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From the DEAN'S DESK

Dear CUA Law School Community,

By the time that this edition of CUA Lawyer reaches your mailboxes, we will have celebrated our 128th commencement at The Catholic University of America Columbus School of Law. The need for well-trained and highly trained lawyers, policymakers, and problem solvers has never been greater.



Our graduates today inherit an enormous set of complex economic challenges that will require skill and creativity on a global, national, local, and client-related level. To echo Ambassador Charlene Barshefsky's commencement address, "To be a lawyer is to apply reason to complex policy challenges like these. To be a lawyer is to problem-solve, however difficult the issues or however high the stakes. To be a lawyer is to be a constructive force in the settling of disputes. It is to be involved in the life of the nation and the life of the community, applying the facts and your skills to local problems and life's economic challenges. It is your greatest opportunity for good."

No other field so directly joins moral and ethical questions with a practical response to specific problems. This year we want to share with you what our accomplished alumni and faculty are doing to promote social justice. Our *CUA Lawyer* feature article profiles several members of the CUA Law community who have stepped forward to address the social justice challenges of our time. Mark V. Holden '88, Senior Vice President and General Counsel of Koch Industries Inc.,

grew up around the criminal justice system and now spends his days advocating for criminal justice reform. CUA Law Professor Cara H. Drinan hopes to bring awareness to the criminal justice system for juveniles in her new book, *The War on Kids: How American Juvenile Justice Lost its Way*. CUA Law Professor Suzette M. Malveaux understands the

importance of bringing extraordinary social justice warriors into the classroom, like civil rights leader Judy Richardson. Their profiles exemplify the qualities that set the CUA Law community apart.

CUA Law has consistently been ranked as a top supplier of alumni who go on to become partners at some of the largest law firms. More than 12,500 individuals have earned degrees from CUA Law since its founding 120 years ago, with many of those graduates becoming top leaders in their fields. We were proud to be able to sit down with several CUA Law firm leaders – Thomas J. Bender Jr. '77, Mitchell S. Ettinger '83, Alice Fisher '92, and Patrick D. McPherson '95 to discuss their career paths, greatest challenges, and favorite memories from CUA Law.

As I begin my fifth academic year as dean and commence a second four-year term, I continue to focus on maintaining the CUA Law tradition of producing practice-ready graduates. Employers continue to expect that new lawyers possess practical and specialized skills upon entering the work force.

We point to our practical training by noting that CUA Law institutes and special programs allow students to pursue a personalized, specially focused legal education in "Far and Wide Influences: CUA Law Institutes." The educators behind our four institutes and special programs are proud of the generations of lawyers whose skills, careers, and lives they have shaped. Today, these programs are respected, skillfully run, and produce practice-ready graduates who are a credit to the legal profession as a whole.

As we respond to the ever-evolving landscape of legal education, many of you continue to play a special role in our students' successes during their CUA Law experience. You can be assured that your gifts of time, talent, and treasure over the years have been a significant part in our ability to provide a first-rate education, and to offer scholarship support and opportunities for community service and experiential learning through our law reviews, clinics, and other programs.

I would like to thank you for your support of CUA Law. Your time, talents, and contributions are appreciated. I wish you all a great summer and hope to see you soon.

With best wishes,

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Dean and Knights of Columbus Professor of Law

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Using Law as a Bridge Toward Social Justice



"The times are crying out to attorneys, to law students, to faculty, to step forward and address the social justice challenges of the moment"

Cornell Brooks

Former President of the NAACP

"We are in a moment in our nation's history where we are asking ourselves, 'Are we the same country our grandparents left for us?' We are at a moment in our nation's history where we are being asked, 'Are we willing to step up? Are we willing to be the country we were meant to be?'"

These were some of the powerful questions posed to students at The Catholic University of America Columbus School of Law (CUA Law) by then National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) President Cornell William Brooks.

"The times are crying out to attorneys, to law students, to faculty, to step forward and address the social justice challenges of the moment," he said.

Brooks spoke before a crowded Slowinski Courtroom on February 8, 2017, for the Brendan F. Brown Lecture Series in an impassioned lecture entitled, "The Ballot and the Testament," where he discussed the right to vote and the NAACP's history of social justice.

"The teachings of Dr. King echo with relevance in these times," Brooks said. "The teachings of the intrinsic value of human beings, the notion of interdependence, and the moral order to the universe, echo in these times."



Brooks discussed the current mass incarceration epidemic and need for sentencing reform as issues of human dignity. "Our humanity cannot be reduced to our mugshot numbers, to our criminal record numbers. Our humanity cannot be stripped away by the dehumanizing treatment of our criminal justice system," he said.

"This is a moment to understand that hope is not a moral luxury but, in fact, a moral necessity," Brooks said.

Several members of the CUA Law community have exemplified Brooks's call to step forward and address the social justice challenges of our time. The CUA Law community leaders has many strong leaders who have used law as a tool for social justice.



Mark V. Holden '88

Senior Vice President and General Counsel of Koch Industries Inc.

"I grew up around the criminal justice system," said Mark Holden. Holden worked as a guard at the Worcester County Jail in high school and during breaks from college making \$6 an hour to guard inmates — some of whom were former classmates. He also worked as a janitor on a maintenance crew at a plastics factory alongside prisoners who were on work release.

Holden, a member of the CUA Law class of 1988, called the experiences "eye-opening" and noticed it was often the kids from the poorest and least educated backgrounds who ended up in prison — with many being nonviolent offenders.

"I'm from a working class background, just like these kids were. When they got caught up in the system, they didn't have resources and some of them didn't have great family lives. For me, it was a 'there but for the grace of God go I' moment. It could have been any one of us that got caught up in the system. The only difference really, between them and me, was my parents," he said.

Today, Holden's business card reads "Senior Vice President and General Counsel" for Koch Industries, Inc., and throughout his twenty-plus year career at Koch Industries he has seen firsthand the enormous power that our criminal justice system wields.

"We have a two-tiered society. And if you're wealthy and connected, you get a much better deal than if you're poor — particularly in our criminal justice system. Every day people give up their rights because they can't afford a lawyer who can defend them as zealously as they would have liked to because they are so overburdened."

Now based in Washington, D.C., though he spent years shuttling between the Wichita, Kansas, and D.C. offices, Holden spends his days promoting criminal justice reform at various panels, workshops, and in meetings with Capitol Hill staffers and lawmakers.

"At the federal level alone, the number of prisoners has increased by 795 percent in the past 35 years. Federal and state spending on prisons also increased over this timeframe to \$8 billion annually, which is three to four times more per capita than we spend on education. America is now the world's largest jailer, with only five percent of the world's population, but a whopping 25 percent of the world's prisoners. And there are as many Americans with a college degree as there are Americans with a criminal record," he said.

Holden believes that the criminal justice system needs to be reformed from top to bottom. He has looked to model federal reform after successful reforms from states such as Georgia, Utah, Kentucky, and Texas. He has called for lowering mandatory minimums for low-level offenders, giving judges greater discretion in sentencing.

No fewer than 32 states that implemented reforms saw drops in both the percentage of people imprisoned and the overall crime rate. Put another way, criminal justice reform makes society safer.

Holden has also aggressively been advocating for reforms that lower the level of recidivism, while inmates are still inside prison as well as when they are released. Reforms inside prison include limiting solitary confinement for juveniles or providing earned time credits for some inmates to take part in educational, faith-based, and vocational training so they come out of prison a reformed person and less likely to reoffend.

Holden has called for reforms such as expungement of past criminal records and implementing "ban the box," in order to evaluate employee candidates based on their potential instead of their past mistakes.

"People need to come out of prison better than they went in. The only metric that matters is recidivism rates. We know the things that keep people out of prison are education, someone in your life who you don't want to disappoint, opportunity, and a job," he said.

During the spring of 2017, Holden returned to CUA Law as a guest lecturer in CUA Law Professor Cara Drinan's class where he discussed the subject of a documentary entitled *Unlikely Allies: How a Hip-Hop Music Figure Became a Symbol for a Cause.*



Holden and Koch Industries participated in this documentary that focuses on the case of Weldon Angelos, a former hip-hop producer whose career was cut short after he was arrested for selling marijuana—while purportedly in possession of a firearm—to an undercover informant. He

received a 55-year sentence, even though he was a first-time, nonviolent offender. Angelos is producing this documentary, still in progress, about his experience to highlight a number of abuses in our system that need to be fixed.

"His sentencing judge said it best, citing examples of different types of laws that Weldon could have broken — whether an act of terrorism or committing an offense against a child — those sentences combined for a first-time offender like him would be less than the 55 years he received for selling marijuana," he said.

The trailer for the documentary premiered at the Sundance Film Festival in Utah, with the hopes of launching the full movie in 2018. Angelos was released in 2016 after serving 12 years of his 55-year sentence after a judge granted an immediate reduction of sentence. Angelos now wants to be a part of helping to reform the system and says he is willing to do anything he can.

"At the end of the day, each of us is more than the worst thing we have ever done," Holden said.

"Real compassion, real humanity, being a really good neighbor is doing something for someone you don't know. When you see someone who needs help, you should help them, you shouldn't ask 'Why are you in this circumstance?' We should help them."

Veda Rasheed Selected as a Law Student of the Year by The National Jurist Magazine



The Catholic University of America Columbus School of Law thirdyear evening student student Veda Rasheed was selected as the Mid-Atlantic Law Student of the Year by *The National Jurist* magazine in March 2017. *National Jurist* honored five students throughout the country who have excelled in the classroom and beyond in their spring 2017 magazine. An additional 20 finalists were profiled on their website.

The students selected have attempted to right wrongs and fight for society's most vulnerable, all while tackling law school. Rasheed has worked tirelessly to make her southwest Washington, D.C., neighborhood safer and has no intention of moving after she completes her law degree. Last summer she organized a rally against violence.

"I like to advocate," she said. "I want to improve my neighborhood. My family is here. My friends are here."

Rasheed is the first in her family to graduate from college and hopes to serve as an example for her two young sons. Along with her day job as a courtroom clerk at the District of Columbia Superior Court, she has organized a back-to-school carnival so local elementary schools would have school supplies, was invited by House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi to speak at a press event for rejection of the Child Nutrition Act reauthorization, and has organized various pro bono events with the Law School.

She is a great example of how students at CUA Law can make an impact on their community.



Professor Cara H. Drinan

Criminal justice reform is also near and dear to CUA Law Professor Cara Drinan's heart. Drinan first met Mark Holden at an event about juvenile sentencing reform on Capitol Hill.

"He has been very supportive and engaged with my work," she said of Holden.

"Right out of law school I had the opportunity to work on a pro bono death penalty case in Oklahoma, and that was really the first time I had been in a prison. It was certainly the first time I had represented a criminal defendant, and I think that was the moment when I realized that we have two criminal justice systems in this country — one for those who have means and one for those who don't."

After working on the Oklahoma case in which Drinan's team won the client commutation to life without parole, instead of a death sentence, Professor Drinan realized that she wanted to dedicate her career to criminal justice reform. At CUA Law she teaches criminal law and criminal procedure. She researches and writes about criminal justice policy, and she engages in pro bono work when possible.

Most recently, Drinan served on a team of lawyers who filed a clemency petition on behalf of Ivan Teleguz, who was scheduled for execution on April 25, 2017. In 2006, a jury convicted Teleguz of murder-for-hire of Stephanie Sipe, the mother of his child. There was no physical evidence connecting Teleguz to the crime, only the testimony of three witnesses. After his trial, two of those three witnesses recanted their testimony and explained that they implicated Teleguz in exchange for favorable treatment from the government. The only other witness tying Teleguz to the crime was Michael Hetrick, her actual killer, who avoided the death penalty himself by implicating Teleguz.

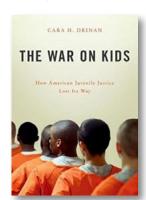
On April 20, 2017, Teleguz's execution was commuted by Virginia Governor Terry McAuliffe. "As the Governor recognized, the sentencing phase of the trial was 'terribly flawed' and permitting the execution to go forward would have undermined public confidence in our criminal justice system," Drinan said.

Drinan has spent many years focusing on access to justice and 6th Amendment issues. In 2010, she became very interested in what the Supreme Court was doing concerning juvenile sentencing in the United States, and her focus shifted from right to counsel issues to juvenile sentencing — particularly juveniles who were charged and treated like adults.

Drinan has written extensively about *Graham v. Florida*, a 2010 decision by the U.S. Supreme Court that held that juvenile offenders cannot be sentenced to life imprisonment without parole for non-homicide offenses. She has recently finished writing a book titled *The War on Kids: How American Juvenile Justice Lost its Way*, to be published by Oxford University Press later this year. The inspiration for the book, she says, is Terrence Graham of *Graham v. Florida*. At age 16, Graham, along with three other teens, attempted to rob a barbecue restaurant. They entered through an unlocked back door and fled when they encountered the manager. Graham was sentenced to life without parole for his involvement in that crime.

Since 2012, Drinan has met with and continues to correspond with Graham. After the Supreme Court decision, he was resentenced and received 25 years. He is now 30 and will be released at age 39. "Even 25 years for a crime where no money was taken and no one was killed is extreme for a 16-year old," she said. "What will he do when he gets out at 39? The skills he needs to survive in prison are exactly the opposite of the skills he needs to be a productive member of society."

"Terrence's story is like that of so many other juveniles sitting in prison. His mom was addicted to drugs when he was a small child. He lived amid poverty and abuse, and he was using drugs and alcohol himself as an early teen," she said. "It's so frustrating to think of a Florida judge throwing the book at him. Where was the state of Florida when he was four years old roaming the streets because his parents were addicted to drugs?"



In writing *The War on Kids*, Drinan also hopes to raise awareness about how the juvenile justice system in the U.S. went off course.

"In the late 19th century the United States invented the juvenile court based on a belief that children are malleable and if given reform tools, they can change. Other developed nations followed our lead. Then in the 1980s, we abandoned



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that model, opting instead for transfer laws that gave prosecutors discretion to try juveniles in adult courts."

"Most juveniles in the criminal justice system were victims themselves at one point. Children who come into contact with the system really are mostly in need of services. They are in need of rehabilitation and education. I'm not an apologist, but I do think that we have to take a broader view."

"I hope that people read the book, and it gives them pause. I hope it makes them think hard about how we treat juveniles accused of crime," she said.

The Charles Koch Foundation awarded Drinan a research sabbatical grant during fall 2016 that enabled her to finish the book manuscript. The book will be available for purchase in Nov. 2017.



Judy Richardson with Professor Malveaux

Professor Suzette M. Malveaux

Professor Suzette Malveaux understands the importance of bringing extraordinary social justice warriors into the classroom. This past spring, students in Malveaux's Civil Rights Law class were able to hear firsthand about the experiences of Judy Richardson, leader of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), during the 1960s civil rights movement.

"Richardson set parallels for the students between what she was doing in the 1960s and what activism they are doing now. It is a different generation, but themes such as inclusion, respect, finding common ground, and trying to put yourself in someone else's shoes all still ring true."

Malveaux met Judy Richardson working for the award-winning 14-hour television series, *Eyes on the Prize*. Through contemporary interviews and historical footage, the series covered all of the major events of the

Civil Rights Movement from 1954-1985. Malveaux's job was primary researcher for the oral history book, *Voices of Freedom*, that accompanied the television series.

"I was also tasked with doing a history of civil rights lawyers. Just coming out of college, I was really inspired. It was the perfect job for me," she said.

After *Voices of Freedom* hit the bookshelves and before earning the Root-Tilden-Kern Public Interest Scholarship to attend New York University School of Law, Malveaux volunteered at a women's development organization in Zimbabwe analyzing African women's progress 10 years after independence. She also headed a community organization in Boston working with underserved teenagers.

Upon graduating from law school, she clerked for the Honorable Robert L. Carter, an historic civil rights advocate who argued in the Supreme Court in *Brown v. Board of Education*. Malveaux then honed her skills as a civil rights lawyer at the nonprofit Washington Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights and Urban Affairs.

Malveaux began working on class-action litigation with the law firm Cohen, Milstein, Hausfeld, & Toll. There, she and her colleagues started an employment discrimination/civil rights practice group. Throughout her successful career her clients have included: African-Americans and women challenging glass ceilings and pay disparities; Native American farmers and ranchers attempting to get government loans; injured trainmen denied reasonable accommodations; and Jewish Holocaust survivors seeking disgorgement of company profits.

For six years Malveaux served as pro bono counsel to the plaintiffs in *Alexander v. State of Oklahoma*, a suit filed in 2003 against the city of Tulsa by survivors of the 1921 Tulsa race riot and their descendants. As part of a team of attorneys, she represented the riot victims before the U.S. federal courts, the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (Organization of American States), and the U.S. House of Representatives.

The federal district and appellate courts dismissed the case, citing the statute of limitations, and the U.S. Supreme Court declined to hear the appeal.

"We weren't successful in terms of the actual litigation," Malveaux said. "We lost. But in some ways, we redefined what it meant to win."

During the process, Malveaux wrote a legal article about the case to increase awareness, the lawyers raised money for the survivors, and the Emmy award-winning documentary *Terror in Tulsa* was released, which Malveaux shows to her Civil Rights class each year at CUA Law.

