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“It’s an exciting time as we continue to develop as the premier private law school in academic excellence, Jesuit Catholic inspiration and service to society.”

My first year as dean of this law school that I so love has been incredibly rewarding. I have thoroughly enjoyed connecting with many of you at receptions, reunions and other events around the country. As we approach the end of this academic year, I am proud to tell you about our many achievements.

For the second year in a row, our Legal Writing Program has been named best in the country by U.S. News & World Report. This is an important distinction because that ranking is based on evaluations by peers at other law schools. It is further proof that our legal writing program has become the standard. We also ranked highly in terms of diversity, and we continue to climb up U.S. News’ Top 100. While the rankings are only one measure of success, it is gratifying to see others recognize the important work we’re doing.

I am also delighted to report on our successful site visit as part of our seven-year reaccreditation by the American Bar Association and the Association of American Law Schools. The report we received complimented us on our well-defined mission to educate outstanding lawyers dedicated to the service of justice. We will use this report as the basis for our ongoing strategic planning.

This year we also welcomed new faces into our community, including Douglas Nash, director of the Institute for Indian Estate Planning & Probate. The Institute is quickly becoming known around the country as the leader in its area of expertise. Further, it is an honor to have equal justice advocate Ada Shen-Jaffe join us as a distinguished practitioner in residence. She is linking our law school to a national initiative to train more legal services lawyers.

On the faculty side, we welcomed Assistant Professor Joaquin Avila, a nationally recognized voting rights expert; Assistant Professor Russell Powell, who specializes in business law; and Legal Writing Professor Lucas Cupps.

In addition, fitting with our Jesuit mission and the increasingly global world of law practice, international programs are branching out at the law school. Associate Professor Ron Slye is developing the Center for Global Justice, and Professor Hank McGee is leading the development of exchange programs in Latin America. We also launched two study abroad programs you’ll read about in this issue.

In short, it’s an exciting time as we continue to develop as the premier private law school in academic excellence, Jesuit Catholic inspiration and service to society.

As part of that development, I am pleased to present the law school’s first Report of Giving. We depend on our many friends and alumni to help us continue to provide an excellent legal education, and I deeply appreciate your support. I encourage you to take a look at the donors who have made a difference and to consider how you can give to this special institution. I also want to say a personal thank you to the anonymous donor who has so generously supported our Academic Resource Center. By creating an endowment of \$3.5 million, this donor is helping us train a new generation of lawyers who otherwise might not have had access to a legal education.

I am continually inspired by the work done by the faculty, students and alumni of Seattle University School of Law. I hope you’ll let us know about career moves and other changes in your lives. This is your law school, and we are always here for you.

As we prepare to graduate the class of 2006, I look forward to what’s next for them and for us. The School of Law is thriving, and I could not be more proud of our exciting trajectory.

—Kellye Testy

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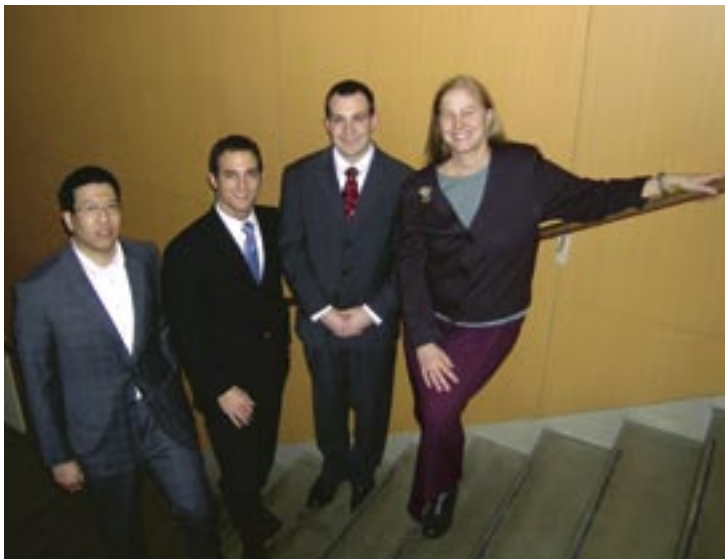
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From the editor

As the new director of communications at the law school, I'm pleased to present you with this redesigned version of the Lawyer. Inside you'll find a wealth of news and information about your law school, from faculty achievements and alumni class notes, to feature stories about students, graduates and programs that make Seattle University School of Law such a distinctive place. You'll receive this print publication twice a year – in the spring and late fall. Watch for our electronic newsletter, newsfl@ash, in the summer and winter. I look forward to sharing news about the amazing work being done by the law school, and I welcome your contributions. Please share your story ideas by e-mailing me at hedlandk@seattleu.edu.

—Katherine Hedland Hansen, Editor



Hagen Ganem, second from left, and Jimmy Anderson pose with their coaches, David Chin, far left and Professor Melinda Branscomb.

SU negotiation team a close second to Harvard in national competition

First-year students Hagen Ganem and Jimmy Anderson tied for first place in the American Bar Association's national Negotiation Competition in February. They ultimately came in second to two graduating students from Harvard in a close tie-breaking process.

The topic of the three-round competition was contracts for sales and services. The competition demands that student negotiators understand their mock client's underlying interests and work creatively with opposing negotiators to find a solution to conflicts and business transactions that maximize mutual benefits of all parties.

Ganem and Anderson were coached by Professor Melinda Branscomb and student Davin Chin.

An SU team also won first place in this year's Northwest Regional Mediation Advocacy Competition and advanced to national competition. Carmen Butler and Jennifer Sweigert were first out of 12 teams from six law schools from the Northwest and Canada. (The finals had not taken place when *The Lawyer* went to press.)

The challenge in the competition is to represent a mock client in an interest-based, facilitated process in which the parties negotiate resolution of a dispute in a setting that maximizes the opportunities for not only mutual gain in the short run, but also of possible reconciliation in the long run.

Branscomb, with assistance from Professor Raven Lidman and students Jessica Allen, Kasia Benson and Davin Chin, coached.

New scholarship benefits students committed to advancing social justice

A new full-tuition scholarship is now available to outstanding law students committed to social justice and to working in public interest law upon graduation.

The Scholars for Justice Award is a three-year, full-tuition scholarship supporting students committed to public interest law, service and leadership, academic excellence, community and global awareness. It will be awarded starting with the entering class of 2006 and is one more example of Seattle University School of Law's commitment to educating outstanding lawyers who distinguish themselves through their dedication to law in the service of justice.

"Our mission is to give aspiring lawyers the professional skills and ethical compass they need to become leaders who will work for a just and humane world," Dean Kellye Testy said. "Seattle University School of Law seeks students with integrity and compassion, wise judgment, ethical behavior and a charitable spirit and helps them develop into outstanding lawyers. This will help address the need to have well-trained, ethical lawyers working for the less fortunate and on behalf of the community."

The scholarship will allow two of the most promising students who have proven their dedication to this important but traditionally lower-paying field of law to earn their degrees without incurring the debt that is often an obstacle in choosing such a career. Scholars will make a moral commitment to devote much of their careers to public interest law or to donate to the law school's scholarship fund an amount at least equal to the scholarship should their career path change.

Law school expands its reach with new international programs

For the first time, students have the chance to study abroad through programs in Brazil and Germany. A summer program will offer law students the chance to explore complex legal and environmental issues in Rio de Janeiro. A semester-long program will send two students to earn credits at a law school in Hamburg, Germany.

The law school joined a consortium offering summer study opportunities in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Courses will be co-taught by Brazilian faculty and will deal with actual issues facing the country, a beautiful place that is mired in profound social problems.

The program will emphasize environmental law and environmental health and the relationship between human rights and the environment. The consortium will partner with the Pontifical Catholic University-Rio, a Jesuit university that shares Seattle University's concern for social justice.

“In an increasingly interconnected world, it is important for students to have a strong foundation in international and comparative law,” said Professor Carmen Gonzalez, one of the facilitators of the program.

The law school also established a semester exchange program with Bucerius Law School under which up to two SU law students may spend the fall 3L or 4L semester in Hamburg acquiring up to 12 credits. Up to two German students may study at SUSL.

Bucerius is the first private law school in Germany, with a mission to prepare students for an increasingly international legal environment. The semester exchange is an English language program with a curriculum focusing on international and business law.

You can read more about both programs at www.law.seattleu.edu/international.

Starbucks and Access to Justice Institute partner to provide neighborhood legal clinic

Free legal advice will be available to residents of Seattle’s SoDo neighborhood and surrounding areas at a new Community Justice Center located at Starbucks headquarters, created in partnership with the Access to Justice Institute.

Attorneys and staff from Starbucks Law & Corporate Affairs department will support the centers on their own time at twice-monthly sessions, which follow the ATJI model.

The first session was April 10 on anti-harassment orders. Other meetings scheduled so far will address the basics for starting a small business, consumer debts and identity theft, small claims court and the basics of employment and unemployment law.

The innovative partnership between the law school and the company illustrates the commitment both have to providing legal services to the community.

“It demonstrates the depth and breadth of commitment we have to access to justice issues,” said Paula Boggs, Starbucks executive vice president and general counsel.

Boggs said Starbucks partners (employees) have a long history of volunteering, and this new center is an extension of that.

Sudha Shetty, director of the Access to Justice Institute, said the new center will make important services available to more people.

The purpose of the Community Justice Centers is to facilitate access to legal services by offering free topic-based legal education and advice to low-income and under-served community members. At the other centers, pro bono attorneys are recruited from law firms, law offices and law school faculty. These attorneys are assisted by SU law students. “It’s a great honor to partner with Starbucks,” Dean Kellye Testy said.

SU’s Legal Writing Program tops U.S. News & World Report for second year in a row

The Legal Writing Program at Seattle University School of Law is the best in the country according to U.S. News & World Report’s annual rankings released earlier this month.

The Legal Writing Program is known for its innovative, practice-oriented legal writing curriculum and use of cutting-edge teaching technology. The law school also founded the 1,600-member Legal Writing Institute, a recognized leader in developing programs around the country and abroad. Faculty members are recognized for their knowledge and their dedication to students. The curriculum they have developed has set the standard for legal writing.

“Our legal writing program is a model for law schools throughout the country,” Program Director Laurel Oates said.

The ranking was based on input from law faculty at schools throughout the country.

The law school also was ranked as among the most diverse in the country and continues to move higher into U.S. News’ top 100 law schools.



Black Law Student Association President Twyla Carter welcomes a distinguished panel to the Black History Month event. Photo by Keith Williams.

Student groups sponsor Black History month celebration with ‘firsts’ in their field

A panel of African Americans who have broken ground in their fields shared their stories in February. The Black Law Student Association and the Women’s Law Caucus sponsored “Who’s Making History Now?”

On the panel were Richard Mitchell, the first black general counsel for Gov. Christine Gregoire; John Batiste, the first black chief of the Washington State Patrol; Bonnie Glenn, the first black deputy chief of Staff for King County Prosecutors Office; Harold Clarke, the first black head of state Department of Corrections; Gary Gayton, co-founder of

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the Loren Miller Bar Association; Ron Ward, the first black President of the Washington State Bar Association; Professor Hank McGee, the first black tenured law professor in Washington; Donna Deming, the first black associate dean at Seattle University School of Law.

SU grads fill clerkships throughout Washington courts this year

The number of recent grads receiving judicial clerkship appointments has risen dramatically. In fact, more than half the clerks serving the 2005 – 06 term at the Washington State Supreme Court and Court of Appeals, Division II, are graduates of SU School of Law.

Grads who are clerking in the current term:

U.S. District Court, Western District of Washington: Chris Wyant '04.

State Supreme Court: Laura Anglin '99, James Brown '05, Seth Cooper '03, Jessica Fogel '05, Kathy George '04, Kylee MacIntyre '05, Joshua Osborne-Klein '05, Todd Reichert '04, Jennifer Steele '05 and Kimberlee Thornton '05.

