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The fall semester has been a vibrant and active one in the School of Law. After welcoming the Class of 2009 – an exceptionally talented and diverse class – to Sullivan Hall in August, we enjoyed a fast-paced semester full of academic challenge and co-curricular enrichment. For instance, one day last month in addition to our busy class schedule, we had Lt. Cmdr. Charles Swift '94 talking law and government with a group of students; Starbucks' general counsel, Ms. Paula Boggs, giving career and life advice to another roomful of students, and a debate over the controversial property tax Initiative 933 filling the second floor gallery.

That was just one day in the life of Seattle University School of Law – one that exemplifies our efforts to provide an outstanding legal education that exposes students to powerful ideas both inside and outside the classroom.

It was an honor to welcome Lt. Cmdr. Swift back to the law school. We were inspired to hear the story of how he staunchly defended his client – and the Constitution – and I was privileged to present a rare Distinguished Alumnus Award to him at a gala dinner. He is a fine example of the kind of graduate the School of Law generates: an independent thinker who puts his principles first and who is committed to justice for all.

I also had the opportunity to present Ms. Sharon Sakamoto '84, a Seattle lawyer committed to the highest standards of the legal profession, with the annual Reah Whitehead Public Leadership Award from the School of Law and the Women's Law Caucus in October.

In addition, we hosted a grand reception honoring the 25th anniversary of our law clinic and sponsored several important conferences, including the Forum on Presidential Powers, which featured Swift and other nationally renowned speakers. The Center on Corporations, Law & Society presented two top-notch seminars: *Corporations & the First Amendment: Examining the Health of Democracy* and *Law and Economics: Toward Social Justice*.

We continue to make great strides on the academic front. I'm so pleased to welcome bankruptcy expert Rafael Pardo to the faculty. He joins us after three years at Tulane. Also this year, we welcomed Distinguished Practitioner in Residence Helen Howell, whose extensive public policy and advocacy experience includes work at the Clinton White House. Next spring, we will be fortunate to have Bob Boruchowitz join us as a visitor in our clinic after an extraordinary career of national repute as executive director of The Defender Association. They join Ms. Ada Shen-Jaffe, a recognized leader in the civil equal justice movement.

This fall, I had the opportunity take a special trip to Colombia along with University President Father Stephen V. Sunborg. We visited Javeriana University in Bogota and Cali to establish cooperative agreements between our two Jesuit universities. The future is full of promise for enriching both universities and deepening our mission of educating leaders for a just and humane world.

This issue of the Lawyer is packed with news about your law school and contains the Annual Report of Giving for the 2005-06 fiscal year (July to June). Thank you for all you have done to ensure a bright future for the School of Law.

As always, I hope you will keep in touch with your law school. I am always happy to reconnect with alumni and hear where your careers and lives have taken you.

—Kellye Testy
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On the cover: Lt. Cmdr. Charles Swift speaks at the forum on presidential powers sponsored by the law school. Photo by Steve Shelton.



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Legal Writing Professor Mimi Samuel captured this sunrise on the road to Kibale National Park in the western part of Uganda.



Maya Pirtle **3L**, who is visiting this year from William Mitchell College of Law in St. Paul, Minn., talks with Justice Alan Page.

Minnesota Supreme Court Justice and NFL Hall of Famer Alan Page visits campus

Minnesota Supreme Court Justice and Hall of Fame football player Alan Page spoke at informal sessions with students and faculty this fall.

Page talked to students about his career in law – he attended law school and began practicing part time in the off season while still playing football – and how he made a goal of serving on the Supreme Court. He talked to faculty about the pros and cons of electing and appointing justices and how to ensure fair elections in states where judges are elected.

Page is Minnesota's first African-American Supreme Court Justice and played for the Chicago Bears and the Minnesota Vikings. He is the first defensive player in National Football League history to receive the Most Valuable Player Award and was inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame. A compelling speaker on creating equal education opportunities, he gave the keynote address at the university's seventh annual Costco Scholarship Fund Breakfast.

Law school's Academic Resource Center receives state bar award for diversity

The Washington State Bar Association awarded the 2006 Excellence in Diversity to Seattle University School of Law's programs and professors who work toward creating a more diverse legal community.

The award went to Professors David Boerner, Paula Lustbader and the School of Law's Alternative Admission Program and Academic Resource Center. This award is given to a lawyer, law firm or law-

related group that has made a significant contribution to diversity in the legal profession's employment of ethnic minorities, women and persons with disabilities. It was presented at the WSBA Annual Awards Dinner Sept. 14.

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

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

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

"Professor Boerner and I have always felt privileged to work with our students," Lustbader said. "This award speaks highly of the value and contribution our ARC alums are making in our profession. We just provided them the opportunity; they did the hard work, so we share this honor with them all."

Center for Professional Development has new leader, high aspirations for students



Shawn Lipton

To better prepare students for careers in the legal field and meet the needs of the legal community, Seattle University School of Law has revamped its career services division and named a new director.

Now the Center for Professional Development, the office will provide all students with the tools and coaching they need for success after graduation; increase opportunities for work-related experience



David Boerner



Paula Lustbader

as students; strengthen and expand relationships with alumni to increase networking opportunities; and enhance and create connections with employers in the local area, the state, and major domestic and international cities. Further, the center will feature expanded programming in such areas as leadership and business development to assist students in their growth as ethical leaders devoted to justice and the common good.

Shawn Lipton, who served as interim director, was named director of the center after an extensive national search. He has hired two new associate directors as well: Stacey Lara-Kerr and Amy Light.

Lipton will build on the impressive work he started as interim director as the law school accelerates an ambitious transformation of the department that will broaden the scope of services. He started the Continuing Legal Education program at the law school and was director of the program for four years before starting his own Chinese language, culture and business etiquette education company. He is a graduate of University of Connecticut School of Law.

Distinguished speakers bring range of ideas to faculty and students

From international human rights to sexual harassment, guest speakers have brought a wide range of perspectives on current legal topics and issues of long-term societal importance to the law school this year.

Among the presentations so far this year:

Sergio García Ramírez, president of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, discussed the role of the human rights court, one of only two such courts in the world, and Alejandro Pastori, professor



Sergio García Ramírez, president of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, addresses students and faculty at the law school.

at the University of the Republic School of Law in Montevideo, Uruguay, addressed the conflict between Argentina and Uruguay over the construction of a paper processing plant on the Uruguay River.

Professor Jessica Litman of the University of Michigan Law School talked with faculty about a draft of an article she is writing on copyright interpretation, and Professor Christine Littleton, chair of the Women's Studies Programs at UCLA, presented "Sexual Harassment: Discrimination, Crime or Management Issue?"

Scheduled this winter and spring are several other distinctive presentations, including:

"Covering: The Hidden Assault on Our Civil Rights," by Kenji Yoshino, professor and deputy dean for Intellectual Life at Yale Law School; "Culture Change," by Lan Cao, Boyd Fellow and professor at William & Mary Marshall-Wythe School of Law; and "Bottom Up Transnational Lawmaking," by Janet Koven Levit, associate professor at University of Tulsa College of Law.

Brandt Goldstein, author of "Storming the Court," will discuss his book detailing how law students shut down the first Guantanamo detention camp in his keynote address at the Ninth Annual Trina Grillo Public Interest and Social Justice Law Retreat hosted by the law school, and Devon W. Carbado, associate dean and professor, UCLA School of Law, will speak to faculty about racial naturalization.

"The School of Law is proud to bring such a distinguished slate of speakers from around the country and the world to promote frank dialogue, intellectual discourse and a breadth of powerful ideas," Dean Kellye Testy said. "Encouraging such conversations among faculty and students furthers the law school's mission of academic excellence."

Access to Justice Institute program receives national recognition for community service

The Unemployment Insurance for Battered Women Project of the Access to Justice Institute received the 2006 Frances Perkins Public Service Award from the American Bar Association Section of Labor and Employment Law. The award recognizes "those who have gone above and beyond what could be expected of diligent attorneys in making legal services available to low-income clients."



Carrie Gargas

The program is headed by ATJI staff attorney Carrie Gargas, who received the award at the ABA's national convention in Honolulu in early August and spoke at the ABA pro bono workshop.

"The recognition for this program is well-deserved," School of Law Dean Kellye Testy said. "I congratulate Carrie, the Access to Justice

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The briefcase: law school news

Institute and its community partners for their hard work in helping protect domestic violence victims and improve their lives.”

The Unemployment Insurance for Battered Women Project was operated by ATJI in conjunction with the Unemployment Law Project, a nonprofit legal services organization in downtown Seattle. It was established to help ensure that victims of domestic violence or stalking are able to obtain unemployment insurance benefits in cases where they need to leave their jobs in order to protect themselves or an immediate family member. In these cases, unemployment insurance provides critical financial assistance to help victims escape further abuse.

Newly renovated library, office suite offer enhanced services at the law school

Students and faculty enjoyed a newly renovated and more efficient library this fall, further evidence of the law school’s efforts to stay at the forefront of technology and service.

The second floor of the Law Library was remodeled to expand library services and provide additional office space for the Law School’s Center for Professional Development.

The changes improved library circulation, reference and document delivery services and enhanced access to library staff on the second floor of the library, the core operations area for patrons. The construction also created additional office space the Center for Professional Development, the Access to Justice Institute and the Continuing Legal Education program.

This winter, the former Career Services and nearby cubicles will be remodeled to improve staff office space and enhance student services.

“As part of our ongoing efforts to provide an outstanding educational experience, we are constantly evaluating our building’s space and making improvements to meet the changing needs of our students, staff, faculty and programs,” Dean Kellye Testy said.

Law school welcomes Rafael Pardo to faculty



Rafael Pardo

The law school is pleased to welcome Associate Professor Rafael Pardo. He will teach bankruptcy, contracts and payment law.

He was an associate professor of law at Tulane Law School for three years. Pardo received his J.D. in 2001 from New York University School of Law, where he served as executive editor of the New York University Law Review. While at NYU, he received the Judge John J. Galgay Fellowship in bank-

ruptcy. He clerked for the Honorable Prudence Carter Beatty of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York. After his clerkship, he worked as an associate in the business reorganization and restructuring group at Willkie Farr & Gallagher in New York, New York.

In recognition of his research interests in bankruptcy, Professor Pardo was selected to attend the educational program of the Annual Meeting of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges in 2005 as an American Bankruptcy Law Journal Fellow. He earned his B.A. from Yale University in 1998.

County prosecutor recruits from underrepresented groups at law school

King County Prosecutor Norm Maleng, hoping to build on the diversity he has established among the attorneys in his office, recruited at the law school earlier this year.

Maleng brought a talented panel of deputies, including SU alumni, from underrepresented groups to discuss the many different fulfilling career opportunities at the prosecutor’s office and the importance of diversity on his staff.

“Seattle University is a superb law school” he said. “Many of our finest prosecutors are graduates of Seattle U.”

On the panel were Craig Sims ’97, who prosecutes major criminal cases, and Michael Hogan ’82, who has worked for the prosecutor’s office since 1984 and now handles vehicular homicide and malicious harassment cases.

“We pride ourselves in being the finest trial attorneys,” Sims said, both in the courtroom and in making sure that the right decisions are made to ensure justice is served.

Other panelists Nelson Lee, Sarah Odonkor, Wyman Yip and Marcine Anderson, along with Maleng’s Deputy Chief of Staff Bonnie Glenn, presented overviews of their jobs in the different civil and criminal divisions within the office, from juvenile court to child and family support, to representing the county in civil matters.

