underprivileged youths headed to an island camp run by Boys Hope Girls Hope (BHGH). One of the boys clutched his arm tightly and sputtered: “I'm really scared. I've never seen this much water before.” The boy had grown up ten minutes from Lake Michigan. In that moment, Minorini realized how this program could transform lives.

Two decades later, Minorini finds himself president and CEO of the Missouri-based nonprofit organization, which houses and supports needy children all the way through college. He’s discovered that the best use for his law degree is not drafting briefs but throwing a football with hardscrabble kids as he shepherds their dreams.

Thomas was one of those kids. After his father had kicked him out of the house, the middle schooler bedded under a New York City park bench, where he tucked newspapers over the slats to keep the snow off his head. The boy was smart but seemed headed for a future as a drug addict or teen prostitute until BHGH took him in, supported him and encouraged his success. Today, Thomas is living his dream as a U.S. Navy physician. He says the only thing that got him from under that park bench to crossing the stage for his medical school diploma was BHGH.

“I believe with every ounce of my being that every child has the potential to realize their dream,” Minorini says. “I commit myself personally and professionally to make sure as many kids as possible...have the environment and support to realize their potential and dreams and to be good human beings.”

That statement is heartfelt. Minorini knows firsthand what a difference supportive adults can make in a child's life.

Growing up in a working class family in suburban Chicago, he started caddying in seventh grade to supplement his father’s wages as a police officer. Neither of Minorini’s parents had gone to college, and he didn’t think he would have the opportunity either—until he learned about the Evans scholarship for caddies. Two of the men for whom he caddied saw his potential and wrote letters of recommendation, helping him land a full scholarship to Northwestern University.

At Northwestern, Minorini had an opportunity to help others the way he had been helped: He established a program in which Evans scholars tutored students from BHGH. His senior year he volunteered as a houseparent, living with eight teenage
PAUL MINORINI

boys, cooking for them, helping them with their homework and driving them to school. Working as a counselor at a BHGH camp in Canada that summer, he fished, canoed, rappelled and camped with children who had never had such opportunities before. He also met yet another man who would shape his life.

That summer, Minorini lived with the Rev. Paul Sheridan, a Jesuit priest who founded BHGH in 1977 as a spiritually-based but nonreligious, privately-funded nonprofit that provides housing, emotional and financial support and educational direction (beyond college graduation) to “academically capable and motivated children-in-need.” Minorini and Sheridan became good friends.

Despite the pull of his work with BHGH, Minorini decided the best way to help people in need was to become an attorney. So he attended Penn Law, where he developed a program for free school lunches in Philadelphia and ran a soup kitchen two nights a week. The Law School recognized his humanitarian efforts with its Outstanding Community Service Award.

After graduation he took a job with the Washington, D.C. firm, Hogan & Hartson, where he worked on educational law, litigating on behalf of urban school districts seeking more funding from states. He remained involved with BHGH as director of organizational advancement — all the while dreaming of a bigger role.

“I loved the practice, loved the people, loved the subject matter, but I was feeling frustrated with the systemic reform and wanted to focus more on the individual child,” Minorini says.

The law firm asked him to manage its international trade cases, which would require extended stays overseas several times a year. He didn’t want to be away that much from his three young children and wife, Mary Molly Shaffer, L’91. They had met the first year of law school, were engaged the third year and married the fall after graduation. Rev. Sheridan, who had presided at the couple’s wedding, rescued Minorini with an offer to run BHGH. It didn’t take Minorini long to say yes. “I always knew I would end up working for BHGH someday, it was just a matter of when and where,” says Minorini, who has held the job since 2001.

As CEO and president of BHGH, Minorini, 41, oversees the entire international network. There are currently 343 children living in 40 BHGH homes located in 16 U.S. cities and two international cities, Sao Paolo and Guatemala City. An additional 91 receive tutoring and counseling services at BHGH sites in those cities and 105 are supported in college. From the St. Louis headquarters, he divides his time between development and supporting the chapters throughout North and South America. He is responsible for an annual $14.3 million budget. He drove the organization’s growth, launching its $10 million effort to expand into Central and South America.

It has been a good fit. “I feel my mission in life is to give back to others,” Minorini says. “I believe so strongly in that I would do just about anything to see that possibility in a child’s life realized through support, love, nurturing and opportunity.”

He knows what a difference that made in his life and what the absence of it can mean in another child’s life. Phil is another BHGH success story. He has become an attorney, but just as easily could have been killed. He grew up in a rough part of Washington, D.C. Of his five closest friends, one is struggling with a low-paying job, two are in jail and two are dead. “I could
"I think of Paul as the perfect leader in that it's not about him, it's about what the mission is for the program," says Jeanne Olivier, a BHGH national board member since 1997. "He's much more than just playing with the children. He's motivated and energized so many people since he came in as head of the organization."

have been one of those five if I hadn't been given the opportunity to succeed," Phil says.

Minorini believes Phil speaks for all of the kids in the BHGH program. "That tells you a little bit about where they might have ended up," he says. "But I tend not to think about where they've been and instead focus on where they're going."

His favorite part of the job is interacting with the scholars, whether it's playing a board game with kids in Brazil or directing the summer camp's annual basketball tournament. Minorini's compassion for the children and passion for the organization's mission have been the hallmark of his leadership. "He is genuinely interested in each child and seems to know them all, in every city and every country," says Jeanne Olivier, L'79, a BHGH national board member since 1997. "I think of Paul as the perfect leader in that it's not about him, it's about what the mission is for the program. He's much more than just playing with the children. He's motivated and energized so many people since he came in as head of the organization."

Minorini's work has garnered not only the praise of board members but awards from national organizations. In July, he was honored by the Elfenworks Foundation with an "In Harmony of Hope" award (as was Rosalynn Carter) for his innovative work to alleviate the impact of poverty. In April, the Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership program presented Minorini with its "Inspiration Award," given to those "who have profoundly inspired others by their character, values and actions."

Minorini's good work reaches beyond the individual kids he impacts. "Society benefits in addition to the kids," he says. "Our kids have gone on to be firefighters who aided Katrina victims, New York police officers who helped out after 9/11, lawyers and doctors, good mothers and good fathers. Society and communities are enriched when young people come through our schools and live with a commitment to giving back. There's a ripple effect. When you help a child to realize their dreams, they remember they were helped and go on to help others."

Just as Minorini has done.

John Rosengren is the author of several books, including "Blades of Glory: The True Story of A Young Team Bred To Win." He has written for more than 75 publications, ranging from Reader's Digest to Sports Illustrated.
FACULTY NEWS FLASH
Morse Studies Links in Brain, Behavior and Crime

SINCE THE ADVENT of the “War on Drugs” in the 1970s, the U.S. has become the global leader in imprisonment. With nearly 1 out of every 100 Americans behind bars, states are scrambling to find additional beds and dollars for offenders, a fifth of whom are convicted for crimes stemming from the need to fund a drug habit.

Stephen Morse, Penn Law professor, anticipates that neuroscientists, who are currently researching the neural mechanisms of addiction and potential treatment options, can help reform the way courts treat drug offenses. Instead of imprisoning all defendants for possession and use of drugs, courts can raise the threat of jail time as “leverage” to get appropriate defendants into treatment.

Morse is the legal coordinator of the Law and Neuroscience Project, which brings together scientists and law experts from around the U.S. to identify legal questions that neuroscience can help resolve. Funded by a three-year $10 million grant from the John D. and MacArthur Foundation, the project is also considering how capable neuroscience is of answering these questions, and to identify potential for misuse of neuroscientific evidence in courts.

Proponents of neuroscience predict that as researchers pinpoint the biological factors that influence our behavior, we will be forced to redefine our notions of who we are, and by extension, basic legal concepts such as criminal responsibility. For Morse, however, law’s criteria for responsibility are behavioral and until neuroscience contributes new insights into human behavior, its promise of legal reform will remain limited.

Neuroscience “is only useful if it teaches us something about human behavior that we don’t already know,” says Morse. As an example, he cites Roper v. Simmons case, in which the U.S. Supreme Court declared the death penalty unconstitutional for 16 and 17 year olds. The American Medical Association presented neurological evidence that showed adolescent brains are, on average, anatomically immature. While neuroscience did give us a “partial causal story” about why adolescents behave less rationally than adults, says Morse, it told us what we already knew from common sense and behavioral evidence — adolescents are less rational and therefore less responsible than adults.

Also, the evidence did not show that “they are necessarily insufficiently rational.”
Morse cautions against “brain overclaim syndrome” in which proponents of neuroscience make legal or moral claims that are not confirmed by the research, either because the science is irrelevant as in Roper v. Simmons, or “not good enough” as in the case of Peter Braunstein.

Peter Braunstein, a frustrated fashion writer, set two small fires in the lobby of his victim’s apartment building in New York. Posing as a firefighter, he asked to enter the woman’s apartment to inspect for fire damage. After she let him in, he drugged and molested her for 13 hours. During his trial, defense lawyers argued Braunstein was incapable of intent because he suffered from a brain disorder. There are “no valid neural markers for the formation of intent or mental illness,” said Morse, so it was not possible to prove that he did not act intentionally or was incapable of reason. The jury convicted Braunstein of sexual assault.

One of the hazards of using neuroscientific evidence indiscriminately, says Morse, could be the expansion of excusing conditions because people wrongly believe that biological causation of behavior necessarily means that the behavior must be excused. Causation is not an excuse, however, whether the causation is neurological, psychological or sociological. The excusing conditions are behavioral, such as lack of rational capacity. Neuroscientific evidence has the potential to confuse judges and juries on this issue, says Morse.

This is exactly what Morse hopes to prevent through the Law and Neuroscience Project. One of the main functions of the project, Morse says, is “to make sure that the train leaves the station in the right direction.” That train he believes is headed to a country that has yet to be mapped out.

As one of the train’s conductors, however, Morse sees three possibilities looming in the distance: at the most radical level, neuroscience will show us that our conception of ourselves is “radically misguided”, that “we are not the kinds of creatures that can be guided by reason”; a second outcome is that neuroscience will reveal aspects of human behavior that will lead us to modify existing legal doctrines such as those that address criminal responsibility; at the most specific level, neuroscientific techniques might help us adjudicate certain cases.

No matter which vistas of the mind open up as neuroscience rushes down the tracks of discovery, the law’s criteria for responsibility will remain rooted in behavior, says Morse. “We don’t blame and praise brains...we punish and reward people,” Morse said on Radio Times, a public radio talk show in Philadelphia.

Aisha Mohammed
FACULTY NEWS
AND PUBLICATIONS

Frenkel Stepping Down as Clinic Director

He Turned Penn Law's Program into One of the Best in the Country

WHEN DOUG FRENKEL, W'68, L'72, assumed the helm of the Gittis Center for Clinical Legal Studies nearly three decades ago, it was a rather barebones operation. Student enrollment was small and there was just a single clinical course.

On June 30, Frenkel will step down after 28 years as director and be replaced by Louis Rulli, a member of the clinical faculty since 1995 (see related story). In the interim, Frenkel can look back with satisfaction at his efforts to transform Penn Law's clinical education program into a national model.

Penn Law Dean Michael A. Fitts put Frenkel's contributions in perspective. "Doug designed and developed a program that now offers sophisticated instruction in every major lawyering role. The comprehensive program Doug has built, sometimes in the face of considerable obstacles, is now an endowed central pillar of Penn Law."

Under Frenkel's leadership, Penn Law launched pioneering clinical initiatives in the transactional, mediation, and cross-disciplinary fields; doubled the size of the clinical faculty; tripled clinical enrollments; and enhanced the clinical facilities.

Those who have worked with Frenkel are quick to cite his impact on clinical education and on them.

"Many law schools and clinicians look to Penn Law as a model of clinical education, and Doug has been responsible for developing and implementing that model" said Professor Richard Perna, who worked with Frenkel in the early days of the clinic and is now associate dean for Academic Affairs at the University of Dayton.

"He's been an inspiration to a generation of students and to a generation of clinical teachers," added Perna.

Nancy Kraybill is among the clinicians Frenkel mentored. Kraybill taught in Penn's mediation course with Frenkel from 1999 to 2005. She said she had been a career litigator when Frenkel hired her. "Doug gave me an opportunity to grow professionally," said Kraybill, who is now director of academic skills and auxiliary professor of law at Drexel University College of Law.

Michele Goldfarb, who has been teaching in the mediation clinic with Frenkel for 12 years, credited him with having a big influence on her. "Everything I know about clinical teaching and clinical work, I learned from Doug. Everything is a teaching moment to him."

His philosophy of engagement, Goldfarb said, permeates the program. She said Frenkel has spent his career working one-on-one and providing constant feedback, support and supervision to students. One such student is Amy Feldman, L'94, GED'94.

Feldman, took Frenkel's mediation course in 1993. She still remembers a case in which she participated at Philadelphia Municipal Court as "vintage Frenkel".

Two neighbors had a beautiful tree that abutted both properties. One neighbor unintentionally harmed the tree and it died. From that point, the relationship soured and they became embroiled in a dispute over who should pay for a new tree. The breach was healed — after hours of working with the parties — when one of the litigants agreed to invite all of the neighbors, including the offending one, to a house party.

Feldman said the case underscored Frenkel's lesson that good mediators help everyone walk away with something. And it is something she continues to apply in her job as general counsel of The Judge Group, an information technology placement firm
in Conshohocken, Pa. As Feldman put it, “My success is not measured in how many cases I win, but in how many cases are never brought.”

Albert van Pabst, GL'00, is another alum for whom working with Frenkel had a powerful impact. Pabst, now a diplomat in the Dutch Embassy in Beijing, China, said studying and mediating with Frenkel taught him to try to “enlarge the pie” for all parties involved in a dispute and to help them find common ground during negotiations so as to avoid losing (and bruising) court battles. Pabst said he carries these lessons with him in his diplomatic work.

Goldfarb sums it up for Pabst and the thousands of students who have passed through the clinic. “It’s hard to imagine the Penn Law clinical programs without Doug at the helm.”

Not that he will stray far. Frenkel will remain on the faculty, expanding his work in dispute resolution and legal ethics. His multimedia book, The Practice of Mediation: A Video-Integrated Text, will be released this spring. Like much of his work, it will break new ground: It will be the first clinical book in which textual theory and analysis interact with illustrative DVD excerpts.

-LARRY TEITELBAUM

Louis Rulli to Lead Gittis Center for Clinical Legal Studies

PRACTICE PROFESSOR OF LAW Louis Rulli has been named director of the Gittis Center for Clinical Legal Studies. He assumes the position in July, replacing Douglas Frenkel, W'68, L'72, who is stepping down after 28 years.

Rulli, who teaches clinical courses in litigation and legislation, joined Penn Law in 1995. He has written and lectured extensively on the subject of access to justice for the poor. In 2006, he received Penn’s Provost’s Award for Distinguished Teaching.

“With Lou at the helm, the clinic will not miss a beat,” said Dean Michael A. Fitts. “Lou’s entire career has been spent in service to the public and in preparing law students for the practice of law. His background, expertise and interests make him the ideal person to assume leadership of our clinic.”

Prior to joining Penn Law, Rulli was the executive director of Community Legal Services in Philadelphia and a public interest lawyer for more than 20 years. He is a past chairman of the Philadelphia Bar Association’s Commission on Judicial Selection and Retention, a member of the PBA’s House of Delegates, and co-chair of the statewide PBA task force on Loan Forgiveness and Repayment Assistance.

He is the immediate past chairman of the board of directors of Philadelphia Legal Assistance and a frequent trainer and consultant to civil legal assistance programs. He served as the consultant to the Chancellor’s Commission on Pro-Bono Legal Services of the Philadelphia Bar Association, and he was a founding member of the Pennsylvania Lawyer Trust Account Board, on which he served from 1988 until 1995.

“I am honored by the exciting opportunity to lead the Penn Law clinical programs,” said Rulli. “The clinic is the place where legal education and community needs intersect. This is an essential function for Penn Law and our students, and a vital service for Philadelphia and its residents.”

Rulli is only the second person to receive the Pennsylvania Bar Foundation Lifetime Achievement Award, presented to individuals who have long histories of pro bono representation and leadership in the creation and continuation of pro bono programs.

He has received numerous other awards, including the Leaders for Justice Award from Pennsylvania Legal Services, the first Andrew Hamilton Award for public interest lawyering, and a Citation from the City of Philadelphia for leadership on behalf of the legal needs of the City’s poor. Philadelphia magazine selected Rulli as one of Philadelphia’s best attorneys for public interest law.
Pritchett Works on Housing Issues for New Mayor of Philadelphia

**PROFESSOR WENDELL PRITCHETT,** fair housing and property law expert, has answered Philadelphia Mayor Michael Nutter’s “call to public service.”

He’s accepted a position as director of the Office of Research, Planning, and Policy, in which he will play a central role in fulfilling Nutter’s pledge to promote affordable housing and revitalization, while preserving existing communities. Nutter was sworn in this past January.