"We educated people about the plight of those who went through the experience. We gave voice and dignity to our clients. We revealed history that had not been revealed before. And so we learned that the law doesn't solve everything, and we had to redefine what we meant by success."



On January 18, 2017, a group of students from Professor Malveaux's Civil Procedure class, Civil Rights class, and fall Fair Employment class had the opportunity to expand their legal education by attending their first Supreme Court Oral Argument: Ashcroft v. Abbasi.

"It is a great example of how lawyers sometimes have to solve a problem from different angles. And that is an important thing for law students to know, that it is important to be creative."

Malveaux frequently brings her practical experience into the classroom. She used her experience of second chairing a Supreme Court oral argument in *Green Tree Financial Corp.-Ala. v. Randolph* to demonstrate the importance of procedure to her students.

"In that case we were arguing that the arbitration agreement was unenforceable. We won on a procedural ground, but lost on the substance, which is also an important lesson for law students to learn. So much of what you do as a lawyer is about procedure. Students need to think about strategies and process. Students also need to understand that procedures can undermine or enhance the enforcements of civil rights," she said. Malveaux's scholarship, which was recently cited by the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, highlights this important connection.

"I don't want my students to learn in a vacuum. I want their learning to be grounded in reality. The model at CUA Law is that students are able to practice law when they graduate."

Along with bringing her practical experience into the classroom, Malveaux serves as a model for her students for what it means to be an agent of change. Most recently, she joined hundreds of lawyers at Dulles International Airport to provide pro bono legal support for immigrants and refugees affected under the Trump administration's travel ban and served as a legal observer for the National Domestic Workers Alliance at the Women's March on Washington.

"I wanted those women to feel safe and that their voice matters."

On a personal note, Malveaux has been a pillar of strength for her two ill parents, helping as a caregiver. Upon first learning of her mother's ALS diagnosis (the disease results in complete paralysis), Malveaux arranged to have her mother fulfill her lifelong dream of driving an 18-wheeler, before she would lose her mobility. When her mother could no longer speak, Malveaux taught her to "talk" by blinking at letters on a computer screen that spelled and spoke for her. And in response to her mother's exclusion from certain clinical trials, Malveaux testified before the FDA, advocating for expansion of the inclusion criteria.

Despite her personal challenges, Malveaux has epitomized what it means to use law as a tool for social justice with her actions and optimism for her students. During his visit to CUA Law, then NAACP President Cornell Brooks discussed the importance of interdependence "Dr. King taught us that we are interdependent. This notion that we need each other, that we are dependent on each other, and that we rely on each other. This is a moment where we have to come together. We are, in fact, interdependent: generationally, racially, ethnically…"

Malveaux has also echoed this notion of interdependence. "I think we need each other," she said.

"I hope that Law School can be a place where people are able to disagree and learn from one another in a way that is respectful. I hope for strength and courage for all of my students. I hope what happens in the classroom can inspire and empower students to use law in a way that is going to promote justice."



Conversations with Five Alumni Law Firm Leaders



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The alumni interviewed in these pages stand out for their exceptional leadership skills. Each took time out of their busy schedules to discuss their career paths, greatest challenges, and favorite memories from CUA Law.





Thomas J. Bender Jr. '77 Littler Mendelson P.C. Firmwide Co-President and Managing Director

Can you tell us a little bit about your background?

I grew up in Philadelphia and graduated from the Naval Academy in 1970. I was in the Navy for five years.

Can you discuss your early career developments?

During the summer between my second and third year of law school, I interned at the District Attorney's Office in Philadelphia. That experience led me to decide that I wanted to litigate. During my third year of law school, I took labor law with Professor Roger Hartley and realized that was also something I was interested in. After graduation, I went back to Philadelphia to work in the labor law, and I have been practicing for nearly 40 years.

How did you become managing director of Littler Mendelson P.C.?

I have always been involved in management roles with the firms I have worked at. I was approached by a number of lawyers at Littler for my current position. I was selected by the Board of Directors in 2012 and took over officially in January 2013.

What are your biggest challenges?

We have 1,200 lawyers worldwide and the most important thing I can do is to be in front of those lawyers. I spend a lot of time on the road. This week I will be in San Francisco, Dallas, Boston, and Long Island. The biggest challenge, as well as the biggest opportunity, is that the practice of law has changed dramatically over the last ten years. There has been a lot of time and money invested in developing innovative products. We have changed our litigation process, and we have partnered with technology firms to provide services for clients.

What is your favorite part about being managing director?

I enjoy dealing with the shareholders and associates in the firm. I also enjoy the opportunity to put the firm in a better position for the next several years.

Are you where you expected to be at this stage of your career?

I never have been someone who has had a five-year or a tenyear plan. I have always had a one-day plan. I show up every day and do my best.

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John Devaney '83

Perkins Coie

Firmwide Managing Partner; Member, Firmwide Management and Executive Committees

Can you tell us a little bit about your background?

I grew up outside New York City. I went to Boston College for undergraduate education, where I developed a strong interest in government and politics. That foundation is what caused me to want to go to law school. I took a year off between college and law school. Throughout this year I had a variety of jobs including: construction, serving as a bouncer, and waiting tables. These jobs gave me strong incentive to pursue law school.

Why did you decide to attend CUA Law?

I knew the Law School's reputation for teaching students how to be strong, practical lawyers. The Washington, D.C., location was also appealing.

Can you discuss your early career developments?

After graduating from law school, I clerked for a year at the District of Columbia Court of Appeals. I then worked at the U.S. Department of Justice in the Civil Rights Division for about 3 and half years. At the Civil Rights Division, I gained a significant amount of trial experience and established the professional foundation for becoming a trial lawyer. I joined Perkins Coie in early 1988. I was an associate for about 7 years and became a partner in 1995. I handled a wide variety of commercial litigation cases and my focus was in telecommunications law. I did a lot of litigation under the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

My firm also represents the National Democratic Party, and we served as general counsel to the Barack Obama and Hillary Clinton presidential campaigns. These representations led to a lot of political law litigation over the last 5 years, including voting rights litigation and voter redistricting litigation. This has been a significant part of my practice since 2011.

How did you become firmwide managing partner of Perkins Coie?

In the early 2000s, I served on the firmwide partner compensation committee. I then became the office managing partner of our Washington, D.C., office from 2004-2010. I served on our firmwide executive committee in 2008, which provided me with additional management experience. In 2014, the current managing partner decided to step down. After a selection process, I was asked to take on the job.

What are your biggest challenges as firmwide managing partner?

We are a very large firm with 1,000 lawyers, 19 different offices, and 9 different national practice groups. All of these offices, employees, and practice groups need attention and support. Making sure these offices, employees, and practice groups get the attention and support they need in order to provide quality client service is my biggest challenge.

How do you balance doing your job well?

I delegate. I have a management committee with four people who help me run the day-to-day operations. They help me carry out the duties we need to perform and support all the offices. We also have a Chief Operating Officer who handles the operational side of the firm.

Are you where you expected to be at this stage of your career?

I did not envision that I would be with a big law firm. There are always curveballs in this profession.

What is your favorite part about being firmwide managing partner?

My favorite part of the job is meeting with clients and helping to develop the relationship between our firm and our clients. I enjoy getting feedback from clients regarding their legal needs, the business issues they are facing, and gaining a greater understanding on how we can meet their goals. I also enjoy the personal interaction with lawyers and staff. I also have the privilege of helping lawyers develop their careers and this is very satisfying for me.

Let's talk about mentoring. Do you have a favorite story?

I was involved in a voter redistricting case in Florida where our clients challenged the constitutionality of the Congressional voting map. For about three years, I had a team of three younger lawyers working with me every day. It was just a pleasure to teach them about litigation, and I was also able to learn from them. This experience is an example of the privilege you have in this job to work with younger lawyers in their career development.

What advice would you give to young lawyers who have aspirations?

Pick a firm that fits you culturally, where the mission and values match your personal priorities. Make sure you enjoy the people at your firm because they become a second family. You also need to be passionate about the work that the firm is giving you access to; this will energize you.

How do you balance your demanding job with your personal life?

Family will always be my number one priority. In your career you have to set limits. This is a profession that can completely consume you, so you need to set appropriate boundaries. I also make sure to stay physically active, which is helpful.

What was your favorite class at CUA Law?

Constitutional Law with Professor Roger Hartley was one of the most stimulating classes I ever took. I came away from that class with a deep understanding of the Constitution and the separation of powers. It gave me a good foundation for some of the litigation I have done over the years.

Law School Hosts Discussion on Managing Ethical Issues and the Business of Building a Legal Practice



Current and former managing partners spoke about ethical issues impacting new lawyers, tips on business development, and career advice during an April 5, 2017, discussion entitled "Managing Ethical Issues and the Business of Building a Legal Practice." The event was moderated by CUA Law Dean Daniel F. Attridge, who has 14 years of managing partner experience.

The panelists were Jennifer A. Mahar '95, managing member, Smith Pachter McWhorter PLC and Matthew J. Clark '83, partner, executive committee member, and former managing partner at Arent Fox.

The panelists discussed topics such as the size of their firms, scope of management responsibilities, and ethical issues they and new lawyers may face. "It is unlikely as a new lawyer that you will be confronted with an ethical dilemma, like a managing partner would, but you will have to understand your obligations to clients in regards to the protection and preservation of their confidences," Clark said.

"In the construction industry, a lot of our clients are competing for the same contracts so that can be an issue. We have to make sure we run a solid conflicts check. We sometimes have to turn clients away, which can be difficult," Mahar explained.

The partners also discussed practical business matters such as billing, handling client money, specializing in a particular area of law, and general business development.



(L to R) Professor Emeritus George P. Smith II, Mitchell S. Ettinger, and Dean Daniel F. Attridge

Mitchell S. Ettinger '83

Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLPOffice Leader of the Washington, D.C., office of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP Partner Government Enforcement Defense

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Can you tell us a little bit about your background?

I am from a family of five children, and we all attended college and graduate school at the guidance of my father's direction. I attended Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff, Arizona, with the intention of playing Division 1 basketball. I quickly learned that I was way too small compared to the other players so I took a Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) scholarship in order to fund my education. When I graduated in 1980 with a chemistry degree, I was commissioned second lieutenant in the Air Force as an organic chemist, but deferred active duty in order to attend law school.

Why did you decide to attend CUA Law?

I went to CUA Law because my older sister Valerie Slater '77 (current senior counsel and former partner for nearly 30 years with Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld, LLP) had such a wonderful experience there. She spoke about the attentive and caring faculty, small class sizes, as well as the close-knit community that ultimately shaped my decision.

Can you discuss your early career development?

Throughout law school I clerked for Finnegan Henderson, which was a small intellectual property firm at the time. When I graduated, I worked as an associate until I received my active duty orders from the Air Force. In January of 1984, just a few months after I passed the bar, I was called as a judge advocate at Altus Air Force Base in Oklahoma. I served there for about 18 months until I was sent overseas to England. In England, I tried courts-martial and then worked as a circuit trial counsel. It was similar to being a chief prosecutor for a jurisdiction. I tried all the felonies cases from Germany, Greece, Spain, Italy, Turkey, and England. My docket included one case at a time, which was a dream. After three years, I decided to leave the Air Force and came back to Washington, D.C. I started doing white-collar work and joined Skadden in 1990.

How did you become office leader of the Washington, D.C., Skadden office?

I try high-profiles cases, which helped me to propel myself to partnership. In 2007, I took over as head of the litigation in the Washington, D.C., office. In 2014, I became the office leader, also known as the office managing partner. Currently, I oversee the Washington, D.C., office of approximately 270 lawyers and 400 staff members.

What are your biggest challenges as office leader?

The full responsibility of hiring, summer programs, diversity committees, charity programs, along with my obligations to work a full caseload. I am expected to bill the same amount of hours as my colleagues and maintain the same level of client relationships, and it is a challenge, in every respect, to do both jobs well.

What is the best part about being an office leader?

We have an amazing group of dedicated and enthusiastic lawyers and staff at Skadden. Our culture is client service orientated. We specialize in providing clients with practical solutions that will further their business interests; we do whatever it takes to get it done. Because of this client service orientated culture, we get some of the most complex and interesting problems to solve. Coming up with creative and practical solutions is exhilarating, and it is my favorite part of the job.

Are you where you expected to be at this stage of your career?

When I started at Skadden with two small children, I never imagined I would be here more than 27 years. My goal was to come over to Skadden for a while in order to pay off my student loans, but I ended up enjoying the people, the practice, and culture so much that I stayed. Skadden has a culture of service, and it is an amazing place to work. I also never anticipated having an administrative or a managing role when I first started out.

What advice would you give to young lawyers or law students who have big law aspirations?

Take the job that will develop your skill set as quickly as possible; the Air Force did that for me. It gave me a chance to argue cases before juries, learn the rules of evidence, and understand discretion. You want to take the job that will give you the most responsibility to develop critical skills.

Is there a mentoring program at Skadden?

We have an informal mentoring program at Skadden where partners and associates are assigned as pairs. We meet with new associates, help them with their first assignments, and ensure that there are no failures. Having a safety net is wonderful, and we take mentoring very seriously.



How do you balance your demanding job with your personal life?

In retrospect, I believe I prioritized work too much, though my family was very understanding. The most important advice I can give is to coordinate with your spouse if you have children. It is very challenging to balance both work and life.

What do you like about your life at this stage in your career?

I have the ability to choose which cases I take on, and I can focus my attention on those cases that are of the greatest interest to me. I also have confidence in my skill set. After 27 years at Skadden, I love working with younger lawyers. I enjoy their enthusiasm, and I love to borrow their energy.

What was your most valuable experience at CUA Law?

The most positive experience I had at CUA Law was the attention I received from each of my professors. It was a very nurturing environment.

The class of 1983 is a special class, and I keep in touch with many of my classmates. We all played on a basketball league together and became very close.



Alice Fisher '92

Latham & Watkins

Partner in Latham & Watkins' Washington, D.C., office Member of the firm's Executive Committee Member of the Columbus School of Law's Board of Visitors

How did you land your current job? What is your professional journey?

After graduating from CUA Law, I worked for another law firm and eventually found my way to Latham where I was an associate and later became a partner. I then had the opportunity to work at the Department of Justice from 2001 to 2003 and then again from 2005 to 2008, when I led the Criminal Division, which was truly an honor. I returned to Latham after my time in government service and had the pleasure of being the managing partner of Latham's D.C. office for five years. After my term ended last-year, the partnership elected me to serve on the firm's eight member Executive Committee which oversees the operations of Latham globally. It's a privilege to serve the firm in this role, and I'm enjoying the new challenge. I'm extremely honored to have had the opportunity to work with so many talented people throughout my career and greatly appreciate those who played a large role in my development.

Alumni Return to Law School for Student Mentoring Events

Alumnus Mitchell Ettinger '83, Reflects on his Career and a CUA Law Education

On Friday, March 11, 2016, Mitchell S. Ettinger '83 returned to CUA Law for a networking and mentoring reception.

As Ettinger reflected on his legal education and the personal connections he made with fellow students and faculty, he also spoke fondly about one of his favorite law school extracurricular pastimes – the intramural basketball league. At the time, Ettinger's basketball team simply provided him an opportunity to bond with fellow classmates outside the classroom, but now, that team stands for much more. As Ettinger described the careers of his five teammates, he suggested that that team is a reminder of the great success a CUA Law degree offers.

Those former teammates are: Douglas Bonner '83, partner and leading authority on telecommunications law at Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice, LLP; Matthew Clark '83, partner, executive committee member, and former managing partner of the D.C. office of Arent Fox LLP; Michael Curto '83, managing partner of the D.C. office of Squire Patton Boggs LLP; John Devaney '83, firm wide managing partner of Perkins Coie LLP; and Joe French '83, founding partner of New York based law firm, French & Casey, LLP.

Student and alumni receptions, such as these, allow students, faculty, staff, and alumni the chance to network and simply engage in informal conversations about law school experiences and professional opportunities.

Alumna Alice S. Fisher '92 to CUA Law Students: Be all in for Law School

"Ask for what you want. Be ready to fail. Be ready to understand that while you might not get it the first time, you might get it the next time."

This was some of the advice Alice Fisher '92 gave to a group of current CUA Law students and alumni.

During the February 10, 2017, event held in the Louise H. Keelty and James Keelty Jr. Atrium, Fisher reflected on her legal education and the personal connections she made with fellow students and faculty. "I loved my time at CUA Law. It was a fantastic experience for me. It was a place where I felt 100 percent happy with my colleagues, with the practical education I received, and values that I learned," she said.

Fisher presented her advice to students and mentors through a unique series of tweets.

She advised students to be open to new opportunities, to build strong networks, and to make friends, not enemies. "Building a strong network is something you have to be responsible for. You have to nourish it. I promise if you invest in your mentor relationships, those people will invest in you. Be all in for law school," she said.

Fisher told the mentors in the audience to be "fearless in their advice."

What do you enjoy most about mentoring younger attorneys?

Personally, I enjoy helping young lawyers discover their goals and find opportunities to achieve them — sometimes within Latham's walls, sometimes not. I have learned that, wherever they are, opportunities are easier to see, evaluate, and grab when you have support from people who care about you.