Maleng, who has served as prosecutor since 1978, said serving the public is an important part of being a lawyer, and he encouraged students to pursue public service. Dean Kellye Testy called him “one of the finest examples of a public servant.”



King County Prosecutor Norm Maleng

PILF reaches out to alumni, grows as it looks toward 15th anniversary

Now in its 14th year at the law school, the Public Interest Law Foundation funded a record number of summer fellowships and is reaching out to PILF alumni with the desire to move the organization into “a new position of strength and relevance at the law school,” PILF President Sabrina Andrus said.

Since its inception, PILF has been instrumental in establishing Seattle University’s reputation as an institution committed to public interest and social justice. From the school’s administration of the PILF-created Loan Repayment Assistance Program (LRAP) to the Access to Justice Institute (ATJI) to the Seattle Journal for Social Justice (SJSJ) to the CHOICES conference, PILF has directly and indirectly woven its mission into the fabric of the law school.

Over the years, the breadth of PILF’s programming has expanded significantly and now includes panel discussions featuring local attorneys to educate students about the rewards, challenges, opportunities and needs in public interest law; informational sessions highlighting the PILF Summer Grant program and past grant recipients’ experiences; a fall pledge-drive; a job-shadow program; and education about loan repayment assistance for students planning to work in the public interest sector.

The 2007 auction – PILF’s biggest fund-raiser, will be Friday, Feb. 2, at South Lake Union Naval Reserve. Details will be available online and in the mail soon. Last year’s auction funded 25 legal internships for students who choose to work in traditionally not-for-profit, underfunded areas of law. Students worked at various public interest organizations, including Columbia Legal Services, the Unemployment Law Project, and Planned Parenthood of Western Washington. Recipients’ journal entries are also available online at www.law.seattleu.edu/pilf-summer. Read more about PILF summer fellows on page 39.

For more information on PILF, visit the organization’s new website at www.law.seattleu.edu/pilf.

Center on Corporations, Law and Society sponsors major fall symposia

The Center on Corporations, Law & Society brought nationally recognized scholars for three thought-provoking conferences this fall.

Corporations & the First Amendment: Examining the Health of Democracy explored the role corporations play in American democracy. Understanding how corporate law and structure intersects with First Amendment jurisprudence that governs fundamental aspects of democracy – including access to information and a functioning

political process – is critical to assessing the health of our civil society and developing strategies to protect it.

Law and Economics: Toward Social Justice featured nationally recognized scholars who presented papers that examined assumptions of law and economics, the implications of behavioralism, flaws in law and economic-based corporate theory, and gender, class and racial consequences of the dominant economic paradigm.

Who “Owns” Nature? BioProspecting, BioTechnology and Indigenous Peoples’ Rights looked at the impact of biotechnology on the world’s indigenous peoples. This event was a unique opportunity for Seattle’s life sciences leaders and attorneys to engage with indigenous leaders in a constructive dialogue with the goal of truly understanding the perspective of this critical stakeholder group.

Law school prepares to host first annual golf tournament in May

The law school and Phi Alpha Delta will sponsor the first golf tournament benefiting the law school on Friday, May 25, at the Golf Club at Newcastle.

Alumni, friends and members of the legal community are invited to participate by taking part in one of many sponsorship packages or as a player.

The day starts with a continental breakfast and ethics CLE at 8 a.m., and includes an 18-hole scramble, lunch and an awards banquet, along with gifts and prizes.

Register online or get more information at www.golf-events.com/seattleulaw.

Making online donations to the law school now even easier

The School of Law has upgraded its online giving process, making it even easier to make a gift. Donors may now elect to have contributions automatically deducted on a regular basis – whether weekly or annually and can schedule recurring gifts as they choose.

“We genuinely thank each and every donor who has contributed to our ongoing advancement efforts on behalf of the law school,” said Susan Ahearn, assistant dean for development. “We want to make it as convenient as possible for our many alumni and friends to support the important mission of the law school.”

The new online giving form can be accessed from the “Giving” box on the law school website at www.law.seattleu.edu.

Find out more about the law school’s development efforts in the 2005-06 annual report, starting on page 33.

A proper salute

Law school honors Lt. Cmdr. Charles Swift '94 for standing up for his principles and the Constitution

He loves to tell the story, and no matter how many times he does, it still brings tears to his eyes.

Lt. Cmdr. Charles Swift '94 was in Yemin, wrapping up a trip in which he had been investigating and taking depositions on behalf of his client, Salim Hamdan, one of Osama bin Laden's drivers. The United States government accused Hamdan of being a terrorist because of his job.

The last night Swift was in Yemin, the grandmother of the house called all the girls together. Clad in jeans and T-shirts, about a dozen of them gathered around the elderly woman, who was illiterate.

She looked the girls in the eyes and pointed at a woman attorney who was working with Swift.

"She went to school, and she studied very hard," Swift recalls her telling the girls. "She got very good grades, and now she's an attorney. And if you study very hard and you get good grades, you can be anything."

That moment clarified for him the importance of the work he was doing to ensure fair trials for accused enemy combatants – and the fundamental idea that all people should be treated equally under the law.

"That woman will defeat Osama bin Laden," Swift said. "Osama bin Laden is far more terrified of that grandmother than of any bomb we have. We want 10,000 of her. She will change the world."

Swift returned to the School of Law in November to accept a Distinguished Alumnus Award for his fearless defense of his client, which resulted in what may be one of the most important U.S. Supreme Court decisions in history: *Hamdan vs. Rumsfeld*, in which the court struck down the military commissions the president wanted to use to try alleged enemy combatants held at Guantanamo Bay.

He also was the keynote speaker at a forum on presidential powers that drew renowned scholars and attorneys as panelists.

Faculty and students at the law school were thrilled to have him visit and to have the opportunity to recognize him.

"He has earned immense respect," Dean Kellye Testy said.

The bitter irony is that despite his success, Swift still doesn't know if Hamdan will ever have a trial – or if Swift will be able to represent him if he does.

"I think the tragedy is we still don't know the answer to that question," Swift said. "It's disappointing that it's going to be longer. We deserve closure. But all great civil rights cases have a part 2. There is still work to do."

The Bush administration continues to push through other rules regarding commissions – legislation began within hours of the decision calling the administration's proposed tribunals unconstitutional – and Swift has received word he won't be promoted. Under

the Navy's "up or out" system, he will leave the military in the spring. He hopes to continue to represent Hamdan privately.

Still, Swift says the moment he heard the ruling in the Supreme Court was unforgettable and indescribable.

While the courtroom is generally packed for arguments, it was virtually empty when the decision was announced. Swift sat with co-counsel Neal Katyal, along with Solicitor General Paul Clement, as Justice John Paul Stevens spoke to them.

"That moment in the court was the most powerful in my life," he said.

Swift said he has been overwhelmed by the attention the case has received – from high school students waiting in line all night to get

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—Lt. Cmdr. Charles Swift



Deborah Pearlstein



U.S. District Court Judge Robert Lasnik

Is the president always right? An examination of presidential authority

Lt. Cmdr. Swift joined a distinguished panel in discussing the administration’s assertion of presidential authority in the “war on terror,” including the NSA domestic surveillance program and the holding of detainees at Guantánamo Bay, as well as President Bush’s controversial use of signing statements, a forum sponsored by the law school.

Organized by Distinguished Practitioner in Residence Helen Howell and Director of Continuing Legal Education Jim Rosenfeld, the forum drew more than 200 people.

PANELISTS INCLUDED:

- **BRUCE FEIN**, Bruce Fein & Associates, former associate deputy attorney general in the Department of Justice under President Reagan and member of the ABA Task Force on Domestic Surveillance in the Fight Against Terrorism and the ABA Task Force on Presidential Signing Statements and the Separation of Powers Doctrine.
- **JUDGE ROBERT LASNIK**, U.S. District Court for Western Washington, in whose courtroom *Hamdan v. Rumsfeld* originated.
- **JULES LOBEL**, Professor of Law, University of Pittsburgh School of Law, Vice President, U.S. Center for Constitutional Rights.
- **DEBORAH N. PEARLSTEIN**, Director, U.S. Law and Security Program, Human Rights, and one of the first defense lawyers allowed at Guantanamo Bay.
- **ROBERT F. TURNER**, associate director of the Center for National Security at the University of Virginia School of Law.

in to hear the arguments to organizations that have asked him to speak to them. He is especially moved by the support from other members of the military who might have objected to his argument but stood behind his right to make it.

“I’ve never had another person in the military say, ‘You’re not supposed to do this.’ “Ours is a profession of honor. I did not see the commissions as honorable.”

Herecalls a conversation with a classmate from the Naval Academy who is now a colonel. “The rule of law is what I fought for,” that colonel told him. “Men die for this. Don’t forget that.”

Swift is not sure where his future will take him – perhaps to a private firm to do pro bono work, perhaps teaching or working with a nongovernmental organization. Being a defense lawyer is in his blood, and litigation is what keeps him going.

“I don’t judge the guilt or innocence of my client,” he said. “If I do that, I become what I oppose – a one-man court.”

He’s always ready for the next case, and doesn’t generally spend long pondering the one that just ended, but he allows himself some occasional reflection over a fine cigar.

“If I’ve won, I sit there and think about what a brilliant guy I am,” he said with a smile. “If I lost I sit there and think about what an idiot I am. It takes about 45 minutes to smoke a cigar, then I go to bed, and I get up and the next day and there is another hearing or another case. That’s what a lawyer does.”

He doesn’t ever want people to see his leaving the Navy – whatever the reason for his superiors’ decisions – as a shame.

“I have had a great job, and I got to be part of something like this,” he said. “What we should be about is service. I hope this case stands as evidence of that.”

He said he was honored to receive the award and was excited to see Sullivan Hall for the



Swift talks with King County Municipal Court Judge Judith Hightower '83, right, and others at the reception in his honor.

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first time. He met with students, and at the reception and dinner in his honor, he had the chance to reacquaint with classmates and professors, and to say thanks.

“There was not a class in my legal education that did not prepare me for this case,” he said.

Swift is always quick to credit those who helped with the case, especially Georgetown Professor Neal Katyal and the firm of Perkins Coie, which had several representatives in the audience when he received his award.

More than 240 people turned out to watch him accept his honor.

Robert Richardson '95 attended both the Naval Academy and law school with Swift. Richardson didn't know Swift well, but he followed the case closely and recognized Swift's photo in the news. When he got a message

from Dean Kellye Testy recognizing Swift earlier this summer, he wrote back saying Swift deserved an award for his work.

“I figured he's probably not going to be given an award from the Naval Academy Alumni Association,” said Richardson, who runs his own patent firm in Silverdale, Wash.

As a fellow Navy man, he appreciates the sacrifices Swift made to uphold the Constitution and defend the rights of the detainees.

“That's why I joined the Navy,” Richardson said. “If we think like them, we've lost. We must always lead by example. This is why we serve.”