Pritchett brings a breadth of academic, legal and public service experience to Nutter’s administration. Previously, he served as executive director of District Offices for the Office of Congressman Thomas M. Foglietta and represented nonprofit organizations involved in economic development and affordable housing.

One of Pritchett’s first tasks is to tackle the housing crisis: almost 60,000 units of affordable rental units are needed in Philadelphia, yet federal resources to support housing development continue to decrease.

Pritchett joined Penn Law faculty in 2002 and is currently on leave. In his research, Pritchett examines the development of postwar urban policy, particularly urban renewal, housing finance and housing discrimination.

American Law Institute Elects Roosevelt and Wolff as Members

**PENN LAW PROFESSORS** Kermit Roosevelt and Tobias Wolff have been elected members of the American Law Institute. The ALI membership includes judges, practicing lawyers and legal scholars. Election to the ALI is considered one of the highest honors in the legal profession.

Roosevelt’s research focuses on constitutional law and conflict of laws. His recent book, *The Myth of Judicial Activism: Making Sense of Supreme Court Decisions,* sets out standards by which citizens can determine whether the Supreme Court is abusing its authority. He joined the Penn Law faculty in 2002.

Wolff writes and teaches in civil procedure and constitutional law, and has co-authored a casebook *Civil Procedure: Theory and Practice,* now in its second edition. He also sits on the executive committee of The Association of American Law Schools’ section on Conflict of Laws. In addition, he is a member of the executive board for the Equal Justice Society. He began his teaching career in 2000 at the University of California, Davis Law School. In 2007, he joined the Penn Law faculty.

AALS Names Lerner Bellow Scholar for his Research on Child Neglect

**THE ASSOCIATION OF** American Law Schools (AALS) Committee of Lawyering in the Public Interest named Alan Lerner a Bellow Scholar last April for his research project on child neglect cases. The Bellow Scholars Award identifies and honors projects that reflect the social justice ideals of activist lawyer Gary Bellow.

Lerner, a practice professor of law who teaches in the Interdisciplinary Child Advocacy Clinic, aims to identify the red flags that can alert courts to cases that require more than a standard intervention. A standard approach to those cases can slow down their resolution, which means that the child might live in an unsafe situation, or remain in foster care for a longer period of time than might be necessary.

He hopes his research will ultimately “improve and expedite the resolution” of child neglect cases because they constitute approximately 60 percent of cases in child welfare courts and take longer to resolve than physical/sexual abuse cases.
“Standard patterns of interventions are not doing such a good job,” says Lerner, referring to the fact that there are about 9,000 active child welfare cases in Philadelphia. Lerner and his research team will review approximately 100 cases filed between 2002 and 2006 to see which cases were resolved more speedily, and why. In studying factors such as demographic and behavioral information, and actions taken by Child Protective Services, Lerner believes that the research will identify patterns, which can help experts pinpoint cases that need custom interventions, for which they can then develop effective plans of action.

Lerner is collaborating with Drs. Cindy Christian and Annie Steinberg at the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia and Dean Richard Gelles of University of Pennsylvania’s School of Social Policy and Practice.

International Scholars Burnish Penn Law’s Reputation in Comparative Law

GUENTER FRANKENBERG, one of Germany’s leading legal theorists, bumped into Penn Law Professor Eric Feldman in Berlin last summer. Feldman was there to receive a prize from the Law and Society Association for a paper he wrote. The longtime friends caught up with each other and Feldman kidded Franken­berg about his tendency to always take visiting professorships at Harvard.

That exchange paid dividends when Franken­berg, a faculty member at Johann Wolfgang Goethe University, later accepted an invitation to spend the spring semester in the Law School’s new International Visiting Faculty Program.

The Law School established the program last fall and up to four distinguished scholars will be invited each year for short-term visits. The program, Feldman said, “fits with our overall goal of making Penn a visible player in the areas of international and comparative law, which is critical to our future success as a top law school seeking to attract the very best students.”

Feldman and fellow professor Friedrich Kubler, who spends part of the year teaching in Germany, nominated Franken­berg, an expert in comparative law, constitutional law, and legal theory. “We were both contributors to a book about legal and political conflicts over HIV/AIDS in the industrialized democra-

ies and I was extremely impressed by his work,” said Feldman, past chair of the International Program Committee.

Joining Franken­berg for the inaugural semester was Professor Akio Shimizu of Waseda Law School in Japan. Franken­berg taught a seminar that compared the U.S. constitution to the German, Japanese, Iraqi, Afghani and Vietnamese constitutions, while Shimizu taught a course on dispute settlement in the World Trade Organization.

“Shimizu was the perfect person to be our first invitee under this program, since he has impeccable academic credentials and has been extremely supportive of a close institutional relationship between Penn and Waseda,” said Feldman. A highly respected legal scholar in Japan, Shimizu has played a prominent role in a number of important WTO cases, along with serving as associate dean of Japan’s top private law school. With his support, Penn and Waseda have developed a thriving student exchange program, been partners in three international conferences, and created the opportunity for Penn faculty to teach at Waseda law school for the past two summers.

Feldman said, “Shimizu and Franken­berg told me, separately, that they had one regret about their visits — they both wish that they had been able to stay longer. They thought the students in their classes were terrific, they loved Philadelphia, and they appreciated the everyday life at the law school.”

Professor William Burke-White, who now chairs the International Programs Committee, said, “The program will build our reputation and presence around the globe.”

For the fall semester, the committee has approved three scholars from England, France and the Netherlands. They intend to focus on international human rights and global administration law.

Penn Law Professor Cary Coglianese (far right) shares the U.S. experience of rulemaking and its implications during a panel discussion last December at the International Regulatory Reform Conference in Berlin.
MATTHEW ADLER
LEON MELTZER
PROFESSOR OF LAW

Adler presented “Happiness Research and Cost-Benefit Analysis” with Eric Posner to the Conference on Happiness at the University of Chicago Law School in June 2007. He presented “The Time-Slice Problem” to the Faculty Workshop at Duke University Law School in September, to the Legal Theory Workshop at UCLA Law School in October and to the Law and Economics/Legal Theory Workshop at the University of Toronto Law School in December. Also in December, Adler presented “Risk Equity” to a session of the Society for Risk Analysis annual conference in San Antonio, Texas. This February, Adler presented “Risk Equity” to an Environmental Economics seminar at the JFK School, Harvard University. In March, he presented “Inequality and Uncertainty” to a roundtable on the philosophy of economics at University of California, Berkeley, School of Law. Also in March, he presented “Social Facts and the Rule of Recognition” to a Constitutional Theory Colloquium at the University of Texas Law School.

ANITA L. ALLEN
HENRY R. SILVERMAN
PROFESSOR OF LAW
AND PROFESSOR OF PHILOSOPHY

In October, Allen was the keynote speaker for the Inaugural Conference of the Collegium of Black Women Philosophers at Vanderbilt University. Later that month, she presented “A Dialogue among Four Dolls: Women and the Internet,” at the University of Ottawa Law School. In January, she was a presenter at the University of North Carolina’s Center for Professional and Applied Ethics, and the Chancellor’s Diversity Lecture. In addition, she gave a series of talks and lectures on diversity in contemporary life at UNC. Also in January, she spoke about the “Second Generation of DNA in the Court Room” at the Genetics Roundtable, University of Maryland. In March, Allen presented “No Harm, No Foul,” a talk on data security breaches at the International Association of Privacy Professionals Privacy Summit and “Why Work? Business, Professions and the Common Good - Losing Your Mind, Doing Your Job,” at Wake Forest University. In February, she spoke about data security breaches as the First Deidre Martin Lecturer at the University of Ottawa and presented “Confidentiality in the Patient Therapist Relationship” at a conference on Privacy and its Discontents at the Psychoanalytic Institute. She also spoke at the Penn Africans Studies Center conference on the 1968 Kerner Commission Report and was a commentator on the “Narrative Construction of the Self” conference sponsored by the Penn Philosophy Department.

PUBLICATIONS

“The Virtuous Spy: Privacy as an Ethical Limit,” The Monist (a Philosophy Journal) (Winter 2007)


REGINA AUSTIN
WILLIAM A. SCHNADER
PROFESSOR OF LAW

Austin organized the Law School’s first Visual Legal Advocacy Roundtable which brought together private attorneys who use video, public interest practitioners, filmmakers, media activists, academics, and students to consider visual legal advocacy on behalf of social justice clients and causes. The proceedings were captured on video available on the Documentaries & the Law Project website. Among the highlights of the Roundtable were Shanin Specter’s masterful use of the direct
examination of the mother of a personal injury victim to narrate a day-in-the-life film; the insightful analysis by Sarah and Emily Kunstler, daughters of the late William Kunstler, Esq., of the advocacy films they have made on behalf of criminal defendants who have been wrongly convicted and/or sentenced to death; and the Roundtable Roundup which was delivered by CLS attorney Sharon Dietrich who outlined how public interest lawyers might rise to the challenges of producing visual legal advocacy on behalf of their clients.

As a direct result of the Roundtable, the Visual Legal Advocacy Lab is now engaged in making a short film about an ethnic Chinese Catholic family from Indonesia that is subject to imminent deportation.

Austin also presented a paper entitled “Lawyers as Advocates: A Short (and Tentative) History of the Clemency Video” at the University of Maryland Law School’s conference on “What Documentary Films Teach Us about the Criminal Justice System,” held February 29-March 1, 2008. She also discussed her article “Black People’s Money: An Essay on the Interaction of Law, Economics, and Culture in the Context of Race, Gender, and Class” at the Law and Politics Workshop on Women in the Law, sponsored by the Political Science Department of the University of Michigan.

**STEPHANOS BIBAS**

**PROFESSOR OF LAW**

Bibas presented his essay “Originalism and Formalism in Criminal Procedure: The Triumph of Justice Scalia, the Unlikely Friend of Criminal Defendants?” at the New England, Northeastern, Penn State, Quinnipiac, Rutgers-Camden, St. Louis, Temple, University of Cincinnati, University of Connecticut, University of Missouri at Columbia, Villanova, Widener, and Willamette Law Schools and the University of Delaware. He gave a public lecture at Willamette University Law School entitled “The Gulf Between Insiders and Outsiders in Criminal Justice” and a presentation to the Willamette Law faculty on “Restoring Values and Relationships to Criminal Procedure.” He and coauthor Susan Klein presented a paper entitled “The Sixth Amendment and Criminal Sentencing” at a Cardozo Law Review symposium entitled “The Future of Self-Incrimination: The Fifth Amendment, Confessions, and Guilty Pleas.” He was also interviewed by the Washington Post on the new, more aggressive policing tactics that Mayor Michael Nutter is introducing in Philadelphia. He consulted with the State of Oregon on its U.S. Supreme Court certiorari petition in an upcoming sentencing case, and taught Criminal Procedure: Investigation; Criminal Procedure: Prosecution and Adjudication; and a seminar on Punishment and Crime in Dostoyevsky. He has also just signed a book contract with Oxford University Press tentatively entitled Assembly-Line Criminal Justice. The book will survey the shift from trials as lay-run morality plays to the efficient, amoral plea-bargaining assembly line run by lawyers; will consider what victims, defendants, and the public are missing by losing their day in court; and will suggest ways that a more transparent and participatory criminal justice system could once again better include laymen.

**PUBLICATIONS**


**STEPHEN B. BURBANK**

**DAVID BERGER**

**PROFESSOR FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE**

Burbank participated in a mini-conference on summary judgment convened by the Civil Rules Advisory Committee of the Judicial Conference of the United States in September 2007. He presented drafts of his paper, “The Class Action Fairness Act of 2005 in Historical Perspective: A Preliminary View” at the Penn Law Faculty Retreat in September 2007, a faculty workshop at Duke University Law School in November 2007, and at the University of Pennsylvania Law Review Symposium in December 2007. Also in December, Burbank attended, and made a presentation as part of the final panel at a Global Class Actions Conference in Oxford, England. In January 2008 Burbank chaired a panel to discuss the implications of the Supreme Court’s pleading decision in Bell Atlantic Corp. v. Twombly at a meeting of...
the Standing Committee on Rules, and he will be part of a panel discussing the same subject at the 2008 Third Circuit Judicial Conference in April. In March 2008 Burbank spoke about judicial independence and accountability to Penn Law alumni in South Florida, and he participated in a meeting of the committee to revise the local rules of the District Court for the Virgin Islands, of which he is a member, in St. Thomas. In April 2008, he commented on papers at the 2008 meeting of the Institute for Law and Economic Policy in Naples, Florida.

Burbank has been appointed a Trustee of the American Academy in Berlin.

PUBLICATIONS
"Complexity in Modern American Civil Litigation: Curse or Cure?" 91 Judicature (2008)

WILLIAM W. BURKE-WHITE
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF LAW


In early January 2008, Professor Burke-White led a group of 10 Penn Law students on a research trip to Uganda as part of his work advising the Ugandan government on the on-going peace negotiations between the Ugandan government and the Lords Resistance Army, a rebel group engaged in a 20 year civil conflict in Uganda. Working with Professor Burke-White, students conducted interviews with key government officials, civil society leaders, representative of the rebel group, and internally displaced persons in Uganda. Later this spring, the students will deliver a report to the Government of Uganda with recommendations on the implementation of the justice and accountability elements of a tentative peace agreement between the Government and the Lords Resistance Army.

PUBLICATIONS
"Investment Protection in Extraordinary Times: The Interpretation and Application of Non-Precluded Measures Provisions in Bilateral Investment Treaties" (with Andreas von Staden), Virginia Journal of International Law (Winter 2008)

HOWARD CHANG

EARLE HEPBURN PROFESSOR OF LAW

Chang presented his paper “The Disadvantages of Immigration Restriction as a Policy to Improve Income Distribution” at a Penn Law school workshop in September, at an immigration law symposium at the Southern Methodist University School of Law in October, and at a law and economics seminar at the University of Chicago Law School in November. In January, he presented his paper (co-authored with Hilary Sigman) “The Effect of Joint and Several Liability Under Superfund on Brownfields” at an environmental law and economics workshop at the University of Arizona. Chang also presented his paper “Guest Workers and Distributive Justice” at an immigration law symposium at the University of Dayton School of Law in February 2008.

PUBLICATIONS
"The Economic Impact of International Labor Migration: Recent

REBECCA CLAYTON
CLINICAL SUPERVISOR AND LECTURER

In November, Clayton presented “Intellectual Property — Protecting and Promoting Your Products, Services and Brand,” at the Wharton Small Business Development Center. She also presented on key legal considerations for the Nonprofit Institute, an event co-sponsored by United Way of Southeastern Pennsylvania and Netter Center for Community Partnerships at Penn. In March, Clayton spoke on intellectual property matters for the Small Business Legal Clinic event sponsored by the Empowerment Group, an organization dedicated to accelerating economic growth in distressed urban communities by cultivating local entrepreneurship.

CARY COGLIANESE
EDWARD B. SHILS PROFESSOR OF LAW AND PROFESSOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

Coglianese continues to edit Regulation & Governance, an international peer-reviewed journal, to serve on the editorial board of the International Journal of Electronic Governance and to review materials for three journals: Public Administration Review; Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory; and Administration & Society. He also chairs the Transparency and Public Participation Task Force for Advancing the Public Interest through Regulatory Reform Project with OMB Watch; and the Law & Society Association’s Collaborative Research Network on Regulatory Governance. He is also a member of the Association’s Publications Committee and at the annual meeting, chaired the book panel on New Foundations of Cost-Benefit Analysis and participated on the roundtable panel on publishing in the field of regulation. For the American Bar Association, Coglianese serves as vice-chair for the Committee on Innovation, Management Systems, and the E-Rulemaking Committee, along with being a council member for the ABA Section of Administrative Law & Regulatory Practice and a member of the Committee on the Status and Future of Federal e-Rulemaking. He is also a consultant to U.S. EPA on Performance-Based Environmental Programs.

At Penn, Coglianese has been involved in the following activities: he served as faculty for Penn Law’s Business Fellowship Program for Professional Women in the Middle East (April); organized the Risk Regulation Seminar Series and Environmental Practice Colloquium; serves as a Faculty Advisor for the Penn Law Notice & Comment Project and as the director for the Penn Program on Regulation; and on the Faculty Advisory Committee for the Penn Institute of International Environmental Leadership, as well as the Environmental Sustainability Advisory Committee.