What advice do you have for young alumni who may have similar career aspirations?

Be open to opportunities. I think it's rare to know precisely what the future will bring. When I was in law school at Catholic, I certainly didn't know that I would have the opportunities I've had, but I knew that it was ok to explore and not to have it all figured out — to be open to the opportunities that presented themselves. It's important to be goal-oriented, but also be flexible, adaptable, and open-minded.

How do you manage a work/life balance?

Don't try to do everything at once, or be everything to everyone right away. With each experience, you will gain fresh insights that shed light on your next steps and form a solid foundation from which to build. I encourage all lawyers to reach out for mentors and supporters who will help you in ways you may not even be able to imagine now. These are the people who will allow you to balance, pick you up when you fall, push you, and encourage you.

What was the most valuable experience that CUA Law gave you the opportunity for?

I loved my time here at Catholic. It gave me the foundation for what I needed for my career. That includes not only the foundation in the law, but even more the values in the law and of the law; the prism through which to see the law and practice in the law; and of course the support, the friendship, and so much more.





Members of the 2017 Graduation/Class Gift Committee pose for a picture at Commencement

Congratulations to the Class of 2017

for reaching their Class Gift goal of 56% participation, surpassing the Class of 2016's total, and raising over \$2,000 in support of the Law School!

The CUA Law Class Gift campaign, led by the Graduation Committee, provides the graduating class a chance to recognize their accomplishments, support the student programs and activities that shaped their education, and to leave a legacy for future students by making a gift to the Law School.

Thanks to the members of the graduating class, especially the Graduation Committee members, who made a lasting gift and continue the CUA Law alumni tradition of commitment and generosity.

Special thanks to our Graduation/Class Gift Committee!



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Patrick D. McPherson '95

Duane Morris LLP

Managing Partner of the Washington, D.C., Office

Can you tell us a little bit about your background?

I grew up in New Jersey, and I am the fourth of six children. I graduated from the Naval Academy in 1985, and I spent 7 years in the submarine force. I was stationed in South Carolina from 1986 to 1992.

Why did you decide to attend CUA Law?

I was getting out of the Navy and trying to decide between attending law school or business school. My brother had just graduated from The Catholic University of America, and he helped influence my decision.

Can you discuss your early career developments?

After law school graduation, I went to work for the NASDAQ stock market doing securities law for two years. I took a job at a boutique firm that did intellectual property work during the dotcom boom. This firm was acquired by a Wall Street firm with a Washington, D.C., office and then later by Duane Morris.

What are your biggest challenges as managing partner?

As managing partner and head of the firm's Patent and Trademark Appeal Board and Inter Partes Review practice groups, time and resource allocation are my biggest challenges.

What is the most rewarding part of your job?

I really enjoy my involvement in managing the structure of the firm and the dynamic environment that the firm provides. Tackling a unique legal problem and finding a strategy for a client are also very rewarding.

Are you where you expected to be at this stage of your career?

I always saw myself working at a small firm. I didn't interview at big firms, and it was surprising that I ended up at a large firm. My firm now practices with a small firm atmosphere. The partners are the same people I have been practicing with for the past 20 years and that has created a community culture.

Do you have any mentoring programs at your firm?

We have a program where we recruit engineers to work for the firm, and we send them to law school in the evening. This is a formal apprenticeship program, and once they graduate law school they are fully functional on both the engineering and legal sides.

What advice would you give to young lawyers or law students who have big law aspirations?

Do not pigeon hole yourself. It is really easy to say "this is the type of law I want to practice" but you really do not know what that practice is going to be like until you are in the field. That might mean taking a job at a firm that is not in your selected field. Do not be afraid to take chances when you are young.

Do you have a favorite memory from CUA Law?

I was in one of the first classes to use the new law school building, and I remember a lot of energy between the students and the professors. I distinctly remember the enthusiasm Professor Lucia Silecchia had in her class, and this was very motivating.

How do you balance your work and personal life?

Over time I have changed my work schedule to fit my lifestyle. You can work more hours when you are younger or work later into the night if you have young children. There is a balance over the course of your career.

Far and Wide Influences: Institutes at the Columbus School of Law



The institutes and special programs at the Columbus School of Law allow students to pursue a personalized, specially focused legal education. These specialized legal training programs have changed the lives of thousands of graduates who have benefited from participating in them by earning a certificate from the program. For example, the Federal Communications Commission and the Securities Exchange Commission are two powerful government agencies whose very institutional cultures have been influenced by the hundreds of CUA Law institute and special program graduates who have been employed there. Other times the impact is less obvious and more personal. The influence of CUA Law institutes and special programs is far and wide, enriching the CUA Law experience for students and engaging CUA Law alumni and friends.

The educators behind the four institutes and special programs are proud of the generations of lawyers whose skills, careers, and lives they have shaped. Today, these programs are respected, skillfully run, and produce practice-ready graduates who are a credit to the legal profession as a whole.

The Comparative and International Law Institute

32 Years

Professor Rett Ludwikowski founded the Comparative and International Law Institute (CILI) in 1985. He was new to both CUA Law and to the United States, having emigrated from Poland during the early 1980s. With the steadfast support of the CUA Law community, Ludwikowski was able to overcome many hurdles to build a successful program that today provides students with the skills and knowledge gained from the study of international law in our expanding and globalizing world.

Currently, Professor Geoffrey Watson serves as the director of the Institute. "When Professor Ludwikowski stepped down as director in 2015, I was asked to take over. Ludwikowski had 30 years of impressive service and the program really owes its success to his decades of hard work," Watson said.

Watson has continued Ludwikowski's tradition of strong leadership and focused direction. "One of my goals is to help CILI students better compete in the market for jobs in comparative law, international law, and foreign affairs law in the Washington, D.C., area. At the same time, I'd like to see us send more of our graduates overseas."



Students who earn a CILI certificate are exposed to all of the major areas of international and comparative law: public international law, private international law, and an introduction to comparative or European law. In addition, students take electives, such as Human Rights Law or International Criminal Law, to develop a particular area of expertise. Students also gain practical experience through externships in Europe or the United States. Every year the International Business and Trade Summer Law Program is offered in Cracow, Poland. Every second year the International Human Rights Summer Law Program is offered in Rome, Italy.

"For all students, a grounding in international law can be useful, as it is increasingly relevant in today's world," Watson said.

"The Institute provided me with foundational exposure to international law. Its structure was very helpful for thinking through how my default international or global outlook fits within the legal field," Renée-Lauren V. Ellis '10, who now practices regulatory law, said.

In order to fulfill his primary goal as director, Watson hosts a variety of international-oriented events for students and alumni to attend. Last fall, Wes Rist, director of education and research at the American Society of International Law, spoke to students about finding jobs international law.

"No field is more glamorous than international law, and there's lots of competition. But we do have alumni practicing in the field, and we try to connect our students with them."

Certificate-bearing alumni of CILI are all over the world. "Most CILI alumni are in private practice, doing international business transactions, but some work in public international law, immigration law, and military law. Of course, not all CILI alumni end up practicing international or comparative law; you can find CILI alumni in every conceivable type of law practice," Watson explained.

"CILI has provided me with insight into international law and EU law. My favorite courses have been Comparative and International Trade and International Business Transactions. These courses have provided me with an understanding regarding trade and international contracts. I am now planning to pursue a career working with international transactions," John Gekas, 2L said.



The International Business and Trade Summer Program Celebrates Its 25th Anniversary



If the Comparative and International Law Institute has a "signature" feature, it is surely the International Business and Trade Summer Law Program. Started in 1992, the sixweek summer law program is conducted at the Jagiellonian University in Cracow, Poland, considered one of the most beautiful and prestigious universities in Europe. Celebrating its 25th anniversary this year, the program was designed to foster an academic exchange between CUA Law and the Jagiellonian University of Cracow.

Students receive an intensive training in global aspects of modern trade, comparative perspectives of regulated industries and antitrust laws in the U.S. and the European Union, international business transactions, and other substantive areas of law. Unlike most summer abroad programs, a number of English-speaking law students from Polish universities also participate, allowing students the chance to develop cross-cultural friendships and networking opportunities. The Polish and American students attend classes together, live together, and participate in all co-curricular activities together.

"We lived and worked alongside Polish students and became fast friends. We got to know each other outside of class, discovering both similarities and differences between Polish, American, and European culture," 2L John Gekas said.

"While the program is highly demanding and time consuming, it is more importantly an intellectually rewarding and stimulating venture," said Professor Ludwikowski, who runs the program. "It provides an opportunity for cultural and professional interaction between the students and faculty from Poland and the United States. The Americans leave Cracow fully aware of their participation in fruitful dialogue between the finest legal minds of both countries."

The Law and Public Policy Institute

32 Years

On his law school application, 3L Daniel Boatright stated that he wanted a "life of meaning." Throughout his law school journey, Boatright has worked hard to achieve his goal. In celebration of Veterans Day, he volunteered at the Law School's pop-up pro bono clinic, an event at the United States Veterans Initiative, hosted by the Veterans Consortium, Neighborhood Legal Services Program (NLSP), and Duane Morris LLP. He was able to significantly help several veterans with their problems and have a real impact in their lives.

His Law and Public Policy project focused on how to create incentives to recruit more commercial air pilots in anticipation of a pilot shortage soon to result from mass mandatory retirements. He also has held legal internships at the law firm of Obadal, Filler, MacLeod & Klein, the United States Senate, and the Federal Aviation Administration.

For 32 years, the Law and Public Policy Program (LPP) has answered the call of those seeking a life of meaning, encouraging talented and compassionate students to choose public service and to do their best to make a difference. Since 2014, Professor Roger Colinvaux has served as the program's director. "For seven years I worked with the nonpartisan Congressional Joint Committee on Taxation where I helped lawmakers formulate policy, draft statutes, and write legislative history on several major tax bills. This background of making public policy at the national level made me a natural fit for LPP Director," Colinvaux said.

"LPP welcomes students with a wide variety of interests, whether their passion is education law, environmental law, health care, criminal law, general public interest law, lobbying – you name it. The program focuses on skills and developing experience that will help anyone with an interest in public policy," Colinvaux said.

"What the students have in common is a desire to make a difference."

The opportunity to earn a certificate in public policy law has been a powerful magnet for students who are attracted to service. LPP alumni gravitate toward careers in government, public interest law, or policy development. By sponsoring speakers, lectures, and forums the program encourages students to deepen their understanding of such diverse topics as the U.S. Supreme Court nomination process, presidential transitions, refugee policies, homelessness, the process of drafting a bill, and many others.





This year, the program hosted several timely discussions surrounding transition-related issues in the Trump administration. Phillip D. Brady, CUA Law part-time professor of the class "Lobbying and the Law" and member of the CUA Law Board of Visitors, and CUA Law Professor Marshall J. Breger discussed the difference between the Trump administration's transition process versus past administrations, how lobbying firms and businesses have reacted to President Trump's unprecedented communication style via social media, the use of executive orders, and the notion of presidential ethics. They also fielded questions from students ranging from executive, legislative branch relations, new lobbying regulations, and how the Trump administration will treat cabinet-level appointees.

Most of the program's graduates pursue opportunities to solve social problems and to perform public service. Some alumni serve vulnerable and poor clients in legal services or public defender offices or in nonprofit organizations. Others take positions in the Department of Justice or other government agencies. Some LPP alumni engage in policy work on Capitol Hill. Recent LPP graduates have plans to work in animal welfare, labor and employment law, and women's rights.

Since 1984, CUA's Law and Public Policy Program has trained attorneys who not only want to make a difference, but also know how to make a difference. Each LPP student is encouraged to choose an area in which to specialize, and then to select classes, internships, and clinical courses that will provide the student with the requisite knowledge and skills. Many students in the program undertake a series of internships, taking advantage of CUA Law's Washington, D.C., location. They contribute everywhere, at places such as the District of Columbia Superior Court, the U.S. House of Representatives, Defenders of Wildlife, the Humane Society, and many others. Professor Colinvaux makes it clear to applicants to the program that he is looking for students who are inspired by a passion to help diverse populations and fueled by a desire for public service. Program graduates are recognized at an annual brunch held to honor their achievements.

"As a member of both the Law and Public Policy Institute and the Comparative and International Law Institute, I would definitely say that the institutes have prepared me for life after graduation. The externship experiences I had for my certificates helped me decide the kinds of law that interested me most and allowed me to get a glimpse of what potential career paths would look like," Shelby von Hofe '17 said.

The Law and **Technology Institute**

37 Years

(formerly The Institute for Communications Law Studies)

In May of 2015, CUA Law announced that the Institute for Communications Law Studies would now be known as the Law and Technology Institute (LTI). Under the new name, the Law School's goal was to build upon and expand the outstanding work and successes that the communications law institute had accomplished over the past three decades. The co-directors, Professors Megan La Belle and Elizabeth Winston, recognized the synergy between communications law and intellectual property law and knew there was an opportunity to offer cutting-edge tracks for students interested in exploring the many important legal questions and policy debates surrounding evolving technologies.

"Whether you are a communications lawyer, an information privacy lawyer, or an intellectual privacy lawyer, you are dealing primarily with technology and how technology changes are impacting the law," La Belle said. "The Institute has a unifying theme, but there is also the chance for students pursue a particular area of interest."

Since becoming LTI co-directors, La Belle and Winston have propelled the Institute to new heights while maintaining the Law School's longstanding reputation for excellence in communications law.

In February of 2017, some of the best patent law experts in the United States spent an entire day discussing the creation and recent developments of the Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB) and the impact of its decisions on the U.S. patent landscape during the Journal of Law and Technology's annual symposium, "The Impact of the Patent Trial and Appeal Board," held at the Law School.

During the same month, the Institute, along with the CUA Law Moot Court Association and the Federal Communication Bar Association (FCBA), hosted the only moot court competition that focuses solely on communications law — the Annual National Telecommunications Moot Court Competition. In March 2017, the Institute honored Dean William Callyhan Robinson and his legacy with a lecture by Judge Kara F. Stoll, Circuit Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.



Professor Elizabeth Winston, Federal Communications Commission Chairman Ajit Pai, Christopher Mills '16, and Professor Megan La Belle pose for photo after a presentation by Commissioner Pai entitled "Entrepreneurship and Innovation in America's Internet Economy"



Few law programs in the country could have pulled off such events. The level of speakers, panelists, and participants is a testament to the connections of the Institute. Inside the classroom students are required to complete a rigorous course of study that provides a well-rounded foundation. Each student works closely with the co-directors to design their specific course of study.

"Professors La Belle and Winston were integral in my legal education and development as an IP attorney, providing guidance inside and outside the classroom. One of my favorite experiences in the Institute was participating in the first IP Capstone. It was an amazing opportunity to learn the strategy of IP litigation and negotiations," said Dan Kane '16.

The Institute also emphasizes the importance of hands-on experiences and producing practice ready graduates. "The Institute helped me gain a lot of practical experience. They highly recommend doing externships and a lot of real world scenario-type assignments in class in order to prepare you for what it's like actually practicing law after graduating," Molly O'Connor '16 said.

Bryan N. Tramont, managing partner of Wilkinson Barker Knauer LLP and recognized leader in the FCBA, has served as a part-time professor at the Law School for over 15 years. Rosemary C. Harold, partner at Wilkinson Barker Knauer LLP and veteran of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), has served as a part-time professor at the Law School for over 9 years.

Tramont and Harold both teach the Communications Law Practicum class which simulates practice before the FCC. "Every year the incoming students are told that we have picked a live, rule-making docket at the FCC. We assign students mock clients and they will write the FCC version of a brief during the fall semester. Then we work with students to turn those arguments into an oral advocacy presentation," Harold said.

"There is not another class like this in the country. This is an advanced legal research and writing course, with networking skills thrown in."

CUA Law graduates have long shaped the cultural of the FCC. This year, FCC Chairman Ajit Pai announced the staff appointments of Alison Nemeth '14 and Rachael Bender '10. Brendan Carr '05 was also announced as the Commission's acting general counsel.

La Belle and Winston are committed to building relationships with their 1L students and maintaining these relationships after graduation. They are also committed strengthening their current alumni base. This fall, the Institute held its annual State of the Institute Luncheon at Wilkinson Barker Knauer LLP. There was a strong turnout of alumni who practice in the areas of communications, intellectual property, and information privacy law. Alumni who are interested in getting involved should contact Professor La Belle at labelle@law.edu.

The Securities 37 Years Law Program

Since founding the Securities Law Program in 1980, Professor David Lipton has served as a teacher, coach, and mentor to countless students. He has built a loyal network of alumni and has encouraged graduating students to keep in touch with their classmates and the Law School. A remarkable number of alumni do just that.



Just as they have done for the past 32 years, Securities Law Program alumni gathered for lunch this past fall to celebrate the program's continued success in placing its graduates, to revive old connections, and to listen to a thoughtful lecture on the Securities and Exchange Commission's expanded use of its administrative law judges.

The alumni filled a large ballroom at the Army Navy Club. Professor Lipton told the audience that more than a half dozen major firms interview on campus now because of the strong performance of Securities Law Program alumni who have previously been hired by these firms.