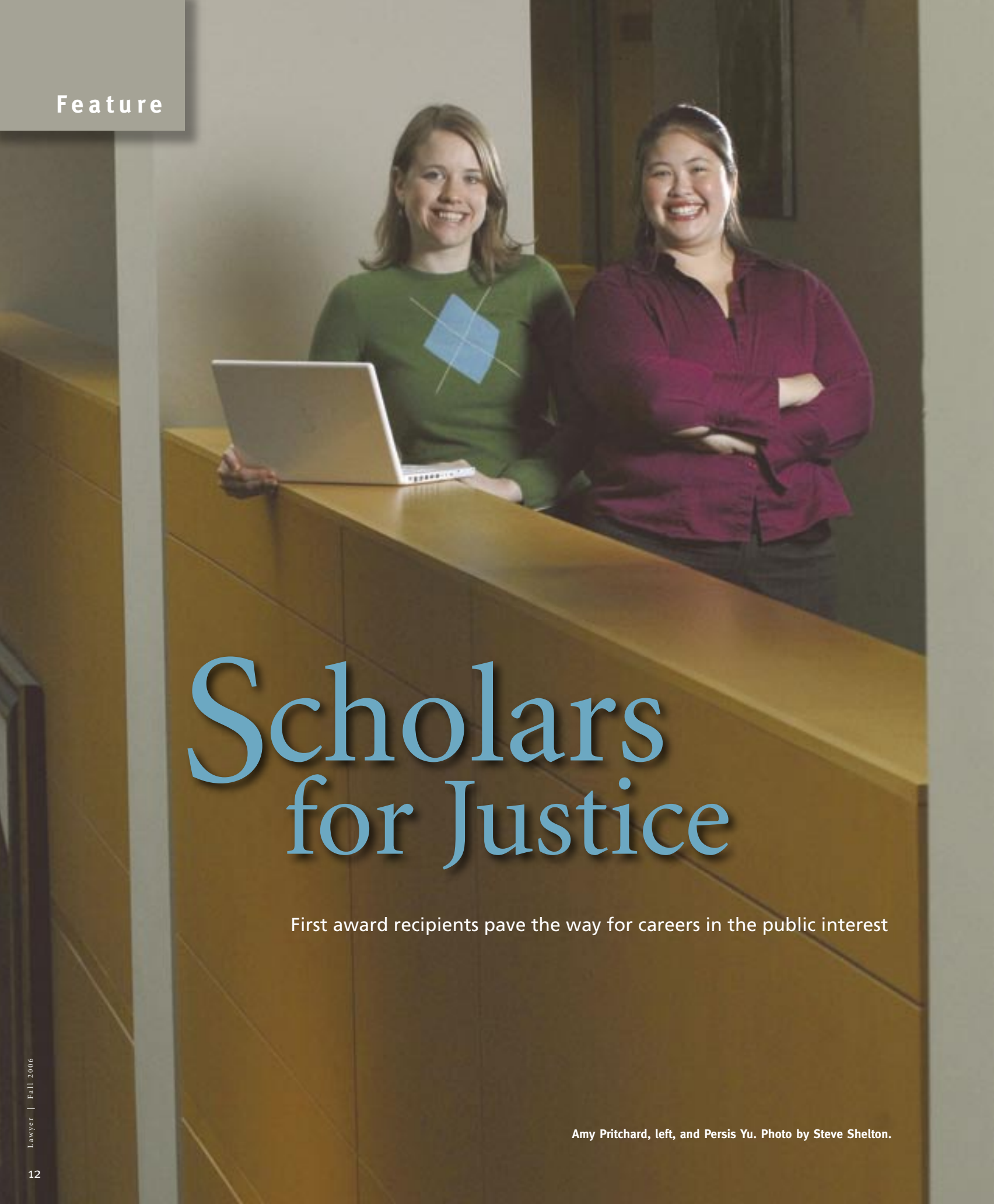
Law school classmate Larry Glosser '95 enjoyed breaks with and got study tips from Swift during law school. Glosser doesn't have

time to attend a lot of law school events but said he made a point to get to the dinner honoring Swift.

“That one I thought was important, and if anyone was deserving of an alumni award it was certainly Charlie,” said Glosser, who has his own firm, Glosser and Kim, in Seattle, specializing in real estate transaction litigation.

“It was an amazing piece of legal work, and the tenacity he pursued it with was admirable,” he said. “I'm proud of the law school for turning out graduates of his caliber and for recognizing him.”

Readers can see a video of Swift's remarks from the Distinguished Alumnus Dinner at <http://media.law.seattleu.edu/public/events/events.htm>.



Scholars for Justice

First award recipients pave the way for careers in the public interest

Amy Pritchard, left, and Persis Yu. Photo by Steve Shelton.

The first ever Scholars for Justice at Seattle University School of Law are committed to working for the good of the community, especially helping women, children and families.

Amy Pritchard and Persis Yu were selected from an outstanding crop of applicants as the first law students to receive the prestigious, full-tuition Scholars for Justice Awards.

“Amy and Persis represent the future of social justice in the legal profession,” said Carol Cochran, assistant dean for admission. “Both have the integrity, compassion and commitment to bettering the community that make them well worthy of this distinction.”

The Scholars for Justice Award is a three-year scholarship supporting students committed to public interest law, service and leadership, academic excellence, community and global awareness. It allows 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 when choosing such a career.

Pritchard moved from Vermont and graduated from the University of Washington with a degree in comparative history of ideas. She has worked full-time in community health, doing outreach to and developing population-based programs for underserved communities. She achieved Spanish fluency on the job, enabling her to reach out to those she served in the Latino community.

She also volunteers as a Court Appointed Special Advocate, representing children in child dependency cases and making recommendations about their best interest. Because of personal experiences, she always wanted to help children and to go to law school.

“I was always interested in the law and how it could intervene to help people’s lives,” she said.

Pritchard served with Americorps for a year, working on policy initiatives for the City of Seattle’s Domestic and Sexual Violence Prevention Office.

A graduate of Mount Holyoke College, Yu applied to law school a few years ago but postponed enrolling. Receiving the first Scholars for Justice Award was a sign to her that now was her time.

“SU was recommended to me for their social justice programs,” Yu said. “There are so many different avenues for social change.”

Yu recently graduated from the University of Washington with her master’s of social work. While in graduate school, she had the opportunity to work with State Rep. Eric Pettigrew, helping to create legislation on issues around children’s and family services, including child care and kinship foster care. She has done direct service work at Child Care Resources, working with families to find child care, specifically homeless families and those who were trying to get off public assistance.

She is active in the Asian Pacific Islander and the LGBT communities, including helping to write a “brown paper” on the

racial disparities in education for the Minority Executive Directors Coalition.

After taking the summer criminal law course, the two have become good friends and are sharing the stress of the first year of law school. Both say they look forward to next year, when they can tailor their classes and take advantage of more opportunities, such as the Seattle Journal for Social Justice, the Access to Justice Institute, the Ronald Peterson Law Clinic, the Public Interest Law Foundation and other programs devoted to social justice.

While they have been immersing themselves in the rigors of first-year courses and adjusting to law school, they have become involved in some student organizations. Pritchard has joined the board of the Public Interest Law Foundation (PILF), and Yu is a section representative for APILSA, the Asian Pacific Islander Law Student Association.

While they have met students who share their passion for social justice, they have also met people with a variety of perspectives and aspirations.

“I’m not surrounded by social workers,” Yu said.

Both have been impressed with the faculty and the diversity they have found at the law school. All those teaching courses for their section are people of color or women.

“Our professors work on really diverse projects,” Pritchard said. “Each of them has a distinct teaching style and introduces us to different ways of thinking about the law.”

Neither is certain where their law careers will go, but they are grateful for the opportunity to pursue their passion for social justice.

“It will give us the opportunity to commit to public service after graduation, rather than worrying about paying for school,” Pritchard said.

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.

Dean Kellye Testy said the Scholars for Justice Award is further evidence 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.

“This award will help the School of Law address the need to have well-trained, ethical lawyers working for the less fortunate and on behalf of the community,” Testy said. “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.”



Legal education

Tracy Wood has always had an interest in international issues and has traveled to numerous developing countries. But the second year law student was unprepared for how spending three months completing a legal internship with the Documentation Center of Cambodia last summer would change her life.

“It was the best thing I ever did,” Wood said. “Once you live in a country that has been so devastated that it’s unbelievable how far reaching the effects are, it really changes your perspective. After living there, I can never, ever complain about anything in my life. It really changed me. It’s made me a much better person.”

Wood hopes to return to Cambodia next summer and is more committed than ever to working in international law. She encourages other law students to take advantage of opportunities to work overseas.

“It will make them better lawyers. When you work in a legal system like Cambodia’s, not only will it have an impact on you, it will have an impact on your practice,” Wood said. “When you see a broken system, you know we don’t want to be like that.”

Professor Ron Slye, director of International and Comparative Law Programs and the director of the law school’s new Center for Global Justice, said Wood’s reaction is powerful, but not uncommon.

“One of the most valuable educational experiences a student can have is to work overseas in a completely different legal culture,” he said. “It exposes them to something new, and I hope it leads them to see their own life and their own country in a new light.”

And from a professor’s point of view, it benefits law students in practical ways.

“The world is getting smaller and smaller,” Slye said. “Good lawyers need to be educated about the world and to be familiar with foreign and international law.”

Wood is just one of the students who has grown from Seattle University School of Law’s expanding international programs. The School of Law is fast becoming a leader in global legal education by expanding its international reach to offer students and faculty a greater world view. The law school is creating new partnerships with outside faculty and institutions, both in the United States and abroad. It aims to promote the understanding



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that in order to be a competent professional in today's legal world, lawyers must be conversant in both global and national legal developments.

“The law school's commitment to social justice has no borders,” Dean Kellye Testy said. “We want to create a rich learning environment for our students, which encourages them to see beyond the walls of Sullivan Hall to their communities, and indeed, to other parts of the world. This only enriches and enhances the legal education they receive.”

Law school expands international programs

As part of the growing emphasis on international programs, professors are conducting research abroad, students are securing internships in remote countries, the law school is sponsoring study abroad and exchange programs, and it is developing a comprehensive curriculum in international and comparative matters.

Courses recently offered include International Environmental Law, International Tax, International Intellectual Property, International Criminal Law, International Human Rights Law, Law and Development, and Comparative Law of the Middle East.

Seattle University School of Law established the first international human rights clinic in the Pacific Northwest and one of the few such programs on the West Coast. Students work with experienced human rights attorneys to represent individuals and organizations claiming violations of international human rights law. The clinic has worked with some of the premier international human rights law firms in the United States, including the Center for Justice and Accountability in San Francisco and the Center for Constitutional Rights in New York, on cases and projects involving human rights violations in South America, the Middle East, Africa and Asia.

This year, the law school is launching a new summer abroad program focusing on global social justice and advocacy in Johannesburg, South Africa, with the University of the Witwatersrand. It will combine courses on substantive areas of the law with a course on legal writing and oral advocacy before international tribunals.

Professor Slye has been at the forefront of many of these efforts. He teaches, writes and consults in the areas of public international law and international human rights law. Slye spent the spring and summer in South Africa, as the Bram Fischer Visiting Professor in Human Rights, which is part of The Mandela Institute at the law school of the University of the Witwatersrand in Johannesburg. He has authored and co-authored books and articles on international law, human rights, environmental law, housing law and poverty law and is writing a casebook on international criminal law and a book on the South African Truth and Reconciliation Commission and its amnesty process.

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Professor Ron Slye views the descriptions of some of the people incarcerated in Section Four, the notorious jail at The Fort in Johannesburg, where both Mahatma Gandhi and Nelson Mandela were jailed.