Washington Court of Appeals, Division I: Edward Hirsch '04 and Tracy Sarich '05.

Washington Court of Appeals, Division II: Elizabeth Baldwin '04, Daniel Crouner '05, Rosann Fitzpatrick '04, Kristine Grelish '05, Rhonna Groznik '04, Kristen Guberman '04, Tyler Hinckley '05, Holly Hinterberger '05, Daniel Jung '03, Aaron Riensche '05, Ian Sutton '05, Elizabeth Weden '05 and Sonia Zavala '04.

King County Superior Court: Justin Sedell '05.

Snohomish County Superior Court: Linda Coburn '05.

Other courts: Courtney Hu '05, Hawaii; Kate Metzger '05, Hawaii; Karen Palmer '05, Nevada; and Karen Wilczynski '05, Colorado.

We hope we haven't missed anyone. Please let us know if we did by e-mailing lawalumni@seattleu.edu. The law school would love to hear from clerks about their experiences.

Student groups honor Japanese American internees and release new journal

Two student groups recognized the courage of interned Japanese Americans with a special event and a journal publication.

The Seattle Journal for Social Justice (SJSJ) and Asian Pacific Islander Law Student Association (APILSA) hosted "Honoring Courage: Remembering the Japanese American Internment" in February. The event also served as the launch for the latest issue of the Seattle Journal for Social Justice, which includes an article by Professor Lor-



From left, Karen Korematsu, Gene Akutsu, Dean Kellye Testy, Professor Lorraine Bannai. Photo courtesy Lorraine Bannai.

raine Bannai about three Japanese Americans who challenged the internment in court and the lessons to be learned from their stances in the post-9/11 environment.

Featured speakers and attendees included Gene Akutsu, who resisted the draft, and Karen Korematsu, daughter of Fred Korematsu, who challenged the internment before the United States Supreme Court and ultimately received the Presidential Medal of Freedom. SU Professor Larry Matsuda, who was born in Minidoka Relocation Center in Hunt, Idaho and is chairman of the SU Japanese American Remembrance Garden Committee, also participated. Seattle Municipal Court Judge Ron Mamiya moderated the discussion.

For a copy of the latest SJSJ, contact sjsj@seattleu.edu or 206-398-4988.

Law school community hears from legal ethics expert Father Robert Drinan

Priest, lawyer, politician and activist Father Robert F. Drinan, spoke at the law school last month. Drinan was described as "towering figure in the academic, professional, clerical and public service fields" and "the stuff of which legends are made" when he received the 2004 Medal from the American Bar Association, the organization's highest honor.

Drinan has taught since 1981 at Georgetown University Law Center, focusing on legal ethics and international human rights. He served in the U.S. House of Representatives from 1970 to 1981 and has been a visiting professor at four American universities and dean of Boston College Law School. He serves on the Board of Directors of

the International League for Human Rights, the Lawyer's Committee for International Human Rights, the Council for a Livable World Educational Fund, Americans for Democratic Action and the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund. He is one of the founders of the Lawyer's Alliance for Nuclear Arms Control and the National Inter-religious Task Force on Soviet Jewry.

He was the keynote speaker at a CLE, "Is Ethically Correct Morally Right? The Trials of Trial Practice." That session featured trial attorneys and legal scholars and was the capstone of a week-long focus on law and ethics. He also met with students and faculty.

The sessions were held with the support of distinguished alumnus James L. Holman '76.

CCLS has packed schedule of conferences and events

The Center on Corporations, Law & Society (CCLS) has several upcoming programs as part of its mission to serve as a forum for discussion and learning among academics, legal practitioners, business leaders, activists, policy makers and community members about the complex and important relationship between business enterprises and their many stakeholders.

Coming up are:

- Exploring the Intersection of Business and Pensions, May 15-16. CCLS and law firm Stoel Rives LLP are hosting this program for CEOs. It will address many of the most pressing issues facing corporate leaders in an era when both public and private pension plans are drawing unprecedented media coverage.

- The Fourth Annual Corporate Directors Training Academy, June 9. Co-hosted by CCLS and the Albers School of Business and Economics, the academy is the premier corporate governance training institute in the Pacific Northwest. This year's theme is "Tools for Teamwork: The Board's Role in Developing Best Practices for Itself and the Company."
- Business Ethics in the Corporate Governance Era: *Domestic & International Trends in Transparency, Regulation and Corporate Governance*, July 6 & 7: Co-hosted by CCLS and the Albers Business Ethics Initiative at SU, this international conference will explore initiatives to improve corporate governance and market transparency in the wake of corporate corruption and fraud in developed and developing countries.
- Law & Economics: Toward Social Justice, Sept. 29. CCLS's Fall 2006 Academic Symposium will explore the relationship between law and economics principles and the promotion of social justice. Presentations by legal academics will explore a vision of society that embraces more than traditional economic efficiency.
- Corporations & The First Amendment: Examining the Health of Democracy, Oct. 20: The session will bring together nationally recognized legal academics, policy experts, activists and attorneys to explore issues related to critical components of a functioning democracy, including corporations and commercial speech, corporations and political speech, and the dominance of corporate media ownership.

For more information on events, go to www.law.seattleu.edu/ccls.

SU law student represents Washington in Miss America Pageant

The Miss America Pageant this year included a familiar face around the law school: Miss Washington Tina Marie Mares.

Mares, 24, plays classical piano, volunteers at Children's Hospital, plays soccer and served as ball girl for the Seattle Mariners for five years. Her platform was "Insure Kids Now: Going to Bat for America's Children."

Mares, who wants to practice family law, is on leave from law school while she fills the many duties of Miss Washington, but she plans to return and graduate in 2008.

Read more about her at www.seattleu.edu/home/news_events/magazine/details.asp?elItemID=MAG_1057.



Miss Washington Tina Marie Mares. Photo by Henry Schulz.

Filling a void

Institute for Indian Estate Planning helps tribes preserve their lands

Cecelia Burke remembers driving through an Indian reservation and wondering why she saw so many mobile homes instead of houses.

She knows such thoughts conjure hurtful stereotypes, and, now specializing in Indian law, she is dedicated to helping Indians preserve their rights. More than a century of federal law, court cases and Congressional action have prevented Indians from owning reservation land, limited what they can do with property and created confusing and complex laws that make it difficult to pass the rights to the land through generations.

“They can’t encumber their reservation land with a mortgage like you or I can,” said Burke, a graduate of Seattle University School of Law. “Part of the reason I was able to go to law school was that I was able to mortgage the land I lived on. They can’t do that.”



Doug Nash, director of the Institute for Indian Estate Planning & Probate, and Cecelia Burke, deputy director, at the Tulalip Indian Reservation near Marysville, Wash.



Nash and Burke are visiting reservations to get their message out. Here, they meet with Melvin Sheldon Jr., vice chairman of the Tulalip Tribe.

Burke is deputy director of the new Institute for Indian Estate Planning and Probate at the law school. As a student, she took part in a summer program in which law students worked on reservations and provided estate planning services to tribal members.

"I loved it," she said. "It's hugely important. There's a long history of injustice."

The Institute was developed by the Indian Land Tenure Foundation, which recognized the need for a unified, comprehensive and efficient approach to estate planning in Indian Country. It was particularly pressing given the passage of the American Indian Probate Reform Act in 2004 and the announcement in April 2005 that the Bureau of Indian Affairs would no longer be drafting or storing wills for tribal members.

"That's the void we're trying to help fill," said Doug Nash, director of the Institute and a member of the Nez Perce Tribe who has worked with Indian law throughout his career.

The problem dates back to the 1800s, when Congress broke up tribal lands and assigned allotments to members. Over many genera-

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tions, the ownership of these allotments has become highly fractioned, diminishing the use and value of the land. It is not uncommon for allotments today to have hundreds or even thousands of undivided interest owners.

"These lands are still held in trust by the federal government, which means the government holds legal title and the owners have beneficial title," Nash said. "The lands are subject to federal laws and probate."

By writing a will, land can be transferred in trust to relatives, even if they are not Indian, and members can control how trust property is passed by creating an estate plan.

Believing a national program was essential, the ILTF created the Institute for Indian Estate Planning and Probate to assist Indian people in

making informed decisions about their property. It established regional projects to provide free estate planning services to tribal members; provides estate planning information and training to tribal governments, officials and the legal community; and serves as a clearinghouse for current information on Indian estate planning, tribal probate codes and the American Indian Probate Reform Act.

The Institute oversees existing ILTF projects that provide free Indian estate planning services to tribes in Washington, Oregon, Idaho, North Dakota, South Dakota and Wisconsin. A clinical Indian estate planning course will begin at Seattle University this fall.

Among their accomplishments, Nash and Burke have provided training to governmen-



tal agencies and tribal communities across the nation. The Institute hosted a national symposium at the law school in March, drawing distinguished speakers from around the country. The Institute was honored by the State Bar Association at its Celebrate Diversity reception in March.

At the same time SU and law schools across the state are addressing their own curricula as they prepare students to pass bar exam questions related to Indian law, starting in summer 2007. Washington recently became the second state to require competence in the area of Indian law.

The Institute's long-term goal is to become a national program that directly impacts and reduces the fractionalization of Indian lands

through education and the provision of estate planning services to tribal members and communities.

Under a project administered by the Institute in coordination with the University of Idaho College of Law, law students provide legal services to reservations in Washington, Oregon and Idaho, where most members have no access to legal services and no money to pay for it. SU law student Stephanie Nichols participated in the externship project this year, serving clients at the Swinomish and Upper Skagit Reservations in Washington.

The Institute was awarded a \$519,000 contract from the Department of the Interior in September 2005. Through this pilot project, four legal service attorneys and two paralegal

positions are funded, providing free estate planning service in the Great Plains and Washington.

Indian estate planning is a complex blend of federal, state and tribal laws, Nash said, so continuing training of legal services lawyers, and some training of the private bar, are another part of the Institute's work.

Nash said he's extremely pleased to have the Institute located at Seattle U. During his initial meetings with Dean Kellye Testy, he heard her talk about the importance of social justice, but he didn't expect the level of commitment he has seen.

"She impresses people with the passion she has for this work," Nash said.

Testy said the Institute will help ensure that justice is equally meted out to tribal members.

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Feature

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—Rebecca Anderson

Carly Cozine-Hansen (right) with Rebecca Anderson
Photos opposite page by Corky Trewin



A delicate dance

Law students balance studies with cheering for the Seahawks



As for most law students, the last year of school for Rebecca Anderson and Carly Cozine-Hansen has included late nights, long hours and on-the-job training.

But for these two, the year also included grueling workouts, glamorous photo shoots and the chance to dance before millions at the Super Bowl. Both SU law students are members of the Sea Gals squad that cheered on the team and wowed the adoring crowds as the Seahawks went undefeated at Qwest Field.

"It was pretty amazing to be part of it all," Cozine-Hansen said.

Both 3Ls, they have been friends since they were freshmen Gonzaga University, where they were on the dance team for the successful Bulldog basketball team. Though their law studies and jobs are priorities, both felt they needed something else to balance the pressures of law school. They wanted to find a new dance outlet and get in better shape, so they decided to do a month-long, pre-tryout training with the Sea Gals last spring. They didn't really expect to make the team.

"It was kind of a whim," Anderson said. "It wasn't something we'd been thinking about."

They had to arrange their class and work schedules around twice weekly mandatory four-hour practices, but both say they did well in school – Cozine-Hansen had her best grades yet fall semester.

She also works for Seattle attorney David Ruzumna and had an externship with the U.S. Attorney's Office. Anderson works for Seattle attorney John Compatore. Both hope to go into civil litigation after graduation.

The students concede they battle some stereotypes, both as law students and as cheerleaders. While many of the Sea Gals have college degrees and jobs ranging from teachers to real estate agents, few have professional degrees.