"Our securities program has been turning out some of the finest securities lawyers in the country for the past several decades. Our graduates are partners in many major law firms in the Washington, D.C., area and at corporate and securities law firms in many of the nation's financial centers. Our graduates hold prominent positions at the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, and NASDAQ, to name a few," Lipton said.

Securities Program alumni have also returned to the Law School to participate in career panels and have always been willing to lend a hand to the Law School. Just this past year, Jack Delaney '09, The Rock Creek Group; Kathy England '81, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission; Katy C. Gordon '01, Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP; Michael McDonald '16, Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP; and Will Troost '10, *Bloomberg*, returned to the Law School to provide advice to current students.



CUA Law's Securities Law Program National Moot Court Team Triumphs at National Moot Court Competition

What inspires the loyalty and affection that so many alumni feel about the securities program and its director? Perhaps it's because that while the program asks a lot of its students, it also delivers much in return. In March 2017, Lipton proudly announced that all students who have graduated from the Securities Law Program over the past eight years have obtained employment by year end following graduation. Lipton credits the program's placement record to the talent of the program's adjunct professors; the dedication and generous willingness of the alumni to lend a hand; and the tenacious confidence of graduates in seeking positions in the industry.

Alumna Michelle Curth '12, who enrolled in the securities program within her first few days at CUA Law, agrees. "One of my professors was a senior SEC official, and I don't think there is a person better suited to teach securities law. A CUA Law graduate even helped me land my current job at WilmerHale. It really is like a family of CUA Law securities lawyers."

"It is well known that program students are prepared to work as lawyers upon graduation," 2L Dean Barr said. "I came to appreciate the quality of my education when every other summer associate at my firm struggled with a securities project because they did not have research skills and did not know how to read regulations."

Lipton continues to cultivate the community atmosphere about which students and graduates enjoy. "Sometimes I go to music events, out for dinner, or even to the race track with students."

"People ask me, why do I teach? I teach for those moments," said Lipton.



Annual CUA Securities Law Program luncheon continues to celebrate a strong community by bringing together alumni and students

Supporting Religious Freedom for All



Professor Robert A. Destro

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"Religious liberty goes to the heart of how we treat each other as human beings," said CUA Law Professor Robert Destro, who is a key player in the fight for Christians and other religious minorities in the Middle East.

Since 2002, Destro has worked closely with Christian, Jewish, and Sunni and Shia Muslim religious and academic leaders to discuss issues of common interest in Iran, Iraq, Syria, Israel, Palestine, and Lebanon. In 2011, he began collaboration with Carol O'Leary, a distinguished fellow at National Defense University, to conduct a survey of the various Christian communities living in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq (KRI).

The result of the survey was an interactive map with color-coded marking for each Christian community. The survey findings and conference videos can be found online at www.mena-rf.org. "It is the only existing pre-ISIS map of those communities," said Destro. "Today, the landscape is completely changed."

In August 2015, Destro partnered with members of U.S. Congress to make the legal case that ISIS's targeting of Christians and other religious minorities in Iraq, Syria, and North Africa was genocide. Destro and a team of CUA Law students and alumni began drafting genocide resolutions to be presented to the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate. Both resolutions were later passed unanimously.

Next, says Destro, working with the Knights of Columbus, In Defense of Christians, and two of the leading religious liberty lawyers in the United States, the Catholic University team put together a 278-page report explaining how the persecution of these groups at the hands of Islamic

extremists fits the United Nations (UN) definition of genocide: killing and other violence "committed with intent to destroy, in whole or in part, a national, ethnical, racial, or religious group."

Framed as a formal petition to the U.S. Secretary of State, the report details the many ways Christians and others are being persecuted by ISIS and its affiliates through acts of violence, displacement, theft, rape, hostage-taking, and sexual slavery. It included a list of 125 Christian churches attacked or destroyed and the names of more than 3,000 murdered Christians. "And that's just the first installment," Destro said.

Former Secretary of State John Kerry accepted its findings on March 17, 2016, and put the United States on record condemning the genocide. Now more than a year since this declaration, Destro has issued a joint statement of "recommended actions" for the Trump administration to take to protect genocide survivors. The document is a call to stand up for minorities who are being targeted today by ISIS and all of its affiliates around the world.

The document recommends that the U.S. should work to help secure the region and resettle many of these minorities displaced from their homes; the U.S. Defense and State Departments should work "to secure, stabilize, and revitalize the ancestral homelands of indigenous religious minority communities targeted by ISIS for genocide in northern Iraq"; and the U.S. must make sure that humanitarian aid from the U.S. and UN reaches those who need it most.

Destro and a group of faculty members have also formed the Eastern Christian Communities Effort to look at ways faculty and students from various schools and academic departments can lend their expertise to the cause. Projects underway include providing transitional housing for refugees, economic development projects, peace-building efforts, and international legal collaboration.





Professor Mark L. Rienzi

"Respecting religious liberty is another way of saying 'It is okay if my neighbor is different than me"

CUA Law Professor Mark Rienzi has been leading the charge for religious freedom with his representation of the Little Sisters of the Poor in their battle with the U.S. government concerning the provision of services against their faith. Rienzi has represented the Little Sisters, a Catholic order of religious women who care for the elderly poor, in his capacity as senior counsel of the Becket Fund for Religious Liberty since 2013.

Rienzi had already filed several other lawsuits for Catholic and Protestant groups when he learned that the Little Sisters were looking for a lawyer.

"I got a call that the Little Sisters were interested in talking to a lawyer about a possible case. After they interviewed me and my colleagues at the Becket Fund, they said they would like us to do it," Rienzi said.

In January 2016, Rienzi filed a brief with the Supreme Court of the United States to urge protection for the Little Sisters of the Poor who were

threatened with \$70 million dollars in government fines for refusing to violate their Catholic faith. The brief argued that the government was violating the Little Sisters' First Amendment rights by forcing them to help provide contraceptive coverage to their employees. This was the second time the Little Sisters asked the Supreme Court for protection on this issue. U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor previously granted an emergency injunction to protect them from fines on New Year's Eve 2013, which the entire Court affirmed in January 2014.

"The Little Sisters spend their lives taking care of the neediest members of our society — that is work our government should applaud, not punish," Rienzi said. "It is ridiculous for the federal government to claim, in this day and age, that it can't figure out how to distribute contraceptives without involving nuns and their healthcare plans."

Five months later, the U.S. Supreme Court unanimously ruled that the government could not impose a penalty on the Little Sisters. The Supreme Court vacated the lower court rulings, accepting the government's admission that it could meet its goals of providing the free services to women without involving the Little Sisters or using their healthcare plan.



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Rienzi and the Little Sisters were recognized on May 4, 2017, in a ceremony at the White House, where President Donald Trump signed an executive order protecting religious liberty. The event marked the commemoration of National Prayer Day. During the ceremony, Trump called the Little Sisters up to the dais in the Rose Garden and told them that their long lawsuit against the federal government was nearly over.

Rienzi said that the Little Sisters are delighted with Trump's promise to put an end to their lawsuit. Rienzi said the event was a wonderful surprise and "the kind of wild, unforgettable thing that just happens when you hang out with the Little Sisters of the Poor."

On New Year's Eve 2016, Rienzi and his colleagues at the Becket Fund for Religious Liberty won a nationwide injunction against a federal reg-

ulation that would force healthcare providers to provide abortions and sex change procedures. The injunction was issued just hours before key parts of the regulation were to take effect. Rienzi represented a network of Catholic hospitals run by the Sisters of St. Francis of Perpetual Adoration, along with the Christian Medical & Dental Association.

"The government simply has no authority to pass this type of law and it has no business telling licensed medical professionals what procedures are in the best interests of their patients," Rienzi said.

Rienzi was also a part of a 2015 team that represented a Muslim prisoner at the Supreme Court in a case called *Holt v. Hobbs*. "The case was over whether the Muslim prisoner should be allowed to grow a half inch of his beard," Rienzi said. The Court found the Arkansas policy that forbade prisoners from growing beards for religious reasons unconstitutional.

"I litigated that case because I believe it is really important to have a system where the government has to give people room to live out their religious beliefs, whatever they are, so long as they are peacefully doing so. That is very much the Catholic Church's view of religious liberty, as well. We are a big, diverse country and we can work around religious differences, most of the time," Rienzi said.

Rienzi is guardedly optimistic about the future of religious liberty. "There has been a lot of success, but it is important for everyone to stay vigilant in their efforts to promote religious liberty. Respecting religious liberty is essentially another way of saying 'It is okay if my neighbor is different than me."

The History of Law.edu

Have you ever wondered how CUA Law was able to obtain the coveted "law.edu" URL?

Former Associate Law School Dean Frank G. Persico recalls how the Law School was working on various cutting-edge technologies, especially in the area of admissions, from 1996-2000.

Persico currently serves as the Vice President for University Relations and Chief of Staff in the Office of the President.

"We cut down the page numbers of the Law School's viewbook and inserted a CD-ROM in each booklet. The CD-ROM included external links to our Law School website." Persico said.

This was during the infant stages of the internet and it was considered a risky move because many prospective students did not have the ability to access CD-ROMs. The Law School was also looking around for URLs for its website. Former Dean of Admissions George Braxton discovered that the URL "law.edu" was available for purchase. Braxton and Persico immediately realized that this was a great advertising opportunity for the Law School, and they purchased the URL at a nominal price.

"This was during the early days of Google. The idea was that if someone went searching for law schools in their web browser, CUA Law would pop up close to top. It was essentially free advertising," Persico said.



CUA Law's web address is still law.edu and the URL continues to enhance advertising and inspire envy.

The Catholic University of America Second Annual Research Day

featuring keynote speaker Mary G. Leary



CUA Law Professor Mary G. Leary was the keynote speaker at the second annual Catholic University Research Day on Thursday, April 20, 2017. Research Day brings students and faculty out of their classrooms and labs to share their work and learn about the breadth of scholarly endeavors taking place beyond their own areas of study.

Leary's presentation, "The Normalization of the Commodification of People," defined and described the prevalence of human trafficking throughout the world and the United States. "The Department of Labor gives us a list every year of products that are likely the product of human trafficking. This year they listed 139 products," she said.

Professor Leary told the audience that human trafficking is interwoven into our communities and into our daily lives, from the hotels we stay in, to the shrimp from Thailand we eat, to the Afghanistan carpets we walk across, and from the coffee we drink.

Professor Leary discussed the research she has been working on regarding the role of technology in human trafficking, especially concerning domestic minor sex trafficking. "A team of students compiled, discovered, and analyzed how technology is being used to recruit and control minors into sex trafficking," she said.

She also compared sex trafficking to modern slavery and spoke about the legal changes concerning the label of "human traffickers" versus "Johns."

Professor Leary described why she believes that human trafficking is on the rise, despite increased awareness. "We are normalizing people as commodities in all aspects of our lives." She said this commodification takes place in the form of prostitution, for-profit prisons, and big data.

Before concluding her presentation, Professor Leary urged students to consider the social problems that keep them up at night. "What ails you, what troubles you, what gives you pain? Embrace it, think about it, immerse yourself in it — then come up with a solution. Your research needs to be heard."

"We are at a research university and that is different from other universities. We have an opportunity and we should seize it."

Professor Leary also provided acknowledgements to Adam Bereston '17, Robbie Cain 2L, Julie Kendrick, and Steve Young, who have each supported her work.

Inspiring Tomorrow's Leaders

at The Catholic University of America Columbus School of Law

Second Annual Family and Friends Day

September 2016 — This past fall, family and friends of CUA Law students were invited to experience a day in the life of a law student. Guests of the first-year students were able to attend a torts class with Associate Dean **Marin Scordato**. The upper division students and their guests had the option of taking a campus tour.

Brian Stolarz, '98, provided students and guests with a presentation titled, "Innocent Going In and Innocent Coming Out, the Exoneration of Alfred Dewayne Brown." The presentation detailed Stolarz's pro bono representation of Brown,



whose death penalty conviction was overturned in June. Brown, who was present for the presentation, spent 10 years on death row in Texas before being released. Stolarz described his representation of Brown as "the case of a lifetime."

Stolarz also informed the audience that he would provide each 1L student a copy of his book *Grace and Justice on Death Row: The Race Against Time and Texas to Free an Innocent Man*, released in October 2016.

Roundtable Discussion on Tragic Shootings



October 2016 — CUA Law hosted a "Hot Topics Roundtable Luncheon," which focused on the recent tragic shootings of **Terence Crutcher** in Tulare, Okla., and **Keith Lamont Scott** in Charlotte, N.C. The hour-long discussion encouraged students to ask questions, offer insights, and explore what they can do, as future lawyers, to deal with challenging issues. There were a variety of opinions expressed throughout the discussion dealing with police protocol, community policing, racial biases, and the notion of challenging stereotypes.

One question Larisa Traub (2L) posed to the audience was: "What, as future legal practitioners, can we do to dispel the culture that causes situations like police shootings to happen?"

"What we can do is talk about it, and we are doing a great job of that here. We need to talk about these hard, difficult issues. The more we talk about it and the more we are exposed to different things, the more our own biases are broken down," one student said.

"Your Voice, Your Future" Town Hall meeting on Clemency



November 2016 — The CUA Law/Ehrlich Partnership organized a panel discussion entitled "Your Voice, Your Future." Students, faculty, staff, and guests heard from former Maryland Governor **Robert L. Ehrlich Jr.**, CNN political contributor **Van Jones,** CUA Law Professor **J.P. "Sandy" Ogilvy**, and **Amy Pofahl** (granted Presidential Clemency in 2000). **Mark Hyman** of *Behind the Headlines* moderated the event.

The panel answered questions ranging across a spectrum of criminal justice issues, including recidivism statistics, problems of reentry for returning citizens, the impact of "three strikes" law, and the impact on minority hiring of "ban the box" legislation.

CUA Law students and guests had the opportunity to ask panelists questions. The panel aired on WJLA News Channel 7.

Brendan F. Brown Lecture on Fair Representation

February 2017 — United States Circuit Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, **Srikanth "Sri" Srinivasan** spoke to students at CUA Law during the Brendan F. Brown Lecture Series. Organized as a conversation between Dean Daniel F. Attridge and the judge, the discussion covered topics including the challenges of representing clients who others have demonized, the best courses to take in law school, advice regarding mentor relationships, and the importance of faith.



Judge Srinivasan discussed representing challenging clients, such as ExxonMobil,

for accusations of human rights abuses, while in private practice. "That is what we do as lawyers," he said. "You can go back to the early foundations of the country to realize that it is part of the fabric of the law. The system is predicated on the notion that everyone is entitled to fair representation."

CUA Law Honors Dean William Callyhan Robinson with Lecture Series

March 2017 — The Columbus School of Law's Intellectual Property Law Program honored former CUA Law Dean William Callyhan Robinson and his legacy with a lecture by Judge Kara F. Stoll, Circuit Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.

Judge Stoll discussed the importance of patents to society and how they represent a contract between an inventor and the government. "I feel a connection to Dean Robinson's work and the importance of patents to our society," she said. Judge Stoll provided the students in the audience with tips on appellate advocacy and discussed



the perspective of the appellate judge hearing the case. She spoke about how students should address the courtroom and form arguments, as well as the importance of improving writing skills and the types of qualities she looks for when hiring law clerks.

Women's Law Caucus Hosts "May She Please the Court" Panel

March 2017 — In honor of the centennial of the Women's Bar Association of the District of Columbia (WBA), the CUA Law Women's Law Caucus and the Evening Law Student Association (ELSA) hosted a panel discussion with highly successful military, appellate, and litigation attorneys who shared their career experiences.

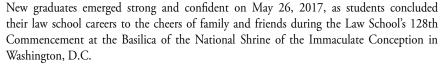
Panelists included **Michelle Kallen**, senior associate at Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP and Co-Chair of the Washington D.C. Women's Bar Association Amicus Committee; Lieutenant General **Flora Darpino**, three-star general and first woman to hold the commanding position of Judge Advocate General of the United States Army; **Maureen Mahoney**, retired partner at Latham & Watkins, former Deputy Solicitor General and first woman appointed by the Supreme Court to argue a case in front of the Supreme Court; and **Erin Murphy**, partner at Kirkland & Ellis LLP, Supreme Court and appellate court advocate and recognized by National Law Journal as one of the nation's "Outstanding Women Lawyers."

The panelists also spoke of the challenges they have overcome in their careers regarding gender discrimination, performance anxiety, and facing failure. Mahoney told the audience about how she persevered after not getting confirmed by Congress to serve on the U.S. District Court of the Eastern District of Virginia; General Darpino discussed how she overcame gender discrimination in a male-dominated field.

Commencement 2017

Congratulations to our newest alumni





Professor Anthony F. Perez introduced the class of 2017 candidates, with conferral of the degrees by Dean Daniel F. Attridge and President John Garvey. 114 successful J.D. candidates received their diplomas. Another six students were awarded LL.M. degrees and six were awarded M.L.S. degrees.