Last year, Coglianese made the following presentations: “Engaging Business in the Regulation of Nanotechnology” at Northeastern University (November); “Weak Democracy, Strong Information: The Role for Information Technology in the Rulemaking Process” at Harvard University (November); “E-Rulemaking: Implications from the U.S. Experience” and “The Regulatory Toolbox: A Taxonomy and Prescriptive Framework” at the International Regulatory Reform Conference in Berlin (December). This year, he presented: “Leveraging the Private Sector: Management-Based Approaches to Environmental Protection” at Penn’s Institute of Global Environmental Leadership (January); “Beyond Compliance: Why Firms Join Voluntary Environmental Programs and Why It Matters” at UC San Diego Law School and “The Managerial Turn in Environmental Law” at NYU Law School (March); “State and Federal Performance-Based Environmental Programs: Assessing Goals, Activities, Communication and Data Collection” at Harvard University (March); “Why Businesses Go Beyond Compliance” at Wharton and “Management-Based Regulation: Implications for Public Policy” at the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) in Paris (April).

PUBLICATIONS


JACQUES DELISLE
STEPHEN A. COZEN
PROFESSOR OF LAW

In Tennessee, deLisle presented “China’s Legal Encounter with the West” to the Foreign Policy Research Institute and the History Institute on China’s Encounter with the West. He also presented “Taiwan: Constitutional Reform, Domestic Politics and International Status” to the Intercollegiate Taiwanese American Students Association Conference in Philadelphia. In March, deLisle presented “Are ‘Gaps’ in Law Potential ‘Traps’ for China’s Transition?’ at the University of Denver. In January, he presented “Celebrated Cases and Social Justice: Lessons from Highly Publicized Legal Controversies about Law’s (Limited) Promise in Hu Jintao’s ‘Harmonious Society’” at the Annenberg School of Communication’s conference on “China’s Harmonious Information Society. The same month, he presented “State Charters, Democratic Governance and International Status: Comparative Perspectives, Political Context and Constitutional Reform in Taiwan” at the Prohibit University International Conference on “The Asia Pacific and Democratic Taiwan,” in Taichung, Taiwan. Last September, deLisle presented “Peaceful Rise, Harmonious Society and Beijing’s Taiwan Policy: Cross-Straits Relations and Hu-Era Agendas in Foreign Policy and Domestic Reform” at the National Sun Yat-sen University’s International Conference on “Chinese Communist Party’s 17th Congress: Reviewing the Past, Looking to the Future,” in Kaohsiung, Taiwan. He also presented “Traps, Gaps and Law in China’s Transition” at the National University of Singapore in October and “Through the Chinese Looking Glass: Recurring issues of Chinese Law in U.S. Legal Processes” to the Singapore Law Association.

PUBLICATIONS
“One World, Different Dreams: Assessing the Struggle to Define the Beijing Olympics,” in Owning the Olympics: Narratives of the New China (Monroe E. Price and Daniel Dayan, eds., 2008)

Foreign Policy and Constitutional Change in China, (with Cheng Li) (forthcoming 2008, Orbis)


“Shifting International Contexts, Taiwan’s Democracy and China’s Democratic Prospects,” in Democratization in Greater China (eds., Larry Diamond and Bruce Gilley) (forthcoming 2008)

Commentaries / Conference Reports:
Kind of Blue?: Implications of Taiwan’s 2008 Elections (FPRI, Jan 2008) <www.fpri.org/enotes/200801.delisle.bluetaiwan2008elections.htm>


International Exchange of Scholars, which administers Fulbright grants, as a member of the Japan/Korea Peer Review Committee in October/November. He also spoke at the 50th Anniversary International Symposium of Waseda University's Institute of Comparative Law, titled "Legal Terminology in the Era of Globalization - Comparative Studies on Legal Transplant in Europe and East Asia." It featured distinguished jurists and scholars from the US, China, Taiwan, Japan, Korea, the UK, including high court judges, professors, and practitioners. In November, he presented "Slippery Slopes: Tort Law and Ski Accidents in the US," in Bormio, Italy at the 2nd European Snow Law Forum and participated at a meeting of Penn Law's first international alumni club in Tokyo. In December, Feldman presented on law, ethics and vaccines at a meeting in Tokyo.

CLAIRE FINKELSTEIN
PROFESSOR OF LAW AND PHILOSOPHY
Claire Finkelstein is currently Siemens Fellow at the American Academy in Berlin, where she is working on her book on Hobbesian legal theory. In November she presented the third chapter of her book, entitled "Contracts Under Coercion: Should You Keep a Contract with a Robber?" at the University of Chicago Law School and the philosophy department at Tufts University. She also presented the paper at the Center for American Studies at the University of Heidelberg in February, and at the American Academy in Berlin in March.

PUBLICATIONS
"Contrived Defenses and Deterrent Threats: Two Facets of One Problem" (with Leo Katz), Ohio State Journal of Criminal Law (forthcoming)
"Acting on an Intention," (forthcoming)
"Two Models of Murder: Patterns of Criminalization in the United States," (forthcoming)

DOUGLAS FRENKEL
PRACTICE PROFESSOR OF LAW AND CLINICAL DIRECTOR
In May, Frenkel delivered a lecture entitled "Mandatory Mediation and the Vanishing Trial: Is Court Now the "Alternative?" at La Escuela Libre de Derecho, Mexico City. It was part of that leading law school's inauguration of a mediation program. He also spoke on the subject of mediation at the Universidad Del Valle de Mexico in Mexico City. In February, Frenkel spoke on "Mediator Ethics" and "Screening for Appropriateness (Violence)" at a Conference on Cross-Border Family Mediation under the Hague Convention sponsored by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children and the University of Miami School of Law. He also serves on the Executive Committee of the Association of American Law Schools Section on Clinical Education, having been elected to a two-year term.

PUBLICATIONS

GEOFFREY C. HAZARD, JR.
TRUSTEE PROFESSOR OF LAW
PUBLICATIONS

JASON JOHNSTON
ROBERT G. FULLER, JR. PROFESSOR OF LAW; DIRECTOR, PROGRAM ON LAW, THE ENVIRONMENT, AND ECONOMICS
During the fall semester, Johnston was in residence at
the American Academy in Berlin as the Bosch Fellow in Public Policy. During this period, he presented his article "The Law and Economics of Environmental Federalism: Europe and the U.S. Compared," at the European Association of Law and Economics Meetings, Copenhagen, and his article "Climate Change Hysteria and the Supreme Court: On the Likely Economic Consequences of Global Warming for America and the Adverse Impacts and Ineffectiveness of Regulating Greenhouse Gases under the Clean Air Act," at a joint seminar of the American Studies Program and Economics and Law Faculty, Heidelberg University. His in-progress book, "Climate Change Policy for Realists" was presented at a public lecture at the American Academy in Berlin.

While in Berlin, Johnston participated on a panel in the Climate Change Colloquium at the Conference on the CSP Network sponsored by the Bosch Foundation, spoke about "Sustainability in Recent State Level Environmental Law Developments in the U.S.;" at the Annual Conference of the German Chancellor's Council on Sustainability, and gave two presentations — entitled "A Law and Economics Perspective on Risk Regulation," and "Recent State Developments in Global Warming Regulation in the U.S. — at the Bertelsmann Foundation Conference on Regulatory Reform. During the continuation of his sabbatical, Johnston continues work on books dealing with a) climate change policy, b) the law and economic approach to comparative environmental law (with Michael Faure), and c) the law and economics of market incentives for corporate environmental performance.

MICHAEL KNOLL
THEODORE K. WARNER PROFESSOR OF LAW & PROFESSOR OF REAL ESTATE
Knoll spoke on taxes and competitiveness at ALEA in May; at Connecticut and Washington & Lee; and at the Columbia Tax Policy Colloquium in October and November. Last October, he presented "The Ancient Roots of Modern Financial Innovation: The Early History of Regulatory Arbitrage" at the Conference on Offshore and Underground Finance: White, Grey And Black Markets at Bocconi University in Milan, and gave a talk on the tax treatment of private equity at the London School of Economics (LSE) Taxation Seminars. Knoll also presented "The Tax Advantage of 'Sweat Equity': What it is and its Relationship to the Carried Interest Controversy" at Northwestern University Tax Colloquium and at Dickinson University. In March, Knoll represented Penn at Themis — a consortium of law schools — in Paris and spoke about the Deals course he co-teaches with Dan Raff of Wharton.

PUBLICATIONS
"The UBIT: leveling an uneven playing field or tilting a level one?" (Symposium: Nonprofit Law, Economic Challenges, and the Future of Charities), Fordham Law Review 76:2, 857-892 (Nov 2007)

"Prejudgment Interest in International Arbitration," (with Jeffrey M. Colon) U of Penn, Inst for Law & Econ Research Paper No. 07-33; Fordham Law Legal Studies Research Paper No. 1029710

PRAVEEN KOSURI
PRACTICE ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF LAW
In October, Kosuri spoke at the Career Roundtable for Penn's Asian Pacific American Heritage Week and also at the Summit of the Inner City Economic Forum to Focus on Mobilizing Capital for Inner-City Revitalization. From February 29- March 1, Kosuri joined a group of 12 national law faculty at the Kauffman Foundation in Kansas City to participate in a working group on Law,
Entrepreneurship, & Innovation to discuss the future of transactional legal education in American law schools. In May, Kosuri was selected to present "Teaching Transactional Skills through Upper Level Simulations" at Emory University Law School's first Conference on Teaching Drafting and Transactional Skills: The Basics and Beyond. During the Fall 2007 and Spring 2008 semesters, Kosuri presented workshops, along with clinic students on start-up formation and structuring issues, intellectual property, employment law, and managing attorneys to entrepreneurs at the Wharton Small Business Development Center and Wharton's Business Plan Competition.

FRIEDRICH K. KUBLER
PROFESSOR OF LAW
Kubler completed and published the manuscript of an interdisciplinary analysis of German mass media law (in German).

Seth Kreimer, helped to plan a Constitutional Law Conclave for the Pennsylvania Bar Institute in October 2007, along with Penn Law professors David Rudovsky and Kermit Roosevelt. His presentation focused on recent developments in the Supreme Court's First Amendment doctrine.

PUBLICATIONS

ALAN LERNER
PRACTICE PROFESSOR OF LAW
Lerner participated in a week-long workshop for Chinese law professors in Beijing, on “Experiential Teaching in Law,” sponsored by Temple University’s Beasley School of Law and Tsinghua Law School. In July, he gave a workshop at Vietnam University in Hanoi for law professors on “Clinical Teaching Theory and Methods,” sponsored by VNU and Bridges Across Borders. In September, he participated in the first annual meeting of Bellow Scholars of the Association of American Law Schools Committee on Public Interest Lawyering, to develop a program to encourage clinical law professors to engage in multi-disciplinary research and scholarship. In October, Lerner presented “Robert Frost, Yogi Berra and the Future of Child Advocacy Clinics,” at the University of Arizona’s Child Advocacy Clinic’s Tenth Anniversary Celebration.

KRISTIN MADISON
PROFESSOR OF LAW
PUBLICATIONS
"Regulating Health Care Quality in an Information Age," 40 U.C. Davis L. Rev. 1577 (2007)

SERENA MAYERI
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF LAW
In September, Mayeri presented a paper entitled “Reconstructing the Race-Sex Analogy” at the Second Annual Colloquium on Current Scholarship in Labor and Employment Law in Denver. She also discussed her book-in-prog-
press, *Reasoning from Race: Legal Feminism in the Civil Rights Era*, at the Workshop on History, Technology, and Culture at the University of Delaware. In October, she presented “Civil Rights on Both Sides: Reproductive Rights and Free Speech in Schenck v. Pro-Choice Network,” at a workshop entitled “Abortion Policy and Protest” at SUNY Buffalo Law School. Also in the fall, she presented “A New ERA or a New Era? Amendment Advocacy and the Reconstitution of Feminism” at the Penn Law School faculty retreat, at a symposium called “The New Face of Women’s Legal History” at the University of Akron, and as part of a panel she organized for the American Society for Legal History’s Annual meeting in Tempe, Arizona, entitled “Reconstituting Gender and Citizenship.”

### PUBLICATIONS


### CHARLES W. MOONEY, JR.

**CHARLES A. HEIMBOLD, JR. PROFESSOR OF LAW**

In January, Mooney served as a discussion leader at the Eastern District of Pennsylvania Bankruptcy Conference Annual Forum. In February, he spoke at the Cape Town Convention and Aircraft Protocol at an academic symposium on international law sponsored by the Temple Law Review. In March, he gave the keynote speech at two symposia sponsored by The Bank of Japan and the University of Kyoto, in Tokyo and Kyoto, Japan. He spoke on his forthcoming paper on intermediated securities, listed below. Mooney continues to serve as an elected an At-Large Regent of the American College of Bankruptcy and on the U.S. delegation (Department of State) for the UNIDROIT draft convention on intermediated securities. The delegation will represent the United States at a diplomatic conference in Geneva in September.

### SARAH PAOLETTI

**CLINICAL SUPERVISOR AND LECTURER**

In October, Paoletti served as the U.S. facilitator for the Bi-National Labor Justice Convening, convened by Centro de los Derechos del Migrante, Inc., and ProDesc in Mexico City, Mexico. Later that month, she presented on the Human Rights of Refugees panel, for the International Law Organization’s Symposium on Human Rights in North Korea at Penn and moderated “Global Immigration and Economic Needs,” for the Penn Program on Democracy, Citizenship and Constitutionalism. She also lectured on Latino Labor and Employment at the Latino Health Seminar at Penn Medical School.

In November, Paoletti was a presenter/panelist at Penn Media’s Immigration Seminar at the National Press Club, Washington, D.C. She then facilitated and presented at Working Hands: Immigrant Workers and Human Rights, an event sponsored by the ACLU, National Employment Law Center (NELP), The Farmworker Association of Florida, and the ACLU of Florida, Ft. Myers. Later than month, she presented on Migrant Rights and Global Health at University of Texas Medical Branch (UTMB).

In December, Paoletti was a visiting scholar and consultant in Beijing, at the Chinese University of Politics and Law, where she gave a Clinical Legal Education Training. That same month, Paoletti chaired the Labor and Immigration Working Groups for the US Human Rights Network, for the US Compliance Review before the UN Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination. In this capacity she submitted a report, and participated in hearings before the UN Committee in February. Also in February, Paoletti presented a training on Gender-based Asylum Claims, sponsored by World...
The following month, she was for the a commentator on the “Three Models of Solidarity” panel for the Penn Program on Democracy, Citizenship and Constitutionalism.

Paoletti currently serves as the Board Secretary for Friends of Farmworkers, Inc. in Philadelphia, and as the Board Secretary for El Centro de los Derechos del Migrante, Inc., in Zacatecas, Mexico. She is also continuing to work with Transnational Legal Clinic students and independently with the Diaspora Project for the Liberian Truth and Reconciliation Commission, in coordination with The Advocates for Human Rights.

Amicus Briefs and Other Advocacy Work

Counsel to Amici, International Law Scholars, Al Oclah v. USA, U.S Supreme Court (filed August 23, 2007)

Counsel to Amici, Canadian Parliamentarians and International Law Scholars and Experts in the Area of International Humanitarian Law, International Criminal Law and International Human Rights Law, United States of America v. Omar

Ahmed Khadr, Military Commission, Guantanamo (filed January 16, 2008)

Counsel of Record to Amici, International Human Rights Scholars, Practitioners and Organizations, Pierre v. Mukasey, 3rd Cir. Court of Appeals (En Banc) (filed January 22, 2008).

STEPHEN R. PERRY
JOHN J. O'BRIEN
PROFESSOR OF LAW & PROFESSOR OF PHILOSOPHY; DIRECTOR, INSTITUTE FOR LAW AND PHILOSOPHY

Professor Stephen Perry presented his paper “Political Authority and Political Obligation” to a Legal Theory workshop at the University of Toronto Law School in October, to the Oxford-UCL Colloquium on Legal Philosophy in November, to the Bryn Mawr Philosophy Department, also in November, and to a Legal Theory workshop at UCLA law school in March.

PAUL H. ROBINSON
COLIN S. DIVER
PROFESSOR OF LAW

As part of the MacArthur Foundation’s Network on Decision-Making for the Law and Neuroscience Project, Robinson received a grant to study the Neural Correlates of Assessing Relative Blameworthiness with fMRI (with Kevin A. McCabe, Frank Kruger, Morris B. Hoffman, Owen D. Jones and René Marcot). Robinson is also in the data collection stage of another research project, The Disutility of Injustice, an empirical study with social psychologist John Darley, the Warren Professor of Psychology at Princeton.


PUBLICATIONS


“Neocolonialism, Common Law, and Uncodifiable Shari’a: A Reply to Professor An-Na’im,” (with Adrian Ziffiger) 2 Journal of Comparative Law (British) 61-68 (2007)

KERMIT ROOSEVELT
PROFESSOR OF LAW

In August, Roosevelt guest-taught a class for incoming LLs at Columbia law school on In the Shadow of the Law. In October, he presented a paper on the legacy of Brown, “Judicial Supremacy, Judicial Activism: Cooper v. Aaron
and Parents Involved" in a symposium at St. Louis University Law School (will be published in the spring). That same month, he gave a talk reviewing the past Term of the Supreme Court at the Pennsylvania Bar Institute’s Constitutional Law Conclave. In February he debated 9th Circuit Judge Clifford Wallace on the topic of judicial activism, and also delivered the keynote address on the same topic for the Northern California Phi Beta Kappa Association. In addition, he delivered the Donahue Lecture at Suffolk University Law School on Post-9/11 Executive Detention and Interrogation (will be published in the spring in the Suffolk University Law Journal). In April, Roosevelt discussed judicial independence as a panelist at the Third Circuit Judicial Conference. Roosevelt has also been elected to membership in the American Law Institute.