"When we first said we were going to do it, everybody thought it was weird," Anderson admits. "It's uncommon for an NFL cheerleader

to have a professional career, and it's uncommon for a law student to be an NFL cheerleader."

Some of their law school friends had misgivings about the idea of them dancing in sparkly, spare outfits and full hair and makeup. The Seahawks organization often pointed to them as examples to dispel preconceived notions about the dancers, they said.

Being part of the team was more work than they anticipated. Both were surprised by the intensity of their initial workouts in the summer heat.

"It was so hard it was almost unbearable," Cozine-Hansen said. "I cried on the second day because I didn't want to go to practice. But by the end, those same workouts didn't bother me."

They enjoyed the physical aspects of being on the team, the chance to dance and both have become football fans. They agree the NFC Championship game was the most exciting of the season.

"The energy in the stadium – you can't describe it," Anderson said.

It was exciting to perform at the Super Bowl, but because the Sea Gals usually only cheer at home games, they were unprepared for how it felt to cheer before fans of another team.

"It felt like we were in an opposing team's stadium," Cozine-Hansen said.

Because the Seahawks lost, and there were some questionable calls, the game was a little anti-climactic. Still, it was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity both are glad they had during their last year of law school. They don't plan to try out again when they will be studying for the bar exam and having demanding jobs.

But both will be continue to find ways to offset their intellectual pursuits.

"I think it's important to have some balance in your life," Cozine-Hansen said.



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—Gloria Steinem

Gloria Steinem signs an autograph for a fan prior to the Women of the Year celebration. She was the keynote speaker at the Strawberries & Champagne reception.

Women of the Year

Gloria Steinem honors three remarkable Washington women

Gloria Steinem is an undeniable icon of the women's movement and the enduring face of feminism. The wide reach of her influence was obvious when she visited Seattle University School of Law for the Women's Law Caucus 2006 Women of the Year celebration as one woman after another related stories of how the writer, activist and founder of Ms. Magazine inspired them to be strong women and described connections they felt with Steinem.

"In many ways, she saved my life," Dean Kellye Testy said. "I grew up in a small town in Indiana where the only magazines around were Good Housekeeping, Redbook and Field and Stream. So to find Ms. Magazine really helped me identify myself."

Former King County Superior Court Judge Harriet Cody '75 brought with her a copy of the marriage contract she and Harvey Sadis signed in 1972 – which Ms. Magazine published. She and Steinem reviewed the pages, in which Cody and Sadis "affirm their individuality and equality in this relationship."

Assunta Ng, one of this year's honorees, told Steinem that when she heard Steinem speak about 30 years ago in Seattle, it prompted her to speak out, and to know it was all right to do things for herself.

Steinem said she loves hearing stories like those, and was proud to be at an event at which women honor women. She applauded the contributions of Ng and fellow honorees Ardith DeRaad and Bonnie Glenn.

"It's so important that we have honors of this sort," Steinem said, "to remember what we have done and how much it matters. It will inspire each and every one of us to be our best selves."

Steinem, stunning at nearly 72, was gracious and approachable, as she listened to stories, signed autographs and posed for photographs. She

drew laughter and applause when she spoke to the hundreds gathered for the Strawberries and Champagne reception. The gala was organized by Women's Law Caucus Co-Presidents Cynthia Jones and Amy Worrell-Kneller and Lara Herrmann '00, who founded the event with Julie Yee '02 and continues to serve as co-chair.

"I have finally made it into law school," Steinem joked.

She said she considered law school when she was an undergrad, "but Harvard didn't admit women."

When she was the first woman asked to address the Harvard Law Review Banquet she declined, until she was persuaded by several women who said it was crucial she attend.

"Now at last I'm at a law school where law and justice have come together," she said.

Steinem noted that Ms. started its own Women of the Year awards as a reaction to Time Magazine's Man of the Year, who had only put three women on the cover. "One was the queen of England, and two of them were the Virgin Mary."

Of course, women have gained recognition since Steinem founded Ms. in 1972, and the three women honored this year are wonderful examples of what women can achieve. They accepted the honors, but all three were quick to credit those who have guided them along the way.

Honoree Bonnie Glenn, the first African American woman to serve as deputy chief of staff for the King County Prosecutor's Office, encouraged women to be true to themselves and to help others succeed.

"I stand on the broad shoulders of all those who have come before me," Glenn said. "People like Gloria Steinem and the people in this room."

She also acknowledged the men she has worked with who have helped shape her career.

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Honoree Ardith DeRaad, a leader in the fight against domestic violence, said the award was the pinnacle of her career. She recognized her mother, who taught her to look for beauty in the world. “She believed I could do anything, and she told me so,” DeRaad said.

Assunta Ng, founder of the Chinese Post and the Northwest Asian Weekly, said she’s proud to know she can make a difference – and said it’s all right to ask for support.

“I was proud to tell my husband to put me through school,” she said, prompting laughter in the crowd.

“Then I asked him for money to start my business, my newspapers, and I’m happy to tell you that he complied.”

She said women must find their own way to make their marks and to contribute to society.

“The more you do for other people, the more you grow that power that lies within you,” Ng said. “The more you do for other people, the more you believe in yourself.”

Another woman was honored for all she has done for others: Seattle University Provost Susan L. Secker. Testy presented Secker with a special recognition award, thanking her for years of service to the university, her support of the law school and her devotion to justice.

The evening was an example of how times have changed, and evidence of the important role women play in the community. Kari Glover, managing partner for Preston Gates and Ellis,



Dean Kellye Testy recognizes Steinem, as Women’s Law Caucus co-president Cynthia Jones, far left, applauds.

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—Gloria Steinem

founding sponsor of the event, noted that in another connection to Steinem:

“The year she founded Ms. Magazine was the year I entered that same Harvard Law School,” she said, referring to Steinem’s earlier comments.

The mood of the night was celebratory, and Steinem urged the audience to find ways to

make a difference.

“We don’t find peace through killing, we don’t find accord through accusations,” Steinem said. “If you want to have more of joy and justice and poetry and love and music and dancing at the end of our effort, we need to have it in all of our efforts. That’s the spirit I feel in this room.”



Susan L. Secker

Seattle University Provost Susan L. Secker, who is leaving her position at the end of the year, was recognized by Dean Testy. Secker joined the university in 1987 as a member of the theology faculty and served in many capacities until being appointed provost two years ago. She has been a distinctive leader for academic excellence and the promotion of justice.

2006

Women of the Year

Ardith Gray DeRaad

A true civic leader, Ardith Gray DeRaad is the founder and president of the Alliance Against Domestic Violence. She has earned many awards for her visionary leadership, including a prestigious nod from the Pierce County Commission Against Domestic Violence for her dynamic leadership to stop violence against women. Additionally,

DeRaad continues to work full-time at Washington State University in human resources for eight northwestern Washington counties. She also helped found several service organizations including Professionals for Choice and the Puyallup Chapter of the American Business Women's Association. DeRaad's rich, 40-year history of community leadership and volunteerism identifies her as an outstanding role model for women of our time.



Bonnie Glenn

Bonnie Glenn is the first African American woman to serve as deputy chief of staff for the King County Prosecutor's Office. With exceptional dedication, Glenn has mentored countless young people, ranging from at-risk youth to women in the law. In her brilliant career of civic and community involvement, she has served in many prominent leadership positions including past president of the Loren Miller Bar Association and current president of African American Dollars for Scholars. In her current role as a member of the Washington State Minority and Justice Commission, Glenn works on issues of diversity in education and legal research. She inspires with her vigor for mentoring and her dedication to the quest for justice in all areas of civil rights.

Assunta Ng

Born in China, Assunta Ng left Hong Kong at the tender age of 18 in search of a role model only to become one herself as the founder of the Seattle Chinese Post and the Northwest Asian Weekly. She is the first Chinese female Rotarian in the world, and the first person of color to receive the Society of Professional Journalists' distinguished service award. Ng is known for her passion and deep commitment to her community of women, overseeing efforts to raise close to \$1 million for those in need. Her tireless efforts for the betterment of all have earned her many honors, including being named a 2005 Woman of Influence for her substantial contributions to Washington's business communities.



Feature



Law students
Fe Lopez (left) and
Nilly Park relaxing at
Sullivan Hall.

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—Dean Kellye Testy

Giving students a voice

Anonymous donor bolsters Alternative Admission Program

Nilly Park and her family fled their native Iran fearing religious persecution when she was 14 and eventually received asylum in the United States. Her parents were past working age, so Park and her sisters bore the responsibility for supporting the family and navigating the social service system.

“We came here with \$500 and a couple of suitcases,” said Park, a 3L at SU School of Law. “My parents really gave up a lot for us.”

Though she didn’t learn English until just before she started her freshman year in high school, Park graduated in the top 10 percent of her class. She put herself through college while supporting her elderly parents.

“It was a struggle,” she said.

Park never told her story, even to friends, until she wrote about it in her law school application 10 years after graduating from University of Washington. Her application drew the attention of the Alternative Admission Program, and Park enrolled at SU School of Law, where she has flourished.

“Law school was something I always wanted to do,” she said. “And it really changed my life. Law school has given me a voice I didn’t have, that my family didn’t have in Iran.”

Park is just one of dozens of students who have benefited from the generosity of an anonymous donor committed to providing access to legal education. In the past six years, this donor has created an endowment of \$3.5 million and provided scholarships for many talented law students who are involved with the law school’s Academic Resource Center (ARC). The most recent gifts \$1 million for the endowment and \$60,000 for current scholarships.

“I don’t even know how to say ‘thank you’ enough,” said Fe Lopez, a third-year student and ARC Scholar. “It really is a gift.”

Lopez, who among her activities is the first Latina president of the Student Bar Association, has already accepted a position as a King County deputy prosecutor for the fall. She grew up in Grandview, Wash., where her parents started out as migrant farm workers before pursuing education and encouraging their children to do so as well.

“I never knew anyone who went to law school,” said Lopez, who as a child dreamed about making a difference. “But my parents never let me doubt I was going to college.”

Lopez also is involved in the Latino/a Law Student Association, which among other things works to introduce the legal profession to teens. She was among those who visited schools in the Yakima Valley to talk to Hispanic teens about opportunities available to them after high school.

The Alternative Admission Program allows a number of promising students who don’t meet standard admission requirements to be admitted to the law school. They attend an intensive seven-week summer program that

integrates a traditional criminal law course with legal writing and study skills.

“I enjoyed every minute of criminal

law that first summer,” said 2L Brian Payne. “The focus on alternative learning techniques was especially useful. The diverse backgrounds of the ARC students provides a more accurate reflection of the world that many lawyers will work in.”

Payne had been out of college for 12 years, having served in the Peace Corps in Guatemala and as a ranger at Yellowstone National Park. He was welcomed into the Alternative Admission Program.

“The ARC program recognized the value of my experience, and I’m very grateful for the opportunity to attend law school,” said Payne, who spent six weeks of the summer working in the legal clinic of the University of Central America in Managua and hopes to work in the public service field in environmental law. “The ARC program made my dream of law school a reality.”

Students admitted through the alternative program are supported throughout law school by the Academic Resource Center. ARC’s primary purpose is to help diverse and non-traditional students adjust,

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—Brian Payne 2L

succeed and excel in law school. It also contributes to a more diverse legal profession. In the fall, ARC students have access to resources to keep them on track. The center also helps non-ARC law students referred by professors for support.

“A lot of the students in the program are the first in their families to go to college, and many have economic need,” said Professor Paula Lustbader, director of the Academic Resource Center. “What the endowment means is they have a lighter economic burden and graduate less in debt. And more importantly, it tells these students that people believe in them and want them in the legal profession.”

The endowment provides scholarships ranging from \$2,000 - 5,000 to about 40 percent of all students in the program.