Legal education

His roots in international law are deep. He studied international law in college and was always interested in global justice and human rights issues. He became involved with issues related to homelessness and low-income housing, which grew into interest in global issues such as Apartheid.

He has been an assistant professor and Robert Cover Fellow in the clinical program at Yale Law School and associate director of the Orville H. Schell Jr. Center for International Human Rights at Yale. He co-taught Yale's international human rights law clinic. He was a visiting professor at the Community Law Centre at the University of the Western Cape in South Africa from 1996-97 and, while there, served as legal consultant to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. He also was a lecturer at the Legal Training Project in Cambodia.

"I went to law school thinking the last thing I wanted to do was teach," he said.

But after his experiences teaching at Yale, he knew he wanted to continue. He joined Seattle University School of Law as a visiting professor in 1997 and joined the faculty in 1999. He is pleased the law school has put such commitment into international issues.

"It's very gratifying to see it institutionalized," he said. "This law school is a very intellectually engaging place for me to be."

Faculty members' work takes them around the world

Slye is not the only professor with a passion for international issues. Many have researched and published in the area.

Professor Carmen Gonzalez spent the summer teaching in Brazil, where nearly 30 students from SU School of Law studied international and comparative environmental law, international trade, and cross-cultural dispute resolution and environmental law in Rio de Janeiro. She is in the UK this semester and will teach in China in the spring on a Fulbright Award. She also was

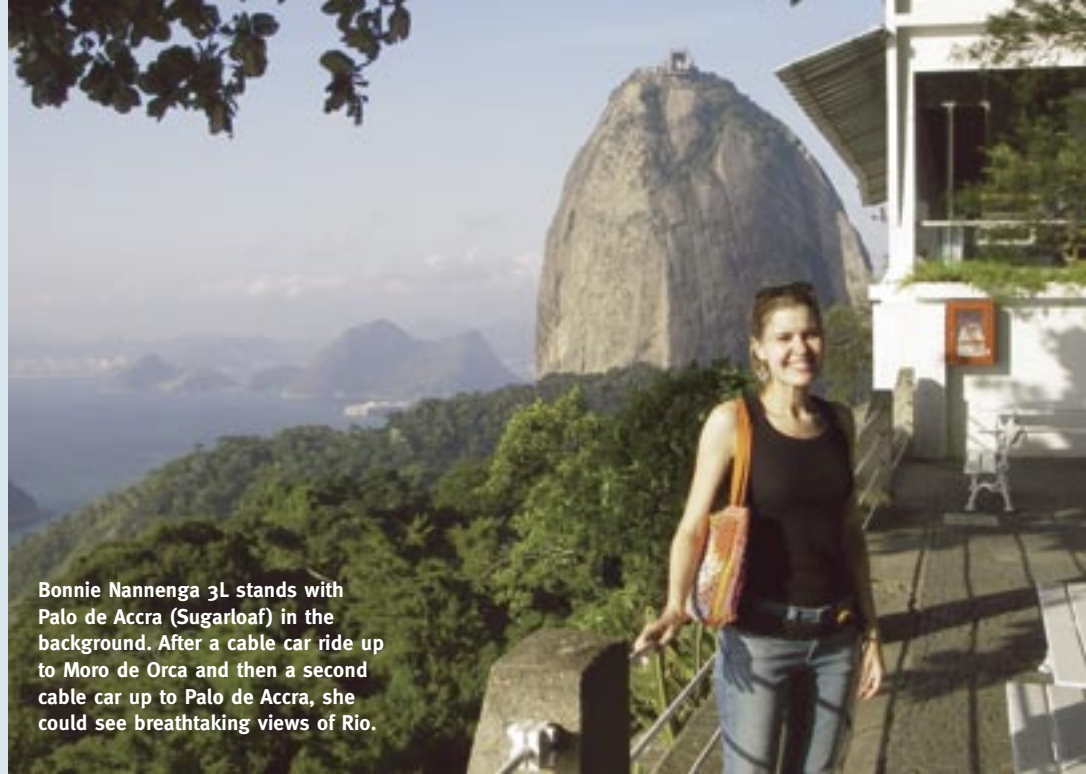
one of the organizers of the LatCrit South-North Exchange, an international scholarly conference that took place in Bogotá, Colombia, in May.

Professor Henry McGee has given talks in Mexico and brought speakers from Uruguay and Mexico as part of the growing Latin America-U.S. Program for Academic and Judicial Exchanges he leads. The program brings academics and judicial officers from Latin America to the United States and sends U.S. academics and judicial officers to Latin America to teach and learn about each other's legal systems. The program exposes students



Professor Carmen Gonzalez, who specializes in environmental law, visited the world renowned Kirstenbosch Botanical Garden in Cape Town, South Africa, when she spoke at the University of Western Cape this fall.

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Bonnie Nannenga 3L stands with Palo de Accra (Sugarloaf) in the background. After a cable car ride up to Moro de Orca and then a second cable car up to Palo de Accra, she could see breathtaking views of Rio.

to some of the most important scholars from Latin America, emphasizing the importance of transnational relationships in legal education and providing essential tools for the solution of bi-national challenges such as immigration, terrorism, environmental protection, and resource conservation.

Professor Russ Powell will teach in Turkey, Clinic Professor Raven Lidman works in Nicaragua, and Professor Margaret Chon attended a workshop in Geneva.

Legal Writing Professors Laurel Oates and Mimi Samuel have traveled to Uganda on two occasions to work with attorneys, judges

and law students. They will teach in Uganda and South Africa in Spring 2007. They will train magistrates in Uganda, host a conference for law school professors in Kenya, train judges in South Africa, and join Slye in teaching in SU's new summer program in Johannesburg.

Samuel has taught the foundations of the American legal system to Russian law students at Far Eastern National University in Vladivostok and effective writing to lawyers in the Ugandan Inspector General of Government's office. She says their work in Africa has been rewarding beyond words.

"It's a place where we can make a difference," Samuel said. "We have skills they need."

Echoed Oates: "It has been life-changing for me."

Law school creates more opportunities for students

Every year, the law school is offering more opportunities for students to go abroad to study and work.

Wood was one of 10 legal interns from around the country who worked with the Documentation Center of Cambodia. Since its inception, DC-Cam has been at the forefront of documenting the myriad crimes and atrocities of the Khmer Rouge era (1975–79).

DC-Cam has two main objectives: to record and preserve the history of the Khmer Rouge regime for future generations and to compile and organize information that can serve as potential evidence in a legal accounting for the crimes of the Khmer Rouge.

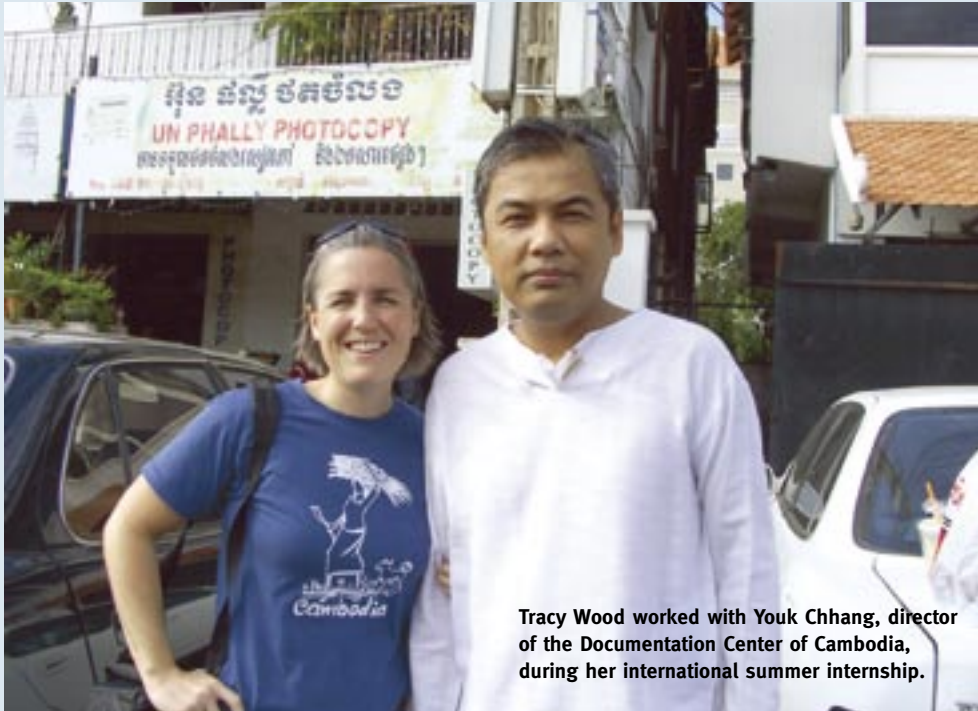
A former Seattle police officer, Wood created international law training manuals and held sessions for police officers in the corrupt Cambodian force, teaching them interviewing and investigative techniques, and incorporating ethics throughout.

She volunteered at an orphanage, which is

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Tracy Wood 2L poses with Tuy Kin, a woman she interviewed, who confessed to committing 300 murders at the orders of the Khmer Rouge.



Tracy Wood worked with Youk Chhang, director of the Documentation Center of Cambodia, during her international summer internship.

home to children of all ages who previously lived in a garbage dump; went to outlying villages, many still littered with bones and skulls of those killed during the massacre, to hear residents' stories; and visited women in prison.

While Wood was the only SU law student in Cambodia, other SU law students got a taste of international law in the school's first-ever study abroad program in Rio de Janeiro last summer.

Bonnie Nannenga-Combs, who has a Ph.D. in molecular and cellular biology, entered law school immediately after completing her graduate work in breast cancer research. Her primary interest is intellectual property law, especially biotechnology and pharmaceuticals, and she took the opportunity to study international trade law as part of the Brazil program.

"I learned a lot about Brazil and its legal structure," she said. "I gained a better understanding of the challenges facing Brazil as a country and also how those challenges influence how Brazil forms its policies nationally,

regionally and globally. The experience in Brazil gave me a much better appreciation for some of the issues that are of major importance outside the U.S."

The summer abroad program in Brazil is the product of a consortium of Seattle University School of Law, Georgia State Uni-

versity College of Law and the University of Tennessee College of Law.

"In an increasingly globalized society, it is extremely important for law students to be exposed to international and comparative law," Gonzalez said. "The summer abroad program in Rio de Janeiro introduces students to these areas of law and provides them with both a U.S. and a Brazilian perspective on some of the major challenges confronting the international community."

Nannenga-Combs said she's grateful for the broader understanding she gained there.

"It is easy to limit the scope of your understanding of the law and how the law should work based on the U.S. legal system," Nannenga-Combs said. "My experience in Brazil allowed me to think more about the differences between our legal system and other countries' legal systems."

"That experience is invaluable in terms of gaining a broader perspective on the very diverse culture and value systems that exist in the world and the need to realize how these play into the policies and politics of countries as we interact as a global society."



Legal Writing Professors Laurel Oates and Mimi Samuel, outside of their Kampala, Uganda hotel.

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.

Associate Professor **Bryan Adamson** had two articles accepted for publication. "Rule 52(a) As an Ideological Weapon?" will be published in Volume 34, Issue 4 of the Florida State University Law Review. "A Thousand Humiliations: What *Brown* Could Not Do" will be published in the Spring Issue of The Scholar: St. Mary's Law Review on Minority Issues. In addition, he was appointed by Dean Kellye Testy to sit on the Washington State Minority and Justice Commission, and was appointed to serve on the Committee on Clinical Legal Education of the Association of American Law Schools.