PUBLICATIONS

“Test Case,” The Guardian (October 4, 2007)

DAVID RUDOVSKY
SENIOR FELLOW
PUBLICATIONS


LOUIS RULLI
PRACTICE PROFESSOR OF LAW

Rulli was the keynote speaker at Pro Bono Opportunities Day in October 2007, sponsored by the Volunteers for the Indigent Program and held at Montgomery McCracken Walker and Rhoads. He also spoke on the federal College Cost Reduction and Access Act of 2007 at the Philadelphia Bar Association to an audience of executive directors of public interest organizations. Rulli served as a course planner and faculty presenter at the annual Public Interest Update CLE in December, 2007, where he spoke on practical strategies for addressing ethical issues of working with nonlawyers in public interest practice. In December, 2007 and February, 2008, Rulli conducted training for lawyers at Community Legal Services and Philadelphia Legal Assistance on the topic of professional responsibility in the supervision of lawyers and nonlawyers.

As chairperson of the Joint Overlapping Board Committee of the boards of trustees of CLS and PLA, Rulli worked closely with program management and board members to propose and implement structural governance changes that should provide for enhanced coordination and collaboration between two of Philadelphia’s leading legal services organizations.

In February, Rulli was appointed by the President of the Pennsylvania Bar Association to serve as a member of the Legal Access Task Force, which is charged with the task of developing implementation strategies for the right to counsel in civil cases. Rulli, a past chair of the Philadelphia Bar Association’s Commission on Judicial Selection and Retention, was also appointed in February to serve on the Chancellor’s Judicial Commission Task Force. The Task Force was created by the Chancellor to study potential changes to the policies and procedures of the Commission which provides recommendations and ratings to the public regarding judicial candidates.

PUBLICATIONS


CHRIS W. SANCHIRICO
PROFESSOR OF LAW, BUSINESS, AND PUBLIC POLICY

In the fall, Sanchirico presented an empirical paper on tax equity at the Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, and a paper on private equity at tax workshops at the University of Michigan and NYU. He
currently serves as chair of the Evidence section of the Association of American Law Schools, as well as a member of the Board of Directors of the American Law and Economics Association. He also continues to edit two online journals, Economic Inequality and the Law, and Evidence and Evidentiary Procedure. His new paper on the taxation of private equity funds was recently accepted for publication in the University of Chicago Law Review.

DAVID A. SKEEL
S. SAMUEL ARSHT
PROFESSOR OF CORPORATE LAW

Skeel participated in the ten-day Oxford Finance Symposium at the Oxford University’s Said Business School in June, which included many of the world’s leading finance economists. He presented “The Promise and Perils of Credit Derivatives” (co-authored with Frank Partnoy). In October, he presented “The Accidental Elegance of Aronson v. Lewis” at the Murphy (corporate law) Conference at Fordham Law School and “The Paths of Christian Legal Scholarship” at the twenty-fifth anniversary celebration of Emory’s Institute for Law and Religion. In November, Skeel presented “The Unbearable Lightness of Christian Legal Scholarship” in Yale’s legal history workshop series, and at a workshop at Boston College’s Boisi Center. Also in November, Skeel presented “A Theory of Law Firm Globalization” (co-authored with John Armour) in Northwestern’s law and economics workshop series. In December, Skeel participated in the “Opening of the Evangelical Mind” conference, which was organized by Peter Berger and Tim Shah, and included most of the most prominent evangelical intellectuals in history (Mark Noll, George Marsden, Joel Carpenter), philosophy (Alvin Plantinga, Nick Wolterstorff), sociology (Peter Uhlenberg, Nancy Ammerman, Michael Lindsay) and law (Bill Stuntz). He was included on the law panel, and gave a talk. In February, Skeel presented a talk on hedge funds in bankruptcy at Penn’s Journal of Business and Employment Law Hedge Fund Symposium and a paper entitled “Lawrence Joseph and the Law-and-Literature Tradition” at a symposium on Larry Joseph’s poems at the University of Cincinnati School of Law. In March, he taught three classes on law and literature at Roma Tre in Rome to introduce a class by Professor Emanuele Conte on Law and the Humanities.

PUBLICATIONS

CATHERINE T. STRUVE
PROFESSOR OF LAW

In November, Struve served as a member of a panel discussing “Separation of Powers” at the National Association of Women Judges Annual Conference, and as a member of a panel discussing “Litigation Deadlines” at the University of Pennsylvania Law School American Inn of Court. In December, Struve served as the moderator of a panel on “CAFA and Regulatory Policy” at the University of Pennsylvania Law Review’s symposium “Fairness to Whom? Perspectives on the Class Action Fairness Act of 2005.” In January, Struve served as the moderator of a panel on “Concepts of Independence and Accountability” at the Joint AALS and Conference of Chief Justices Workshop on the Courts. Also in January, Struve was elected Chair of the AALS Section on Civil Procedure.

PUBLICATIONS

MICHAEL L. WACHTER
WILLIAM B. JOHNSON
PROFESSOR OF LAW AND ECONOMICS; CO-DIRECTOR, INSTITUTE FOR LAW AND ECONOMICS

In December, Wachter presented “Shareholder Pri-
TOBIAS BARRINGTON WOLFF
PROFESSOR OF LAW

Wolff is currently serving as the Chair of the National LGBT Policy Committee for Sen. Barack Obama in Obama’s campaign for the presidency. In that capacity, he has been advising the campaign on LGBT issues and traveling around the country helping to represent the campaign. Closer to home, Professor Wolff testified recently before the Judiciary Committee of the Pennsylvania Senate, urging rejection of S.B. 1250, the proposed state constitutional amendment that would write discrimination against same-sex relationships into the Pennsylvania Constitution. Wolff also recently submitted an amicus curiae brief to the Iowa Supreme Court in a lawsuit seeking equal treatment for gay couples in the state’s civil marriage laws. He renewed his term as a member of the executive committee of the AALS Section on the Conflict of Laws, and he was appointed this year as a member of the American Law Institute.

PUBLICATIONS


"Expressive Association and the Ideal of the University in the Solomon Amendment Litigation," Social Philosophy and Policy (forthcoming)

CHRISTOPHER S. YOO
PROFESSOR OF LAW AND COMMUNICATION


TESTIMONIES

Net Neutrality and Free Speech on the Internet: Hearing before the House Committee on the Judiciary (March 11, 2008).


PUBLICATIONS

The Unitary Executive: Presidential Power from Washington to Bush, (with Steven G. Calabresi) (Yale University Press, forthcoming 2008)


Major Campaign Gifts

THE LAW SCHOOL has received an anonymous lead gift of $10 million toward the construction of a new building to replace Pepper Hall, the administrative heart of Penn Law. School officials envision that the new building will be designed to promote interaction, collaboration and integration of knowledge in keeping with Penn Law's cross-disciplinary mission. With the new building, the Law School plans to accommodate faculty expansion and address the growing demands of the academic program. Accordingly, the plan calls for:

- a minimum of 12 additional faculty offices, situated as close as possible to the majority of existing faculty offices;
- new administrative offices, including the Dean's Suite;
- an auditorium with the capacity to hold 250 people and be used for smaller lectures and classes;
- additional spaces for academic programs, possibly including academic centers and one or more student journal offices;
- flexible common spaces and informal meeting areas for interchange, dialogue, and discussion among students and faculty.

Estimated start date is spring 2010. The project would take approximately 18 months.

ROXANNE CONISHA BOK, C'81 and SCOTT L. BOK, C'81, W'81, L'84 have made a major gift to establish the Bok Family Visiting Faculty Fund. The fund will provide support to scholars from around the globe to teach mini-courses at Penn Law for two to three weeks per year. Mr. Bok is president of Greenhill & Co., Inc., an acquisitions and restructuring advisory firm that he joined as a managing director in 1997. He is also a trustee of Penn. Mrs. Bok edits children's books.

RHONDA RESNICK COHEN, L'80, and DAVID L. COHEN, L'81, have made a generous gift to establish the Rhonda and David Cohen Student Public Service Fund, which will provide financial support for student-run pro bono projects. Mr. Cohen is executive vice president at Comcast. He was chief of staff to former Philadelphia Mayor Ed Rendell and chairman of Ballard Spahr Andrews & Ingersoll, LLP. He is a trustee of Penn.

MARK A. ELLMAN, W'78, L'84, has made a significant contribution to establish the Mark A. Ellman and Anne S. Ellman Loan Forgiveness Fund, which will provide financial support to graduates engaged in public service. Mr. Ellman has 20 years' experience in the insurance and asset management sub-sectors as an investment banker at Credit Suisse, Wasserstein Perella, Morgan Stanley, UBS and Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette. He headed the insurance practice at DLJ and Credit Suisse, and in 2004 he became co-head of the Global Financial Institutions Group at Credit Suisse.

Paul G. Haaga, L'74, WG'74 and HEATHER HAAGA have made a major gift to establish the Paul G. Haaga, Jr. and Heather Haaga Fund. Mr. Haaga is vice chairman of Capital Research and Management Co, as well as chairman of CRMC's executive committee. He is also chairman of Capital International Fund and vice chairman of the thirteen fixed-income funds in the American Funds Group and of Capital World Growth and Income Fund. Additionally, Mr. Haaga sits on the Penn Law Board of Overseers and is a recipient of the Alumni Award of Merit in 2006.

THE STICKLEY TRUST has established the Philip Newman Scholarship Fund. Philip Newman, L'17, was an authority in real estate law who played a major role in the acquisition and development of most of the properties lining the perimeter of Rittenhouse Square. In 1961, his firm, Newman & McMaster, merged with what is now known as Blank Rome. He served as senior partner and senior counsel, the latter title created by the law firm and now used widely at other firms.
IN HONOR OF HIS 50TH REUNION, HARVEY PORTER, L'58, has established the Porter Family Scholarship Fund, which will award need-based scholarships. Mr. Porter is a member of the Class of 1958 Reunion committee. Porter retired in 1996 as president and CEO of Regent National Bank.

JODI J. SCHWARTZ, W'81, L'84, WG'84, has made a generous donation to establish the Jodi J. Schwartz and Steven F. Richman Endowed Scholarship Fund to provide financial support to Penn Law students and graduates. Ms. Schwartz, a partner at Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz, specializes in the tax aspects of corporate transactions, including mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, spin-offs and financial instruments. Richman is a 1984 graduate of the Law School.

JOSEPH GATTO, L'84, WG'84, and Susan Gatto made a major gift to establish the Joseph and Susan Gatto Scholarship Fund and to support Annual Giving. Mr. Gatto joined Lehman Brothers in 2005 as vice chair and chairman of Global Mergers and Acquisitions. Prior to that, he was a managing director at Goldman, Sachs & Co. As chairman of Consumer Products Banking, he played a leadership role in the development of the firm's practice in consumer products and mergers and acquisitions. He is a member of the Board of Overseers at Penn Law, and serves on the advisory boards of the Institute for Law and Economics and the University of Pennsylvania Journal of International Economic Law.

Corrections to the 2006-2007 Annual Report

WE FAILED TO RECOGNIZE a gift from Brijesh P. Dave, L'01. In addition, we did not note that Michael Blum, C'90, L'93, and Michael Winograd, L'00, had made gifts in five consecutive years. Finally, Richard Jacoby, W'61, L'64, is no longer a director of the Atlantic City Racing Association, as written. The Association has been liquidated. We apologize for the errors and omissions.

So much depends on faculty who move the mind and stir the spirit. At Penn Law, we have a full roster of faculty who inspire with their passion in every area of legal study. Their published work and research are unsurpassed. Governments consult them, and the national media that influence opinion-makers constantly seek them out. Still, their students and dedication to teaching remain their priorities.

In the Bold Ambitions campaign, we seek to increase our faculty endowment by $50 million. With those funds, we will expand and retain our faculty (by, in part, establishing new professorships). In doing so, we are paving the way for a new generation of giants, such as A. Leo Levin, L'42, Robert Gorman, and Curtis Reitz, C'51, L'56, to teach students who will go on to have a great impact on the legal profession.
Hail Bob Gorman, Who Promoted Lively Exchanges — With a Smile

BY Lisa Scottoline, C’77, L’81

For more than three decades, Bob Gorman taught Copyright and Labor Law to admiring students. He anticipated the importance of Intellectual Property as a field of law. But most important, Bob became partners with his students in the great enterprise of the law. He stimulated students’ interest with a glint and brought weighty subjects down to earth, for which they remain grateful.

IT IS PROBABLY TRUE that great teachers never understand the impact they have on their students. We leave the class and move on to the next year, to other assignments and job interviews, then we graduate to the stuff of life in general. We don’t often go back to tell a teacher how much he meant, and in fact, let me suggest that we can’t understand, at such a young place in our lives, the importance of a single teacher. We lack the context, in our twenties. There’s much we haven’t learned. It’s one of the many disadvantages of youth. In my view, you have to be about fifty-two years old, just to pick a hypothetical, to really appreciate what a truly great teacher did for you and meant to you. And so I’m thrilled to be asked to reflect now, on Bob Gorman.

By way of background, Penn Law in my day was a little chilly. It had lots of shiny, polished surfaces and hard edges. The professors lectured from a stage above us; some made eye contact, and others did not. They were much, much older that we were — maybe even fifty-two! And though they surely didn’t intend as much, they could be intimidating.

And then there was Bob Gorman.

Bob Gorman was warm, friendly, incredibly gregarious, energetic, and kind. I don’t know if he was younger than the other faculty, but he acted it, which is good. He rarely stood on the stage when he spoke and instead moved through the aisles. To call his classes lectures would be to miss the lively exchange of ideas he sparked, instigated, and ultimately orchestrated. We became partners with him in his class, all of us trying to understand hard cases together, reasoning between us what the law was, and better yet, hammering out what the law can and should be.

And as lofty as that sounds, Bob Gorman never floated above us, because the most powerful intellects never do. On the contrary, he opened his heart to us, sharing stories about his family and tossing us apples they had picked one autumn weekend in Jersey. Once he even sang. (He can sing, too.) Whether he came down to our level or elevated us to his, I cannot say, but he told jokes to relax us, gave us plenty of review sessions in advance of exams, and designed his lectures to make us feel smarter, not dumber. Entering his classroom was like walking into the embrace of a favorite uncle, who loves to see you. And in return, we loved him back fully. We relaxed in his class, we laughed a lot, and we learned better. And because of his very nature, I now realize that for me, Bob Gorman became the face of Penn Law.

And, for once, it had a smile.

Put simply, Bob Gorman defined my law school experience, so that when I look back now, I forget the hard edges and remember only the grins.

I always knew how much I loved him, but it wasn’t until this moment that I realized how much I owe him.

And that is precisely when words fail.

Lisa Scottoline is a New York Times bestselling author of 15 novels. She writes a weekly column called “Chick Wit” for the Philadelphia Inquirer, and has won many awards, including the Fun Fearless Female Award by Cosmopolitan Magazine and the Edgar Award by the Mystery Writers of America. She teaches Justice and Fiction at the University of Pennsylvania Law School and appears in Court TV’s new crime series, “Murder By The Book.”
He Owes His Love of the Law to the Legendary A. Leo Levin

BY STEPHEN A. COZEN, C'61, L'64

A. Leo Levin, L'42, spent 40 years sharing his joy in the law. He was a warm, caring mentor whose disciples span the region and the country. He shaped students' lives like few professors, teaching them the value of pro bono work rooted in the necessity of standing for the least among us.

I HAVE BEEN PRACTICING LAW since 1964. In those 44 years I have been asked constantly by opponents, colleagues, partners, associates, and friends why it appears that I am so passionate about what I do and about my love for the law. “Where is it from,” they ask, “that you get this passion and thrill for what you do?” I confess, I do have a love and a passion not simply for the practice of law but for the law itself. And the answer that I give to each and everyone who poses questions, and has posed those same questions throughout the last 44 years, is simple and straightforward. The answer is A. Leo Levin.

From the first day that I entered Penn Law and attended my first class of civil procedure and thereafter throughout my career at the Law School and my service as a member of the Board of Overseers, I have drawn inspiration from the words, the actions, the writings, and most importantly the warmth and caring that Leo always demonstrated.

It was always clear to me that Leo could inspire his students because he himself was inspired by the purpose of the law. His research focused not on technical application of arcane rules, but empirical studies that focused on how the system worked (and did not work) in the real world.