Statistics show the program is meeting its goal of helping diverse students excel. In fact, two ARC students were faculty scholars, one graduated number one in his class, and sev-

eral graduated in the top 20 percent of their class. In addition, ARC students have made significant contributions to the law school community by serving on student committees and participating in student government.

They have gone on to great success after graduation. “Our 550 alums are doing amazing things, and they are people who would not have been admitted into law school without this program,” Lustbader said. Among them are a county prosecutor, a Superior Court judge, federal court clerks and lawyers working in both the public and private sectors.

“This donor believes strongly in the work being done by the Academic Resource Center and is committed to ensuring access to legal education,” Dean Kellye Testy said. “We are so grateful for the support provided to advance the work being done by Seattle University School of Law to educate leaders for a more just and humane world. Without asking for credit, this donor helps us live out our mis-

sion to educate lawyers who are dedicated to the service of justice.”

The students themselves are the best evidence of success. Park has worked as a translator with the Access to Justice Institute and received the Washington Women Lawyer Scholarship this year. She coauthored an article, “Mayday Payday: Can Corporate Social Responsibility Save Payday Lenders?” that was published in Rutgers Journal of Law & Urban Policy.

Park will clerk in the fall for King County Superior Court Judge Mary Yu.

She hopes to work in business law, finding ways to make businesses more responsible to the environment and the community. She also plans to do pro bono work, specifically working with immigrants.

“It’s important to know people are out there struggling, and in whatever way, you can help,” she said. “I feel like I have that power now, that I can do something.”

Above the bar: faculty achievements

SEATTLE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW IS PROUD OF ITS DISTINGUISHED FACULTY AND GRATEFUL FOR OUR PROFESSORS' MANY SCHOLARLY PURSUITS AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE LEGAL AND GREATER COMMUNITY. HERE IS A SAMPLING OF THE NUMEROUS ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF OUR FACULTY MEMBERS THIS ACADEMIC YEAR.

Law Clinic Director **Bryan Adamson** presented his paper on Brown v. Board of Education at the Midwest Clinical Conference. His paper, "The H'aint in the Schoolhouse," examines intervening factors that adversely impacted the Brown decision.



Professor **Jan Ainsworth** made a presentation to the law faculty at Loyola Law School in Los Angeles as part of its visiting scholars series and spoke at a CLE titled Ethics and the Fact-finding Trial sponsored by the Washington Defender Association. Her article, "On Academic Discrimination," was just published by the Cardozo Women's Law Journal.

Professor **Marilyn Berger** spoke at the Film, Law, Lawyers and Legal Institutions Symposium at the University Of Maryland School Of Law. She also spoke at a faculty scholarship symposium at Indiana University Law School about her documentary in progress, "Out of Ashes: 9-11."



Legal Writing Professor **Mary Bowman** gave a CLE in July on Writing Clearly and Concisely for the Claims Officer's Workshop for employees of Washington's DSHS and the Washington State Attorney General's Office.

Clinic Professor **Lisa Brodoff** spoke at a CLE sponsored by the King County Bar Association on end-of-life decision making and spoke

at the Northwest Clinical Law Conference on "the lowest of low-tech" organizational tools for student and case management in clinical legal education.



Associate Dean for Alumni & Professional Relations **Eric Chiappinelli** published a Casebook on Business Entities, which presents extended coverage of alternative business entities. The casebook covers the business forms instructors actually teach – not only corporations, but agency, partnerships and LLCs. Read more about his important new casebook at www.businessentitiesonline.com/. He also spoke on "The Faculty Role in Planning New Facilities" at the American Bar Association's Facilities Conference: Bricks, Bytes and Continuous Renovation in March. He chaired the building committee during the planning and construction of Sullivan Hall, the home of the law school.

Dean's Distinguished Scholar **Maggie Chon's** article, "Intellectual Property and the Development Dilemma," was published in volume 26 of the Cardozo Law Review. Her article,

"Walking While Muslim" was published in 68 Law and Contemporary Problems 215 this spring. She also will contribute a chapter to a book published by Oxford University Press. Among her other recent accomplishments, she gave a talk at the University of Washington on intellectual property and global access to health care.



Associate Dean for Academic Affairs **Annette Clark** gave presentations at the Washington State Society of Health Care Attorneys Hospital & Health Law Seminar and as part of the Genome Justice Program at the Washington Judicial Conference.



Legal Writing Professor **Janet Chung** was selected to serve on the Washington State Bar Association Leadership Institute's Advisory Board.



Legal Writing Professor **Janet Dickson** spoke on "Teaching Law Students Who Suffer from Attention Deficit Disorder" at the Northwest Regional Conference for Teachers of Legal Methods, Writing and Research at the University of Washington.

Associate Director of Legal Writing **Anne Enquist's** "To Quote or Not to Quote," 14 Perspectives 16, was published in fall 2005.



Professor **Shelly Frankel** completed two presentations on charitable giving for the Washington Law Institute. He also participated in a program for CPAs and IRS personnel.

Associate Professor **Carmen Gonzalez** has been invited to serve as a visiting professor in Nanjing, China, at the Hopkins-Nanjing

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Above the bar: faculty achievements

Center for Chinese and American Studies in Spring 2007. During Fall 2006, she will be a visiting fellow at Cambridge University in the U.K. Among her many accomplishments this academic year, she has made presentations at Georgetown Law Center, the Ninth Circuit Pretrial Services Conference and the Latina/Latino Critical Theory Conference in Puerto Rico and written articles for the LatCrit Symposium and the Michigan State Journal of International Law.

Assistant Professor **Christian Halliburton** was named a 2006 Washington Rising Star, designating him among the top up-and-coming lawyers, by Washington



Law & Politics. Among his recent accomplishments, he presented a paper on race and the legal profession at the Latina/Latino Critical Theory Conference in Puerto Rico and spoke at the 48th Washington Judicial Conference. He spoke on a panel on Detentions, Torture and the Law at the ACLU of Washington's Annual Membership Conference.



Assistant Clinical Professor **Paul Holland** has been appointed to the Governor's Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee.

Visiting Professor **Madeline Kass** co-edited the fall 2005 issue of *Natural Resources & Environment*, and co-wrote "Vantage Point," the issue editor's introduction to the publication.

Assistant Professor **Jack Kirkwood** spoke on "Refining the Rules for Dominant Firms: Implications of Dentsply, LePage's and Weyerhaeuser" at the Annual Consumer Protection

and Antitrust Seminar sponsored by the Washington State Bar Association. Among other presentations, he spoke at the annual conference of the Antitrust and Consumer Protection Committee of the Washington State Bar Association.



Visiting Professor **James Kushner's** book "The Post-Automobile City: Legal Mechanisms to Establish the Pedestrian-Friendly City," published by Carolina Academic Press in 2004 was reviewed at 20 J. Land Use & Environmental Law 523 and in 24 Stanford Environmental Law Journal 333. He recently published "New Urbanism: Urban Development and Ethnic Integration in Europe and the United States" 5 U. Md. L.J. of Race, Religion, Gender & Class 27 (2005).



Professor **Henry McGee** presented his study that illustrates the expulsion of African Americans from the Central District to the Seattle City Council Housing Committee. McGee's study predicts the imminent extinction of African American business people because of soaring rents and house prices affordable only by relatively more affluent Euro Americans. McGee was elected to the Board of the Low Income Housing Institute in December.

Assistant Professor **Natasha Martin** presented a work-in-progress titled, "Calling All the Beautiful Ones: Corporate Branding, Corporate Culture and Notions of Accept-



ability in the American Workplace" at the Latina/Latino Critical Theory Conference in Puerto Rico.

Professor **John Mitchell's** book, "Suicide, Assisted-Suicide and Euthanasia – The Nine Debates," has been accepted for publication by the University of Michigan Press. Among his other publications, his article, "Of Driver's Licenses and Debtor's Prison" (co-written with reference librarian Kelly Kunsch) will be published in the fall edition of the *Seattle Journal for Social Justice*. "My Father, John Locke and Assisted-Suicide: The Real Constitutional Right" will appear in Volume 3 of the *Indiana Health Law Review* this spring.



Director of Legal Writing **Laurel Currie Oates** spoke at the Northwest Regional Conference for teachers of Legal Methods, Writing and Research at the University of

Washington. Her piece, "Leveling the Playing Field: Helping Students Succeed by Helping Them Learn to Read as Expert Lawyers Read" was accepted for publication by *St. John's Law Review*. That followed her participation in the conference covering the LSAT, U.S. News and Minority Admissions.

Professor **Bill Oltman** spoke at a CLE at the law school titled "Community Property for Non-Community Property Practitioners." His presentation dealt with the effectiveness of community property agreements.



Associate Professor **Catherine O'Neill** delivered a presentation titled "Mercury Regulation and Environmental Justice: Issues for

Human Health, Environmental Quality, and Tribal Rights” at the University of Washington. She and Carmen Gonzalez contributed to a report published by the Center for Progressive Reform titled “An Unnatural Disaster: The Aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.”



Professor Emeritus **Mark Reutlinger** is one of the editors-in-chief of the Washington Estate Planning Deskbook and the Washington Probate Deskbook, published by the State Bar.

Legal Writing Professor **Mimi Samuel** had an article published in the August edition of The Second Draft, the Legal Writing Institute’s biannual newsletter.



Associate Professor **Julie Shapiro** presented “Reflections on Complicity” to the faculty at Santa Clara Law School and appeared on a panel titled “Permissible Prejudice” at Out There, the first national conference of scholars and student affairs personnel involved with LGBTQ issues at Catholic universities.

Distinguished Practitioner in Residence **Ada Shen-Jaffe** was appointed to the ABA’s Standing Committee on Pro Bono and Public Service and the new Special Presidential Task Force on Access to Justice Initiatives. As part of her Pro Bono Committee service, she served on the National Legal Aid & Defender Association Equal Justice Conference Design Team held in March in Philadelphia.

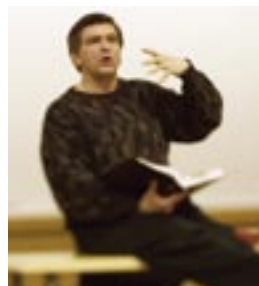


Associate Professor **Greg Silverman** presented his sabbatical project, “Deconstructing Feist,” at the recent PIPS Conference.



Distinguished Practitioner in Residence **Gwynne Skinner** presented a paper “War Crimes and Litigation: The Caterpillar Case,” at the 2005 Palestine Center Annual Conference, in Washington, D.C. The Palestine Center is the educational arm of the Jerusalem Fund for Education and Community Development, designed to promote discussion of issues within a human rights and international law context. Among her other activities, she gave a presentation about the case of Corrie et al v. Caterpillar and made a CLE presentation about the case to the World Peace Through Law Section of the Washington State Bar Association.

Dean’s Distinguished Scholar **David Skover** spoke at the annual conference of the Association for the Study of Law, Culture and the Humanities at Syracuse University. He and his co-author, Ron Collins, were the main speakers at a panel dedicated to discussion of the new edition of their book, “The Death of Discourse.” Among his other activities, he presented at the plenary session of the 48th Washington State Judicial Conference. He recently completed an article (co-authored with Ron Collins), “Curious Concurrence: Justice Brandeis’ Vote in Whitney v. California,” which was accepted for publication by The Supreme Court Review in May.



Associate Professor **Ron Slye** spoke on “Detentions, Torture and the Law” at the ACLU of Washington’s Annual Membership Conference. His recent publications include “Refugee Jurisprudence, Crimes Against Humanity and Customary International Law”; “Human Rights and Refugees, Internally Displaced Persons and Migrant Workers: Essays in Memory of Joan Fitzpatrick and Arthur Helton”; “The Cambodian Amnesties: Beneficiaries and the Temporal Reach of Amnesties for Gross Violations of Human Rights,” and “Bringing the Khmer Rouge to Justice: Prosecuting Mass Violence before the Cambodian Courts.” He and Assistant Professor Russ Powell organized and spoke at a panel held at SU on the Iraqi Draft Constitution.