Professional Activities



Dean **Daniel F. Attridge** was reappointed for a second term as CUA Law dean effective through August 2021. On Sept. 14, 2016, Dean Attridge received a "Star of the Bar

Award" from the Women's Bar Association of the District of Columbia. On Feb. 15, 2017, Dean Attridge interviewed Judge Sri Srinivasan of the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit as part of the CUA Law's Brendan Brown Lecture Series. On March 20, Dean Attridge moderated a CUA Law program featuring two experts on the Supreme Court nomination process. On April 5, Dean Attridge moderated a CUA Law program featuring law firm managing partners. The topic was "Managing Ethical Issues and the Business of Building a Law Practice." On April 7, Dean Attridge served as a guest lecturer at an Ohio State University law school capstone course based on a series of hurricane insurance coverage cases that he handled in private practice for Nationwide Insurance. On April 8, Dean Attridge moderated a program featuring Mark K. Shriver discussing his book, Pilgrimage: My Search for the Real Pope Francis. The program, televised by C-SPAN, was part of the 15th annual Annapolis Book Festival. On June 3, Dean Attridge gave the graduation address at his alma mater, St. Anselm's Abbey School in Washington, D.C.



Professor Roger Colinvaux presented his book chapter "Nonprofits and Advocacy" at the Change-Makers of Democracy: Foundations and Nonprofits in Public Policy at

Georgetown University on Oct. 24, 2016. He presented his paper "Using Tax Law to Discourage Donor-Imposed Restrictions on Charitable Gifts," at New York University, National Center on Philanthropy and the Law's annual conference "Wrestling with Donor Intent: Strategies for Enforcement or Relaxation" on Oct. 27-28, 2016 and at the Giving in Time: Scholar's Conference held at Boston College Law School on Sept. 22-23, 2016. On March 16, 2016, Colinvaux made two presentations

on issues relating to donor-advised funds and repeal of the Johnson Amendment at the Centennial Leadership Conference on Nonprofit Tax Reform held at the Ford Foundation in New York City, and on April 5, 2016, he conducted a webinar for the American Association of Art Museum Directors relating to nonprofits and advocacy.



Professor **Cara Drinan** was awarded a research sabbatical grant for fall 2016 by the Charles Koch Foundation. The grant enabled her to complete a book manuscript entitled,

The War on Kids: How American Juvenile Justice Lost Its Way (Oxford University Press, forthcoming 2017). Drinan worked with a team of lawyers who filed a clemency petition on behalf of Mr. Ivan Teleguz. Teleguz's execution was commuted by Virginia Governor Terry McAuliffe on April 25, 2017.



Clinical Associate Professor A.G. Harmon delivered the 2017 Mirror of Justice Lecture titled, "Final Judgments: What Art and Physics Reveal about Discerning Vice and Virtue"

on April 11, 2017.



Professor **Regina Jefferson** served on a Nov. 16, 2016, panel at the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) office in Washington, D.C.



Director of CUA Law Columbus Community Legal Services and Professor **Catherine Klein** was a facilitator for workshop sessions at a Training of Clinical Trainers program in Brescia,

Italy. The sessions took place from March 9-10, 2017.



Professor **Megan La Belle** won the 2016 Southeastern Association of Law Schools (SEALS) Call for Papers Award for her paper, "Public Enforcement of Patent Law." La Belle presented

her paper, which was published in the *Boston University Law Review*, at the Call for Papers Luncheon on Aug. 4, 2016, held during the SEALS Annual Conference Aug. 3-9. Professor La Belle and Rachel C. Hughey of Merchant & Gould filed an amici brief on behalf of about 15 professors of law and civil procedure in Support of Respondent in *TC Heartland LLC v. Kraft Foods Group Brands LLC*.



Professor Mary Leary was named to the editorial board of *Dignity: A Journal on Sexual Exploitation and Violence* in spring 2016. She presented her latest work in progress, *Polic-*

ing the Third Dimension at the ABA Criminal Justice Section's Academic Roundtable on Nov. 6, 2016 in Washington, D.C. Leary also presented the paper entitled "Dear John, You are a Human Trafficker" at the South Carolina Law Review Symposium on Feb. 10, 2017. The paper explores the sentencing regime for purchasers of sex who are, under the federal law, sex traffickers, and will be published in the spring. Leary was the keynote speaker at the second annual Catholic University Research Day held on April 20, 2017.



Professor **David Lipton** convinced the SEC Historical Society, of which he is a board member and vice president, to restart its annual writing competition. More than 300 law

professors were invited to submit approved student papers that were reviewed by an independent SEC Historical Society panel. The winning student author received a \$5,000 award. In Dec. 2016, Lipton presented a telecast talk to close to 150 lawyers for a panel presentation sponsored by the law firm of Dorsey & Whitney during their Annual Federal Enforcement Forum. Professor Lipton also presented three

lectures, to both undergraduate and graduate law students, on Comparative Securities Law at the University of Lisbon during the week of March 6, 2017.



Professor **Rett Ludwikowski** received the Commander's Cross of the Order of Merit of the Republic of Poland at the Larisch Palace in Kraków, Poland, on Dec. 2, 2016.



Professor **Suzette Malveaux** joined hundreds of lawyers at Dulles International Airport to provide pro bono legal support for immigrants and refugees affected under the Trump ad-

ministration's travel ban in Jan. 2017. On Jan. 17, 2017, Malveaux organized a trip for her students to the U.S. Supreme Court to hear the oral arguments in Ashcroft v. Abbasi and Lee v. Tam. Malveaux gave a talk entitled "The Modern Class Action Rule: Its Civil Rights Roots and Relevance Today," at the 50th Anniversary Perspectives on the Modern Class Action at the Kansas Law Review Symposium held at the University of Kansas School of Law on Oct. 14, 2016. On Sept. 23, 2016, she also gave a talk as part of "Is the Roberts Court Pro-Business? A Look at Securities Law, Class Action Litigation and Regulation," at the George A. Leet Business Law Symposium held at Case Western Reserve University School of Law in Cleveland, Ohio. Malveaux also presented her paper, "Is It Time for a New Civil Rights Act? Addressing Modern Obstructionist Procedure," at the Tenth Annual Lutie Lytle Writing Workshop, University of Iowa College of Law on July 8, 2016. Malveaux was recently cited by the 4th Circuit in an important civil rights case.



Professor **Antonio Perez** presented "Issues of Public Policy and the Utility of Article 34," at the 8th conference on Teaching Transnational Commercial Law: State of Affairs and Re-

cent Developments in International Commercial Arbitration, The New York Convention, UNCITRAL Rules 2010 and Current Work on the Settlement of Disputes held at the Center on Transnational Business and the Law at Georgetown University Law Center on Nov. 18, 2016. He delivered the keynote address "Comprendiendo El Sistema Legal de Estados Unidos: Derechos y Obligaciones de la Comunidad Latina" (Understanding the U.S. Legal System: Rights and Duties of the Latino Community) on Jan. 28, 2017, at the 4th Annual Latinos for Life Conference held in Tysons, Va. He joined the Federalist Society and the Liberty Fund for a two-day legal colloquium titled Banking in the Free Society in Las Vegas, Nevada, on Feb. 24-25, 2017. He participated in the Potomac Foreign Relations Law Roundtable held at George Washington University Law School on April 21, 2017. As a member of the state department advisory committee on private international law he also participated in the study group on the U.N. Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) Project on Micro-, Small-, and Medium-Sized Enterprises (MSMSE) during Spring 2017. Perez was reappointed to the Roster of Arbitrators for NAFTA Chapter 19 (Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Disputes).



Professor **Veryl Miles** presented at the Pepperdine University School of Law on March 9-10, 2017, for a conference sponsored by the Nootbaar Institute on Law, Religion and Ethics.

The conference theme was "Religious Critiques of Law." Her presentation was entitled "Consumer Financial Protection: A Common Good."



Professor **Mark Rienzi** and his colleagues at the Becket Fund for Religious Liberty won a nationwide injunction against a federal regulation that would force healthcare providers to

provide abortions and sex change procedures in 2017.



Professor Lucia Silecchia began service as an Expert of the Holy See's Permanent Observer Mission to the United Nations in New York where she will be assisting on matters relating to

the elderly and the environment. She served as a Faculty Fellow in and Advisory Committee Member of the Institute for Human Ecology at the Catholic University of America. She also delivered the keynote address, "Conflicts and *Laudato Si*" at Fordham Law School's Dispute Resolution Conference on Nov. 1, 2016.



Professor Emeritus George P. Smith II presented the University Memorial Lecture honoring Professor Henry Remak, which was delivered at the Indiana University Law School

in March 2017. The title of the Lecture was, "Dignity in Living and in Dying."



Professor Emerita **Leah Wortham** received the Officer's Cross of the Order of Merit of the Republic of Poland (Krzyz Oficerski Orderu Zaslugi Rzeczypospolitej Polskiej) from

Chancellery of the President of the Republic of Poland on Nov. 10, 2016.

Publications



Professor Marshall Breger published a July 20, 2016, op-ed in The Hill entitled 'Trump's Israel policy is dangerous and irresponsible."



Professor Roger Colinvaux published two articles: "Donor Advised Funds: Charitable Spending Vehicles for 21st Century Philanthropy" in the Washington Law Review and

"The Importance of a Participatory Giving Incentive" in Tax Notes. Colinvaux published a book chapter, "Nonprofits and Advocacy," in Nonprofits and Government: Collaboration and Conflict (Rowman and Littlefield 2016). Colinvaux also published op-eds entitled "The Johnson Amendment is Important for Keeping Dark Money out of Charity," in the U.S. News & World Report on Feb. 10, 2017, and "Politics and Charity," in the Chronicle of Philanthropy on Nov. 2, 2016.



Professor Cara Drinan's law review article, "The National Right to Counsel Act: A Congressional Solution to the Nation's Indigent Defense Crisis," inspired the pending federal

Equal Justice Under Law Act of 2016. Professor Drinan also consulted on the legislation in July 2016. The bill is designed to address the chronic failures of state indigent defense systems. Drinan's April 13, 2017, op-ed "Three Reasons Why Virginia May Execute an Innocent Man" was published in Huffington Post.



Clinical Associate Professor A.G. Harmon's short story collection, Some Bore Gifts, was published by World Galaxy Press in March 2017.



Professor Megan La Belle published an article entitled "Public Enforcement of Patent Law" in the Boston University Law Review in Jan. 2017. She also presented her forthcoming ar-

ticle, "The Patently Unexceptional Venue Statute," at the American University Law Review Volume 66 Federal Circuit Symposium on Jan. 27, 2017. On Feb. 16, 2017, La Belle was a guest blogger at Patently-O: America's leading patent law blog. She was also a guest blogger at PrawfsBlawg in Feb. 2017 with her post entitled "Allergies and the Airline."

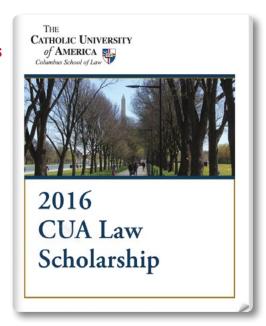


Professor Mary Leary published a Jan. 28, 2017, op-ed in the National Review entitled 'We've Allowed a Culture That Devalues Women to Blossom." Leary's April 12, 2017, op-ed

"Websites where children are prostituted are immune from prosecution. But why?" was published in The Washington Post.



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Professor Suzette Malveaux's recent essay The Impact of Wal-Mart v. Dukes on Employment Discrimination Class Actions Five Years Out: A Forecast That Suggests More a Wave Than a

Tsunami was featured on PrawfsBlawg and Civil Procedure & Federal Court Blog. Malveaux reviewed a recent article by Michael Selmi & Sylvia Tsakos, Employment Discrimination Class Actions After Wal-Mart v. Dukes, 48 Akron L. Rev. 803 (2015). Malveaux published the article review "Saving the Public Interest Class Action by Unpacking Theory and Doctrinal Functionality," in JOTWELL on June 9, 2016. Malveaux co-authored an amicus brief before the Supreme Court: Brief for Complex Litigation Law Professors as Amici Curiae in Support of Respondents: Microsoft Corp. v. Baker, No. 15-147 on May 23, 2016.



CUA Law Professor Emeritus Stephen G. Margeton's book Designing Law and Other Academic Libraries: Building Upon Change (3d ed.) was published by Hein in April 2017. The

book contains conversations with CUA Law Professor Emeritus **Leah Wortham**, Senior Reference Librarian **Steve Young**, Head of Access Services **Frances Brillantine**, and Systems Librarian **Len Davidson**.



Professor Antonio Perez published an essay entitled "The Hedgehog, The Fox, and Kozolchyk: The Practical and Philosophical Foundations of Best Practices in Legal Harmo-

nization for Economic Development," in 34 Arizona Journal of International & Comparative Law 66 (2017).



Professor **Lucia Silecchia** contributed to the biographical entries on Charles Carroll, John Carroll, John Foster Dulles, and Fulton Sheen as well as the legal entry on *Clever v. Cherry*

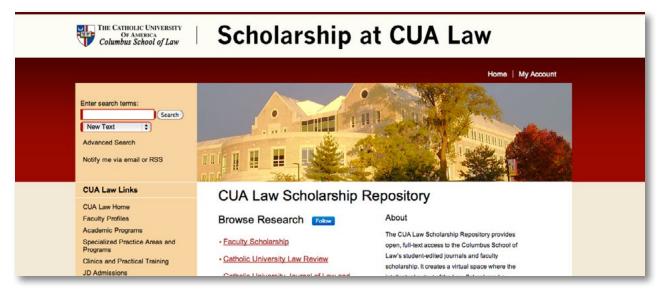
Hill Township, and the historical entries on Parochial Schools, the Role of Catholic Colleges and Universities, and the Baltimore Catechism in the Encyclopedia of Christianity in the United States (5 Volumes). Silecchia also published a Spring 2017 op-ed entitled "Rejecting a View That Any Human Life Is Dispensable" as part of The Environmental Forum magazine's debate on the link between environment and population. The Environmental Forum is an environmental policy journal published by the Environmental Law Institute. She published a Jan. 22, 2017 op-ed in Crux Now entitled "The Legacy of Roe v. Wade extends beyond abortion." Silecchia published "'Laudato Si' and Care for Our Common Home: What Does It Mean for the Legal Professional?" in 6 Seattle J. Envt'l. L. 1 (2016) and "Social Love' as a Vision for Environmental Law: Laudato Si' and the Rule of Law," in 10 Liberty U. L. Rev. 371 (2016). Silecchia's Jan. 26, 2017 article "On Abortion, the Supreme Court Can No Longer Remain on the Periphery," and Oct. 7, 2016 article "D.C.'s Dangerous 'Death With Dignity Act'" were published in the Washington Examiner. Silecchia's July 28, 2016 article entitled "Give Thanks for Your Brothers and Sisters," was published in U.S. Catholic (online).



Professor Elizabeth Winston contributed a chapter entitled "Patent Pledges at the International Trade Commission" to Patent Pledges: Global Perspectives on Patent Law's Private

Ordering Frontier.

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Recent Media



Professor **Roger Colinvaux** was quoted in *The Economist* on March 23, 2017, in an article entitled "A philanthropic boom: 'donor-advised funds.'" Colinvaux was quoted in an

Oct. 7, 2016, *Bloomberg BNA* article entitled "Bill Easing 501(c)(3) Politics Ban May Make Boundaries Murky." He was also quoted in *The American Prospect* and *Chronicle of Philanthropy* regarding the rise of donor-advised funds in Oct. 2016 and in the *Atlantic Magazine*, *Newsday*, and the *Chronicle of Philanthropy* on issues relating to repeal of the Johnson Amendment.



Professor **Robert Destro** was quoted in a March 16, 2017, *Catholic News Agency* article entitled "What will the US do next for ISIS genocide survivors?" This article is regarding

Destro's joint statement of "recommended actions" for the Trump administration to take to protect genocide survivors. He was also quoted in a April 5 *Catholic News Agency* article entitled "Chemical attack in Syria 'shocks the soul,' says top US bishop."



Professor Cara Drinan was quoted by Paul Marcus, president of the Association of American Law Schools (AALS), in his Presidential Address at William & Mary

Law School in March 2017. Drinan was interviewed on April 10, 2017, by an NBC affiliate regarding the potential Virginia execution of Ivan Teleguz.



Professor **Clifford Fishman** appeared on *The Drew Mariani Show* on July 7, 2016. He discussed topics such as FBI Director James Comey's decision to recommend against in-

dictment charges for Hillary Clinton, national security and internet usage, and Benghazi. He also took questions and comments from callers.



Professor **Mary Leary** was quoted in an Aug. 29, 2016, *National Catholic Register* article entitled "The Politics of Pornography" and in a Nov. 16, 2016, *WTOP* article en-

titled "Prince George's Co. school system to implement student safety plan." Leary's expertise in the area of the exploitation of children and women was sought out by Catholic News Agency in an article entitled "Attorney General nominee would consider cracking down on child pornography" on Jan. 16, 2017. She was also quoted in a Feb. 22, 2017, OSV Newsweekly article entitled "The push to decriminalize child prostitution: As state governments address sexual exploitation of children, Catholics work to help the victims" and a Feb. 24, 2017 Catholic News Agency article entitled "Supreme Court hears case of Mexican teen shot at border." She was quoted in a March 17, 2017 Huffington Post article, which discussed human trafficking concerns related to missing teens.



Professor J.P. "Sandy" Ogilvy was quoted in several stories about Timothy J. Tyler, a nonviolent drug offender who was granted clemency by President Obama. CUA Law's Innocence

Project Clinic and Clemency Project filed a petition on Tyler's behalf in Sept. 2016. He was also interviewed by WUSA 9.