He was an extraordinary lecturer who grabbed your attention and kept it throughout the balance of the class. Leo had us excited to be there, laughing and scratching our heads at the beginning of class, and pondering what seemed to be unanswerable questions as we walked out the door each day.

Almost more than anything else in terms of the practice of law, he taught me that preparation, thoroughness, and an unwillingness to accept anything at face value were the secrets to success. I always suspected that he himself was extraordinarily well prepared for each and every class which he taught. In fact, as I learned when I worked with him during our second year in law school as an assistant in a seminar on evidence, he was so absorbed in preparation that he would not talk to people prior to the actual class so that he could maintain his focus. His sense of humor, his witty approach and his extraordinary presentation were his hallmarks at Penn Law for over five decades.

How Leo ever found the time, given the energy that he dedicated to teaching, to do so many other things has always left me with a sense of wonderment. For years he was the director of the Federal Judicial Center; he served on the planning committee of the claims commission charged with making recommendations concerning the proper disposition of hundreds of millions of dollars being paid, both as restitution and reparations, to survivors of the Holocaust; and he was a prolific writer.

It was Leo who taught me what would later become a hallmark of the Cozen O'Connor dedication to pro bono work. If good lawyers are not representing those in our society who are least able to afford it, then the law will work for no one.

The value of extraordinary faculty members cannot be overestimated. The value of good friends, as Doris and Leo came to be to Sandy and me can never be appreciated too much. But the value of an inspirational mentor who taught me to love the law, keep it close to my heart and mind at all times, and attempt to live by its rules created a debt from me to Leo which can never be repaid.

STEPHEN A. COZEN is the founder and chairman of COZEN O'CONNOR, a Philadelphia-based law firm with 21 offices throughout the United States and offices in London and Toronto.
Curtis Reitz Stretched Students' Minds with 'Existential' Teaching Style

By Richard Bazelon, '68

Curtis Reitz, C'Sl, I.'56, retired last year after a half century of teaching. Hundreds upon hundreds of students passed through his classes in Contracts, Commercial Law and Professional Responsibility, among others, and emerged wiser for the experience. Much of what they learned came from the realization that every answer begets more questions.

**CURTIS REITZ**, taught first year Penn Law students from 1960 to 2002. For my class, the entering class in 1965, and I suspect for many of the other classes during these years, Curtis was a major, and memorable part of our Law School experience.

Curtis taught contracts to my first year section. At the beginning of the year, Curtis was an enigma, and, to be frank, not always popular. He took the Socratic method about as far as it could go. Classes were marked by seemingly long periods of silence (during which Curtis often chewed on the frame of his glasses), and responses were met with further questions. There were no satisfying answers, and no resolution. Notetaking seemed pointless. Initially, we felt like characters in an existential novel.

Yet, I don't remember any class in law school, or in my undergraduate years, which changed so much in terms of response and appreciation of students. We came to understand, and accept, the challenge. By the spring, students would often congregate in small groups before class to attempt to anticipate the issue which Curtis would pinpoint in his questioning. We were responding to him, but also learning for ourselves the questions we needed to explore in order to understand an opinion, the commercial context of the dispute, and the law's response to the underlying problems. We had learned that the question was at least as important as the answer. In spite of ourselves, we were beginning to think like lawyers, and, most surprisingly, to enjoy it.

Curtis was the consummate teacher. For our class, and I suspect many others, his teaching and influence extended beyond the classroom. For all of his seeming aloofness in the classroom (a product of our awe), he was the most approachable professor outside the classroom. Students were in his office on a regular basis. He invited students to work with him to provide answers to prisoners who had written to him about their legal situations. As a result, with his encouragement and support, a group of students formed the Prison Research Council. As our advisor, Curtis spent countless hours reviewing with us our research and draft letters to prisoners, and participated in trips to Lewisburg Penitentiary and Fairview State Hospital where we interviewed our “clients.”

A project that began as servicing inmates at Lewisburg Penitentiary grew in a few years to service inmates in many institutions, throughout the country. The mentoring was invaluable. For our class, and a number of subsequent classes, the Prison Research Council served to hone our skills and teach firsthand responsibilities to a client, while at the same time performing important service. In his quiet way, Curtis was a pioneer in clinical law.

Curtis' career, in service to the law and to the University, is truly remarkable. His clerkship with the late Chief Justice Earl Warren, his service as provost of the University, his leadership for many years in the Uniform State Laws Conference, his appointment by the U.S. Supreme Court and U.S. Courts of Appeals in precedent-setting cases, and his academic scholarship, all attest to his accomplishments and stature. But for Penn Law students, he was our introduction to the law, a dedicated and inspiring teacher, both in the classroom and by example. He showed us the best our profession has to offer.

RICHARD BAZELO IS FOUNDER, PARTNER AND PRINCIPAL OF Bazelon Less & Feldman in Philadelphia.
THOMAS J. TIMONEY, C'49, L'52, was honored when The Wissahickon Valley Watershed Association designated a nearly 100-acre parcel of land the Timoney Preserve. The preserve is in Lower Gwynedd, Pa. Tom, a senior partner at Timoney Knox LLP, is longtime counsel to and a board member of the association.

STEPHEN RICHMAN, L'57, was elected a fellow to The College of Workers’ Compensation Lawyers. The College recognizes attorneys that have made a sustained contribution to the field of worker’s compensation law and those who meet the standards of integrity, professionalism and character. Stephen is of counsel with Weber Gallagher Simpson Stapleton.

ROBERT L. PFANNEBECKER, L'58, received an honorary degree from Franklin & Marshall, his undergraduate alma mater. In the 1960s, Bob represented clients in civil rights cases in Lancaster, Pa., involving public accommodation. Bob is a member of Zimmerman, Pfannebecker, Nuffort & Albert LLP in Lancaster.

BERNARD M. GROSS, W'56, L'59, presented a $50,000 check to the Philadelphia Fraternal Order of Police for new Harley Davidson police motorcycles. The money was given in support of the Police Motorcycle Replacement Program.

JAY GOLDBERG, W'60, L'63, was recently elected to the board of the Pennsylvania Ballet Company. He is immediate past president of Philadelphia’s Lantern Theater Co., where he served as president for four years. Jay is a tax partner in the Philadelphia law firm of Wolf, Block, Schorr and Solis-Cohen, LLP.

H. ROBERT FIEBACH, C'61, L'64, served as a panelist at the Pennsylvania Bar Association’s 2008 Midyear Meeting. Robert participated on a panel titled “To Appeal or Not to Appeal” A member in Cozen O’Connor’s Philadelphia office, Robert focuses on business litigation.

HARRY R. MARSHALL, JR., L'65, was appointed an adjunct professor at the University of Virginia School of Law, where he will teach a course in International Criminal Law. Harry is senior trial attorney at the Office of International Affairs in the Criminal Division at the U.S. Department of Justice.

ALAN REISCHE, L'65, was appointed by New Hampshire Gov. John Lynch to serve on the Citizens Trade Policy Commission. The commission assesses and monitors the legal and economic effects of trade agreements on state and local laws, working conditions, the business environment; provides a mechanism for citizens and legislators to voice their concerns and recommendations; and makes policy recommendations designed to protect New Hampshire’s jobs, business environment and laws from negative impacts of trade agreements. Alan is a partner at Sheehan Phinney Bass+Green, where he focuses on business acquisitions and mergers; planning for next-generation internal ownership transfers; and debt and equity financings from institutional and non-institutional sources.

HOWARD L. SHECTER, L'68, has joined Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP as a partner in the firm’s Mergers and Acquisitions practice in New York. Shecter most recently served as senior leader of Mor-
gan Lewis & Bockius' Business and Finance Practice Group and was a former chairman and managing partner of the firm. He brings more than 35 years of experience in U.S. and global M&A transactions. At Orrick, Shechter will lead the firm's efforts to expand its global M&A practice.

MARK YUDOF, C'65, L'68, has been named president of the University of California. This is the first time that the University has chosen someone from outside the system and the state. Yudof had been chancellor of the University of Texas since 2002. He led the University of Minnesota before that. Yudof, who will run a university with 10 campuses, is known as a leader in higher-education issues.

NOLAN ATKINSON, GL'69, has become the first chief diversity officer at Duane Morris LLP in Philadelphia. Nolan will act as the principal manager for all of the firm’s diversity-related efforts. Nolan is a partner in the Trial Practice Group and chair of the firm’s Diversity Committee. He advises clients on matters related to diversity issues and anti-discrimination issues.

MAX STERN, L'69, has been named among the Top 10 in the Massachusetts Super Lawyers 2007. Max is a partner at Stern Shapiro Weissberg & Garin, a litigation firm in Boston.

MARJORIE SILVER, L'70, a professor of law at Touro Law Center, is a contributing editor and the editor of The Affective Assistance of Counsel: Practicing Law as a Healing Profession (Carolina Academic Press, 2007). In January 2007, Chief Judge Judith S. Kaye of the New York State Court of Appeals appointed Marjorie to the board of trustees of the New York State Lawyer Assistance Trust.

CHARLES J. BLOOM, L'71, has been elected president of the Lower Merion (Pa.) Library System Foundation. A Stevens & Lee shareholder, Charles concentrates his legal practice in complex corporate litigation with a focus on securities, corporate governance, and intellectual property litigation.

ROGER E. KOHN, C'67, L'71, received the 2007 Cooperating Attorney Award from the Vermont chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union for more than 20 years of service on the organization’s legal advisory panel. He was listed in the 2007 “New England Super Lawyers” list published by Law and Politics magazine. Roger is managing partner of Kohn Rath & Meyer LLP in Hinesburg, Vt., where he has a litigation and general civil practice.

GILBERT F. CASELLAS, L'72, PAR'08, has been appointed vice president of Corporate Responsibility at the computer company Dell. Gilbert will lead a group that includes the company's Global Diversity, Sustainability, and Corporate-Giving functions. Gilbert was chairman of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission from 1994 to 1997. Most recently, he was a member of the Washington law firm Mintz Levin Cohn Ferris Glovsky and Popeo PC.

DENNIS L. COHEN, L'72, presented a seminar last October on the federal income taxation of trusts and estates at the Brindisi Tax Academy in Radnor, Pa. Dennis heads Cozen O'Connor's tax practice.

KENNETH E. AARON, W'70, L'73, was a faculty member at a National Business Institute seminar titled “Practical Guide to Zoning and Land Use Law” and at the 11th Annual Real Estate Institute in Philadelphia, a two-day program sponsored by the Pennsylvania Bar Institute, where he presented “The Magic of Real Estate Sales in Bankruptcy.” He was also reappointed to his sixth three-year term as a member of the Lower Merion Zoning Hearing Board by the Board of Commissioners of Lower Merion Township in Pennsylvania. He has served as chairman of the Zoning Board since 2004. Ken is a partner at Weir & Partners LLP. His bankruptcy practice is national in scope and concentrates on creditor’s rights, insolvency and bankruptcy law with a focus on real estate, partnership, environmental issues and insurance brokerage.

MARTIN LYBECKER, GL'73, was a planning chair and faculty member for the Financial Services Institute 2007.
Marvin is a partner in the Securities Department of WilmerHale in Washington, D.C. He serves as counsel to investment companies and their independent directors, as well as to investment advisers, broker-dealers, depository institutions and their holding companies, insurance companies and several financial services trade associations.

**STEPHEN A. MADVA, L’73**, was quoted last August in an article in The Philadelphia Inquirer about how small to mid-size law firms are forgoing grand expansions in favor of targeted, regional growth. Stephen is chairman and partner of Montgomery McCracken in Philadelphia.

**SHERRIE SAVETT, CW’70, L’73**, spoke last May at a Class Action conference in Rome. She spoke about class certification in a discussion titled “Class actions at a crossroads: Europe’s choice between its own and the American model.” Sherrie participated in a simulated hearing before a U.S. court on whether to certify a worldwide class action that includes large numbers of European class members. Sherrie is chair of the Securities Litigation Department and member of the management committee at Berger & Montague, P.C. in Philadelphia.

**A. GILCHRIST SPARKS, L’73**, was listed in the September 2007 issue of Directorship 100 as one of the most influential players in corporate governance. Directorship is a bimonthly magazine written for corporate board members and executives. He was also recognized for legal excellence in the 2007 Best Lawyers Annual Guide to Corporate, Mergers & Acquisitions, and Securities Laws, which is published in Corporate Counsel Magazine. Gilchrist is a partner and member of the Corporate and Business Litigation and Delaware Corporate Law Counseling groups at Morris, Nichols, Arst & Tunnell LLP.

**MARVIN J. BRAUTH, L’74**, a shareholder at Wiltz, Goldman & Spitzer, P.A., was listed in the 2008 edition of The Best Lawyers in America, a preeminent guide to lawyers in the United States. He was selected in the specialties of commercial litigation and eminent domain and condemnation law.

**MICHAEL L. BROWNE, L’74**, was appointed Class C Director of Harleysville National Corp. Browne is the president and chief executive officer of Harleysville Group Inc. and Harleysville Mutual Insurance Co., a $1.2 billion network of property/casualty insurance companies operating in 32 states. Prior to being named Harleysville Group’s president and CEO, Michael was head of the international insurance practice group at Reed Smith LLP in Philadelphia.

**DAVID B. PUDLIN, L’74**, and HELEN POMERANTZ PUDLIN, CW’71, GED’71, L’74, have been appointed national co-chairs of Annual Giving at Penn Law School. David is president of the law firm of Hangley Aronchick Segal & Pudlin. Helen is senior vice president and general counsel of PNC Financial Services Group, where she oversees the corporation’s legal functions.

**SUSAN KATZ HOFFMAN, L’74, WG’74**, was a panelist last October of a live audio Webcast on the subject of “Pension Benefit Restrictions under PPA: What Do Employers Need to Know and When Must They Know it?” The ABA Joint Committee on Employee Benefits sponsored the Webcast. Susan is a shareholder and chair of the ERISA Group in the Philadelphia office of Littler Mendelson, PC, a national employment and labor law firm. She concentrates her practice in the areas of employee benefits litigation, employee benefit plan design and administration, and employee benefit issues in corporate transactions.

**GEORGE R. BURRELL, JR., W’69, L’74**, has accepted an executive position with PRWT Services, Inc., a labor force management company in Philadelphia. George had been president of Innovation Philadelphia, a city-funded nonprofit organization.

**MICHAEL VITIELLO, L’74**, taught a course at the University of Parma (Italy) in the fall of 2007 on a Fulbright senior specialist grant awarded by the Council for International Exchange of Scholars. A member of the faculty at the University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law, Michael taught a course on Major Themes in American Constitutional Criminal Law.

**MICHAEL GARDENER, L’75**, was named among the

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Bill Hyland’s Friendship with Benny Goodman Struck Enduring Grace Note

WHEN BENNY GOODMAN died on June 13, 1986, one of the first people to rush to his Manhattan apartment was Bill Hyland, W’44, L’49. Hyland was there to gather the jazz legend’s clarinets. But he also found a Brahms sonata on the music stand, perhaps the last thing Goodman ever played as he practiced for a concert at Carnegie Hall.

Hyland, the executor and musical consultant to Goodman’s estate, got to know the “King of Swing” through an arranged musical marriage. In the summer of 1976, the proprietor of a music venue in an historic village in northern New Jersey asked Goodman if he would mind playing with Hyland, the state’s attorney general, in his next concert there. The notoriously difficult bandleader reluctantly agreed. When the day came, Hyland, clarinet in hand, walked onto the stage and proceeded to wail with Goodman, who whispered, “Don’t leave, hang around.” Thus a great friendship was born.

Hyland was a fine professional musician in his own right, although his playing took second fiddle to his political and legal careers. He served in the General Assembly of New Jersey from 1953 to 1961, becoming the first Democratic speaker in more than two decades. He was New Jersey’s top law enforcement official from 1974 to 1978, after which he joined Riker, Danzig, Scherer, Debovois and Hyland. He retired from the firm at the end of 2006.

Here, Hyland reminisces about his relationship with Benny Goodman, which struck a special grace note in his accomplished life.

Q: What was Benny Goodman like?
A: He was a courtly gentleman. He was great at recalling things from the past, talking about places that he had been, musicians that he worked with, musicians that he liked or he didn’t like. He was a perfectionist. Music to him was ninety percent of his life. One of his vocalists said he never took the darn thing (the clarinet) out of his hand. Even when he played four or five or six shows a day he’d be practicing in between. And when we went out together it was almost always to hear music. And he was intolerant of people who did not appreciate music the way he did...

Bill Hyland, W’44, L’49 (right), riffs with the jazz great at Benny Goodman’s home recording studio.