Faculty promotions

Professor **Thomas Holdych** is retiring at the end of the year and has been awarded the rank of professor emeritus. He will be honored for his dedicated service to the law school at a reception later this month. He joined the faculty in 1972 and has written in the areas of commercial law, consumer protection and tort liability. He is a former associate in the firm of O’Melveny and Meyers and earned his J.D. with honors from University of Illinois School of Law in 1970. You can read more about his outstanding career in an upcoming issue of the Lawyer.



Effective in August are the following:

John Mitchell has been promoted to the rank of professor of law; **Bryan Adamson**, **Christian Halliburton**, **Jack Kirkwood** and **Natasha Martin** have been promoted to the rank of associate professor of law. **Stephanie Wilson** has been promoted to associate librarian.

Reunited—and it feels so good!

OUR REUNION REVIVAL CONTINUED THIS SPRING with five-year reunions, starting with the classes of '80-'81 all the way up to 2000-'01. The reunions were held over three weekends from Feb. 24–March 17.

And what a delightful three weeks it was! The law school court atrium was transformed into a welcoming flower-filled haven (Seattle area alums will remember the rain this past winter!) and students, faculty and deans were on hand to welcome alums. The evenings were filled hugs and laughter as graduates reconnected. Conversation flowed as people discussed work and life and passed around photos of their children. Poster boards displaying the Polaroid pictures taken in that first week of law school were a big hit!

Each evening ended all too soon, and fond farewells were given with promises to see each other again more often, but for sure at the next five-year reunion!



Associate Dean for Alumni & Professional Relations Eric Chiappinelli talks with alumni from 2000–01.



Associate Director of Career Services Joan Tierney '01 and Eric Neuman '01



Tracy Mears '00, Alumni Relations Director Eva Mitchell and Janine Polkinghorn '00



Reunion Chair Thuy Leeper '01 and Professor John Strait



Associate Dean Annette Clark '89, center, with Class Reunion Chair Juliet Jones '96, left, and Frances Turean '96 and their spouses



Professor John Mitchell, center, with Roxanne Rarangol, Shauna Smyth, Celia Rivera and Tiffany Tull, all '01, who reminisced about a hike they all took together when they were students



Director of the Center for Corporations, Law & Society and Reunion Chair Dana Gold '95 and fiancé Robert Morrison



Karen Kalzer, Rebekah Rein, Wendell Dyck and Erin Rice, all '95, with Dean Kellye Testy



Marilyn Hawkins '96, shows photos to her husband Matt and classmates Graham Black '96 and Katrina Foley '96



Jessica Eaves Mathews '95, Peter Schalestock '96, Ken Lederman '96, Maggie Chappel '96 and Jeffrey Chappel



Christopher Raymond '95 with Dean Testy

Annual holiday appreciation reception

ONCE AGAIN WE WERE ABLE TO SHOW OUR APPRECIATION to our donors and volunteers at the annual Holiday Reception at the Rainier Club in December. It was a festive night for friends of the law school to celebrate and make connections.



Former faculty member John La Fond, Richard Mitchell, general counsel for Gov. Christine Gregoire; and Brian Bodine '91



Stephen Henderson '74, SU President Fr. Stephen Sundborg and Judy Henderson



Dean Kellye Testy and King County Superior Court Judge Mary Yu



Dan Gandera and Ressler Brown



3Ls Serin Ngai, left, and Kimberly Skandan, with Professor Anne Enquist



Professors Henry McGee and Natasha Martin



Linda Strout '79 and Ada Shen-Jaffe, distinguished practitioner in residence



Former Dean Fred Tausend, Frank Edmondson '82 and Richard Birmingham '80, an adjunct faculty member

Getting Around

How does a new dean get to know the alums? It is easy, especially when alums want to meet the new dean. And you do! As we told you in the e-newsletter, fall visits included dinners, receptions and CLEs in San Francisco, Bellevue, Seattle, Tacoma and New York. What a great welcome alums gave Dean Testy.

This spring the momentum continues. In January, in conjunction with the American Association of Law Schools conference, Dean Testy hosted a wonderful breakfast reception at the Washington, D.C., office of Preston, Gates and Ellis, Rovelas, Meeds. The law firm

graciously offered its conference room where alums, the dean and faculty gathered for a few hours of great conversation. We learned that in addition to traditional law practice, our law school alums in D.C. are working in a variety of legal arenas. Among them are lobbyists, an ombudsman, government consultants, clerks, civil rights litigators, and even an author of a book about the Supreme Court justices. The breadth and depth of work our law school alums are doing is impressive.

Later in January, the dean traveled to Portland, Ore., for a dinner with alums from

graduating classes ranging from 1974 to 2005. Stories about the early years of the law school brought chuckles, as students remembered pausing for airplanes flying overhead when the school was located near McChord Air Force Base and the escalator in the library of the remodeled Rhodes department store! All agreed that Sullivan Hall is a palace!

The dean plans spring and summer visits to other areas. Plans are in the works for events in Eastern Washington, Bellingham, Everett and Olympia. Watch your mail boxes and emails for your invitation!

Student and Alumni Relationships

In February, attorneys could actually see their shadows as more than 160 law students spent a day following them around to see how and what they do, as they participated in the Third Annual Job Shadow Program. Thank you to those alumni who welcomed students into their professional world for a glimpse of what it is like to be a practicing attorney. What a

wonderful opportunity for students to experience the demands and rewards, as well as see first hand, the high professional requirements of their chosen profession.

It has been a busy year for other events, as well, and the greatest thing about them is the opportunity for alums to get involved again next year. Students are always asking the

Alumni Relations office for names of alums to help with the annual Public Interest Law Foundation (PILF) Auction, Moot Court judging; downtown Women's Law Caucus Breakfast, panels of all kinds including environmental law, intellectual property, taxation, family law, labor law, entertainment law and simple informational interviews.

Keep us INFORMED!

Alums often contact our office looking for other alums in other areas of the country for referral purposes. We are happy to make these connections, but our ability is limited to the data we have on hand. While we are planning to conduct a survey of the entire alumni population this summer, for now, if you would like to keep us current, please use our on-line update form on our webpage at www.law.seattleu.edu/alumni/keepcurrent.



Taking on the White House

Alum Charles Swift challenges military commissions

Though he is working on a case that has international ramifications and essentially challenges the power of the presidency, Lt. Cmdr. Charles Swift sees his job as defending the most basic principles of the Constitution: the right to a fair trial and the presumption of innocence.

His challenge of the military commissions established by President Bush to try non-American alleged enemy combatants has gone all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court and has attracted a slew of others filing amici briefs supporting his position, from former Secretary of State Madeline Albright to members of the U.K. and E.U. Parliaments.

"The military commissions are the antithesis of justice," Swift said. "The rules surrounding them are as outdated and as wrongly applied as the rules after the Civil War."

Swift '94 is one of five judge advocate general lawyers assigned to represent the first round of commission defendants. In the last two years, Swift has been to Guantánamo Bay, where his Yemeni client, Salim Hamdan, is being held; to Yemen, where he spent a month with Hamdan's family; to clandestine interviews with former al-Qaeda members in the back seats of cars; to the halls of Congress where he testified about the "stacked deck" in military commissions; and now to the U.S. Supreme Court, which heard his challenge to the constitutionality of the military commissions in late March. The case is *Hamdan v. Rumsfeld*, No. 05-184.

He was named runner up for 2005 Lawyer of the Year by the National Law Journal, which said he "determinedly stepped through the looking glass, defying skepticism at home and abroad that he and his colleagues would do more than a perfunctory job."

Hamdan admits to being one of five or six drivers for Bin Laden, but denies he was a member of al-Qaeda or knew anything of the attacks.

"He has the unfortunate occupation of having been a driver for a very bad man," Swift said.

Because they are accused of conspiring against the U.S. government, the detainees do not have the same rights afforded accused criminals in U.S. courts.

"If the crime of which you are accused defines your rights, then there is no presumption of innocence," he said.

Swift's first goal is to get Hamdan a fair trial. Then, he wants to see Hamdan vindicated, proving he is not an enemy of the United States.

Only 11 detainees have trials scheduled before a military commission, Swift said, but the court's ruling could change that. Perhaps the most disturbing part, he said, is that under the current system, someone could be acquitted and still not be released.

Swift, whose passion for this case could be the definition of a zealous defense, said the commissions, which have not been used in more than 50 years, have been unfair from the start. And the war on terrorism after 9-11 has created a whole new set of circumstances.

"In World War II, our enemies were clearly defined, and the law was clearly defined, and the war was clearly defined," he said. "Today, none of those things are clear. If you don't wear a uniform, and you are not part of a standard Army and you are one of 80 different nationalities that are not at war with the United States, how do we know you're our enemy?"

Swift expects a ruling from the Supreme Court in June. It could

have broad implications, not only for his client and the other 500 Guantánamo detainees, but for the entire system.

“It could change fundamentally the nature and power of the presidency,” he said, prohibiting the president from “declaring an unlimited war on terror, being fought everywhere at all times.”

It is a strange position to be working both for and against the government, he said. But he said he has approached all his cases with the goal of mounting a vigorous defense. This case cried out for all he had, regardless of how others view him.

“It is essential that a defense attorney put that aside,” he said. “If you think about how society is going to judge you, you’ve already forfeited the essence of what being a defense attorney is.”

But he knows this is the case of a lifetime.

“Everyone is aware we’re looking squarely down 1600 Pennsylvania Ave.,” he said. “Usually the powers that be take no interest in my cases.”

Swift never expected a case of this magnitude when he was in law school. He had been in the Navy for seven years when he went to law school and had no intention of going back into the military. But after an internship with the Aviation and Admiralty section of the Justice Department, he liked the idea of working for the government, and he said the Navy has provided him extraordinary opportunities.

And the law school prepared him well for this one.

“When you’re working at this level, all your colleagues went to Harvard or Yale,” he said. “Yet I found I have the necessary tools and that my voice is listened to.”

Swift took an administrative law class from Professor David Boerner and admits he didn’t really understand it at the time.

“As I have worked on this case, I have come to appreciate Professor Boerner far, far more,” he said.

And Professor Tom Holdych grounded him in analytical thought.

“Working for him and being a student of his gave me a drive to understand,” he said.

Swift said he was “shocked” by the recognition by the National Law Journal and is quick to credit the team of lawyers working with him.

“You don’t do it without the people behind you,” he said

From the beginning, he and his fellow defense lawyer, Navy Lt. Cmdr. Philip Sundel, sought guidance from the brightest legal minds, including Neal Katyal of Georgetown University Law Center, Hamdan’s main counsel in the Supreme Court. Swift called Katyal, “one of the pre-eminent constitutional scholars and attorneys of his generation.” He says theirs is a “true partnership” and it’s a privilege to work with an attorney he holds in such high esteem.

Swift is very much a trial lawyer, Katyal said. “But behind the trial



Lt. Cmdr. Charles Swift, after his case was heard by the U.S. Supreme Court.
Photo by Chuck Kenney/KRT

lawyer façade is someone with an incredibly sophisticated grasp of deep constitutional issues. The prejudice in American law schools today is military lawyers are backwater lawyers and can’t think outside of military rules and regulations,” Katyal said. “I may have had a little of that prejudice before starting to work with these folks. Charlie just disabused me of that notion.”

Swift also credits Perkins Coie, whose Seattle firm has a team of lawyers helping with the case.

“They stepped up when others simply wouldn’t,” he said. “They represent the best tradition of pro bono.”


Perkins Coie partner Benjamin Sharp says the respect is mutual.

“It’s a thrill to find a dedicated, committed lawyer who is acting on principle even though it may jeopardize his military standing,” he said.