Professor **Janet Ainsworth** gave a presentation at the International Association for Forensic Linguistics Language and the Law conference

in Barcelona, Spain. Her paper was titled "Curses, Swearing, and Obscene Language in Police-Citizen Interactions: Why Lawyers and Judges Should Care." She also gave a presentation on gender, language use and power in criminal law at the West Coast Roundtable on Language and the Law in Los Angeles and presented at the 2006 Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association in Baltimore.

Professor **Marilyn Berger** presented "The Power of Stories" and showed a preview of her documentary, "Out of the Ashes: 9-11," at a panel called "Law Professors Making Movies" at the Impact of Film on Law, Lawyers, and the Legal System symposium, hosted by the University of Maryland School of Law.



Associate Professor **David Boerner** was invited to participate in the Stanford Executive Sessions on Sentencing and Corrections, a policy roundtable hosted by the Stanford Criminal Justice Center. The goal is to bridge the gap between academic researchers and policymakers with the hope of reforming California's sentencing and prison systems.

Clinical Professor **Lisa Brodoff** spoke at the ninth annual Northwest Clinical Conference "Clinics and Technology: Back to Basics." She was appointed to serve on the Washington State Bar Association's Legislative Committee, where she will review legislative proposals that particularly impact the elderly. She also spoke twice at the National Administrative Law Judge Conference in Seattle.



Distinguished Scholar in Residence **Pat Brown** presented a paper titled "Method and the Challenge of History" at a conference on History and Human Consciousness at Loyola Marymount University, the Jesuit university in Los Angeles.

Professor **Margaret Chon** presented "Development Rhetoric and Development Potential of Free Trade Agreements" at a workshop on Sustainable Development co-sponsored by the American University Washington College of Law and the Center for International Environmental Law in Washington, D.C. She also

spoke on "Theorizing Reparations" at a conference on Taking Reparations Seriously at Thomas Jefferson School of Law. She presented a paper, "Intellectual Property and the Development Divide," at a conference on the International Intellectual Property Regime Complex at Michigan State University College of Law.



Associate Dean for Academic Affairs **Annette Clark's** article "The Right to Die: The Broken Road from *Quinlan* to *Schiavo*" was published in the

Winter 2006 issue of the Loyola University Chicago Law Journal. She gave a presentation, "Overview of the Constitutional and Legal Issues Surrounding Physician Assistance in Dying," at the Washington State Bar Association Elder Law Section Annual Fall Conference.

Legal Writing Professor **Janet Chung** has been appointed to serve on the Washington State Bar Association's Legislative Committee.

Professor **David Engdahl** presented a CLE on federal preemption at an in-service training event for the administrative and policy staffs of the Washington State Senate.

Associate Director of Legal Writing **Anne Enquist** was selected to receive the Service Award from the Association of American

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Above the bar: faculty achievements

Law Schools Section on Legal Writing, Reasoning and Research. She will be honored at a lunch during the annual AALS meeting in Washington, D.C., in January. Her article “Fixing the Awk” appeared in the Winter 2006 issue of *Perspectives: Teaching Legal Research and Writing*. She was re-elected to the national Board of Directors of the Legal Writing Institute.



Associate Professor **Carmen Gonzalez’s** review of “*Global Agricultural Trade and Developing Countries*” was selected for inclusion in the July edition of *World Trade Review*, a publication of Cambridge University Press. The book review was selected for publication from among hundreds of book reviews previously published online through New York University School of Law’s European and Global Law Book Review project.

Associate Professor **Christian Halliburton** was a speaker at the Association for the Study of Law, Culture and Humanities in Syracuse, N.Y. He presented a paper titled “Claiming Interracial Credit and its Compromise: Tapping the Power of Ambiguous Race Mixing.”



Law Clinic Director **Paul Holland** appeared on a panel at the Tacoma Public Library called “Out of the Mouths of Babies: Truth and Consequences in the American Justice System,” which addressed the role of children as witnesses. His article, “Schooling Miranda: Policing Interrogation

in the Twenty-First Century Schoolhouse,” published in the most recent edition of the *Loyola Law Review*, was included in the National Juvenile Defender Center’s 2006 Juvenile Defender Resource Guide.

Distinguished Practitioner in Residence **Helen Howell** was asked by U.S. Sen. Patty Murray to serve on the judicial selection committee. She also co-chaired the day-long legislative process session of the Washington State Bar Association’s Leadership Institute and gave a presentation on predatory mortgage lending against people of color at the Association of American Trial Lawyers meeting.

Associate Professor **Lily Kahng** has been named to the Board of Directors of the Washington State Budget and Policy Center.

Associate Professor **John B. Kirkwood** was among a distinguished panel to speak at hearings before the Department of Justice’s Antitrust Division and the Federal Trade Commission. The agency held a series of joint public hearings designed to examine the antitrust implications of single-firm conduct under the antitrust laws. He also spoke at the spring meeting of the Antitrust Section of the ABA in Washington, D.C., on *Volvo v. Reeder-Simco*, the Supreme Court’s first Robinson-Patman Act decision in 14 years.

Clinical Professor **Raven Lidman** was a panelist at the University of Pennsylvania’s 23rd Annual Edward V. Sparer Symposium on Civil Gideon: Making the Case. Her presentation was “Civil Gideon, It’s a Human Right: International and Comparative Law Perspectives.” She was also on a panel at the ABA/NLADA Equal Justice Conference in Philadelphia, where she focused on the pro-bono assistance law students and private attorneys have provided on international and comparative law issues.



Associate Professor **Natasha Martin** was appointed to the Washington State Gender and Justice Commission. She also was part of the Seattle University delegation for the 2006 Western Conversations in Jesuit Higher Education held at Loyola Marymount University in California. Western Conversations is designed to probe aspects of the Jesuit educational mission with colleagues of other Jesuit schools.

Professor **Henry McGee** published “*Litigating Global Warming*” in *Fordham Environmental Law Review*. He authored a chapter on civil liability for environmental impacts, which appeared in a book published in Spain, and his article “*Desafios Legales en la Política Estadounidense del Cambio Climático en las Cortes y en la teoría*” (“Legal Challenges to U.S. Climate Change Policy in Courts and in Theory”) was published by the *Mexican Review of Environmental Law*. He lectured twice at La Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana in Mexico City in September.



Distinguished Jurist in Residence **Dean Morgan** presented programs to Washington state judges at the fall Judicial Conference.



Director of Legal Writing **Laurel Currie Oates** made a presentation “Leveling the Classroom Floor: Teaching Students to Read, Analyze and Synthesize Statutes and Cases” to the Marquette Law faculty.

Associate Professor **Catherine O’Neill** co-chaired a panel on *Contamination and Native Peoples – Cultural, Social, Ecological and Human Health* at the International Conference on Mercury as a Global Pollutant in Madison, Wis. She spoke on the panel and gave a presentation on “Mercury Contamination and Native Peoples: Law and Policy Issues.” She also co-authored a monograph titled “Mercury” on the environmental law and policy issues raised by mercury contamination, which was published by the Center for Progressive Reform. She was one of three expert panelists invited by the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation to speak at the EPA Tribal Leaders’ Summit.



Associate Professor **Rafael Pardo** was a guest blogger on bankruptcy at www.concurringopinions.com. Also, he and co-author Jonathan Nash of Tulane Law School presented their paper “An Empirical Investigation into Appellate Structure and the Perceived Quality of Appellate Review” at the Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Law & Economics Association at the University of Kansas School of Law.

He also was appointed to the Board of Trustees of the Consumer Education and Training Services (CENTS), a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing a variety of resources to the Seattle community on matters of money management, consumer credit personal finances, and financial literacy.

Assistant Professor **Russell Powell’s** article, “Catharine MacKinnon May Not Be Enough: Legal Change and Religion,” has been accepted for publication by the Georgetown Journal of Gender and the Law. An earlier version of this article was presented and critiqued at a workshop on Islam, Women and Human

Rights at Emory University School of Law in March.



Professor Emeritus **Mark Reutlinger’s** book, “Washington Law of Wills and Intestate Succession,” was published by the Washington State Bar Association. This is the second edition of a book that Reutlinger and Professor **Bill Oltman** originally wrote in 1985.

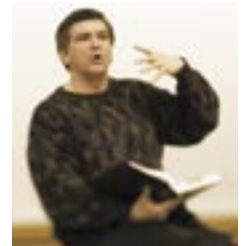
Associate Professor **Julie Shapiro** was invited to address the New England Fertility Society at its quarterly meeting in Waltham, Mass. in December. She will speak about legal issues confronting lesbians and gays in using assisted reproductive technology. She presented at the plenary panel “Marriage and Other Family Structures: How Did We Get Here, and by the Way, Where Are We?” at the Lavender Law conference, the national annual conference of lesbian and gay lawyers, academics and law students. She was also co-presenter at a panel session “Beyond Marriage.”



Distinguished Practitioner in Residence **Ada Shen-Jaffe** received the President’s Award from Washington Women Lawyers at their annual conference. She also was a presenter at the

ABA/NLADA Equal Justice Conference in Philadelphia at a session titled “Strategies for Addressing the Equal Justice Needs of Marginalized Client Communities through Leadership, Inclusion, and Diversity & Cross-Cultural Competence.”

Dean’s Distinguished Scholar **David Skover** and his co-author Ronald Collins completed a book review essay for Legal Times, a



national journal for law-related issues published in Washington, D.C. Entitled “Howl Against Censorship,” the essay reviews “Howl on Trial,” edited by Bill Morgan, the archivist and biographer for Allen Ginsberg, which celebrates the 50th anniversary of the publication of Ginsberg’s landmark poem “Howl.” The book documents the story of the editing, publishing by Lawrence Ferlinghetti of City Lights Books, and defending of the poem against prosecution for obscenity - all in the battle for free speech represented by *People v. Ferlinghetti*.

Professor **John A. Strait** gave ethics presentations at CLEs of the Washington State Bar Association. He presented “Ethical Dilemmas in Handling Civil Settlements on Essentials of Civil Settlement Strategies” and “Essentials of Drafting and Using Trusts.”



Dean **Kellye Testy** was named to the advisory board of a new publication called “Dean & Provost,” which contains educational materials for people in those roles. She was appointed to the Curriculum Committee for the ABA Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar for 2006-2007 and also serves on the Facilities Committee.

Law school service: 25 years: David Boerner, David Engdahl, Chris Rideout; 20 years: Betsy Hollingsworth and John Mitchell; 15 years: Donna Claxton Deming and Julie Shapiro.



Members of the Women's Law Caucus Board pose with Dean Kellye Testy and honoree Sharon Sakamoto (center front in gray suit.)

Women's Law Caucus honors Sharon K. Sakamoto '84

Sharon Sakamoto '84, a lawyer committed to personal and professional development and the advancement of women, received the annual Reah Whitehead Public Leadership Award from the School of Law and the Women's Law Caucus at a breakfast ceremony at the Rainier Club in October.



Sharon Sakamoto celebrates with her law partners, to her right, Jeffrey C. Grant and Russell M. Aoki, and Linda Strout '79, left.