Q: What was your role as legal and musical consultant for his estate?
A: He gave me the responsibility of listening to all of his (unreleased) music and deciding whether it was appropriate for release. There were about 400 cans of music. A six-disc set was released about 10 years ago. I also donated his memorabilia to the Yale University School of Music. This included 1700 of his arrangements. We reviewed a lot of correspondence, and I found a treasure trove of items. I found correspondence between Goodman and composer Paul Hindemuth, (Andre) Kostelanetz, and Leonard Bernstein.

Q: What did you do with his clarinets?
A: We put one in the Smithsonian and one in Carnegie Hall. One or two went to each of his two daughters. And one went to me because he said I want you to have whichever clarinet that you want. It is now over at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York. It’s standing in its own case with a photograph of Benny at his last recording session.

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EXCERPT OF HYLAND’S EULOGY AT GOODMAN’S GRAVESITE

"He saw things that for most of us would have gone unnoticed. He heard in the music of others, and in the music of his own mind, sounds and cymbals that were beyond our reach. But for him, that talent was more than a gift; it was a tremendous burden few of us can appreciate — a burden that relentlessly drove him to seek its outer limits."

ANDREW URBAN, L’75, WG’76, was named a Massachusetts Super Lawyer in the November 2007 issue of Boston Magazine and in New England Super Lawyers. Andrew is a managing member in the Boston office of Mintz Levin Cohn Ferris Glovsky and Popeo, P.C. His practice principally involves general corporate law, partnership law and real estate acquisition, development and finance.

ALAN L. BELLER, L’76, was a member of the faculty for the Practicing Law Institute’s “Foreign Issuers & the U.S. Securities Laws.” The program took place in New York last May. He was also faculty co-chair of a conference in Washington, D.C., last December on “SEC Hot Topics in Disclosure and Governance,” and on the program faculty of a teleconference on “CD&A’s: The Good, The Bad, and the Ugly” presented by the ABA Section of Business Law. Alan is a partner in the New York office of Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP. His practice focuses on complex securities, corporate governance, and corporate matters. He served as director of the Division of Corporation Finance of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission and as senior counselor to the Commission. During his four-year tenure, Alan led the division in producing the most far-reaching corporate governance, financial disclosure and securities offering reforms in Commission history.

LAWRENCE FINKELSTEIN, W’73, L’76, PAR’02, was appointed to the national board of trustees of the Crohn’s and Colitis Foundation of America, a nonprofit health advocacy organization. He is a partner at Blank Rome LLP.

BARBARA R. HAUSER, L’76, was named an independent director on the board of the Pitcairn Co. and the Pitcairn Trust Co.

BRUCE S. KATCHER, W’71, L’76, was listed in The Best Lawyers in America 2008. Bruce is one of the founding partners of Manko, Gold, Katcher & Fox LLP, an environmental, energy and land use law firm. He is the partner in charge of the firm’s New Jersey office. His practice includes contaminated site assessment and remediation, solid and hazardous waste, air and water pollution control, Superfund, underground tanks, coastal zoning and wetlands matters. He has been listed in The Best Lawyers in America since 1995.

MICHAEL P. MALLOY, L’76, celebrated his 25th year as a law professor in 2007. Michael is a member of the faculty at the University of The Pacific McGeorge School of Law. Previously he taught at New York Law School, Seton Hall University School of Law, and Fordham University School of Law.

LEE A. ROSENGARD, L’76, has been named general counsel in Stradley Ronon’s Philadelphia office. This is a new position. As general counsel, Lee will continue to be the primary ethics and conflicts partner, educate attorneys regarding responsibilities to clients and the profession, protect the firm’s interests through effective loss prevention, and manage legal matters. Lee is co-chair of the firm’s ADR Practice Group. He will continue his litigation practice, representing clients in the areas of complex commercial matters including securities, construction, unfair competition, and insurance coverage.

JIM SANDMAN, L’76, was appointed general counsel of the District of Columbia Public Schools. Sandman served as managing partner of Arnold & Porter from 1995 until 2005, when he became president-elect of the District of Columbia Bar. He has been a member of the D.C. Bar’s Board of Governors since 2003.

THOMAS ZEMAITIS, C’73, L’76, a partner at Pepper Hamilton LLP, received the Philadelphia Volunteers for the Indigent Program’s VIP People’s Choice Award for his dedication to pro bono service. Philadelphia VIP is a central intake and referral public interest law center in Philadelphia. Tom has supported the center for more than 20 years as an attorney, fundraiser, and president of the VIP board of directors.

HOPE COMISKY, L’77, was elected to the board of the Pennsylvania Bar Institute, the continuing education arm of the Pennsylvania Bar. She is a partner in the Labor and Employment Group of Pepper Hamilton LLP.

ROBERT D. LANE, JR., L’77, joined Stevens & Lee as a shareholder. He will help build its Real Estate and Project Finance practice in Greater Philadelphia. In more than 30 years of practice, he has assisted a number of Fortune 100 companies in developing major

DAVID LLOYD, C'74, W'74, L'77, won a Diversity Award from the General Electric Co. David is a member of the GE Capital Aviation Services division. He founded the GE Aviation Diversity Council and implemented the first GE program to measure use of diverse outside counsel. As general counsel of GE Aviation, David also pioneered the hiring of diverse 1L students for summer internships and minority college students for “summer experience in law” jobs. He is an active member of the GE Diversity Working Group.

ELLEN B. FISHMAN, L'78, received the New York State Bar Association’s first Judge Hugh Jones Award in recognition of her service to the Appellate Courts Committee. She is a partner and head of the appellate department at Martin Clearwater & Bell LLP in New York City.

AVARITA L. HANSON, L'78, was inducted into Atlanta’s Gate City Bar Association’s Hall of Fame at its November 2007 gala. This is the association’s highest recognition. At a separate event, she also received the Spirit of GABWA Award from the Georgia Association of Black Attorneys. A past Gate City Bar President, Avarita practiced law in Houston and Atlanta, served in several high-level government positions and was associate dean and an associate professor at Atlanta’s John Marshall Law School during the critical phase of seeking ABA accreditation.

LINDA A. GALANTE, L'79 was honored with the 2007 Summit Award from the Learning for Life program, an affiliate of the Cradle of Liberty Council Boy Scouts of America. The Learning for Life program works with community-based organizations and schools to help youth develop social and life skills, assist in character and career development and formulate positive personal values. The organization recognized her contribution to the Philadelphia business and philanthropic communities, particularly the qualities associated with the program: vision, determination, independence, and creativity. Linda is a partner with Stradley Ronon Stevens & Young, LLP, where she is chair of the Banking & Financial Services Practice Group.

BRYCE L. HOLLAND, JR., L'79, joined the Seattle office of Riddell Williams as an attorney in the firm’s Corporate Transactions and Finance Group. He previously served as a managing partner in Dorsey & Whitney LLP’s Seattle office. Bryce has nearly 30 years of experience representing businesses in corporate and securities matters.

ROBERT C. SCHNEIDER, WG'79, L'79 was pictured in the March 23, 2007 edition of the Staten Island Advance in connection with his work for client Seamen’s Society for Children and Families. Robert is special counsel at Cuddy & Feder LLP.

DAVID L. COHEN, L'81 was appointed chair-elect of the board of the Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce. David is executive vice president of Comcast Corp.

FRANCINE FRIEDMAN GRIESING, L'81, was awarded the ABA’s Probate & Property “2007 Excellence in Writing Award” for “Best Technology/Law Practice Management Article.” She received the award for an article titled “Protecting Against the Loss of the Attorney-Client Privilege in Complex International Transactions.” She is a shareholder in Greenberg Traurig’s National Litigation Department in Philadelphia.

JAY LEVIN, C'77, L'81, was appointed chair of the Property-Insurance-Law Committee of the American Bar Association’s Tort-Trial and Insurance Practice Section. Jay is counsel in the Philadelphia office of Reed Smith. He specializes in representing policyholders in disputes with insurance companies.

RANDY MASTRO, L'81, received the Judge Simon H. Rifkind Award from The Jewish Theological Seminary in recognition of his efforts to sustain a strong New York. Randy is a partner with Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP, where he is co-chair of the Litigation Practice and Crisis Management Groups.

HUGH E. MCKAY, L'81, was listed in The Best Lawyers in America 2008. He was also

ANDREW J. RUDOLPH, C'78, L'82, became a fellow of The American College of Employee Benefits Counsel. He is a partner with the Philadelphia law firm of Pepper Hamilton LLP and chair of its Employee Benefits Practice Group.

ETHAN D. FOGEL, L'83, is serving as president of the board of directors for The Homeless Advocacy Project (HAP) during 2008. A Philadelphia-based nonprofit organization, HAP provides free, civil legal services to homeless individuals and families. Ethan is a partner at Dechert LLP, where he concentrates his practice in business insolvency, reorganization law and natural resources.

ALEX R. PICOU, L'83, recently joined KeyBanc Capital Markets (KBCM) investment banking group in New York City. Alex is head of KBCM’s Gaming, Travel & Leisure industry coverage group. His team is a leading provider of M&A advisory, financing, strategic advisory and treasury management services to the gaming, travel and leisure industry. Alex has more than 20 years of experience in investment banking and the financial advisory industry. His experience includes more than 200 transactions involving private debt and equity placements, raising private equity funds, public high yield and investment grade debt offerings, equity and equity-linked offerings, strategic advisory assignments, sell-side and buy-side M&A and global privatization transactions.


KEITH B. BRAUN, L’84, has become a partner at Comiter, Singer, Baseman & Braun, LLP in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla. He is board certified in wills, trusts and estates law.

SUSAN I. PERMUT, L’84, has been named co-chair of the Corporate Law Committee of the Business Law Section of the Boston Bar Association. The Corporate Law Committee is involved in the development of laws and policies affecting corporations – both profit and nonprofit – and business trusts. Susan is senior vice president, deputy general counsel and assistant secretary at EMC Corp.

DAVID E. PRAGER, L’84, joined the law firm of Bond, Schoeneck & King, PLLC as a partner in the Labor and Employees Law Practice. He works in the New York City office. He concentrates his practice on the healthcare, fashion, and food service industries. David was formerly a partner with Sills Cummins Epstein & Gross P.C. and Phillips Nizer LLP.

JOHN S. SUMMERS, L’84, was appointed to the board of directors of the World Affairs Council of Philadelphia. A litigation shareholder at Hangley Aronchick Segal & Pudlin, John focuses on civil and white collar crime, complex commercial, class action defense, professional malpractice and misconduct, ERISA, healthcare, intellectual property and general business cases. He also serves as a lecturer-in-law at Penn Law School, and on the Board of Directors of The Reinvestment Fund.

ROBERT WONNEBERGER, L’84, has joined the law firm of Pepe & Hazard LLP as a partner in the Hartford, Ct., office. He is a member of the Business and Finance Practice Group. Robert specializes in commercial law and finance, addressing issues related to loan origination, debt restructures and workouts and real estate. Before joining Pepe & Hazard, Robert was a partner in the Stamford, Ct., office of Shipman & Goodwin, LLP.
C'82, G'82, L'85, was named global head of the Bankruptcy & Restructuring Group of the international law firm of Squire Sanders & Dempsey, L.L.P. Stephen, who works in the Cincinnati and New York offices, leads a group of more than 40 lawyers in offices throughout the U.S., Europe, Asia, and South America. He has represented principal parties in many of the largest Chapter 11 cases in the U.S., including Enron, WorldCom, Refco, Calpine, Adelphia, and WCI Steel.

DREW LITTMAN, L'86, recently delivered a lecture on lobbying strategy and tactics to the National War College’s Class of 2008. Drew operates his own lobbying office, Littman Associates, where his clients include EMI (Capitol Records), US Telecom, Toshiba and the Reproductive Health Technologies Group. In addition to his consulting work, Drew teaches an undergraduate course, “Political Power and American Public Policy,” as an adjunct professor at American University. Drew previously served as policy director to Sen. Barbara Boxer (D-CA).

ANN R. KLEE, L'86, was named vice president of Corporate Environmental Programs for the General Electric Co. Ann has more than 20 years of experience in environmental law. She comes to GE from Crowell & Moring LLP based in Washington, D.C., where she was a partner and co-chaired the Environmental & Natural Resources Group. Prior to that, she served as general counsel to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency from 2004 to 2006 and led major projects including the defense of EPA jurisdiction over wetlands, defending Clean Air Act New Source Review reform rules, and strengthening response actions after Hurricane Katrina.


MELINDA PEARLMAN RUDOLPH, C'78, L'86, joined Reed Smith LLP in Philadelphia as counsel in the Life Sciences Health Industry Group. Her principal areas of practice include licensing technology and development matters for emerging growth healthcare and biotechnology companies. Most recently, Melinda was an independent consultant to biotechnology companies focusing on technology licensing and development. Earlier in her career, she was a partner at Harkins Cunningham, a boutique law firm in Philadelphia.

JILL HYMAN KAPLAN, W'84, L'87, was named in The Best Lawyers in America 2008. Jill is a partner with Manko, Gold, Katcher & Fox, LLP, an environmental, energy and land use law firm. She has a wide range of experience in environmental counseling and litigation.


FERRIER R. STILLMAN, L'87, was appointed to the Custody Subcommittee of the Maryland Judicial Conference. The subcommittee makes recommendations to the Maryland Judicial Conference on custody laws and rules, such as Guidelines for Appointment of Attorneys for Children and Parent Coordinators. Ferrier is a partner at Tydings & Rosenberg LLP, where she is co-chair of the Family Law Department.

FRANK TOBOLSKY, L'87, recently joined Astor Weiss Kaplan & Mandel, LLP as a partner in its Philadelphia office. Frank, an instructor for the Pennsylvania Bar Institute, has written a set of standard residential lease forms to comply with the Pennsylvania Plain Language Consumer Contract Act.

ABBE F. FLETMAN, L'88, was selected by the Philadelphia Business Journal as one of 30 2007 Women of Distinction. Abbe received this award at a celebration in December. The award goes to distinguished women in the Greater Philadelphia region who are proven performers in their careers, have significant professional accomplishments, and are committed to their communities. Abbe is a shareholder and head of the Commercial Litigation Practice Group at FlasterGreenberg.

CAROL ANN MUELLER, L’88, has joined the Philadelphia law firm of Wolf, Block, Schorr and Solis-Cohen LLP as a partner in its Real Estate Practice Group. Carol Ann has extensive experience representing buyers, sellers, landlords, tenants and lenders in the acquisition, disposition, development, leasing and financing of commercial real estate throughout the United States.

HOWARD S. KROOKS, L’89, was chosen for Florida Trend’s list of Legal Elite for 2007. He is a partner of Elder Law Associates PA, a law firm with offices in Boca Raton.
Aventura, West Palm Beach, and Weston. Howard is also of counsel to Littman Krooks LLP in New York.

**MARIA PABON LOPEZ,** L'89, received the Rabb Emison Award at the Indiana State Bar Association’s annual meeting last October for her dedication to promoting diversity among members of the ISBA and the legal community. Maria is an associate professor of law at the Indiana University School of Law-Indianapolis. She also serves on the Indiana Supreme Court’s Court Interpreter Certification Advisory Board, and is a member of the ISBA Latino Affairs Committee.

Charles S. Marion, C'86, W'86, L'89, was named chair of the Philadelphia Bar Association’s Federal Courts Committee. A partner with Pepper Hamilton LLP, Charles focuses on complex commercial litigation, intellectual property litigation, franchise litigation and products liability.

**HENRY T. A. MONIZ,** L’89, was promoted to senior vice president at Viacom, Inc. He also serves as chairman of the Compliance and Ethics Committee, and as the associate general counsel/Global Compliance. In these roles, he advises on business practices, ethics, corporate compliance and governance-related issues. Henry once served as minority counsel to the U.S. House Judiciary Committee during the impeachment inquiry on President Clinton. He also worked as assistant U.S. attorney in the U.S. Department of Justice.

**J. DENNY SHUPE,** L’89, has been appointed chair of the Litigation Department in the Philadelphia office of Schnader Harrison Segal & Lewis LLP. Denny previously chaired the firm’s Aviation and Products Liability practice groups. A retired U.S. Air Force command pilot, Denny is one of the firm’s leading aviation and product liability trial lawyers. He is chair of the Aerospace Law Committee for the Defense Research Institute.

Andrew L. Cohen, L’90, has been named co-chair of the Pro Bono Committee of the Family Law Section of the Boston Bar Association. The Family Law Section considers matters regarding care and protection of children and other family-related legal issues. Andrew is director of appeals at the Committee for Public Counsel Services’ Children & Family Law Program.

**MATTHEW CAFFREY,** L’91, was appointed to the board of directors of Mary Immaculate Health/ Care Services. Matthew, an attorney with Caflrey & Smith, PC, of Lawrence, MA., focuses on civil litigation including administrative, environmental, real estate, construction, insurance and business contractual law.