Swift said that’s the least of his concerns. While his work is difficult, “It’s not like carrying a rifle through the streets of Baghdad,” he said. “There are those who say that I’m risking my career, but I’m not risking my life.”

A Department of Justice spokesman had no comment for this story.

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Alum steps to the forefront of fight for racial equality

Sheley Secrest says law school strengthened her commitment to social justice and helped lead her to her new role as president of the Seattle Chapter of the NAACP.

While she was a student at SU School of Law, Sheley Secrest heard former NAACP President Carl Mack make a plea for young people to get involved in the organization's causes.

Secrest '03 began following the case of a black man who was shot by an off-duty sheriff's deputy, invited Mack to speak at the law school and became increasingly interested in the organization's issues.

Mack appointed her to the NAACP board, and three years later, she is leading the influential organization. Earlier this year, Secrest was named president of the Seattle Chapter. She vows to continue to shine a light on the often subtle, yet pervasive, racism she says exists in Seattle. It's not often overt, Secrest said, but can't be ignored.

"We need to recognize that it is still prevalent here," Secrest said. "We need to look in our own backyards."

The NAACP will continue to fight instances of bigotry, especially in law enforcement, education and contracting.

There are some obvious steps that must be taken to improve police accountability, she said, such as improving the personnel evaluation system. But it is also imperative, she said, to get officers to think about their reactions to people of color.

"When you see a black person, are you selectively enforcing the law or dealing with a heavier hand?" she asks.

She also serves on the board of the Seattle Office of Professional Accountability, formed in 1999 to provide citizen review of the Seattle

Police Department's disciplinary system, so she's pressing for transparency from different points.

Education remains a priority, both in terms of access for students of color and disproportional discipline. The NAACP continues to monitor the Kent School District after its policy of handcuffing students prompted an outcry.

Secrest also aims to improve the odds for black contractors, to make sure minority-owned companies have a chance to bid on projects and that companies employ African Americans. Both those goals are harder to meet with the "dismantling of Affirmative Action," she said.

After clerking for U.S. District Judge Frank Burgess, Secrest works for the Defender Association, representing clients who have been involuntarily detained for mental health treatment. She enjoys the courtroom experience and finds working for her clients rewarding.

"Sometimes you're their only voice in a system that is frightening and stressful for them," she said.

Her work with the NAACP is strictly voluntary – and it's one more challenge to add to her workload – which has been noticed throughout the Puget Sound area. Last fall, the Business Examiner in Tacoma named her one of its 2005 Women of Influence.

Secrest, who has three children ages 12, 9 and 4, credits SU for sparking her passion for work on behalf of the disenfranchised.

"Part of the reason I chose SU was because of its commitment to social justice," she said. "That definitely impressed me."

1974



Stephen W. Burke has returned to Williams Mullen, joining the firm's Richmond, Va., office. Stephen is a partner in the firm's

Business and Corporate Finance & Securities sections. He comes to Williams Mullen from Abacus Communications LC, where he served as president, chief executive officer and executive vice-president. Before joining Abacus Communications, he was a partner with Clark & Stant, P.C., which merged with Williams Mullen in 1999. (B&W Photo)

1975

Barbara Clark received the Award of Merit from the Washington State Bar Association. She retired as executive director of the Legal Foundation of Washington after 22 years.

1976

Deborah Fleck was named Outstanding Judge by the Washington State Bar Association. She presides in King County Superior Court.

1977

Larry Halvorson's firm, Halvorson Saunders & Willner, has expanded its labor and employment law firm with offices in Seattle and Bellingham. The firm, with partner **Jennifer Willner '95**, focuses on representing management labor and employment law matters.

Lusi Isaki was appointed senior assistant director and legal counsel for the Washington Office of Financial Management.

Girard Miller, a partner at the international law firm of Fulbright & Jaworski LLP, has joined the Minneapolis office in the firm's Corporate Department. Girard has more than 25 years of experience in advising public

and private corporations, investment banks and businesses on a variety of matters including mergers and acquisitions, wind energy development, project finance transactions, business formation, IPOs and other offerings and corporate governance.

1979

Paula Crane received the Washington State Bar Association's Pro Bono Award. She helped found Kitsap Legal Services in 1988 and represents numerous pro bono clients.

1980

Barry L. Flegenheimer of Seattle is president of the Washington Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, which works to advance the quality and administration of justice, to protect and ensure constitutional rights and to improve the professional status of all lawyers. For 25 years, Barry has specialized in representing criminal defendants.

As shareholder in Bell Flegenheimer since 1987, Barry has extensive trial and appellate experience. He and co-counsel persuaded the Washington Supreme Court to overturn the murder conviction and death sentence of James Leroy Brett. Barry also worked at The Defender Association representing individuals accused of a broad range of crimes.

Scott Greenburg has rejoined Preston Gates & Ellis LLP as a partner in the business law practice. With nearly 25 years of practice in business and corporate securities law, Scott will lead the Preston Gates corporate governance practice. He will focus on corporate securities, venture capital and merger and acquisition activity.

John R. Hickman was appointed a Pierce County Superior Court Judge. He has been a pro tem judge throughout the county since 1985, including serving the Superior Court, the municipal courts of Fife, Milton, Steilacoom and Tacoma and Pierce County District Court. His private

law practice includes family law, estate planning and probate as well as juvenile law. In 1995, he received the Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Association's Young Lawyers Section's Liberty Bell Award for integrity and honesty in the legal profession. In 1993, he was the Tacoma-Pierce County Bar's Family Law Attorney of the Year. He is a past chairman of the Judicial Qualifications Committee for the Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Association and a trustee for the Tacoma-Pierce County Bar. He has been a frequent speaker on mediation and family law matters and is a volunteer member of the Guardian ad Litem Advisory Committee for Pierce County Family Law Guardian ad Litem.



Rep. Patricia Lantz was co-recipient of the Outstanding Legislative Member award from the Washington State Bar Association.

She has served the House of Representatives from Washington's 26th District since 1997.

Catherine Walker is vice president and general counsel at Recreational Equipment (REI). She has been a member of REI's board since 1998 and is currently vice chair. She most recently was vice president for administration and university counsel at Seattle University. Before that she was executive assistant to the president.

1981

Brian Elkington lives in Sydney, Australia, and practices intellectual property law. He recently changed firms, moving from Blake Dawson Waldron to Clayton Utz. He has three daughters: Katie, 16, Madeline, 13 and Sarah, 10. He continues to enjoy songwriting and singing. He and Dan Mohs '82, who traveled and performed years ago, hope to put out another CD this year.

1982



Susan Daniel received the Kitsap Community Foundation's 2005 Volunteer Award. She has

volunteered her time and expertise to provide disenfranchised people access to legal services. Among other activities, she is the founder of the Dispute Resolution Center, participates in Kitsap Women Lawyers and is involved in the Guardian Ad Litem training.

Suzanne Elliott was presented with the 2005 Washington Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers' President's Award, recognizing service to the criminal defense bar.



Elliott has represented defendants on appeal in more than 180 published state and federal cases, including some that overturned a death sentence. Since 1995, Elliott has been in private practice, focusing on state and federal criminal appeals and post-conviction petitions. She has also been the director of the Washington Appellate Defender Association, a public defender at Associated Counsel for the Accused, a staff attorney at the Washington State Supreme Court, and co-chair of the WACDL Amicus Committee since 1999. She served on the Washington Pattern Forms Committee since 2002.

1983

Maria S. Diamond has joined the law firm of Otorowski, Johnston, Diamond & Golder, PLLC. Her practice is devoted to personal injury, medical negligence, maritime and wrongful death claims. She is past president of the Washington State Trial Lawyers Association and has served on its board of governors since 1992. She also represents Washington on the board of governors of the Association

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of Trial Lawyers of America and serves on the King County Bar Association's judicial screening committee. She has also served on the Washington State Jury Commission and the Washington State Bar Association's Continuing Legal Education Task Force.

Harry Reichenberg was named a trustee for the South King County Bar Association for 2005-2006.

1984

Robert Manlowe, member of Williams, Kastner & Gibbs' Seattle office, has been elected to the Board of Directors of the International Association of Defense Counsel (IADC). The IADC is the oldest international organization of attorneys representing corporations and insurers in both America and abroad. Robert's practice involves crisis management, media relations and complex litigation. He is the firm's mass tort litigation practice group chair and serves as national coordinating counsel for clients involved in mass tort litigation. He serves on the crisis management team for several companies in the product manufacturing, construction and industrial sectors. As co-chair of the Washington Construction Safety Task Force, Bob helped develop the Safety Plus pilot program for the Washington State Department of Labor & Industries and OSHA.

1985

John A. Bender has been named a member of Ryan Swanson & Cleveland in Seattle. Bender is a well-known securities and financial services litigator. He represents broker dealers, investment advisors and public customers in customer claims, regulatory proceedings and employment matters. He also represents clients in business and commercial litigation issues involving franchising, fraud and receivership matters and partnership disputes. John provides legal counsel to banks, investment houses and mortgage companies on litigation risks, commercial and real

estate collection strategies and lender liability.

Margo Easton Bennett joined the Seattle office of Preston Gates & Ellis as a partner in its government contracts, construction and procurement policy practice group. She has substantial public sector experience through her work as deputy general counsel for the Seattle Monorail Project coupled with an extensive background representing construction firms. Bennett will focus on providing procurement counsel to public entities involved in large scale public infrastructure projects. She will also help expand Preston Gates' West Coast practice counseling public and private participants in large scale infrastructure projects and public-private partnerships.



Grant Degginger was selected mayor of Bellevue, Wash., by the Bellevue City Council. He has served on the council for six years and is chairman of the Cascade Water Alliance. He is a shareholder with Lane Powell PC.

Karen Koehler received the 2005 Trial Lawyer of the Year award from the Washington State Trial Lawyers Association (WSTLA). Koehler, a plaintiff personal injury attorney, is the first minority woman to receive WSTLA's highest honor. As a partner in the Seattle office of Strittmatter Kessler Whelan Withey Coluccio, she focuses her work on trial practice. She represented the Kime family against the City of Seattle for the Mardi Gras death of Kristopher Kime. In her 20 years as an attorney, she has helped people recover for their serious injuries or deaths of loved ones due to negligence and has helped clients sue insurance companies for bad faith practices. In addition to being awarded the WSTLA's President's



Award in 2003, Karen has held leadership positions in the Association of Trial Lawyers of America and in the Motor Vehicle Highway Design Premises Liability Section. She is also certified by the National Board of Trial Advocacy and is a member of the invitation-only American Board of Trial Advocates. Washington.

1986

Bernadette Foley is overseas in Kosovo for the United Nations. She is an international trainer and inspector and works to train Kosovo lawyers in the Department of Justice to investigate allegations of judicial and prosecutorial misconduct. She also has a small caseload of investigations. She will be in that position at least until June. Kosovo is a province of the former Yugoslavia that came under the administration of the United Nations after the war of 1999-2000. The final status of Kosovo is expected to be determined this year by the U.N. Security Council and Kosovo is likely to become fully independent of Serbia-Montenegro. The struggle now is to ensure that rule of law functions presently exercised by the U.N. are transferred to local authorities who are prepared to take up these responsibilities. She said training local lawyers is very important but also extremely challenging.

1987

Rob Gudmundson and his wife, Candace, announced the birth of their son, Robert Clark on Nov. 2, 2004. Rob and Candace live on Bainbridge Island with their son and their daughter, Emma Grace.



1992

Brad Moore is one of two Washington state coordinators for Trial Lawyers for Public Justice. He practices at Strittmatter Kessler Whelan Withey

and Coluccio's Seattle office, focusing on personal injury, product liability, insurance litigation, Consumer Protection Act litigation, maritime and admiralty law.

1994

Greg Duff is vice president of development and general counsel of Columbia Hospitality, which has a number of Puget Sound area properties, including Bell Harbor, World Trade Center, Harbor Steps and The Inn at Langley.