Sakamoto is with the firm Aoki Sakamoto Grant. One of the founders of the Asian Bar Association of Washington, she was president for two terms and received the ABAW President's Award in 2003. She has served on the boards of the Center for Human Services, the Chief Sealth Council, the King County Bar Association and the Board of Governors of Seattle University Law School. She was an appointed commissioner on the City of Seattle Civil Service Commission for nine years and was an arbitrator on call for the New York Stock Exchange. She is on numerous bar committees on diversity and professionalism in the profession.

Dean Kellye Testy said Sakamoto has been a "tireless volunteer and leader" in efforts to improve the human condition. "She is an outstanding lawyer, a generous and effective leader and an absolutely lovely human being," Testy said in presenting the award.

Sakamoto said she shared the award with mentors and colleagues who have lifted her up over the years. She encouraged others to find a way to make a difference in their communities.

Reah M. Whitehead was one of Washington's first women lawyers and became the state's first woman judge in 1914. She was re-elected six more times before retiring in 1941 after 27 years in office. Known for her courage, humility, determination and dignity, Judge Whitehead is a fitting namesake for this annual leadership award.

Law clinic celebrates 25 years

Alan Kirtley had a vision of letting students practice in a law office during law school – with actual clients. He put all his ideas into a grant application for a clinical law program 25 years ago, and today it has grown into an integral part of Seattle University School of Law, giving hundreds of students every year real-world legal experience and helping real clients.

In October, alumni gathered to celebrate the silver anniversary with former directors of the clinical program and to welcome Paul Holland, new director of what is now known as the Ronald A. Peterson Law Clinic. Joining founding Director Kirtley and Holland were all the former directors: Jenifer Schramm, Judge Marsha Pechman, Betsy Hollingsworth, John Mitchell and Bryan Adamson. On hand too, of course, were the revered clinical faculty Raven Lidman, Lisa Brodoff and Gwynne Skinner.

The law school gallery buzzed with conversations about those cases that provided the first taste of successful advocacy resulting in important victories for students and clients. Once classmates, most lawyers there got their initial legal experience from the clinic.

When it started, the clinic survived from grant to grant, but soon the law school embraced the program as part of the law school curriculum with the conviction that clinical education helped better prepare students to become outstanding lawyers. Over the years, clinic opportunities have expanded from the initial focus on two areas of law – criminal misdemeanor and family law – to an impressive array of opportunities. This year clinics are offered specializing in administrative law, international human rights, family law, predatory lending, trusts and estates/Indian estate planning, youth advocacy, community development and entrepreneurship, bankruptcy, arts and immigration.



Clinic Directors over the last 25 years are, from left, Betsy Hollingsworth, Jenifer Schramm, Judge Marsha Pechman, current Director Paul Holland, John Mitchell, Bryan Adamson and Alan Kirtley.



Professor John Weaver, who presented a CLE for Tacoma and Everett alumni, with Associate Dean Annette Clark '89 and Art Wang '84.

Events bring alumni and students together

The Office of Alumni Relations always enjoys meeting alumni and connecting them with current students. This fall, it was easier than ever, as events sponsored by the Alumni Office and the Center for Professional Development brought programs to downtown Seattle, Tacoma and Everett. The energy at these gatherings was electrifying. Faculty members and deans enjoyed meeting former students. Alums reunited with laughter, and everyone greeted students eagerly, encouraging them to continue relationships beyond the evening's end. Professor John Weaver provided a one-credit CLE before the Everett and Tacoma receptions.

Upcoming events

Watch for notice of spring and summer visits to Spokane and Olympia and cohort reunions in February and June. The alumni office is seeking volunteers to help plan reunions for the classes ending in 7 and 2 for fall of 2007. Contact Eva Mitchell at mitche@seattleu.edu to help.

Palumbos host reception

Ralph and Marlys '82 Palumbo hosted an evening reception in September at their home in The Highlands north of Seattle to celebrate the growing numbers of alumni and friends who have made generous gifts to the law school. Dean Kellye Testy, together with Seattle University President Fr. Steve Sundborg, welcomed major benefactors of the School of Law, including SU Regent Jim Henriot and benefactor George Sundborg. The law school thanks the Palumbos, who have hosted this reception for the past two years, for their leadership and generosity.

Alumni profile



Sang Chae '91

“The law practice and legal education have really made me what I am. Law school does make you smarter. I’m a better analyzer. I can see the details. And I learn so much from my clients through their success and failures.”

Law degree helps businessman make sound real estate deals

Sang Chae believes he owes his success in the real estate business to law school. He says he learned everything he knows from both the education he received at Seattle University School of Law and the clients he served for years.

After the birth of his twin sons eight years ago, Chae '91 decided he wanted to branch out from his successful law practice. In 1998, he bought a shopping center in Kent, Wash., that was more than half vacant. Eighteen months later, that shopping center was full and he sold it for twice what he paid. That was the beginning of his commercial real estate firm that is now a full-time career. He recently has branched out into the tequila import business as well.

“This was a natural progression for me because I advised clients on buying and selling real estate,” Chae said. “I started to think, ‘I can do the same thing and make money.’”

He turned around an office building and apartment complex and then decided the next area to crack was the hotel market. After the Sept. 11 attacks, hotel vacancies and foreclosures were up, and prices were down. He decided to invest, and today his company, William Ryan LLC, owns five hotels – two in Washington, two in California and one he just acquired in New Mexico – and a premium tequila distributorship.

Chae seems to have an uncanny knack for anticipating the market – even making investments others warned him against.

“One thing I do have is a lot of guts,” Chae said. “Not one person ever recommended me to buy any of those properties. People said it was foolish.”

Being an attorney helps throughout his business. He knows how to negotiate leases, draw up contracts and determine what papers are needed – and he can turn documents and deals around quickly because he knows the law.

“The law practice and legal education have really made me what I am,” he said. “Law school does make you smarter. I’m a better analyzer. I can see the details. And I learn so much from my clients through their success and failures.”

While many analysts predict a real estate slowdown in some areas, he said the Puget Sound market is still hot, and he’s investing in other regions – such as the hotel he just bought in Albuquerque.

Chae manages his operations through his Bellevue, Wash., office. William Ryan LLC, named for his sons, and co-owned with his wife, Connie, owns all the properties, while WR Management Co. handles the day-to-day operations at the different hotels. WR Select owns the tequila part of the company.

He is enjoying his burgeoning tequila business. It began when he was talking with a couple of good friends about starting a new business venture that would be more fun and provide an opportunity to travel. They decided to start an import business, and, after a few efforts that didn’t pan out, he was told about a man making some great tequila in Guadalajara, Mexico. Chae, a tequila connoisseur, went to meet the owner and fell in love with Aha Toro.

“It really turned out to be the best tequila I had ever had,” Chae said.

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“Those were probably the most rewarding but also the most demanding days of my life. There were many days when I didn’t have lunch money. I think back to those days and I’m so blessed to have so much. I do want to give back to the law school and the community.”

Sang Chae runs his businesses out of his office at Lake Bellevue, with samples of his Aha Toro tequila on the windowsill.

He attributes that to the way the creator grows his blue agave plants for eight to 10 years and carefully bakes them in a brick oven to maintain as much juice as possible.

His research into the premium tequila market showed him there was room for growth – and Aha Toro is gaining a bigger share, appearing on liquor store shelves and bar menus in Washington, Oregon, California and moving into the Southwest. He works with a distributor to get the merchandise to market.

“Just to get the shelf space in Washington or Oregon is a big accomplishment,” he said of the stores with state-owned liquor stores.

He is working to develop different brands in the medium- and lower-price markets as well.

Chae, who lives in Kirkland, Wash., works hard for his success and is grateful for it. His family moved to Tacoma from Korea when he was in ninth grade and spoke no English. After high school, he graduated from the University of Washington in 1985, taking part in the Army ROTC program to pay for school. After three years in the Army, he returned to Tacoma, where he borrowed money from his parents to buy a small grocery store.

“I knew I didn’t want to run a grocery store the rest of my life,” he said.

His next venture was law school. He enrolled in the summer criminal law class with Dean Emeritus Jim Bond and knew he had made the right decision.

“I had so much fun in that class,” he said. “I love the law school. I’m so grateful for the education I received. It made me a much better person.”

Other professors made their mark, and he is still in touch with Professors John Mitchell and Sidney DeLong, among others.

His first year, he would be at the law school all day, then go to his store and work until closing, then go home and study until the wee hours.

“Those were probably the most rewarding but also the most demanding days of my life,” he said. “There were many days when I didn’t have lunch money. I think back to those days and I’m so blessed to have so much. I do want to give back to the law school and the community.”

He remembers and appreciates his humble beginnings and works to instill in his sons a strong work ethic.

“Life was hard for us,” he said. “When I see my children, life is so much easier for them. I want to make sure my boys aren’t spoiled.”

And he wants to encourage them to pursue their dreams and reach their full potential.

“If you would have told me 15 years ago where I would be, I don’t think I could have even imagined it,” he said. “It’s been a great ride, and I don’t feel like I’m done yet. I don’t know what will be next, but this is a dynamic business, and I can’t sit still.”

Read more about his business at www.williamryanllc.com.

1977



Thomas R. Cherry, a partner in the White Plains, N.Y., office of Wilson Elser Moskowitz Edelman & Dicker LLP, spoke at Euroforum's national conference on the practical aspects of defending cross border product liability claims. Euroforum is a European company that produces events for the legal and business markets. Thomas' legal practice focuses on the transnational aspects of insurance and reinsurance law, professional and product liability, crisis management and creditors' rights. He is a frequent lecturer and author in both German and English on liability, risk management and other topics related to claims management.

Rebecca Roe was honored by the National Crime Victim Bar Association for a lifetime of service to the victims of crime. She served as a senior deputy prosecutor in the King County Prosecuting Attorney's Office in Seattle from 1981 to 1994 prior to joining Schroeter Goldmark & Bender (SGB). Most of those years she was the supervising attorney of the Special Assault Unit, and she is a nationally recognized leader in the prosecution of crimes affecting women and children. In 1993, Rebecca was the first public sector attorney to receive the King County Bar Association Outstanding Lawyer Award. Because of her experience prosecuting homicide, rape, child sexual and physical abuse, and domestic violence cases, she makes presentations to a variety of audiences including law enforcement officers, children's protective service workers, mental health professionals, physicians, coroners, legislators, victim advocacy groups, and citizen's groups nationally. At SGB, Rebecca focuses on personal injury cases for victims of violent crime and sexual assault as well as employment law with particular emphasis on wage and hour class actions, sexual harassment and discrimination.

1979

Paul L. Hammann was named senior vice president for First American Title Insurance Company. Since becoming regional counsel in the Seattle office in 1986, Paul has held several key positions in the company, mostly recently vice president, underwriting director and senior underwriting counsel at the home office in Santa Ana, Calif. Prior to his work with First American, he served as an associate and partner for two private law firms in the Seattle area. Paul is involved in several industry associations and committees. He is chairman of the California Land Title Association's Forms and Practices Committee and a member of the American Land Title Association's Forms Committee, as well as a member of the American and Washington State Bar Association's Real Property, Probate and Trust sections and a fellow of the American College of Mortgage Attorneys. He is also a past president of the Washington Land Title Association and served four years as the title industry representative to the Washington State Limited Practice Board.