Professor **Suzette Malveaux** was quoted in a Dec. 1, 2016, *Bloomberg* article entitled "Private Bar Fills Enforcement Void."



Clinical Assistant Professor **Faith Mullen** appeared on the public access UDC cable television show *Sound Advice* on June 5, 2016. She discussed the "Community Listening

Project," which contains a wealth of findings that should impact how legal and social services providers — and the community as a whole — understand and respond to the experiences of people living in poverty.



Professor **Antonio F. Perez** appeared on *EWTN News Nightly* on April 7, 2017, to discuss the moral question raised by the U.S. missile strike against Syria, whether the President's

use of military force is considered a just war.



Professor Mark Rienzi was asked for his view by various media outlets regarding the May 16, 2016, Supreme Court decision on the Little Sisters of the Poor v. Burwell and six oth-

er cases back to federal appeals courts in search of an elusive compromise.



Professor **Lucia Siliecchia** was quoted in a June 27, 2016, article published by the *National Catholic Register* entitled "Supreme Court ruling blasted for pro-abortion bias in Texas

ruling" and a June 29, 2016, article published by Crux entitled "Pro-lifers call SCOTUS abortion decision a 'new low." In Sept. 2016, Silecchia appeared on *EWTN News Nightly* to discuss Pope Francis and the September 1 World Day of Prayer for Care of Creation. She also was interviewed on Oct. 18, 2016, by the *Catholic News Agency* regarding assisted suicide and *EWTN News Nightly* regarding international human rights law in Feb. 2017. She was interviewed by *EWTN Pro-Life Weekly* regarding the rise of assisted suicide in March 2017.

Faculty Transitions

For two legal educators at CUA Law, 2016 was a year to chart a new course. Retiring CUA Law Professors Kenneth Pennington and Benjamin Mintz were honored during a faculty luncheon on November 11, 2016.

"Professor Mintz retired in August 2016 after 32 years of distinguished service to the Law School, for which we are immensely grateful," Dean Daniel F. Attridge said.

"A graduate of Columbia Law School, he served as a U.S. government attorney for more than 20 years, completing his government service as chief attorney of the Occupational Safety and Health Division of the U.S. Department of Labor during the first decade of the OSHA program's existence. He joined our law school faculty in 1984. He has taught many different courses here, including administrative law, employment law, election law, labor, legislation, safety and health law, Jewish law, and torts."

Professor Mintz was very devoted to his students and to the University's Academic Senate. He served as chair of the senate, its Committee on Committees and Rules, and a member of its Executive Committee, a member of its Committee on Appointments and Promotions, and a member of the Faculty Handbook Committee.

The Dean of the School of Canon Law Rev. Robert J. Kaslyn provided remarks about Professor Pennington. "Dr. Pennington has been an esteemed member of the University community since moving to D.C. in the fall 2001," Kaslyn said.

Pennington has contributed significantly to medieval legal history. He holds the Kelly-Quinn Chair of Ecclesiastical and Legal History in the Columbus School of Law and The School of Religious Studies. His areas of interest are ancient, medieval, and early modern legal history, the history of constitutional thought, political theory, church history, history of universities, and paleography.

Pennington thanked the audience for their attendance. "These past 15 years have been by far the best years of my life. All of you can take credit for that. I have enjoyed teaching here better than I would at any other university in the United States," Pennington said.



(L to R) Rev. Robert Kaslyn, Benjamin Mintz, Kenneth Pennington, and Daniel Attridge

OTHER FACULTY TRANSITIONS

Lisa G. Lerman, a member of the faculty since 1987, was named professor emerita. Michael F. Noone Jr., a member of the faculty since 1978, is now a retired professor of law. Kenneth Pennington, a member of our faculty since 2001, was named professor emeritus.

Megan M. La Belle and Mark L. Rienzi were both promoted from associate professor to professor of law.

Director of the Experiential Curriculum and Clinical Assistant Professor Lisa V. Martin, Clinical Assistant Professor of Law Faith Mullen, and Clinical Associate Professor of Law Beverly P. Jennison departed from the Law School to pursue other opportunities.

Faculty News collects professional activities, publications and recent media from May 1, 2016, through April 30, 2017.

To read more faculty and Law School news visit law.edu.

What's new with your fellow alumni?

1967

Senior Judge Edwin L. Felter Jr. received a national American Bar Association (ABA) award, the Nelson Award, on August 5, 2016, in San Francisco, Calif., for outstanding service to the ABA by a public lawyer.

1968

William L. Walsh Jr. serves as counsel at Hirschler Fleischer in Tysons, Va.

1973

David A. Myers, counsel at Fauver, Keyse-Walker, has been selected by his peers as Best Lawyers' 2017 Cleveland area Elder Law "Lawyer of the Year." Myers is a graduate of John Carroll University and Catholic University of America Law School. He has been a certified elder law attorney for nearly 20 years, and is one of fewer than 25 Ohio lawyers holding that certification.

Elizabeth "Ginger" Hayes Patterson was recently named as associate director of The Association of American Law Schools (AALS), a position she has held twice previously. Patterson joined the faculty of Georgetown University Law Center in 1980 where she served as dssociate dean for the J.D. and graduate programs from 1993-97. Over her career, Patterson held the position of chair of the D.C. Public Service (Utilities) Commission and was a commissioner of the D.C. Public Service Commission. She also served as treasurer of the D.C. Bar and served on the editorial board of its publication, Washington Lawyer.

1975



Roberta D. Liebenberg of Fine, Kaplan and Black received the Martha Fay Africa Golden Hammer Award from the American Bar Association's Law Practice Division at the ABA

mid-year meeting in Miami. This award honors individuals who have achieved professional excellence in their careers and demonstrated a commitment to diversity. Ms. Liebenberg is a senior partner at her firm, focusing her practice on class actions, antitrust and complex commercial litigation, and white-collar criminal defense. Liebenberg also received the 2016 Margaret Brent Women Lawyers of Achievement Award from the ABA Commission on Women in the Profession during an award ceremony luncheon held on Sunday, Aug. 7, during the ABA annual meeting in San Francisco, Calif.

The Honorable A.B. Majeed recently retired from the bench after 24 years, the longestserving active county judge in the 18th Judicial Circuit that includes Brevard and Seminole counties in Florida.



1977

Thomas J. Bender, a shareholder in Littler Mendelson P.C.'s Philadelphia office, has been honored as a recommended lawyer in The Legal 500 United States 2016's guide, an independent referral program that recommends individuals and firms based on merit. Bender was recognized in the Labor and Employment Disputes in Defense category. Bender, who serves as the firm's co-president and managing director, has handled a wide variety of claims before the National Labor Relations Board, and federal and state courts, for clients spanning a broad range of industries including transportation, healthcare, and energy. A founding member of the Philadelphia office where he held the position of office managing shareholder for nine years, he has also represented clients in ERISA and other benefit plan litigation arising from collectively bargained pension and health and welfare plans.

> The Honorable Robert E. Morin was recently sworn in as the Chief Judge of D.C. Superior Court.

J. David Seay was recently re-elected to the boards of the Cerebral Palsy Associations of New York State's Guardianship Corporation, which provides guardianships for disabled individuals with no available family or other person to service as a guardian, and Metro Community Health Centers, Inc., a federally qualified health center serving all five boroughs of the City of New York.

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Eileen J. O'Connor was appointed to the Department of the Treasury Agency Landing Team of President-Elect's Transition Team for the Office of President-Elect Donald Trump.

Debra A. Martin was appointed by Gov. Andrew Cuomo to be a New York State Court of Claims Judge and became an Acting New York State Supreme Court Justice

The Honorable **Antonio Rodriguez** was appointed by the State Bar of Texas as president to the Standing Committee on Legal Services to the Poor-Civil Matters for period 2016-2019.

1980

Murray A. Bloom, a past lecturer in maritime law, had an article published in the October 2016 issue of the *Journal of Maritime Law and Commerce*, providing an update on the Cargo Preference Act of 1954.

Gary C. Rosen, managing shareholder of Becker & Poliakoff, was recently appointed as chair of the finance committee and elected to the board of directors of the United Way of Broward County, Florida. As chair of the finance committee, he will also serve on the governance committee.

1981

Paul Taylor has published *The Advocate, Encouragement for Those Who Speak Out for Others or Themselves* with many citations to Biblical scripture, philosophers, and great leaders. It is part memoir, part faith journey, and part practical advice and inspiration for people who need to stand up and argue for something important. The book is available at the publisher's website: Gratefulsteps.org.

1982

Helen Clark Atkeson was honored at the Colorado Women's Chamber of Commerce as one of the 25 most influential women in the state.

David L. Winstead was recently appointed by Governor Larry Hogan to the Maryland Aviation Commission.

Ray Watson was nominated by Illinois Treasurer Michael Frerichs to serve as the executive inspector general for the Illinois State Treasurer. On April 13, 2016, the appointment was unanimously confirmed by the Illinois Senate Executive Appointments Committee and the full Illinois Senate. The executive inspector general investigates allegations of waste, fraud, corruption and violations of the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act.

1984

Richard J. Ringhausen was re-elected as Calhoun County's Illinois State's Attorney.

Stephen W. Saunders is the co-editor of the 2nd edition of the comprehensive legal treatise, *The Law of Oil and Gas in Pennsylvania*, published by PBI Press. The text won the 2015 award for "Outstanding Achievement in Publications" from the Association of Continuing Legal Education.

1987

Gilbert W. Boyce has been named Chair of the D.C. Litigation Department at Kutak Rock. Gil's practice focuses on complex commercial litigation, government disputes, and internal investigations.

1989

John E. Littel was recently appointed to succeed Ted R. Dintersmith on the William & Mary board of visitors. Littel is the senior vice president of external affairs for Magellan Health, where he is responsible for the company's business development, communications and government relations strategies. Previously, he served as interim senior vice president of government affairs for WellPoint and, before that, executive vice president of external affairs for Amerigroup.

1990

Julie A. Bowen, senior president, general counsel of the MITRE Corporation, and member of the CUA Law Board of Visitors, was honored by 2016 Trending 40 Corporate Counsel in September 2016. The award honors those lawyers who have demonstrated exceptional performance and made significant contributions to the growth and success of their organizations.

Jeffrey M. Donofrio, managing partner, Ciulla & Donofrio, LLP, has joined The Expert Network, an invitation-only service for distinguished professionals. Donofrio has been chosen as a Distinguished Lawyer based on peer reviews and ratings, dozens of recognitions, and accomplishments achieved throughout his career.

Mark J. Powell received the Daniel G. Grove Award, in recognition of his dedication to the advancement of trial advocacy through his many years as an instructor at NITA's advanced trial advocacy skills programs in Washington, D.C.



Amy L. Leslie has been recognized by the 2016 Chambers USA guide of recommended law firms and lawyers. Leslie practices in the business law and the real estate and environ-

mental areas. Her practice focuses on the representation of corporate clients in connection with sales and acquisitions of businesses, debt and equity financings, private placements, real estate matters, including commercial leasing and purchase and sale agreements, and general business matters.

Rico M. Sogocio was appointed by Attorney General Loretta E. Lynch as an Immigration Judge in the Miami Immigration Court.

1993

Kelly L. Donovan was recently hired by KPMG as a managing director in the Risk Consulting – Forensic Advisory Services, Investigations and Disputes service network. Based in New York City, Donovan will focus on the growing need for investigative, compliance, and monitoring services for state and local government and private sector clients.

John W. Giambalvo has joined the board of directors of PeoplesBank. Giambalvo, a 2010 *Time* magazine Dealer of the Year finalist, is the president and CEO of Jack Giambalvo Motor Co. Inc. and has over 20 years of experience in the auto industry. Giambalvo Motor Co. has multiple dealerships and locations throughout York County. Giambalvo started his professional career as a law clerk for the Honorable John C. Uhler and then became an Assistant District Attorney in York, Pa.

1994



Cheryl Behymer has been named one of the top female lawyers in the country in the inaugural edition of Women in Law. Cheryl is co-chair of Fisher & Phillips LLP's affirmative ac-

tion and federal contract compliance practice group.



Donald Schroeder recently joined Foley & Lardner LLP as a partner in the law firm's Boston office. Schroeder's legal practice focuses on labor and employment issues and he handles a

range of matters, including wage and hour class actions and collective bargaining negotiations for unions.

1995

Donald R. Bucklin was recently sworn in as a commissioner for the Court of Common Pleas in Kent and Sussex counties in Maryland.

Dr. **Joseph S. Devaney** was recently appointed as a new faculty member at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College in Tifton, Ga.

Jennifer Mahar has been named managing member of Smith Pachter McWhorter PLC. The firm, headquartered in Tysons Corner, Virginia, focuses its practice in the areas of construction, government contract, and white-collar law.

Patrick D. McPherson has been named chair of the Inter Partes Review division at Duane Morris LLP. McPherson is the managing partner of the firm's Washington, D.C. office. He represents U.S. and foreign clients in the acquisition of patent rights in diverse technologies, such as telecommunications, wireless communications, computer software, ink jet recording paper, medical devices and electronics, and assists clients in establishing competitive patent review programs. McPherson also provides advice regarding potential patent infringement issues. Having served as a naval officer on nuclear submarines, he has practical engineering experience, which is essential in developing the appropriate IP strategy.

1996

Kim Y. Oldham announced her candidacy for Howard County State's Attorney in Maryland for 2018. Oldham has been a prosecutor in Howard County for the past 20 years and has earned a strong reputation in the legal community as a tough but fair litigator. She resides in Ellicott City with her husband and two children.

Kimberly A. Rauen Jones was recently named a partner at Husch Blackwell's tax practice in Milwaukee, Mo.

Kevin Ring serves as president of Families Against Mandatory Minimums.



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1997

The Honorable **Tiffany Anderson** was appointed to the Prince George County Circuit Court.

Jennifer Collins joined the law firm of Cramer & Anderson as a partner. She was the founder and managing member of Collins & Associates LLC in Danbury and has been a licensed attorney in private practice since 1998. She will be based in the firm's Danbury office.

Nicole Croddick was hired by Davison, Eastman & Muñoz, P.A. She will focus her practice on management side employment and labor matters.

Brian J. Forgas has recently joined Hilton Worldwide in McLean, Virginia, where he manages Hilton's global franchise regulatory compliance program for each of its brands (Waldorf Astoria, Conrad, Hilton, Embassy Suites, DoubleTree, Hampton, Homewood, Hilton Garden Inn, Curio, Canopy, Home2, and Tru). Previously, Brian was a regional general counsel with McDonald's Corporation in Chicago. Brian, his wife, and their 2 sons live in Virginia.

Michael J. Kenny was hired by Scartelli Olszewski, P.C. in Pennsylvania.

REUNION 2017 WEEKEND

REUNITE and RECONNECT at CUA LAW

CELEBRATING CLASSES OF 1967, 1972, 1977, 1982, 1987, 1992, 1997, 2002, 2007, 2012

Chad Miller has been elected to the partnership of KPMG LLP. As principal and associate general counsel, Miller is an in-house attorney specializing in state and local government contracts.

Denise Whisenhunt was recently appointed as interim president of San Diego Community College District.



Nicole Renee Tzetzo recently joined The Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Foundation's executive management team. She will serve as its vice president of finance and administration.

Mark D. Sweet was announced as managing partner at Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garrett & Dunner. LLP.



Joycelyn Y. Tate was selected to serve as a member of the International Telecommunications Advisory Committee (ITAC) at the U.S. Department of State. As an ITAC member, Tate

will advise and provide strategic planning recommendations to the Department of State on telecommunication and information policy matters related to international meetings and treaty organizations.



2017 alumni and graduate Commencement breakfast

The Honorable Ada Clark-Edwards was recently appointed as a Prince George's County District Court judge. Clark-Edwards is currently a prosecutor for the Prince George's County State's Attorney's Office, where she focuses on family violence. Her previous experience includes serving as chief of the domestic violence unit from 2014–2015, leading her own criminal defense practice from 2004–2006, and working as a general practitioner for three years.

Mary Elliott served as the museum specialist at the Smithsonian's National Museum of African American History and Culture. She helped research, conceptualize and design the "Slavery and Freedom" inaugural exhibition. She also contributed to the exhibition script, consulted with expert scholars, and identified and secured collection donations including the antebellum slave cabin that will be featured in the museum.

The Honorable **Patricia E. Hurt** was sworn in as an Administrative Law Judge by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Chairman Norman C. Bay on May 18, 2016. Prior to this appointment, Judge Hurt served as an Administrative Law Judge with the Office of Disability Adjudication and Review at the Social Security Administration, presiding first in Michigan and later in Virginia.

Greg Orlando has joined Baker & Hostetler LLP as a senior advisor on the federal policy team. Orlando brings more than 15 years of combined experience on Capitol Hill and with federal agencies, advising federal policymakers from all branches of government in every sector of telecommunications policy.

Hugh Mundy has been awarded tenure by The John Marshall Law School's board of trustees. Mundy joined John Marshall's faculty in 2012. He has taught evidence, criminal law and lawyering skills. Mundy came to John Marshall after two years at the Shepard Broad Law Center at Nova Southeastern University in Florida where he was an assistant professor teaching lawyering skills and supervising the criminal justice clinic.