1995

Jessica (Eaves) Mathews is principal of Eaves Mathews LLC in Seattle. Her practice areas are business/corporate, litigation and appellate work.

Pete Mazzone and his wife, Amy, welcomed their son, Domenico Mazzone, March 25, 2005. He is a partner at Phillips and Mazzone in Everett, Wash.

Laura N. Williams joined Ixio as director of legal services. She will help the Seattle-based company ensure successful integration and implementation of Ixio's QShift software products and professional services within law firms and corporate legal departments nationwide. Williams has served as an assistant attorney general and vice president and senior counsel with Northland Communications Corporation. She is a member of the Board of Trustees of the King County Sexual Assault Resource Center and volunteers in child-related causes and activities.

Jennifer Willner's firm, Halvorson Saunders & Willner, has expanded its labor and employment law firm with offices in Seattle and Bellingham. The firm, with partner **Larry Halvorson '77**, focuses on representing management labor and employment law matters.

1996

Dena Alo-Colbeck launched her own business writing briefs from home, mostly for solo criminal law practitioners. She and her husband welcomed their first child, Sofia Rose Alo Colbeck in 2004.

Ellis M. Carter was elected partner at Quarles & Brady Streich Lang Phoenix. She focuses on advising tax-exempt organizations as well as estate planning, probate and trust administration. Ellis advises a wide range of nonprofit entities. She is a director of the Diversity Leadership Alliance and the Protecting Arizona's Family Coalition, and is admitted to practice in both Washington and Arizona. Carter received her master's of law degree in taxation from the University of Washington in 1998.

Robert Cassot made partner last year at Morrison Mahoney LLP, Hartford, Conn., office. Morrison Mahoney is a Boston-based firm with about 180 lawyers. Robert practices general litigation, insurance defense and medical malpractice. In addition to working, he participated in his first Half Iron-man triathlon last summer and has two daughters: Caitlin, age 14, and Lauren, age 5.



Joel Kent is a partner at Stahanck, Kent, Johnson & Hook, which recently received the 2005 Better Business Bureau Business of the Year Award for Oregon and Southwest Washington. Joel is a managing shareholder in the central Oregon office and has been an attorney with the firm since 1994. His practice areas include family law, divorce, custody, modification of spousal support, child support, adoption, prenuptial agreements, guardianship, parenting time enforcement and restraining orders.

Andrew S. Lane has become a principal of Cairncross & Hempelmann in Seattle, where he focuses on land use

and environmental law. Lane advises landowners and developers throughout Washington, as well as municipalities and Native American Indian tribes, regarding the Growth Management Act, the Shoreline Management Act, land use, environmental permitting and enforcement matters, water rights and natural resource issues. Before joining the firm, he served as a principal deputy prosecuting attorney for Snohomish County's Civil Division, defending the County in administrative and judicial appeals of GMA actions and related land use matters.

Bruce E. L. M. Strothers and Adrienne N. Hunter were married in October 2005 in Atlanta. **Tom Pierce '96** served as a groomsman. SU Law friends in attendance included **RoShawna Fudge '93**, Professor Henry W. McGee and former Associate Dean Joan Watt. Bruce is an associate in the Corporate and Technology group at Morris, Manning & Martin, LLP in Atlanta, and Adrienne is an associate in the Litigation group at King & Spalding, LLP, also in Atlanta.

Jennifer (Hanlon) Ziegler was named director of government relations for the Washington State Department of Transportation, where she deals with federal, tribal and local governments on transportation issues. She and her husband, **Morgan Ziegler '97**, live in Olympia and have a 3-year-old son, Jordan.



Katrina Foley is a member of the Costa Mesa (Calif.) City Council. She is a managing partner in the civil litigation law firm Lents & Foley, LLP. In 2001 and 2004, Katrina was honored by Women in Leadership and the National Association of Women Business Owners' annual Remarkable Women Awards event. She and her husband, Casey Swanson, a teacher, have two sons.

1997

Warren Clemens became a partner at Preston Gates & Ellis' Seattle office. He specializes in corporate securities, mergers and acquisitions, and business law.



Jennifer Young married William Ryan "Kai" Awong Aug. 19, 2005, at Kualoa Beach on the Island of Oahu in Hawaii. Kai is

a recent graduate of the University of Hawaii School of Law. Jennifer is an associate at Lockwood & Associates in Kailua.

1998

Sandra (Sandy) Brown and Matthew Ley had a son, Mason Choi Ley, on Dec. 4, 2005. Sandy is an attorney at Micro-soft, working in the Office of the General Counsel.



Kevin Gruber became a partner at Preston Gates & Ellis' Seattle office. He specializes in corporate securities, mergers and acquisitions, and business law.

Mark Johnsen was elected president of the South King County Bar Association for 2005-2006.

Carlene M. Placide became a member of the Foster Pepper law firm in Seattle. She practices employment law, focusing on international business, immigration matters, employment law, employment litigation and OSHA/WISHA matters. She and her husband, Reginald G. Edwards, welcomed daughter Gabrielle Elizabeth Edwards July 14, 2004.

Sheila M. O'Sullivan and David A. Leen have formed Leen & O'Sullivan, PLLC. Sheila's practice emphasizes

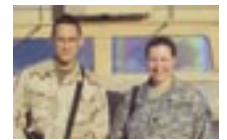
bankruptcy, estate planning and probate and real estate.

Amber Curnow opened her own firm, Curnow Family Law, in downtown Seattle in March.

1999

Kha Q. Dang has rejoined the Seattle office of Perkins Coie as an associate in the business practice. Kha, who has represented companies and investors in venture capital financings, mergers and acquisitions, and IPOs. Her has represented clients from a variety of industries, including wireless, software and biotechnology.

Jennifer Farmer is the chief of administrative law with the 4th Infantry Division and is serving in Iraq, where she met up with fellow grad Jason M. Wong '03.



Laurel Hook is a partner at Stahanck, Kent, Johnson & Hook, which recently received the 2005 Better Business Bureau Business of the Year Award for Oregon and Southwest Washington. Laurel is a shareholder in the Portland office and has been an attorney with the firm since 1999. Her practice areas include family law, divorce, legal separation, modification of spousal support and child support, prenuptial and postnuptial agreements, complicated financial and business interest cases, parenting time enforcement and restraining orders.



Steven T. King received the Washington State Bar Association's Thomas Neville Pro Bono Award for providing countless hours of advice and representing clients at no charge through the nonprofit Kitsap Legal Services. Each year Washington Young Lawyers Division presents

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this honor to a young attorney who works hard to provide legal services to the poor. King helps put on a legal clinic each month at Kitsap Legal Services where residents can come for free for legal advice and consultation. He also takes a few cases a year free of charge and works in several capacities for the Washington State Bar Association, including serving on the trustee board of the Young Lawyers Division. At the Greer Gerrard Law Firm in Silverdale, King handles drunk-driving, misdemeanor and family law cases.

Shana Thompson was elected vice-president of the South King County Bar Association for 2005-2006.

2000

Roxanne Rarangol and **Tiffany Tull** are among five alumni participating in the WSBA Leadership Institute. The Institute was created by the WSBA Board of Governors to create a leadership development program for a select group of young lawyers each year. It is an eight-month process involving monthly meetings with bar leaders and judges, working with attorney mentors, and creating and implementing a community service project.

Darin Spang joined the Master Builders Association of Pierce County as its government affairs associate. He previously worked as a defense attorney, prosecutor and a municipal attorney. He is now focusing his time on city issues affecting home building in Pierce County.

2001

Erin M. Stines and Andrew G. Stines announce the birth of Tanner Andre Stines on May 5, 2005.

Joaquin M. Hernandez, Thuy Nguyen Leeper and **Raul Martinez** are among five alumni participating in the WSBA Leadership Institute. The Institute was created by the WSBA Board of Governors to create a leadership develop-

ment program for a select group of young lawyers each year. It is an eight-month process involving monthly meetings with bar leaders and judges, working with attorney mentors, and creating and implementing a community service project.

2003

Jennifer Taylor and **Tony Pasinetti** married Dec. 31, 2005. Tony is working at the Washington State Attorney General's Office in Everett, Wash., and Jen is a law clerk for Judge Ken



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Cowser at the Snohomish County Superior Court.

Jason M. Wong is a first lieutenant in the Army and was deployed for six months with the Third Infantry Division as an operation law attorney.

2004

Warren Baker and **Angela Carr** have opened Baker & Carr, PLLC, in Seattle. The firm focuses on estate planning, business planning and employee benefits. Warren and Angela

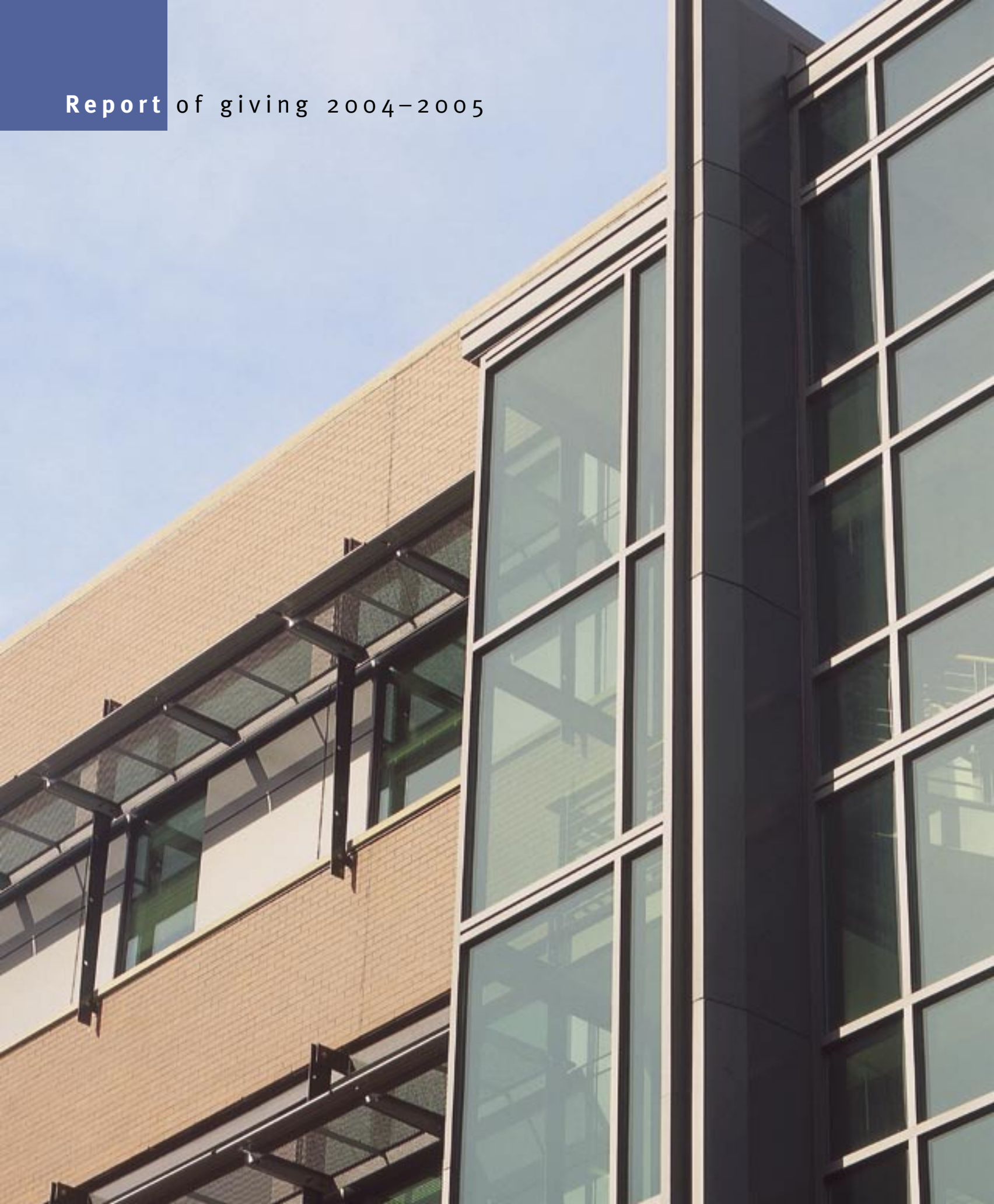
co-founded the firm while completing the University of Washington's LL.M. program in taxation.