Sandy D. McDade was appointed senior vice president and general counsel of Weyerhaeuser, an international forest products company, in September. He began his career at Weyerhaeuser in 1978 and has held numerous positions, including corporate secretary and assistant general counsel. He has also served as vice president for strategic planning and senior vice president, Canada. Sandy has played a critical role in a number of portfolio changes, most recently leading the team that successfully negotiated the combination of the Weyerhaeuser Fine Paper business with Domtar Inc. His legal work focused on corporate transactions, financing and securities law.

Susan Taylor Wall is a partner in the litigation department of Parker Poe in Charleston, S.C. Her practice focuses in the areas of professional malpractice defense with signifi-

cant experience in legal malpractice defense and business litigation. Susan has extensive trial experience and handles complex cases, including the defense of class actions. She is admitted to practice in the United States Supreme Court and the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit and for the Ninth Circuit. She is a frequent speaker on legal ethics and malpractice prevention and is a certified mediator in South Carolina federal courts and state courts.

1984

Robyn A. Lindsay was selected by the Pierce County Superior Court judges to fill the newly created seventh Superior Court commissioner position. She had been in private practice in Pierce County since 1984. Starting in 1993 she partnered with Steve Fisher in a practice emphasizing family law, estate planning, probate, personal injury and real estate/business. Robyn served as Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Association secretary-treasurer and has been a Superior Court judge pro tem and commissioner. She will join the other commissioners in a regular rotation at the County-City Building, Remann Hall, Western State Hospital, American Lake Veterans Administration Hospital, and Pierce County Evaluation and Treatment. Duties include holding preliminary hearings on all family law matters, probate and domestic violence protection orders, involuntary commitment and Juvenile Court delinquency, dependency, truancy and at-risk cases.

1985

Sharon Ambrosia-Walt joined the Seattle office of Preg O'Donnell & Gillett. She has 20 years of litigation experience with particular emphasis on complex product liability cases and is licensed to practice in both Washington and Oregon. Sharon has been a civil trial attorney since 1985 and has extensive litigation experience in complex product liability cases involving consumer products and industrial equipment, as well as in

the defense of asbestos claims. She has represented major product manufacturers both as local and regional counsel. She has also litigated complex contract disputes, government claims, trucking and auto accidents, premises liability, professional malpractice, and general negligence actions. She has been admitted to practice in U.S. District Courts in Washington, Oregon, Montana, Michigan and the Court of Federal Claims in Washington, D.C. She is also admitted to the U.S. Courts of Appeals for the Ninth and Sixth Circuits.

Kim McDaniel left the law firm Shepard Mullin to join the law firm of Howell, Moore & Gough LLP in Santa Barbara, Calif.

1987

Debora Juarez, chair of the Williams, Kastner & Gibbs Tribal Practice Group, spearheaded a comprehensive agreement that ended conflicts over the historic Tse-whit-zen village and ancestral burial ground belonging to the Lower Elwha Kallam Tribe. The state-tribal agreement provides for restoration and long-term protection of the village, transfers ownership or control of 17 acres of historic Klallam lands from the state to the tribe, and provides the tribe \$5.5 million for the reburial of remains and materials and for site restoration. The conflict began when excavation work for a state Department of Transportation project unearthed ancestral Indian graves in August 2003.

Sean Parnell ran for lieutenant governor of Alaska. He served in the state House from 1992 to 1996 and the state Senate from 1996 to 2000. He is a partner at Patton Boggs LLP, which specializes in oil and gas, corporate governance, natural resources, business, employment, utilities, government contracting, construction, public finance and public policy.

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Class notes

1988

Brian Moran was named chief deputy attorney general for the state of Washington. He served for 10 years as a Kitsap County deputy prosecutor. He left in 1999 to take the job of chief criminal prosecutor in the Attorney General's Office under Chris Gregoire, working out of the Seattle office. Now working for Attorney General Rob McKenna, Brian is McKenna's top legal adviser and drives legal strategy for the office. He also will manage the Solicitor General's Office, the deputy attorneys, division chiefs and more than 500 other assistant attorneys general.

1989

Anne Kirkpatrick was appointed Spokane Police Chief. She had been the chief of police in Federal Way, Wash., since 2001. Prior to that, she was police chief in Ellensburg, Wash.; director of the Criminal Justice program at Green River Community College in Auburn, Wash.; a guest speaker and instructor at the FBI Academy in Quantico, Va., and a police officer and sergeant at the Redmond, Wash., Police Department. She started her career at the Memphis, Tenn., Police Department. As Spokane chief, she is responsible for managing 380 employees and a \$40 million budget.

1990

Craig S. Anderson formed a publishing company called The Canyon Creek Music Company Ltd. to take advantage of his B.A. in English and plans to print an edition of poems in December. The collection is entitled "Tangible Dreams" and will be followed by additional volumes of poetry, non-fiction and fiction. He is an attorney with Morse Bratt & Andersen, PLLC in Vancouver, Wash.

Rick Roberts, a staff attorney with The Hartford, an investment and insurance company, was voted presi-

dent-elect of Washington Defense Trial Lawyers. He began his practice as an associate at Keating, Bucklin & McCormack and then served as a special deputy prosecutor for King County before joining The Hartford as staff attorney in 1996. His litigation defense practice focuses on personal injury tort and liability cases. He has served on the WDTL Board of Trustees, as chair of the Seminar and Legislative Committees and is the current treasurer. WDTL is a statewide association of civil defense attorneys dedicated to the highest professional standards of integrity, excellence and commitment to a fair and just legal system.

1992

Lee Lambert was named president of Shoreline Community College after an extensive national search. He was named SCC's vice president for Human Resources and Legal Affairs in January 2005 and appointed interim president in October 2005. Prior to coming to SCC, Lee was vice president for Human Resources and Legal Affairs at Centralia College. Among his accomplishments there, he established positive working relationships with the college's faculty and classified staff, further developed and implemented a comprehensive affirmative action plan and created a campus-wide training program. He negotiated and administered two separate contracts for faculty and classified employees. Lee worked for five and a half years as special assistant to the President for Civil Rights and Legal Affairs at The Evergreen State College. In addition to advising college management staff on civil rights, personnel, and other campus and policy issues, he analyzed and anticipated trends in law that could present legal issues and problems for the college. He conducted ongoing training for the Board of Trustees, faculty, staff and students regarding discrimination, sexual harassment and legal issues and managed a public records program. While at The Evergreen State College, Lee was an

adjunct professor who taught courses on law, civil rights, social justice and employment law.



Jodi McDougall was named office managing partner for the Seattle office of Cozen O'Connor, where she chairs the International Practice Group. She has extensive experience in maritime law, professional liability and insurance defense. She has served as a deputy prosecuting attorney for both King and Pierce Counties and is a frequent lecturer on claims and insurance matters, both domestically and abroad. Jodi is a member of the American Bar Association, Maritime Law Association, Professional Liability Underwriting Society, and Maritime Insurance Association of Seattle. Along with the firm's Seattle office, Jodi received the 2005 Amicus Award from the Northwest Immigrant Rights Project, in recognition of the firm's ongoing pro bono efforts on behalf of immigration and asylum clients seeking assistance while in proceedings.

Kari Robinson was awarded the prestigious German Marshall Memorial Fellowship, a rigorous, intellectually challenging travel program designed to introduce fellows to political, economic and social issues in Europe. She traveled to Brussels, Copenhagen, Rome, Bratislava and Paris. She also successfully formed a new non-profit in Alaska called the Alaska Immigration Justice Project, which provides legal representation and advocacy for immigrants across Alaska. She is on the board of directors as the new non-profit gets off the ground. Kari continues to direct the Legal Advocacy Project at the Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault – her 10th year with the project.

1994

Tam Bui was elected Snohomish District Court Judge in Everett, Wash. She had been an administrative law

judge in the Everett Office of Administrative Hearings. Tam began her legal career with the Washington Appellate Defender Association, where she argued cases before Division I of the Court of Appeals. She subsequently joined the Snohomish County Public Defender Association, where she represented clients in District Court and in appeals to Superior Court and the Court of Appeals. She was in private practice for two years before joining OAH. Since 2001, she has served as a pro tem judge in Snohomish County District and Superior Courts.



Richard Labunski wrote "James Madison and the Struggle for the Bill of Rights." He is a professor in the School of Journalism and Telecommunications at the University of Kentucky, where he teaches First Amendment law. Prior to joining the UK faculty in 1995, he taught at the University of Washington and Penn State. Richard is the author of four other books and has written numerous journal articles and newspaper commentaries. Prior to pursuing an academic career, he worked for 10 years in radio and TV news. Read reviews and more about his book at www.richardlabunski.com.

Beth Van Moppes opened her own law firm, Workplace Counselor, LLC, providing businesses with legal counsel related to workplace issues. For more than a decade, her practice has focused on workplace law advice and litigation, including the defense of sexual harassment, discrimination and wrongful termination lawsuits. She works with clients to structure employment agreements, non-disclosure agreements, non-competition and non-solicitation agreements – agreements which, when done properly, protect clients' business. Finally, should the need arise, Work-

place Counselor prepares charge and demand letter responses, negotiates with opposing counsel and administrative agencies, and guides clients through alternative dispute resolution processes. She previously practiced with two firms and was an assistant attorney general for the State of Washington.

1998



Jim Quigg married Tomika Gilbert at the Hilton Waikoloa in Kona, Hawaii, on July 7, 2005. The couple lives in Seattle,

where Jim works in-house for Real-Com Associates.

1999



Paul E. Franz joined the Atlanta office of Fish & Richardson in its patent prosecution and litigation groups.

He focuses his practice in the fields of electrical and mechanical engineering. Prior to joining Fish & Richardson, he was an associate at Jones Day in Cleveland, Ohio. Before becoming an attorney, he spent eight years working as an electronics engineer for the Naval Undersea Warfare Center.

Lt. Col. Robert Sauers received orders in March deploying him to Iraq for a year. He is chief of operations for the Civil Military Operations section of Multinational Division Baghdad. He has been in the Army Reserves since 1977 and had been working at the firm of Jacobs & Jacobs in Puyallup, Wash., practicing primarily family law, estate planning and civil litigation. His specialty in the reserves is civil affairs, which coordinates activities with the U.S. government agencies, non-governmental organizations, the Iraqi government and the Iraqi people. He is working on numerous projects to build up the infrastructure of the country and assist in winning sup-



port for the government. In Iraq, he met up with classmate **Jennifer Barrett Farmer**, who has been there since November 2005 and is chief of military justice.

1999

Stephen 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. He helps put on a legal clinic each month at Kitsap Legal Services. He works at Tyner, King & Thimons, PLLP, in Silverdale, Wash.



Allen Nason became a partner at Nexsen Pruet Adams Kleemeier, PLLC in Charlotte, N.C., a regional law firm.

He became partner after his prior law firm was acquired by Nexsen Pruet in June. He practices exclusively in residential and resort real estate across the Southeast and in Mexico and the Caribbean. He is attending law school at the Eugene Dupuch Law School in Nassau, Caribbean this fall to become a Caribbean Barrister.

Jon Scott opened a practice with **Anthony Howard '01**, Scott & Howard, in Mill Creek, Wash., focusing on criminal defense and civil rights litigation.

2000

Aleksandr D. McCune received the Volunteer of the Year Award from the Housing Justice Project. The Housing

Justice Project (HJP) is a homelessness prevention project that helps low-income tenants in King County, Wash. Volunteer attorneys and volunteer legal assistants staff walk-in clinics at the King County Courthouse and Kent Regional Justice Center. McCune serves as an insurance coverage paralegal at Cozen O'Connor's Seattle office.