2000

Merrell C. Cashion Jr. was appointed Administrative Patent Judge at the Patent Trial and Appeal Board.

Holly Hawkins accepted the role as the SERC Reliability Corporation's (SERC) general counsel effective Oct. 17, 2016. Hawkins oversees the SERC legal team, provides strategic advice and counsel to the president and CEO, interface, with NERC legal and regional legal representatives to develop new initiatives, reviews and advises on incoming FERC orders, among other duties and responsibilities consistent with the position.

Patricia Howard Fitzgerald was honored by the Black Law Students Association (BLSA) at the 23rd annual Alumni-Student Reception. Fitzgerald was appointed as one of the three permanent members of Employees' Compensation Appeals Board by Secretary of Labor Hilda L. Solis on July 2, 2012.

Alexander X. Jackins was recently added as a shareholder at the global law firm Greenberg Traurig Jackins. Jackins has more than 16 years of experience in real estate and general corporate matters, focuses his practice on representing real estate investors, developers, public agencies, and owners in the acquisition, development, and disposition of commercial real estate including office, retail, residential, and mixed-use development projects.

Thomas G. Southard has joined Thompson Hine LLP in Washington, D.C., as a partner.

2001

Joshua Drewitz '01 and **Margaret McGuire** '02 welcomed their daughter, Eleanor Elizabeth Drewitz, on May 5, 2016.

Chris Johnson was named Volunteer Attorney of the Year by the New Jersey Pro Bono Partnership for his pro bono legal services given to nonprofit organizations in New Jersey.

Sarah Magruder Lyle was named president of Common Ground Alliance (CGA).

Cortney O'Toole Morgan is a partner at Husch Blackwell. She focuses her legal practice on the manufacturing, sourcing and movement of goods, services and technology across international borders. She advises foreign and domestic clients on all aspects of international trade regulation, planning and compliance, including customs, export controls, economic sanctions, embargoes, international trade agreements and preference programs.

2002



Collin M. Geiselman is the trial division trainer for the Rhode Island Office of the Public Defender. He was also named deputy chief of the criminal division for the Rhode Island

Office of the Public Defender. Geiselman was elected president of the Rhode Island Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, with a term set for November 2016–November 2018.

Joshua Drewitz '01 and **Margaret McGuire** '02 welcomed their daughter, Eleanor Elizabeth Drewitz, on May 5, 2016.

Keeshea Turner Roberts was accepted into the D.C. Bar's John Payton Leadership Academy class of 2017. The John Payton Leadership Academy is an intensive training program for members who are interested in developing their leadership skills and learning more about the D.C. Bar and its leadership opportunities.

McLean B. Sieverding has joined Littler Mendelson P. C. as special counsel in the firm's labor and employment practice. Sieverding focuses his practice on identifying and managing state, federal, and international privacy and data security issues and risks for clients.

Joseph M. Ward was recently hired by CivicPoint, a Frost Brown Todd (FBT) subsidiary and government affairs firm. Ward served as deputy general counsel to Governor Joe Manchin III (2005-2007) and as the governor's designee and chairman at the West Virginia Public Energy Authority.



John E. Higgins Jr. receives the John Fanning Center for Labor Studies Distinguished Achievement Award

2003

Jullian H. Brevard was recently promoted to deputy supervisor in the Juvenile Justice Bureau, Delinquency Division of the Cook County State's Attorney's Office.

Megan Anne Stull was named a recipient of the Federal Communication Bar Association's Distinguished Service Award for 2016. She also was elected by her peers to the position of assistant treasurer of the Federal Communication Bar Association.

Alison Watson, former director of federal relations at Northwestern Mutual in Washington, D.C., has joined Faegre Baker Daniels as a partner in the firm's insurance practice.

John A. Zadrozny has been nominated by President Donald J. Trump to serve as the Director of Justice and Homeland Security Policy.

2004

Petula C. Metzler was appointed by the Virginia General Assembly to serve as the 31st Judicial District Judge in Prince Williams County General District Court. She is the first African-American invested to Prince William County's General District Court and was recognized with an award from the Northern Virginia Black Attorneys Association.



Securities Law Program hosts spring career panel

Megan Montgomery is now the executive vice president of the National Customs Brokers & Forwarders Association of American, Inc. in Washington, D.C.

Sean T. Morris was featured in the September 2016 issue of *Washington Lawyer*, which focused on the legal aspects of the restaurant business.



Eric B. Oxley, shareholder at Koley Jessen, has been named a 2016 "Emerging Leader" by The M&A Advisor. This award recognizes his significant level of success before the age of 40

as a legal advisor in the M&A industry in the United States. An independent panel of distinguished business leaders chose the winners from a pool of prominent nominees.

Kathryn Wenger Facchiano has been named chief of staff for U.S. Rep. Clay Higgins, R-3rd District of Louisiana. Facchiano has most recently served as legislative director and general counsel for U.S. Sen. Rand Paul, R-Kentucky. In that position she advised Sen. Paul on legislation, helped develop policy positions and legislative initiatives, and monitored and supervised legislative staff members.

Robert J. Salzer has been named a partner at Bucks County family law firm Williams Family Law, P.C. Holding an LL.M. in Taxation, Salzer focuses his practice on financially complex, high net-worth family law matters, including divorce, alimony and spousal support, equitable distribution, child support and child custody, marital agreements, and more. He previously served as a deputy district attorney in the Bucks County District Attorney's office and is an experienced trial attorney, making him a particularly effective matrimonial law and child custody litigator.

Brendan T. Carr was appointed by FCC Chairman Ajit Pai as the Commission's acting general counsel.

Brendan D. Delany has joined the Washington, D.C., office of Blank Rome LLP as a partner in the Finance, Restructuring and Bankruptcy practice group, advising clients in transactions related to energy finance, commercial real estate finance, and mergers and acquisitions.

Robert Duke was appointed general counsel of The Surety & Fidelity Association of America, a national trade association of insurance companies licensed to write surety and fidelity bonds.

Michael R. Sachs was recently appointed the chief of the Investigation Division at the New York County District Attorney's Office.

2006

Andrew P. Bremberg has been nominated by President Donald J. Trump to serve as the director of the White House Domestic Policy Council.

Kimberly A. Cook has been named a partner at Schiller DuCanto & Fleck LLP. Cook has built her family law practice by utilizing a modern approach, understanding the evolving nature of contemporary relationships and families.

Marie M. Huth recently was promoted to assistant general counsel for investment management and administrative law at the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The Honorable **W. Geovanni Munoz** currently serves as an administrative law judge (Deputy Commissioner) with the Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission.

Adam T. Teufel was named partner at Dechert LLP. Teufel regularly advises registered investment companies, their advisers and their boards of directors on a wide range of corporate and regulatory matters, such as the development and launch of new funds, regulatory compliance matters, fund governance issues, and fund/adviser reorganizations and acquisitions.

Sean M. Thompson recently returned from the Middle East where he served as the chief of operational and intelligence law for U.S. Naval forces in the Middle East. He is presently earning his LL.M. in environmental law from Lewis & Clark Law School and upon graduation in May, he'll be returning to Hawaii to serve as the Deputy Environmental Counsel for U.S. Pacific Fleet as a Lieutenant Commander in the U.S. Navy JAG Corps.

2007

Nathan R. Fennessy was recently named as a director at Preti Flaherty. Fennessy is a member of the firm's litigation, construction law, and government affairs groups and works in the firm's Concord, New Hampshire, office. He previously practiced as an associate.



Ariel González is now chief of government affairs for the American Psychiatric Association. He will serve as the senior legislative professional in developing, lobbying and

representing the APA's positions and objectives before Congress, the administration and, in conjunction with the APA district Branches, with state governments. González will direct the legislative issues of importance to members, develop and implement a strategy for APA's federal and state policies regarding mental illnesses, substance abuse and programs influencing psychiatry, and oversee activities of several APA components.

Justin P. Hedge was recently promoted to counsel at Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer. Hedge is a member of the antitrust/competition practice, based in the Washington, D.C., office.



William J. Phelan IV was recently appointed to serve on the board of directors of the Catholic Charities Appeal of Greater Philadelphia. For 2016 he was recognized by *Super Lawyers* as a Philadelphia Rising Star in the family law practice area and as one of the 10 Best Family Law Attorneys for Client Satisfaction in Pennsylvania by the American Institute of Family Law Attorneys. He and his wife, Megan Phelan, also welcomed their first child, Benjamin Robert, on February 10, 2017. The family lives in Havertown, Pa.

Michael Saperstein is now the vice president of regulatory affairs at Frontier Communications in Washington, D.C.

Davina Sashkin has been named an equity member of the boutique telecommunications, media and technology firm Fletcher, Heald & Hildreth, PLC.

Ronald P. Whitworth was recently hired as the new chief privacy officer of SunTrust in Atlanta, Ga. He previously served in the same role for EverBank in Jacksonville, Fla. In addition to his duties as CPO, Whitworth will be tasked with managing SunTrust's compliance teams for HR, Marketing, Finance and Information Security.

Daniel F. Smith was promoted to counsel at Adduci, Mastriani & Schaumberg, LLP. Smith's practice focuses on international trade and intellectual property litigation. He represents clients on issues specific to the International Trade Commission, as well as on patent-related issues in Section 337 investigations and U.S. district court litigation. His litigation experience covers a broad range of technologies, including consumer electronics and accessories, mobile electronic devices and chipsets, semiconductors, and various mechanical devices.

Jonathan L. Stone has been recognized by *Virginia Super Lawyers* magazine in its Rising Star edition in the area of "business litigation" for 2016. This is the third year in a row that Mr. Stone has been named to Rising Stars.

2008

Drew M. Derco is a newly elected member at the national law firm of Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott, LLC. He was also named to *Super Lawyers'* 2017 Washington, D.C., Rising Stars list.



Paul Gurzo is now a partner at Harrity & Harrity, LLP. Gurzo has a wide range of expertise in many aspects of U.S. patent law, including strategic counseling, preparing and prose-

cuting applications, and portfolio development and management. With almost 15 years of patent law experience, Gurzo counsels clients, of all sizes in electrical, computer hardware and software, and Internet technologies.



Stanley E. Woodward, President of the Alumni Council, and wife, Kristin L. McGough '08, also a council member, gave birth to their second child, William Bennett Woodward,

on April 21, 2017, weighing in at 7 pounds, 15 ounces and measuring 21 inches long.

2009

John Delaney and Kerry Duffy were married on July 9, 2016, at the University Chapel of the University of Virginia. Rev. Professor Raymond C. O'Brien celebrated the Sacrament of Matrimony and the nuptial Mass that followed. The couple will resides in Alexandria, Virginia.



Rachael M. Bender was appointed to the Office of the FCC Chairman as acting wireless advisor. Bender will advise Chairman Pai on wireless and international issues.

Carmine G. Iaccarino was recently appointed executive director, Office of Legal Services for the Kentucky Retirement Systems (KRS). The Kentucky Retirement Systems (KRS) was created in 1956 by the Kentucky General Assembly to supplement the benefits provided to government retirees by Social Security.

Laila E. Leigh has recently been hired by Columbus Community Legal Services (CCLS) as the low income taxpayer clinic's qualified tax expert. She first joined Columbus Community Legal Services in 2009 as a student where the three semesters she spent followed by a six-month post-graduate fellowship instilled a strong conviction in the efficacy and importance of clinical legal education and a commitment to social justice lawyering. Leigh says she is thrilled to return to CCLS as a supervising attorney.

Jennifer Pierotti Lim addressed the Democratic National Convention, on behalf of Republican Women for Hillary.



Alison Mathey was married on June 18, 2016, to Christopher Lambeth at Saint John Neumann Catholic Church in Reston, Va., with a reception at Trump National Golf Club in Potomac Falls, Va. In attendance were bridesmaids Jennifer Pierotti Lim (class of 2010) and Chrystal Emmert Temaul (class of 2010), along with guests Meg McGinty (class of 2010), Luigi DeGuzman (class of 2010), Dana Brown (class of 2010), Lynn Brandau (class of 2010), Rebecca Sickenberger Goehner (class of 2010), Kaity Butler Rothstein (class of 2010), Zach Rothstein (class of 2010), and Stephanie Spear (class of 2011).

Rachel Sanford Nemeth recently joined the Consumer Technology Association (CTA) as Director of Regulatory Affairs.

Cartwright "Cart" Reilly has joined the finance and real estate section of Williams Mullen in Virginia Beach. Reilly spent more than five years as an associate at Wolcott Rivers Gates. She represents businesses, banks, individuals, and other clients in real estate, business transactions, and financing matters. **Diana Cole Suprenant** is a partner at Adams and Reese in Louisiana. Suprenant is a member of the litigation practice group and the firm's labor and employment, appellate, and pharmaceutical and medical device practice teams.

Alexis A. Zayas is now a staff director of the Office of Administrative Adjudication, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.

2011

James Goodley was recently hired by Berger & Montague, Philadelphia office. Following law school, James worked at the United States Department of Labor, Employee Benefits Security Administration, focusing on ERISA issues, and then worked as a litigator at a well-known ERISA law firm.

Jennifer Fischer is an associate at Kelley, Drye, & Warren in Parsippany, New Jersey.

Melissa A. Hamann was recognized as "Top 40 Under 40" in the Hampton Roads Region by the City of Chesapeake, Virginia.



Philip DeCastro and Erin Swift married on July 3, 2016, at St. Peter's Cathedral.



Leah Quaile and Chris S. Curran were married on June 11, 2016, in Leesburg, Virginia. Present at their wedding were other CUA Law alumni Justin Nazari '12, Jessica Sweeney '12, Jacqueline Kappler '12, and Chris Hall '12. Leah serves as treasurer to the CUA Law Alumni Council.

2013

Roger V. Abbott and his wife Maggie welcomed baby girl, Isabelle Christine, to the world on June 25, 2016.

Alex Kalim '14 married Geraldine McIntyre on June 18, 2016, at St. Patrick's Church in Washington, D.C.

Vanna R. Milligan has recently joined Middleton Reutlinger. She focuses on long term care and nursing home malpractice defense, including claims of negligence, abuse and neglect, violation of residents' rights, breach of contract and wrongful death.

Malissa M. Tucker '16 and James L. Tucker welcomed their son, Shepard "Shep" Linville Tucker, on Dec. 11, 2016.

2014

Christopher M. Bohac has recently joined the Washington, D.C., office of Miles & Stockbridge as an associate in the real estate and transaction finance practice.

Karey L. Hart has joined Hannon Law Group, LLP as an associate attorney.

Talon R. Hurst has joined Hannon Law Group, LLP as an associate attorney.

Alex Kalim married Geraldine McIntyre '13 on June 18, 2016, at St. Patrick's Church in Washington, D.C.

Alison L. Nemeth was appointed to the Office of the FCC Chairman as acting media advisor. Nemeth will advise Chairman Pai on media issues.

Kathryn E. Reusi is now assistant vice president and counsel at Credit Suisse in New York. She works in the asset management division of the bank advising the credit investments group.

2015

Raha Mokhtari is now Assistant State's Attorney for Prince George's County, Maryland. She previously served as judicial law clerk to the Honorable Michael R. Pearson for the Circuit Court of Prince George's County.

2016

Malissa M. Tucker and James L. Tucker '13 welcomed their son, Shepard "Shep" Linville Tucker, on Dec. 11, 2016.

The Alumni News Class Notes collects notes sent to CUA Law from May 1, 2016, through April 30, 2017. To read more Class Notes visit law.edu/alumni/information/where.cfm.

To submit a Class Note or news piece about fellow alumni, please email cualawalumni@ law.edu.





In Memoriam

1960

Don Greeley, of Arlington, Virgina, passed away on April 9, 2016. He is survived by his wife, Joan, his sons David and Michael, daughter Gayle Birch and grandchildren Amanda Greeley, Julia Birch, and Austin Birch as well as sisters Anna May Hirko, Barbara Damiami, and brother, Jerry Greeley.

1962

Daniel J. Kelleher of Clarks Summit, Pennsylvania, passed away on Sept. 28, 2016. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Anne Stulgis Kelleher.

1967

J. Brian Ferrel passed away in Stuart, Florida, on July 21, 2016, surrounded by his family.

1969

Francis "Frank" X. Dee passed away on Dec. 14, 2016, at Lenox Hill Hospital in New York City. He was a well-respected trial lawyer who loved sport fishing and making his family laugh.

1971

William J.P. Howard passed away on May 10, 2016. Beloved husband of 40 years of Marilyn E. Howard; father of Katherine Anne Yi (Song) and William J.P. Howard III (Katie "KJ"); brother of May Lowry (Larry Fisher) and Kevin Howard; grandfather of Julia, Alexandra, Liam, and Riley.

1972

William L. Murphy passed away on Dec. 8, 2016. He was the beloved husband of Maryann Murphy; devoted father of Matthew Murphy (Denise Fitzpatrick) and Brendan Murphy; loving grandfather of Hailey Zola, Evelyn Murphy, Seamus Murphy, Finn Murphy, and Liam Murphy; dear brother of the late John C. Murphy, also survived sister-in-law, Allison Murphy, and their loving family.