Rebecca Lewallen married Jeremiah Kagin Oct. 23, 2005 in Philo, Calif., and is practicing as Rebecca Kagin in Portland, Ore.

2005

Timothy W. Jones joined the Seattle law office of Williams, Kastner & Gibbs as an associate, focusing on commercial litigation.

Report of giving 2004–2005





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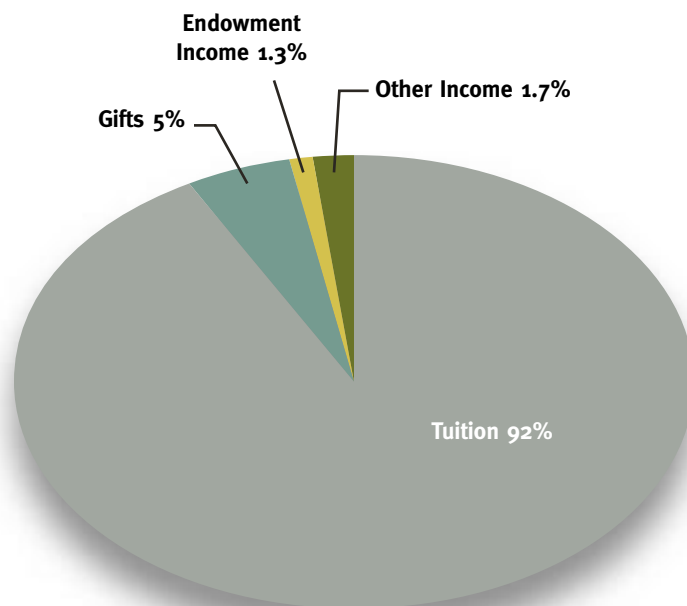
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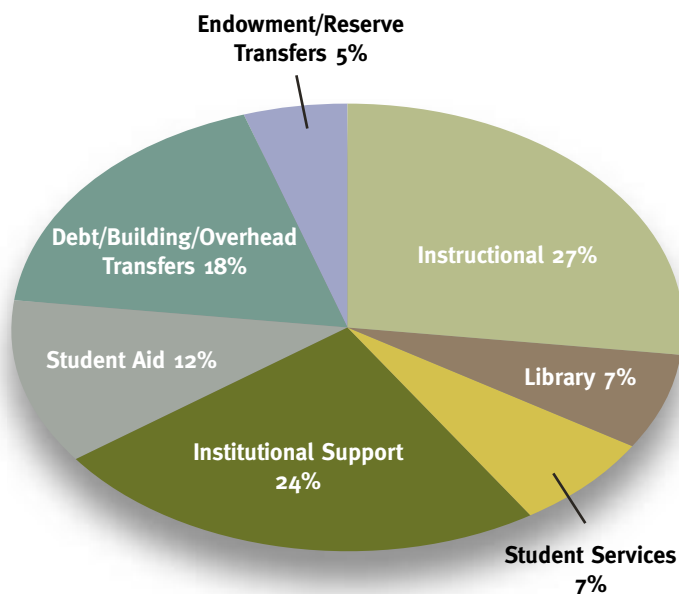
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Class of 2005

From left: Tracy Sarich '05, Washington State Court of Appeals, Division I, clerk for Judge Susan Agid; Carla Lee '05, Washington Women Lawyers, Professional Development Committee; Jason Amala '05, Gordon, Thomas, Honeywell, Malanca, Peterson & Daheim LLP.

With leadership from Tracy Sarich and Carla Lee, co-presidents of the Women's Law Caucus, and Student Bar Association President Jason Amala, the Class of 2005 raised more than \$1,000 for the 2004-05 annual fund, with 35 percent of the graduating students participating.





Jennifer Browning '88

**University of North Carolina School of Law,
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"Our law school is really just asking alumni to act in our own self-interest. As the reputation and recognition of the school grow, so does the value of our J.D. I am very fond of this law school and pleased to be able to give back to a school that gave me so much and prepared me for a varied and meaningful career."

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The School of Law gratefully acknowledges the hundreds of volunteers, both alumni and friends, for their time, counsel and participation in activities that support the work and mission of this institution. With their help, we are able to provide mentors, moot court competition coaches and judges, class reunions and a myriad of opportunities that provide students with practical experience.

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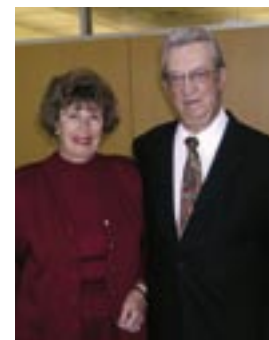
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"The ultimate success of annual fund and development programs is dependent on the support of the alumni. I encourage my classmates and fellow graduates to contribute to the annual fund. Each of our individual efforts, put together, can make a critical difference and help ensure the school's continued success."

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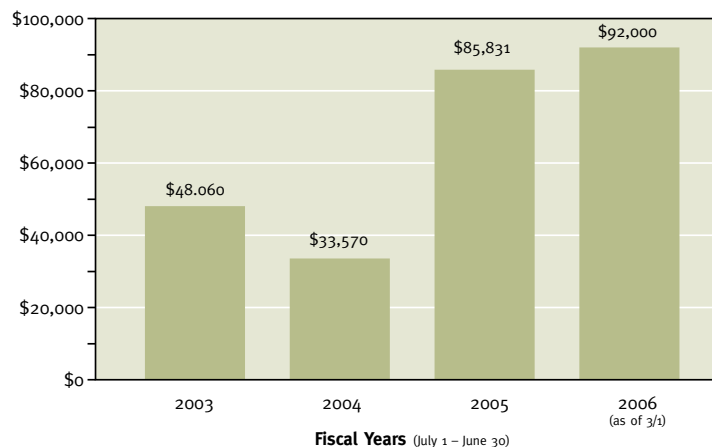
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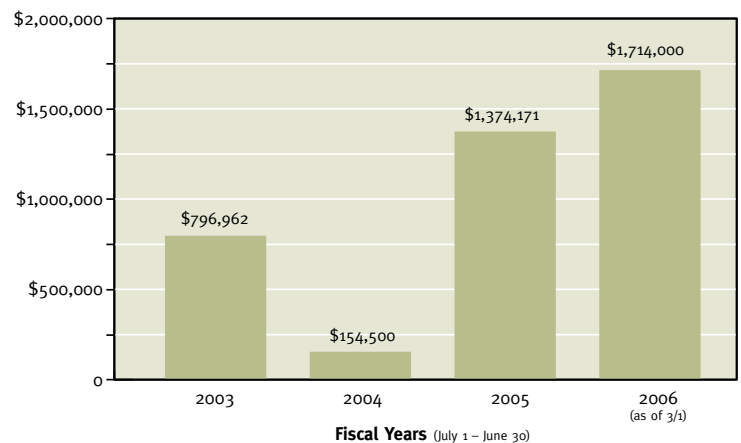
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Endowments

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- Established by Professor David Boerner in support of the Academic Resource Center.

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- Established by an anonymous donor for the purpose of providing scholarship support for students admitted through the Alternative Admission Program.

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- Established by George and Mary Sundborg to provide scholarships for students from Alaska and to ensure that the School of Law continues to serve as an important resource for the State of Alaska.

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- Established by the University of Puget Sound Board of Trustees to honor Judge George Boldt.

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- Established by LeRoy Brettin for the purchase of library materials.

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- Established for the purpose of awarding one legal writing scholarship to the student who writes the best opinion letter in an annual writing competition.

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- Established by Thomas C. Galligan and his son, Thomas C. Galligan, Jr. '81, to enhance the quality of the school's educational program.

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- Established by the faculty in 1976 to provide an award to the student (or students) who "demonstrates that degree of skill, dedication, and scholastic achievement, both inside and outside of the classroom, and that degree of leadership in the affairs and extracurricular

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FREDERIC & CATHERINE METZGER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

- Established for the purpose of recognizing the students who write the second and third-best opinion letters in an annual writing competition.

LOUIS J. MUSCEK SCHOLARSHIP FUND

- Established through a bequest from Tacoma attorney Louis J. Muscek for the "benefit of worthy students in the law school."

SCHOOL OF LAW DISTINGUISHED LECTURE SERIES

- Established by a gift from an anonymous foundation for the purpose of funding an exchange and lecture series between two universities.

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- Established by Mrs. Virginia P. Scott in memory of her husband.

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ACCESS TO JUSTICE INSTITUTE FUND

- Established to provide funding for the Access to Justice Institute and its many initiatives, including the community justice centers, the Hague Convention Project and internships.

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF MATRIMONIAL LAWYERS (WASHINGTON CHAPTER)

- A scholarship for a family law student "who exemplifies good academic skills and a keen interest in family law."

CENTER ON CORPORATIONS, LAW & SOCIETY FUND

- Established to support the work of this center, including its annual Directors Training Academy for corporate directors, officers and legal counsel; speakers series; and other initiatives.

FILMS FOR JUSTICE INSTITUTE

- Established to support the development of films for justice.

THE GROVE FOUNDATION BOOK GRANTS

- Established to provide grants for books to students with demonstrated financial need.

KING COUNTY BAR FOUNDATION MINORITY SCHOLARSHIPS

- Established to provide scholarships for minority law students.

PUBLIC INTEREST LAW FOUNDATION FELLOWSHIPS

- Established to provide summer grants for students to pursue opportunities in public interest law.

SPEAKERS FUND

- Established to provide funds for annual speakers who will address ethics, civility and professionalism in the law.

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- Established in honor of Professor Emeritus Mark Reutlinger in recognition of outstanding writing in upper-division, non-legal writing courses.

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- Established to provide a summer fellowship in environmental law.

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- Awarded annually to a top student with a strong interest in the field of intellectual property law.

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- Established by Professor John Mitchell and Director of Alumni Relations Eva Mitchell to support a student who has persevered despite learning disabilities.

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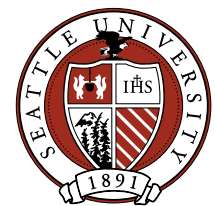
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The docket calendar of events

April 21

SJSJ Alumni Dinner
5–8 p.m.

April 28

CLE: Lawyering and Leadership

May 4

Alumni Event, Olympia
(Watch your mail for details)

May 12

Baccalaureate Mass
4 p.m., Chapel of St. Ignatius

May 12

CLE: Updating Your Skills:
The Process of Researching
Washington Law

May 13

Graduation
10 a.m. Safeco Field

May 15 & 16

CCLS: Exploring the Intersection
of Business and Pensions

May 19

CLE: Green Lights & Red Flags: FTC
Rules of the Road for Advertisers on

May 24

Library Bridge the Gap Conference
8 a.m.–1 p.m.

May 26

Path to Success for
Women Attorneys

June 2

Diversity Conference

June 9

CCLS: Fourth Annual Directors
Training Academy

June 13–16

CLE: Fifth National Academy
for IDEA Administrative Law
Judges and Hearing Officers

June 23

CLE: Patient Choice at
the End of Life

July 6 & 7

CCLS: Business Ethics in the
Corporate Governance Era:
Domestic & International Trends
in Transparency, Regulation
and Corporate Governance

Sept. 28

Allen Page, Justice of the
Minnesota Supreme Court

Sept. 29

CCLS: Law & Economics:
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Oct. 20

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