**ROBERT A. KAPLAN,** L’91, has been appointed regional counsel for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5 in Chicago. As regional counsel, Bob oversees an office responsible for the conduct of civil and criminal enforcement actions under all federal environmental statutes throughout the six-state Midwest region. In addition to counseling their clients on environmental law, the EPA regional lawyers provide advice on matters including government ethics, contracts, grants, employment and labor law, tribal law, and information law. Prior to his appointment as regional counsel, Bob was the director of the Special Litigation and Projects Division at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance in Washington, D.C.

**SUZANNE S. MAYES,** L’91, an attorney with Cozen O’Connor, was appointed to the board of directors of the Delaware Valley Regional Finance Authority. The authority issues debt and provides loans to governmental entities located primarily in Bucks, Chester, Delaware and Montgomery counties. Suzanne is co-chair of the Public and Project Finance practice at Cozen O’Connor, where she focuses her practice on municipal and project finance law, including economic development, transportation, government, education and single, multi-family and senior housing.

**MARK ROSENBERG,** GL’91, has been named the CEO of Great Big Events, an Australia-based international company that produces public and cultural events, opening ceremonies and spectacles, festivals, theater productions and ceremonial services, as well as gala dinners and awards nights. Mark had been general manager, Marketing, Sales & Communications, of the Sydney Olympic Park Authority.

**MICHAEL D. STOVSKY,** L’91, was listed in the area of Information Technology Law in The Best Lawyers in America 2008. Mike is a partner with Ohio-based Ulmer & Berne LLP and chair of its Intellectual Prop-
SCOTT E. BECKER, L’92, has joined Nissan North America, Inc. as vice president, Legal and Government Affairs, and general counsel. He is responsible for legal affairs and oversight of the legal department, which encompasses offices in the United States and Canada. Scott also serves as corporate secretary and is responsible for all corporate governance, business and financial transactions, litigation and legal compliance. In addition, he heads the federal and state government affairs department.

BART E. CASSIDY, L’92, was listed in The Best Lawyers in America 2008. Bart is a partner at Manko, Gold, Katcher & Fox, LLP, an environmental, energy and land use law firm. Bart assists clients with a broad spectrum of environmental issues including air and water quality control, waste management, storage tank issues and business and real estate transactions. He formerly served as a technical analyst to the vice president of the Grumman Corp., where he provided technical and management expertise to the Fortune 150 company on environmental, energy and occupational safety issues.

CYNTHIA SOOHOO, L’92, was appointed director of the Domestic Legal Program at The Center for Reproductive Rights. The center provides access to accurate, unbiased information about reproductive health; the right to safe pregnancy and abortion; and the ability to obtain and use contraception. Cynthia had been director of the Bringing Human Rights Home program in the Human Rights Institute at Columbia Law School. She is a co-editor of a three volume set, Bringing Human Rights Home, that chronicles the history of human rights in the United States from the perspective of domestic social justice activism.

JENNIFER BRANDT, L’94, a family law attorney at Cozen O’Connor, made several television appearances to discuss Britney Spears’ custody battle and her fitness as a mother. Jennifer was on Fox News Channel’s Fox News Live and The Big Story, CNN’s Showbiz Special Report and Headline News, and The Comcast Network’s Your Morning and It’s Your Call with Lynn Doyle. Jennifer serves as a family law expert on KYW Newsmradio; WPVI, WCAU, and KYW television in Philadelphia; CNN The Comcast Network; and CNN.

JOHN M. BRENDEL, L’95, completed a two-year clerkship with U.S. Circuit Judge Richard Griffin.

BILL GREEN, L’95, won an At-Large seat on the Philadelphia City Council. Bill was the top vote-getter among the At-Large candidates, a field that included six incumbents. This was the first time a non-incumbent received the most votes as an At-Large candidate.

MYLA REIZEN, L’95, has joined the Miami law firm of Jones, Walker, Waechter, Poitevent, Carrère & Denegre, LLP, as special counsel in its Health Care Practice Group. Myla had been assistant general counsel at Tenet Healthcare Corp. in Santa Barbara, Calif.

REID GRIFFITH

FONTAINE, L’96, has accepted a position as assistant professor of Psychology, Policy, and Law at the University of Arizona. Her primary appointment is in the psychology department with an affiliated faculty appointment in the College of Law.

JASON GISCH, L’96, was named Chair of the Intellectual Property Law Committee of the Boston Bar Association’s Intellectual Property Law Section. The committee brings together lawyers from diverse intellectual property fields, including patent, copyright, trademark, trade secret and transfer of technology, know-how and publicity rights law. Jason is the founding partner of TLG Law Group LLC.

CAROL MCCABE, L’96, was named a Pennsylvania Rising Star for 2007 by Law & Politics in the area of Environmental Law. She practices with Manko Gold Katcher & Fox LLP in Philadelphia.

JEFFREY F. ALLEN, L’97, co-founded Allen+Wohrle, LLP, in Los Angeles. Allen+Wohrle handles entertainment, intellectual property, real estate and general business litigation, as well as business formations and commercial transactions.

MICHAEL I. DAVIDSON, GPU’97, L’97, has joined the law firm of Wolf, Block, Schorr and Solis-Cohen as counsel in the Real Estate Practice Group. Michael, who is based in the Philadelphia office, is also a member of the Public Finance and Government Assisted/Affordable Housing groups.

JEFFREY S. FELDMAN, L’97, has been elected partner at Montgomery McCracken in Philadelphia. Jeff is a member of the firm’s Litigation department. He concentrates his practice on the litigation and arbitration of
commercial disputes in both the state and federal courts, as well as on appellate litigation.

AKANKSHA KALRA, GL’97, joined the Blue Bell, Pa.-based Elliott Greenleaf & Siedzikowski as of counsel. Her practice focuses on immigration and nationality law. She had run her own business, Akanksha Kalra & Associates.

LESLIE E. LEVIN, L’97, spoke at the “What Will Your Legacy Be?” seminar at SUNY Purchase. Her presentation was on family and charitable trusts, endowments, family foundations and ethical wills. As special counsel at Cuddy & Feder LLP, her practice focuses on estate planning, probate, estate and trust administration, gift and generation-skipping tax transfer planning, asset protection, IRA Distribution Planning, not-for-profit organization, charitable planning and elder law.

PRISCILLA J. MATTISON, L’97, of counsel to Bernard M. Resnick, Esq., P.C. spoke about artist management agreements in an International Association of Entertainment Lawyers legal workshop titled “New Roles for Managers. New Legal Needs.” She made the presentation at the 2008 Mid-dem music industry convention in Cannes, France. She previously gave a CLE presentation on life story rights agreements at a conference hosted by Widener University School of Law’s Sports and Entertainment Law Association. In December, she was selected as a Pennsylvania Rising Star by Super Lawyers magazine. This was the third year in a row she earned the designation.

GREGORY TYLER PARKS, L’97, was quoted in the December 13, 2007 edition of The Philadelphia Inquirer. Greg commented on the Kirsch and Anderton identity theft case, dubbed the ‘digital age Bonnie and Clyde,’ from the perspective of data-security and corporate liability. A partner in the Litigation Practice at Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP, Greg focuses on commercial, business and consumer litigation, as well as product liability and toxic tort, class actions and antitrust litigation.

GEOFFREY E. SECOL, L’97, has joined the New York office of Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP as a partner in the tax practice. Previously he was with Millbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy LLP.

BLAIR TYSON, L’97, has been promoted to partner in the Global Finance Group of Milbank, Tweedy, Hadley & McCloy LLP. He works in the New York office. Blair’s practice encompasses banking, structured finance and project finance. He represents lenders, arrangers, and borrowers in the United States, Asia, Latin and South America.

DENNIS J. BRENnan, L’98, has joined Saul Ewing LLP as special counsel in the Business Department where he concentrates his practice in general corporate matters including mergers and acquisitions, private equity, venture capital, and private placements. Prior to joining Saul Ewing, Dennis was a partner in the Philadelphia office of Dilworth Paxson LLP.

JOANNA J. CLINE, L’98, has been elected a partner in the Commercial Litigation Group at Pepper Hamilton LLP. Joanna works in the Philadelphia office where her practice includes a variety of commercial disputes.

ELIZABETH SEYLE FENTON, L’98, was elected a partner in commercial litigation at Reed Smith, which she joined in 2005. She is a member of the firm’s Business Trial Group in Philadelphia.

JASON T. POLEVOY, C’94, L’98 has been named a partner at McDermott Will & Emery LLP in New York. He is a member of the Real Estate Practice Group.

ORESTE R. RAMOS, C’95, L’98 was elected a capital partner of Pietrantoni, Mendez & Alvarez LLP in San Juan, P.R. Oreste is in the firm’s Litigation Practice Group.

MALA AHUJA HARKER, L’99, was elected partner at the New York firm of Friedman Kaplan Seiler & Adelman LLP. Her practice focuses on complex commercial litigation and arbitration, securities litigation, and white-collar criminal defense.

STEPHEN M. LEITZELL, C’96, L’99 has been named a partner at Dechert LLP. A member of the Corporate and
Page Acts as Midwife to Award-Winning Film on Childbirth Fistulas

BY AISHA MOHAMMED

In pockets of the world where there are no doctors and schools, where each morning brings little to eat and hard labor, where child marriage is the norm, a pregnancy can lead to a lifetime of shame and isolation. Ayeitu, a woman living in rural Ethiopia, was headed down this path.

An obstructed childbirth resulted in the loss of her child and a fistula—a condition that causes incontinence. Ayeitu’s husband soon left and she moved back home, living hidden away for four years in a shack made from sticks. Although her mother loved her, she lived alone because others could not tolerate her smell. Taunted by neighbors and hated by her siblings, Ayeitu often contemplated suicide.

For most of the two to three million women in the world like Ayeitu, there is little hope of recovery, even though a $300 corrective surgery can cure the embarrassing and often devastating condition. When Steve Engel, president of Engel Entertainment, heard about the issue in 2004, he was astonished that a condition that had been eradicated in the West over a hundred years ago through caesarian sections, was destroying the lives of millions of women in the developing world.

Wanting to raise awareness, he approached Nicole Page, L’93, an entertainment attorney and partner at Reavis Parent Lehner LLP and director of development and business affairs at Engel Entertainment. She knew that the prospects of financing the film were dim. “It is difficult to raise money for independent documentaries,” says Page.

However, Page and her team were undaunted and the result was the acclaimed feature length documentary, “A Walk to Beautiful,” released in 2007. The film profiles Ayeitu and four other Ethiopian women as they make the arduous journey from their remote villages to the Fistula Hospital in Addis Ababa, where free surgery is offered and their lives are transformed.

Shown at more than 25 domestic and international film festivals to date, the film has won a number of awards, including the 2007 Independent Documentary Association Award for Best Feature Documentary. A one-hour version was broadcast this May on NOVA. “The film portrays a serious problem, but also displays the women’s inner strength, generosity, kindness and dignity...people go home after seeing the film and donate to the hospital featured in the film. They purchase surgeries for women, and donate to organizations that send doctors to places like Niger, where there currently is only one hospital that treats fistula,” says Page.

A member of New York Women in Film and Television and The Independent Feature Project, Page specializes in providing legal counsel to filmmakers and producers, and has extensive experience in working with filmmakers on a wide range of issues such as financing, production, rights acquisition, licensing and distribution.

Page says she hopes the film will galvanize support for proposed legislation that would provide $34 million to the United Nation’s Population Fund Campaign to End Fistula.

She’s proud of the film, she says, because it “puts a face on the problem, tells a great story and motivates people to take action.”
SEcurities Group, Stephen's practice encompasses the areas of securities offerings, private equity, mergers and acquisitions, and public company reporting and governance issues.

ERIC E. MARTINS, L'99, was selected as a delegate to Vietnam by the American Council of Young Political Leaders. Martins will join six other young leaders from across the U.S. to focus on citizen diplomacy by studying Vietnam's political system, engaging in dialogue on international issues, and forging professional relationships. Eric is managing director of Duane Morris Government Affairs.

DONYALE REAVIS, G'99, GR'99, L'99, joined the Intellectual Property Practice Group at Pierce Atwood LLP in Boston. Prior to joining the law firm, Donyale served in a number of corporate capacities, including assistant counsel at Anvil Holdings, Inc., and general counsel and chief operating officer at BIKM Holdings, Inc. Donyale was also a founding partner at Elam Reavis in Philadelphia from 2002 to 2006, where she provided counsel to small and mid-sized entertainment entities.

JEREMY ROSOF, C'97, L'99, was named special counsel of Litigation at Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP. Jeremy's practice focuses on real estate and encompasses adversary proceedings in bankruptcy court, environmental (Superfund) cases, estate litigation, international disputes, securities and ERISA class actions, and other general commercial matters.

MARC S. SEGAL, L'99, was named a partner at Synnestvedt & Lechner LLP. Marc practices in all areas of intellectual property law including patent prosecution, litigation and licensing. His technical expertise is in the biological sciences including matters that relate to molecular biology, biochemistry, and pharmaceuticals. He joined S&L as an associate in 2005.

EDWARD ALBOWICZ, L'00, was designated by Super Lawyers as a "Rising Star." The Rising Stars edition highlights up-and-coming attorneys who are either 40 or under or have practiced for ten years or less. Edward is an associate with the firm of Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, P.A. As a member of the Business Law and Banking and Financial Services teams, he concentrates his practice in banking, financial services, and corporate law. In addition to a governmental affairs practice, he represents talent and production companies with regard to television shows and motion pictures.

WILLIAM R. HARKER, L'00, was recently appointed to lead the Human Resources function of Sears Holding Corp. where he also serves as senior vice president, general counsel and corporate secretary. Bill has been with Sears Holdings since leaving Wachtell Lipton Rosen & Katz in 2005.

RALPH A. PHILLIPS, L'00, was named a principal in the Washington, D.C., office of Fish & Richardson PC. As a principal in the firm's Litigation Group, Ralph will continue to focus on litigating patent cases in federal courts in a wide variety of technologies, including plasma and liquid crystal displays, computer hardware and software, and air boost systems for internal combustion engines.

LAKSHMI "LAKE" SRINIVASAN, L'00, was awarded Dechert's Sam Kline Pro Bono Publico Award. Lakshmi is a senior associate in the Litigation Department of Dechert's New York office. She focuses on mass torts and product liability matters.

SIMI KAPLIN BAER, L'00, was named partner of Kaplin Stewart. Simi practices in the Real Estate Transactions Department, focusing on acquisition and conveyance of property, acquisition and construction financing, retail and commercial leasing and land development.

CARY JOSHI, L'02 has joined Bazelon Less & Feldman's Philadelphia office as
an associate. She will focus on commercial and civil litigation. Prior to joining the firm, Cary was an associate with Morgan Lewis & Bockius.

ILAN ROSENBERG, GL02, was elected vice president of the America-Israel Chamber of Commerce for the Central Atlantic Region. The America-Israel Chamber of Commerce is a network of business, government and academic professionals who promote business development between the Central Atlantic Region and Israel through the exchange of information, resources, and opportunities. A member in the Philadelphia office of Cozen O'Connor, Ilan practices in the insurance department, concentrating on matters involving insurance coverage and commercial disputes, with an emphasis on assisting Latin American corporations on cross-border defense and recovery efforts. In 2007, Ilan was named one of Pennsylvania’s “Rising Stars” by Law & Politics.

MICHAEL TIEFF, EAS'00, L'03, has joined Fish & Richardson, PC., in Wilmington, Del., as an associate in the Patent Group. Previously he was an associate at Woodcock Washburn LLP in Philadelphia.

SHARI SHAPIRO, L'05, has earned Leadership in Energy an Environmental Design (LEED) Green Building professional accreditation. The LEED Green Building Rating System is the nationally accepted benchmark for the design, construction, and operation of high performance green buildings. Shari is an associate in the Litigation and Environmental departments of Obermayer Rebmann Maxwell & Hippel LLP. She spearheads the development of Obermayer’s Green Building initiative, and is also co-chair of the ABA State and Local Government Section Subcommittee on Land Use/Environmental Law.

BRETT D. ALTMAN, L'07, has become an associate in the General Litigation department of Cozen O’Connor’s Philadelphia office. He practices commercial litigation. Brett was a summer associate with the firm.

RUBÉN MUÑOZ, L'07, has joined the national intellectual property law firm Woodcock Washburn LLP as an associate. He works in the Philadelphia office.

Penn Law School continues to ramp up efforts to form new alumni groups. In the works are clubs in Boston, Chicago, Los Angeles, Washington, D.C., and China. The following is a list of upcoming events:

JUNE 23 – TOKYO
Alumni Reception with Dean Michael Fitts

JUNE 25 – SEOUL
Alumni Reception with Dean Michael Fitts

JUNE 27-29 – OXFORD, ENGLAND
Penn Law European Society (PLES) Annual Summer Meeting

JULY – NEW YORK CITY
New York Alumni Club Event for Summer Associates & Alumni

JULY – MIAMI
South Florida Alumni Club Current & Incoming Student Welcome

AUGUST – PHILADELPHIA
Meet & Greet Alumni Party

For more information on clubs and events, please contact Nancy Rasmussen at 215-746-0320 or nrasmuss@law.upenn.edu. Nancy looks forward to hearing from alumni who wish to establish a group or serve in leadership roles in their area.
GIGI BETH SOHN, L'86, was joined to Lara Ann Ballard in a civil ceremony on August 25, 2007 in Waterbury, Vt. Gigi is the founder and president of Public Knowledge, a nonprofit organization in Washington, D.C., that promotes consumer access to digital content. Lara is a lawyer in the office of the legal adviser of the State Department in Washington, where she specializes in disability and medical issues.