Elvin "Ned" Sloan passed away in Washington, D.C., on Aug. 15, 2016. He was preceded in death by his wife of 43 years, **Edith Barksdale Sloan** '74, and his sisters, Willnetta Sloan and Marie Elizabeth Sloan.

1973

Former Fauquier County Judge **H. Dudley Payne Jr.**, died Feb. 20, 2016, after a long illness. Payne was a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps and served a combat tour in Vietnam.

1979

Marimichael O. Skubel passed away on Feb. 3, 2017. She was the wife of **Stephen C. Skubel**, Class of 1978. Following graduation, she joined the US Federal Trade Commission. She joined Kirkland & Ellis in 2001 as a partner and worked in the D.C. office antitrust group. While at Kirkland, her practice primarily focused on merger clearance before the FTC, DOJ and State Attorneys General, and she provided support on antitrust litigation matters.

1981

Mary Anne Curtin passed away on Sept. 16, 2016.

1985

Thomas C. Mira of Narragansett, R.I., and Alexandria, Va., passed away suddenly March 27, 2016, at his home in Narragansett.

1990

Rick D. Rhodes of Jacksonville, North Carolina, passed away on Dec. 28, 2016, at his home. Rhodes was a North Carolina native. He practiced law for more than 25 years in the areas of business and communications law. In his career, Rick engaged in private practice in two well-established Washington, D.C., firms. His clients ranged from small, closely-held businesses to major Fortune 500 companies.

1996

Tricia Marie Verhelle Brown passed away on Sept. 17, 2016. Her husband, Timothy Scott Brown, and her son, Theodore Robert Brown, also passed away. She is survived by her son Timothy Patrick, her mother, Patricia Verhelle, her brother, Robert Verhelle, and her sister, Michelle Verhelle.

In Memoriam

FRIENDS OF THE LAW SCHOOL

Former ABA president **Wm. T.** (Bill) Robinson III, an "indefatigable champion of the rule of law," died at the age of 72. Robinson was an active member of the ABA for more than 35 years. He served as ABA president in 2011-12 and as ABA treasurer in 2005-08. Robinson was a member of the ABA board of governors for 10 years and a member of the ABA House of Delegates for more than 30. He was chair of the ABA standing committee of the American judicial system at the time of his death. Robinson graduated from Thomas More College and the University of Kentucky College of Law, where he is enshrined in its Alumni Hall of Fame.

Bamberger was instrumental in the development of the Columbus Community Legal Services (CCLS), one of the first clinical legal offices in the country. He was committed to the opening of the legal clinic in 1970, and over 40 years later, CCLS has continued to expand the breadth and depth of legal services that is provided to low-income individuals.

Born in Baltimore on July 2, 1926, he was the son of investment banker E. Clinton Bamberger Sr., and his wife, Ann.

He earned a Bachelor of Science degree at what is now Loyola University Maryland and was a graduate of the Georgetown University Law Center in 1951.

Law School Dean: 1969 to 1975



E. Clinton Bamberger Jr., former CUA Law dean who helped shape the practice of criminal and civil law in Maryland and across the nation over the past half-century, died Feb. 12, 2017, at Roland Park Place, Maryland. He was 90.

Bamberger spent most of his legal career fighting on behalf of disadvantaged people — particularly

children poisoned by lead paint — and in 1963 his defense of a convicted murderer led to a landmark Supreme Court ruling for defendants' rights.

He also helped create a national legal support system for low-income people and worked with lawyers in South Africa to assist black South Africans after apartheid ended in 1994.

Professor Emeritus



Maxwell H. Bloomfield III, professor emeritus at the Columbus School of Law, passed away on April 21, 2017. He was born in Galveston, Texas. He graduated with distinction from Rice University, and received an LL.B. degree in 1957 from Harvard Law School. After working for two years in Houston, he entered the graduate program in

American history at Tulane University and received his Ph.D. degree in 1962. He taught history for four years at Ohio State University before joining the history department at The Catholic University of America in 1966.

He accepted a joint appointment with the Columbus School of Law in 1985, and taught courses in American legal and constitutional history in the Law School. In 1998 he retired from full-time teaching.

Celebrating the life of Benjamin F. Fendler



Ben Fendler (L) with David Lipton at the 2016 Securities Scholarship Luncheon

Family, friends, and the CUA Law community gathered in the Slowinski Courtroom to celebrate the life of Benjamin "Ben" F. Fendler on Nov. 29, 2016. Ben, a second-year student in the Securities Law Program, passed away on Nov. 20, 2016. Throughout the service, faculty and students led the community in prayer, remembrance, and song.

"It is particularly shocking and tragic whenever someone as talented and vibrant as Ben is called from this world at such an early age. We cannot help but to deeply grieve his passing. It is also important that we celebrate the many gifts that Ben has left us as a family member, friend, colleague, and student during his all too brief time with us," Daniel F. Attridge, dean and Knights of Columbus Professor of Law, said.

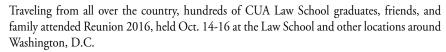
Professor David Lipton gave a touching eulogy. "Ben influenced a lot of people in this room and that is a remarkable thing to do in such a short period of time. Ben was a student of mine in the Securities Law Program. He competed for and made it on the coveted National Securities Moot Court Team, and he wrote what I thought to be the best brief

I've read in awhile. He was a recipient of the Securities Program Scholarship and he was a recipient of the Smith Scholarship," Lipton said.

"In my world, Ben was a rising star. Ben had a passion to learn, a passion to share, and a passion to move."

2016 CUA Law Reunion Weekend





The weekend kicked off on Friday with a VIP Reception with Dean Daniel F. Attridge at The Occidental Grill. The reception honored Reunion Class Committee members and donors to the 2016 reunion class gifts.

The weekend events help old friends and classmates reconnect, keep up with law school developments, and engage with new opportunities to support their law alma mater in the future.

"Reunions are a great opportunity for alumni to reconnect with each other and the CUA Law community," noted Corley Raileanu, executive director of Development and Alumni Relations. "They also encourage alumni to reflect on their time at CUA Law and the role the CUA Law community has played in their lives."

150 alumni committed \$1,674,986 to the Law School in honor of their CUA Law Reunion. Ten class years were invited to participate in Reunion 2016: 1966, 1971, 1976, 1981, 1986, 1991, 1996, 2001, 2006, and 2011.

At the All-Alumni Party and Reunion Kickoff the classes with the highest class giving participation rate (1971) and highest classmate attendance at reunion (1986) were recognized. The Class of 1966 was recognized for the highest dollars raised, having raised \$1,100,700.















Alumni Council

While the Board of Visitors acts primarily as counselors to the dean, the Columbus School of Law's more than 11,500 alumni now have their own voice. All CUA Law graduates become members of its Alumni Association upon graduation. The association is governed in turn by the Law School's Alumni Council, founded in 2013 "to promote the values, objectives and well-being of The Catholic University of America Columbus School of Law."

The council's first president was Susan Smith Newell '93, followed by James "Jim" C. Anagnos '96. The council is currently led by Stanley E. Woodward Jr. '08. Council members serve a three-year term.

The following dedicated alumni will serve as Alumni Council Officers for the 2017-18 academic year:

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TREASURER Leah Quaile '12 FACULTY REPRESENTATIVE Professor Lisa A. Everhart '83

Fifth Annual Dean's Dinner for Student Scholarships Draws Generous Crowd

Initiated by the Law School's Board of Visitors in 2013 to honor then new dean, Daniel F. Attridge, the Dean's Dinner has become an important spring tradition at CUA Law as a means of raising scholarship donations for students. This year's event was held at the Cosmos Club in Washington, D.C., where there was a reception and dinner featuring keynote remarks from Daniel M. Gallagher Jr. '99, a former Commissioner of the Securities and Exchange Commission and newly announced chief legal officer of Mylan N.V., a global pharmaceutical company.

In his remarks, Gallagher described his experience as a CUA Law evening student and the sense of community and support he received from the Law School.

This year's Dean's Dinner guests included members of the Law School's Board of Visitors; members of the Law School's Alumni Council; distinguished law school alumni; and friends and colleagues of these individuals. In addition, select faculty members and students were sponsored to attend.

Agnes P. Dover '81, chair of the Board of Visitors and partner at Hogan Lovells LLP, delivered welcoming remarks and offered the invocation. Thomas D. Yannucci, former chair of the Board of Visitors and partner at Kirkland & Ellis LLP, thanked CUA Law Professor Cara Drinan for her pro bono work with him and his colleagues on behalf of Ivan Teleguz. Yannucci announced that Virginia Governor Terry McAuliffe commuted Teleguz's execution sentence the afternoon of the dinner.

In his closing remarks, Dean Attridge emphasized the importance of scholarships in recruiting and thanked the donors for positively contributing to students' futures with their gifts. Scholarships make a huge impact on their recipients, making CUA Law more affordable and accessible to students.











Thank You for Your Support

Dear Alumni and Friends of CUA Law,



The Columbus School of Law is committed to maintaining high standards for its graduates, ensuring that they are prepared to excel in both their personal and professional endeavors. As attorneys, our graduates serve across the legal spectrum. They excel in both public sector - for example, former SEC Commissioner Daniel Gallagher Jr., former U.S. Trade Representative Ambassador Charlene Barshefsky, former

U.S. Department of Labor Assistant Secretary Phyllis Borzi, U.S. District Court Judge Joseph Leeson Jr., and U.S. Senator Bob Casey – as well as the private sector – for example, Perkins Coie's Firmwide Managing Partner John Devaney, Latham & Watkins Executive Committee member Alice Fisher, and Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary for The MITRE Corporation, Julie Bowen.

We also have a plethora of alumni leaders who have been highly successful in the business world, such as President of the Arizona Cardinals Michael Bidwill, Impax Laboratories CEO Paul Bisaro, and Executive Vice President of Development and Construction for Lerner Enterprises Arthur Fuccillo. Please continue to let us know about your successes so that we can celebrate them with you and share them in our newsletter and *CUA Lawyer*.

While the school continues to groom top legal minds of tomorrow, it will need to identify sources of philanthropic revenue to advance the CUA Law vision of providing a "practical, focused, and connected legal education within a community of faculty, students, staff, alumni, and friends who support one another and seek justice rooted in the common good." We are grateful for your partnership in sharing your time and treasure and your support as we pursue this vision.

It is a privilege to share that you helped make possible a record fundraising year for the Law School:

- 1,532 donors were responsible for \$5,511,510 in gifts and pledges to CUA Law;
- This represents an increase of over 300% in gifts and pledges over 2016-17;
- and includes three commitments of \$1,000,000.

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John Vivian and his son Joe with Father O'Brien after the 2017 Commencement ceremony. John Vivian was an O'Brien Scholarship recipient.

Father O'Brien has supported these endeavors in honor of his grandparents because he hopes to emulate what they did for him and for others, and he routinely asks others to contribute to the project as well. His grandparents were people of service, motivated by their religious faith and conviction above all.

"My grandparents believed you had a duty to give back. Gifts to the Law School, to support our mission and our students, are what they would have asked of me. And while they are not here to see the fruits of their good works, their spirit permeates those serving now through fellowship and scholarships."

In 1976, Reverend Raymond C. O'Brien, M.Ch.A., D.Min., a professor at CUA Law, purchased a condominium in southeast Washington, D.C. Today, the market is "hot," and Father O'Brien considered this an excellent time to sell the property and contribute the proceeds to his long-supported charities. Thus, in late 2016 he contributed \$100,000 to the Law School to establish the Charles and Louise O'Brien Endowment in honor of his grandparents.

The endowment will support the continuation of the Charles and Louise O'Brien Fellowship and the Charles and Louise O'Brien Scholarship will further shore up the mission-oriented focus of the Law School through increased funding for this specific purpose.

O'Brien Fellowships fund current students who desire to work in summer pro bono activities; applicants must write an essay explaining the way the student's religious perspective integrates with a future legal career. Past recipients have been enabled to work with refugees, victims of human trafficking, and immigration applications; religious perspectives have included Catholic, Jewish, Protestant, Muslim, and Hindu. O'Brien Scholarships are awarded to students who describe their religious conviction in the application essay.



O'Brien Scholarship recipients Margaret O'Neill, Ahad Khilji, and Rebecca Deucher with Father O'Brien.

For a complete list of donors who have made gifts to the Columbus School of Law from May 1, 2016, through April 30, 2017, view the Honor Roll of Donors 2016–2017 online at law.edu/hrd2016-17.

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Named to commemorate the year the Law School was founded, the 1897 Society recognizes our most generous donors and comprises alumni and friends who make an annual leadership gift of \$5,000 or more to the Columbus School of Law. In 2017 the Founder and Sustainer giving societies were created to recognize those donors who have made transformative gifts of \$100,000 or more to the Law School. We have also introduced the Columbus Society to recognize alumni and friends who have documented the Law School in their estate plans. We have highlighted these individuals with a "CS" beside their names.

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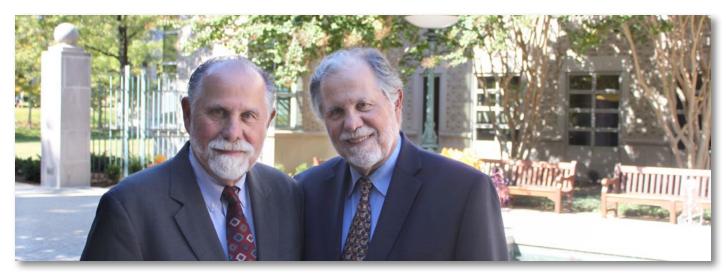
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Brothers Establish Endowed Scholarship with \$1.1 Million Law School Commitment



(L to R) Anthony Ambrosio '66 and Professor Michael Ambrosio '66

The Columbus School of Law's Columbus Society is meant to recognize and thank alumni and friends who have made special gifts to benefit CUA Law. Members of the Columbus Society have provided: a gift provision (a bequest) in a will or revocable (living) trust; an income-producing gift — a unitrust, an annuity trust, a charitable lead trust, or a gift annuity; a gift of retirement assets through their estate; gift of life insurance; or a real estate gift with a retained lifetime interest.

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Twins Anthony and Michael Ambrosio remember their time on campus with pride and gratitude. Giving back in support of their alma mater is a natural expression of that gratitude.

On the occasion of their 50th reunion, the brothers pledged \$100,000 to establish The Anthony and Michael Ambrosio CUA Law Class of 1966 Endowed Scholarship. In addition, Michael made a \$1 million bequest in his estate plans and, with his bequest, joined the Catholic University School of Law Columbus Society.

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Not only did the brothers have the opportunity to study law under interesting and inspiring professors and in the "classrooms" of the Supreme Court and the Library of Congress, but they also experienced an education that challenged their hearts as well as their minds. It is an approach Michael has followed in teaching the students in his legal philosophy and professional responsibility courses at Seton Hall University, where he is a professor of law.

In addition to his work at Seton Hall, Michael has appeared as an attorney or legal expert in more than 400 cases involving legal malpractice, attorney discipline, or attorney disqualification. Anthony, who is in private practice, has also appeared as an attorney or legal expert in more than 400 malpractice cases.

"At CUA Law we learned to think about the law as a means to secure justice," said Michael. "By emulating my CUA Law professors in promoting truth and justice, I have done my best to explore the moral dimensions of law and lawyering."

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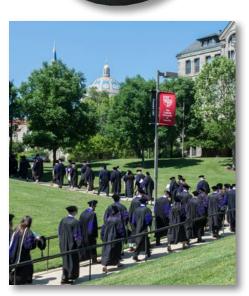
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August

8/10/17 **Capitol Hill & Government Agency**

Alumni Reception

Union Pub • Washington, D.C.

September

9/13/17 CUA Law Alumni Securities Luncheon at FINRA

FINRA • Rockville, Md.

9/19/17 Tysons/McLean Alumni Reception

MITRE Corporation • McLean, Va.

9/27/17 Alexandria Alumni Reception

Lorien Hotel & Spa • Alexandria, Va.

October

10/18/17 New York CUA Law Securities Law Luncheon

CBOE Holdings, Inc. • New York, N.Y.

10/19/17 New York Pub Party

The Banc Café • New York, N.Y.

October (continued)

10/27/17 Reunion Weekend - Kick-off Party

10/28/17 Celebrating the classes of 1967, 1972, 1977, 1982,

1987, 1992, 1997, 2002, 2007, and 2012

Columbus School of Law • Washington, D.C.

10/28/17 William Callyhan Robinson Society

Induction Ceremony

The Willard Hotel • Washington, D.C.

November

11/9/17 **Securities Law Alumni & Student Luncheon**

The Army and Navy Club • Washington, D.C.

December

12/5/17 **35th Annual Alumni & Friends Christmas Party**

The Ritz-Carlton • Washington, D.C.

April

4/19/18 Dean's Dinner Benefiting Student Scholarships

The St. Regis • Washington, D.C.

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October

10/13/17 **LSAC Admissions Forum**

Westin Peachtree Plaza • Atlanta, Ga.

10/28/17 LSAC Admissions Forum

Omni Houston Hotel • Houston, Texas

November

11/2/17 **LSAC Admissions Forum**

Marriott Marquis • San Francisco, Calif.

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