HENNING KAHMANN, GL'99, and his wife, Anna, celebrated the birth of their daughter, Johanna, in Berlin on Feb. 6, 2007. Henning specializes in real estate and restitution law at the Berlin law firm of von Trott zu Solz Lammek.

STEVEN ROBERT EBERT, C'96, GPU'98, L'00, and KAREN ELISE SCOTT, C'97, were married on June 10, 2007 at Temple Emanuel in Woodcliff Lake, N.J. Mary Law School alumni attended the wedding including bridesmaid and sister of the groom Rhonda Ebert Schnipper, C'92, L'99, and groomsmen James Barabas, L'00, David Helmuth, L'01, and Tyler Korn, L'00. Also in attendance were Samantha Fisherman, L'00, Sasson Marcus, L'00, Lawrence Pearson, L'00, Mirinda Solomon Pearson, C'97, L'03, and Michael Winograd, L'00. Karen received her MD and MBA from Tufts University and is a fellow in Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine at Morgan Stanley Children's Hospital of New York Presbyterian-Columbia University Medical Center. Steven is the managing partner of the law firm Ebert & Associates, LLC. They reside in Manhattan and would love to hear from old friends at stevenkaren@gmail.com.

RACHEL ERLICH ALBANESE, C'98, L'01, and RUSS ALBANESE, L'01, are proud to announce the birth of a beautiful baby girl, Sarah Rose, on May 27. Rachel is an associate with Weil Gotshal & Manges; Russell is an associate with Hogan & Hartson. Rachel and Russ live in Brooklyn, N.Y.

LISA GORDON, C'98, L'01, married Michael Kanner on May 27 in Palm Beach, Fla. Alumni who celebrated with them were bridesmaids Stacy Greenhouse, C'98, L'02, and Brett King Grossman, L'02, as well as guests Michael Kraver, C'99, L'02, Jonathan Seiden, L'01, Mark Spatz, L'02, G'09, and Sarah Green Spatz, L'03, Alison Mathis Wollin, C'98, L'02, and Robert Wollin, L'01. The couple honeymooned in Hawaii. Lisa is in-house counsel for the nonprofit organization Hadassah.

LAUREN SCHLENOFF KOWAL, C'98, L'01, and ANDREW KOWAL, W'99, are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter, Ella Juliette, on Dec. 15, 2006. Lauren and Andrew live in San Francisco, where Lauren is an attorney with Cooley, Patch, Duffy & Bass and Andrew works for the private equity firm Francisco Partners.

JANNIE K. LAU, L'02, and TODD LONSWORTH, L'01, announce the birth of their son, Tobin Lau Lonsworth, on Nov. 8, 2007. The family lives in Berverly, Pa. Jannie is in-house counsel at IKON Office Solutions, Inc. Todd is in-house counsel at Cephalon, Inc.

RAHA RAMEZANI, L'02, married James Patrick Brown on November 24, 2007 in New York. Raha is a lawyer in the Stamford, Ct., office of UBS, the Swiss bank. James is associate general counsel in the Investment Banking division of Barclays PLC.

JOHN STAPLETON, L'02, and Heather (Markulich) Stapleton, L'03, welcomed their first child, Noah James, into the world on Sept. 5, 2007. John is an associate at Hangley, Aronchick, Segal & Pudlin in Philadelphia. Heather is a career law clerk to District Court Judge Joseph Irenas in Camden, N.J.
IN MEMORIAM

WALTER BARTHOLOMEW, JR., L'53, died on February 24 in Newtown Square, Pa. He was a retired lawyer and community volunteer. The Moorestown, N.J., native served in the Navy during World War II. In the early 1950s, he joined the law firm of Montgomery, McCracken, Walker & Rhoads in Philadelphia and eventually became chairman of its Real Estate department. He was a legal adviser to the board of trustees of LaSalle College for more than 20 years. After retiring from Montgomery McCracken in 1994, Mr. Bartholomew was treasurer of the Friends of Tredyffrin Library and was a drug-and-alcohol-abuse counselor at Mirmont Treatment Center in Media. He was past president of East Tredyffrin Civic Association. Mr. Bartholomew served in the vestry and as chancellor of St. Martin’s Episcopal Church in Wayne, Pa. He is survived by his wife, Carol; son Lee; daughters Carrie Bole and Anne; a brother; and six grandchildren.

MICHAEL BIONDI, L'83, WG'83, of Greenwich, Conn., died last November. A renowned mergers and acquisitions banker, Mr. Biondi was co-chairman of investment banking at Lazard. He had recently become chairman of Penn Law School’s Institute of Law and Economics. Mr. Biondi spent his career advising companies and independent board committees on domestic and cross-border transactions in a broad array of industries including media/communications, transportation, utilities, general industrial, and retail. He started his Wall Street career at Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, the New York corporate law firm. He soon moved to First Boston, but Mr. Biondi left in 1988, along with several bankers, to join a new firm called Wasserstein Perella. Mr. Biondi moved to Lazard four years ago from Germany’s Dresdner Bank, which had acquired Wasserstein Perella in 2000. Two years ago, Mr. Biondi worked with investor Carl Icahn in a proxy battle against Time Warner. “Mike was an exceptional banker and reflected the spirit of Lazard,” said Bruce Wasserstein, chairman and chief executive of Lazard, in an internal memo quoted by the Financial Times. “He was recognized for his intellectual acumen, wisdom and integrity by our partners, our employees and clients.” An avid skier, he had been a trustee of the U.S. Ski and Snowboard Association since 1998. USSA President Bill Marolt said Mr. Biondi’s leadership was crucial in the resurgence of the New York Ski and Snowboard Ball. The event raises over $1 million each year to support USSA’s young athletes. In February 2006, Mr. Biondi presented a well-received lecture as part of a series sponsored by the Institute for Law and Economics. Mr. Biondi counseled students to take risks in their careers, comparing successful gambles to “riding in a sports car with the top down.” He is survived by his wife Cynthia; four sons, Michael Jr., James, William, and Cameron; and two brothers, Frank and Robert.

JOHN “DOUG” CUMMINGS, L'57, died in Charlestown, Mass., on December 25, 2006. Mr. Cummings was a World War II veteran and a member of the Friends of the Charlestown Library. He is survived by his brother, James; two sons, Barry and Jack: a daughter, Emily; grandson, Henry; and several nieces and nephews.

RALPH B. D’IORIO, L’49, of Naples, Fla., and West Chester, Pa., died on March 2. Mr. D’Iorio was predeceased by his wife, the late Shirley McFadden D’Iorio. He is survived by four children, two brothers, and six grandchildren.

ALFRED JOHN DOUGHERTY, L'65, of Washington D.C., died on Oct. 20, 2007. He was a specialist in offshore treasure law who represented treasure hunter Mel Fisher and fugitive financier Robert Vesco. Dougherty started his career in Washington working as acting chief enforcement attorney in the SEC’s division of corporate regulation and as legal assistant to SEC Commissioner Richard B. Smith. In 1969, he joined Hogan & Hartson, where he represented Vesco, a financier who fled to Cuba after the SEC accused him of embezzling millions from Investors Overseas Services. In the early 1970s he began representing Fisher, the renowned treasure hunter.
who violated SEC regulations by selling shares of unregistered securities to fund his dream of finding a 1622 Spanish shipwreck. Intrigued by the prospect of the treasure hunt, Mr. Dougherty accompanied Fisher in his search for the lost island of Atlantis and for treasure at reputed sites in Africa and Guatemala. He also represented a group of explorers who recovered the I-52, a Japanese submarine sunk during World War II. The sub, which carried two tons of gold, had been part of a secret exchange between Adolf Hitler and Emperor Hirohito. Most recently, Mr. Dougherty was of counsel at Moore & Bruce and advised clients on securities issues. Mr. Dougherty enjoyed cooking, tennis and studying Spanish language and literature. He is survived by his wife, Christine Archangeli Dougherty of Washington; sons, Andrew and Geoff Dougherty; a sister; and two grandchildren.

WILLIAM EASTBURN, L'59, of Doylestown, Pa., died on Feb. 8. He is survived by his wife Connie, sons William Eastburn IV and Christopher; daughters Page, Holly, and Brooke; his mother, Nancy; a sister, Gail; and 12 grandchildren.

JOHN A. EICHER III, W'39, L'42, died in Philadelphia, Pa. on July 10, 2006. Mr. Eicher is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, John A. IV, and Deborah; a brother, Frances; a sister, Regina Price; and many nieces and nephews.

THE HON. MYRNA PAUL FIELD, CW'57, L'63, GL'72, died in Philadelphia, Pa., on April 24, 2007. She was senior judge of the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas. Mrs. Field was elected to the Court of Common Pleas in 1991 and served as administrative judge of the Family Court from 2002 to 2006. Earlier in her career, she served as assistant district attorney in Philadelphia. She was known as a civic leader and an adventurer who climbed peaks in the Himalayas and bicycled around the globe. In 2005, she was awarded the Louis D. Brandeis Law Society's Community Service Award. She was also honored for numerous innovations in Philadelphia's domestic relations justice system while serving as a Family Court administrative judge.

PETER HERZBERG, L'75, of Westfield, N.J. died in November 2007. He was a pioneer in environmental law. Mr. Herzberg was a partner in the Environmental and Land Use Group at Wolf, Block, Eichler law firm in Roseland, N.J. Before that, he was a partner at Pitney, Hardin, Kipp and Szuch. He also served as chairman of the State Bar Association's Environmental Section. Mr. Herzberg was respected as a leader in the Jewish community and served as president of the Jewish Community Center of Central New Jersey in Scotch Plains during its capital campaign, and as president of Solomon Schechter Day School. He is survived by his wife, Superior Court Judge Lisa Chrystal; twin daughters, llana and Anelle; a son, Benjamin; his mother, Anelle; his brother, Steven; and five nieces and nephews.

RALPH J. JOHNSTON, L'42, of Wilkes-Barre, Pa. died in August 2007. Mr. Johnston's passing marked the end of a distinguished legal career spanning more than 62 years in Northeastern Pennsylvania. He was a general litigator with a strong background in both civil and criminal law. His dedication and enthusiasm for the practice of law remained undiminished throughout his long career and he always made time to attend to the legal needs of the less fortunate. After law school Mr. Johnston returned to his hometown of Wilkes-Barre and joined the law firm of E.F. McGovern and Associates, where he practiced general civil litigation as well as criminal law. In the early 1950s, he set up his own practice as a general litigator and over the next 25 years held a number of professional appointments including assistant district attorney for Luzerne County; trial counsel for the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission, where he litigated many issues related to the construction of the Northeast Extension; solicitor for the City of Wilkes-Barre as well as Fairmount Township; solicitor for Luzerne County; counsel for the Luzerne County Industrial Authority and the Northeastern Pennsylvania Hospital Authority. In 1976, Mr. Johnston formed the law firm of Harris, Johnston and McGuire based in Wilkes-Barre that specialized in civil, commercial and estate law. In 1988, together with his son, he established the Johnston & Johnston Law firm where he continued to practice until his retirement in 2006. He is survived by his wife, Carol; three sons, Ralph, James and Thomas; and a daughter, Judith.


LAWRENCE E. MACEREE, C'43, L'49, of Newtown Square, Pa., died in January. Mr. Mr. MacEree is survived by his wife, Jane, and her three children, as well as a son and three daughters from a previous marriage, John, Ellen, Diana and Mary; 8 grandchildren; 7 stepchildren, and 10 step grandchildren.

GERALD J. MCCONOMY, L'65, of Wynnewood, Pa., died on Feb. 28. Mr. McConomy was a partner with Knapp, McConomy, Merlie in Chester Springs, Pa., where he represented privately and publicly held businesses. Previously he had been a partner with Wolf, Block, Schor & Solis-Cohen in Philadelphia and with Fox, Rothschild, O'Brien & Frankel in Exton, Pa. While in law school, he had been a member of
the Law Review. He served in the Marine Corps as an atomic, biological, and chemical warfare officer. He loved running, the Marine Corps, and his 1998 Corvette. He is survived by his wife, Carol; daughter Karen; son John; two sisters; a brother; and four grandchildren.

REGINA HAIG MEREDITH, L'51, of Pennington, NJ., died on Jan. 18 at her home. She was an advocate for the advancement of women in law. Mrs. Meredith was a founding partner in the law firm of Meredith, Meredith, Chase & Taggart and specialized in family, matrimonial and estate law. She was a member of the Mercer County Women Lawyers Caucus. Mrs. Meredith also enjoyed a long and distinguished career in local and state politics. She was elected as one of the first female freeholders in Mercer County and was vice chairman of the New Jersey State Republican Committee. She was also a member of the Present Day Club, the Bedens Brook Country Club, and the Hopewell Valley Country Club and served on the board of the Pennington Cemetery Association. She is survived by her brothers, General Alexander Meigs Haig, Jr., and Father Francis Rawle Haig; her husband, Edward Brennan Meredith; four children, Regina Meredith Monroe, Edward Brennan Meredith, and Alexandra Meredith Taggart; and 12 grandchildren.

THE HON. JOSEPH D. ROULHAC, G'40, L'48, of Akron, Ohio, died on March 5. Mr. Roulhac was the first black judge in Akron, serving on the Municipal Court for two decades. He established a private practice when he moved from Cleveland to Akron, in 1948. In 1957 he became the first black assistant prosecutor of Summit County. Ten years later, Mr. Roulhac was appointed to the Akron Municipal Court. He was elected to successive terms before retiring in 1987. He loved to fish, sing in his church choir and golf. Stillman College, which he attended when it was still a high school, named a resident hall after him. He is survived by his wife, Frances; a brother, Edgar; and sister, Ruth Roulhac Best; and grandson Sean.

JAMES KNOX POLK SCHELLENGER II, W'41, L'48, of Berwyn, Pa., died in November 2007. After graduating from Wharton, Mr. Schellenger served in the U.S. Navy Reserves from 1942-46 in the South Pacific as a communications officer. After the war, he returned to Pennsylvania after the war to attend law school and was admitted to the bar in 1948. Mr. Schellenger’s career was marked by leadership in business, civic and philanthropic organizations. He served as director, chairman of the board, and CEO for the Delaware Fund, Inc., Delta Trend Fund, Inc., Delchester Bond Fund, Inc., Delaware Investment Advisers, Inc., DMC Tax Free Income Trust and Delaware Cash Reserve. He was trustee of Presbyterian-University of Pennsylvania Medical Center and Valley Forge Military Academy. Mr. Schellenger also co-founded and directed The Nelson Foundation. Mr. Schellenger is survived by his wife, Ann Fussell Schellenger; two sons, James and Henry; two daughters, Elizabeth and Georgeann; 13 grandchildren; and two great grandchildren.


S. ROBERT TEITELMAN, L'41, of Haverford, Pa., died on Feb. 11. He was a lawyer and antiques collector. Mr. Teitelman served in the Navy during World War II in Cape May and aboard destroyer tenders in the South Pacific. After leaving the Navy, he became a partner in his father’s law firm in Camden, specializing in real estate law. Mr. Teitelman was also involved in several cultural and professional organizations. He served on the boards of the Coriell Institute for Medical Research in Camden and the Independence Seaport Museum. In addition, he served as president of the Camden Legal Aid Society. An avid antiques collector, Mr. Teitelman was recognized by Winterthur Magazine for his collection of Anglo-American patriotic pottery from the Federal period. Along with collecting, he enjoyed lively piano sing-alongs, dancing, world travel and his family and friends. Mr. Teitelman is survived by a niece, Sydney Ann Lefkoe; a nephew, Roy T. Lefkoe; and a great-niece and a great-nephew.

ROBERT VAN KIRK, L'67, of Sewickley, Pa., died on Oct. 30, 2006. Mr. Van Kirk is survived by his wife, Jane; two sons, John and James; his daughter and son-in-law; a brother, Donald; a sister, Angela; and three grandchildren, Rebecca, Katherine and Margaret.
A Lament for AIDS Victims

Instead of lighting candles the Law School hung a quilt in Silverman Hall last November to remind passersby that the AIDS crisis has not gone away. The AIDS Memorial Quilt contained the names of people who have died from AIDS, which has claimed more than 25 million people worldwide since 1981. A small portion of the 46,000-panel quilt was displayed in recognition of World AIDS Day.