Renée Ryan joined the Bellevue, Wash., office Perkins Coie as an associate in its personal planning practice. She returned to the firm after working as an assistant vice president and trust officer for Washington Trust Bank in Seattle. She previously worked with Perkins Coie as an associate focusing on estate planning. Perkins Coie's personal planning group works primarily with individuals, helping them define and meet their estate planning, family and related needs. The group's primary focus is personal lifetime planning for individuals and their closely held businesses and the efficient administration of their estates. The planning usually involves managing financial resources through strategic use of trusts, gifts, sales and other income and wealth-transfer devices.

2001

Joaquin M. Hernandez joined Schwabe, Williamson & Wyatt in Seattle. He is a litigation attorney and focuses on matters concerning financial services, governmental contracts, procurement regulations and public and private development projects. He has represented and advised companies performing federal, state, county and municipal public works projects and companies procuring services pursuant to government contracts and regulations. Joaquin has also prepared and advised clients regarding joint venture agreements and contracts for private and public development projects. Before joining



the firm, he served as an associate for Marston Heffernan Foreman, PLLC in Redmond, Wash. He is active in the Hispanic National Bar Association and is Northwest Deputy Regional President. He is also co-chair for the Washington State Bar Association's Committee for Diversity and was selected as a fellow for the nationally recognized Washington State Bar Association Leadership Institute. He has testified before the State Senate Higher Education Committee regarding the effects of the U.S. Supreme Court's decisions on state laws and regulations and was recently given the Random Act of Professionalism award by the Washington State Bar Association's Professionalism Committee.

Anthony Howard opened a practice with **Jon Scott '99**, Scott & Howard, in Mill Creek, Wash., focusing on criminal defense and civil rights litigation.

Marc Perez accepted a position as an assistant United States Attorney in the Southern District of Mississippi, where he began with prosecuting fraud cases involving federal funds that were dispatched to the area after Hurricane Katrina. He had been with the U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Division Federal Programs Branch in Washington, D.C., where he worked on many high-profile civil cases, including the Guantanamo detainee cases and the recent challenge to Title I of the Sarbanes Oxley Act (Free Enterprise v. PCAOB). He took the new position to gain trial experience at the federal court level and to be closer to family and friends, many of whom are rebuilding their homes and communities after the devastation of Hurricane Katrina.

2002

Mark W. D. O'Halloran is president-elect of the Washington State Bar Association's Young Lawyers Division (WYLD) for 2006-2007. He is a WYLD trustee representing King County and, since the summer of

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2004, has been an associate at the Gosanko Law Firm in Seattle, where he focuses on civil tort cases. He has also worked as corporate counsel for Network Commerce, Inc. and RealNetworks and as an associate at Bishop Law Offices in Seattle. As a former committee chair and liaison to the WYLD Public Service Committee, he introduced the "We the Jury" public education program and helped implement it in dozens of high schools, supervised free immigration clinics that assisted hundreds of people with legal needs, and wrote a successful grant application to the American Bar Association that helped fund a free family law clinic. He has also been active in the King County Bar Association, the Washington State Trial Lawyers Association, the American Bar Association, and the Association of American Trial Lawyers.

Michael Urbaitis joined Miller Nash LLP in Seattle as an associate, focusing his practice on intellectual property, including patent prosecution. A member of the Washington Patent Law Association and the American Intellectual Property Law Association, he is registered to practice patent law before the U.S. Patent and Trademark

Office. Before joining Miller Nash, Urbaitis worked at Preston Gates & Ellis LLP and at Garrison & Associates. He spent more than 20 years as a hospital-based biomedical engineer specializing in electronic and electromechanical medical devices at the Texas Heart Institute, St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital and Texas Children's Hospital in Houston, Texas, before law school. An avid volunteer, he serves as secretary and is on the board of the American Ukrainian Medical Project, a nonprofit organization dedicated to the improvement of health care and cultural exchanges between the United States and Ukraine. He has also performed volunteer services for the Washington Biotechnology and Biomedical Association.



2003

Dylan Eaton is an associate with Clement & Drotz, PLLC, in Seattle, specializing in personal injury, con-

struction law and civil litigation. He is happy to be back in the Seattle area after spending the last two years working in Vancouver, Wash.

Brian Platt accepted a career law clerk position with the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington.

2004

Michele Rasmussen sold her company, The Wedding Tracker, LLC (www.weddingtracker.com), to The Knot, Inc. (www.theknot.com). The Wedding Tracker provides web-based wedding planning software and personal wedding web sites. The Knot is a large, publicly traded, wedding media company headquartered in New York City. The Knot plans to run The Wedding Tracker as a division within its company. Michele is an associate with The Otto Law Group, PLLC in Seattle.

Alex H. Thomason is an associate at Stanislaw Ashbaugh in Seattle. Alex's practice emphasizes all aspects of commercial litigation, including busi-

ness litigation, real estate litigation, landlord-tenant issues, contracts and products liability. Alex also assists in a range of intellectual property issues, including trademark and copyright infringement issues. Prior to joining the firm, Alex worked for the King County Prosecuting Attorney's Office and successfully handled several jury trials. In addition, Alex beat out more than one million candidates to be a competitor on Donald Trump's television show, "The Apprentice," where he finished in the final four. He is also active in the community, volunteering for the King County Bar Association's Spanish Legal Clinic and Legal Services for the Homeless.

2005

Eric M. Gutiérrez received the Rising Star award from the Hispanic Bar Association of the District of Columbia. He is a legislative staff attorney for the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, focusing on immigration policy and its effects on the Latino community. Founded in 1968 in San Antonio, Texas, MALDEF is the leading nonprofit Latino litigation, advocacy and educational outreach institution in the United States. Eric was at the law school in October to take part in the 10th Annual National Latino/a Law Student Association Conference.

2006



Aubrey Seffernick joined Miller Nash LLP in Seattle as an associate in the business department. Before joining the firm, she

served as an extern for Thomas S. Zilly, U.S. District Court, Seattle. Seffernick has also worked as a legal assistant for the King County Bar Association's Housing Justice Project. Before pursuing a career in law, she was a program coordinator for South Seattle Community College and Youth Center coordinator for Neighborhood House.



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“She sees her legal education as a foundation for her service, and she encourages everyone to search for ways to make a difference.”

When Maria Sullivan decided to move to Hawaii a few years ago, it wasn't just the surf and sun she was after. She was looking for peace of mind and a purpose.

After many years working as disciplinary counsel for the Washington State Bar and a two-year stint as an assistant attorney general – and after surviving cancer at age 42 – Sullivan was ready for a career and life change.

“You decide to live each day with a great deal of gratitude, trying to make each day a good day, living soulfully each day,” said Sullivan '80.

She went to the island of Molokai on a vacation and learned about the legacy of Father Damien, the Catholic priest who had ministered leprosy patients who had been banished to the island starting in the 1860s. Inspired by his story of selfless service and welcomed by the residents, Sullivan knew she had found her new home.

She now lives on Molokai – which has a population of about 7,000 in what she calls “old Hawaii,” where there are no stoplights and she is the only actively practicing lawyer. She visits clients in their homes, helping them with estate planning, conveyances, family law and other civil matters. A recent success was to help an 80-year-old woman secure a tax exemption she was due, reducing her taxes from \$1,000 to \$60.

“I wanted to live a more relaxed lifestyle. It's casual Friday every day,” Sullivan said with a smile. “It's a small-town practice, and it's very gratifying.”

Sullivan, who returned to the law school for a visit over the summer after meeting Dean Kellye Testy at the American Bar Association Conference in Hawaii in August, said the Father Damien story that drew her to Molokai directs much of her life now.

When Father Damien first went to the settlement at Kalawao, on a remote Molokai peninsula, he found a lawless society of desperately ill people who had been isolated from society and their families, where they were subjected to looting, pillaging and poverty.

He begged for money for necessities like medication and helped build coffins for proper burials and churches for worship. He made sure every patient had his or her own blanket – a luxury. He showed compassion to the people and made their plight known within the church.

“As Mother Theresa would say, Father Damien ‘did small things with great love,’” Sullivan said. “He built a community where there was none.”

**“You decide to live each day with a great deal of gratitude,
trying to make each day a good day, living soulfully each day.”**

Sullivan learned about Father Damien, a hero in Hawaii, and the history of Kalawao on a visit to the Kalaupapa National Historical Park a few years ago.

“He dedicated his life to the patients. He became one of them,” Sullivan said of Father Damien, who died of leprosy at 49.

Now she is following in Father Damien’s footsteps in another way – helping to raise money to build a new church on Molokai. For 15 years, the mission of the Molokai Catholic community has been to build a new church, which will provide a clean and safe worship space for the faithful, and to honor Blessed Damien. Sullivan has taken on the job as fund-raising chair, hoping to make the community’s dream a reality in the foreseeable future.

To date, the community has raised \$1 million of its \$3 million goal.

The current St. Sophia Church, built in 1938, is much loved, but it is too small, and time and the elements have taken their toll on the wooden structure. On Sundays, St. Sophia Church is filled to capacity. The faithful gather outside on the lawn and an adjoining carport. People in wheelchairs must worship from the doorway, as there is no suitable access.

“Church is so important to the Filipino culture,” said Sullivan, who wants to provide a suitable place of prayer for the parishioners. Many of them emigrated from the Philippines in the 1940s to work in

Molokai’s pineapple and sugar cane fields.

“I also see the new church as a place for visitors to spend some time in prayer and to consider what they want to do in terms of a life mission,” she said.

In addition to her local community, Sullivan has become involved in other ways in Hawaii, including being appointed to the State Ethics Commission and the Hawaii Catholic Diocesan Pastoral Council.

Sullivan has fond memories of her law school days. The school was located on South Tacoma Way, and classes took place under the roar of the military planes from nearby McChord Air Force Base.

“The building was very basic, but I had great professors,” she said. “It was a good time in my life.”

She sees her legal education as a foundation for her service, and she encourages everyone to search for ways to make a difference.

“It’s a huge opportunity to think about what you want to be,” Sullivan said. “What can you do to make your life better or someone else’s life better? What do you want the future to look like? A true gift people can receive is to figure out how to make the world a better place.”

Quoting Brother Joseph Dutton, who continued Father Damien’s mission with the leprosy patients, she said, “Your Molokai can be anywhere.”

For more information on fundraising for the new Blessed Damien Church, visit www.blesseddamienchurch.org or contact Maria Sullivan at mjs@aloha.net.

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I am delighted to present the 2005-06 Report of Giving, which showcases the tremendous strides Seattle University School of Law continues to make in building a well-deserved and critical program of private support. The results are a tribute to all who care deeply about this law school.

With a significant increase in both the number of contributors and the level of support, 2005-06 was a banner year. Gifts to the annual fund totaled \$147,000 – a 73 percent increase over last year and a more than four-fold increase from just two years ago. Overall gifts topped \$1.8 million. The number of contributors increased 24 percent, while President’s Club membership increased 32 percent over the prior year. Huge thanks to every donor, as well as the Class of 2006 and our magnanimous anonymous benefactors.

A strong program of private support requires numerous advocates and generous friends and graduates who understand the significance and impact of an excellent law school. We are particularly grateful to those who have stepped forward with their own personal gifts, while also reaching out to others to encourage their participation. Leadership, commitment, and collaboration remain key to our continued success.

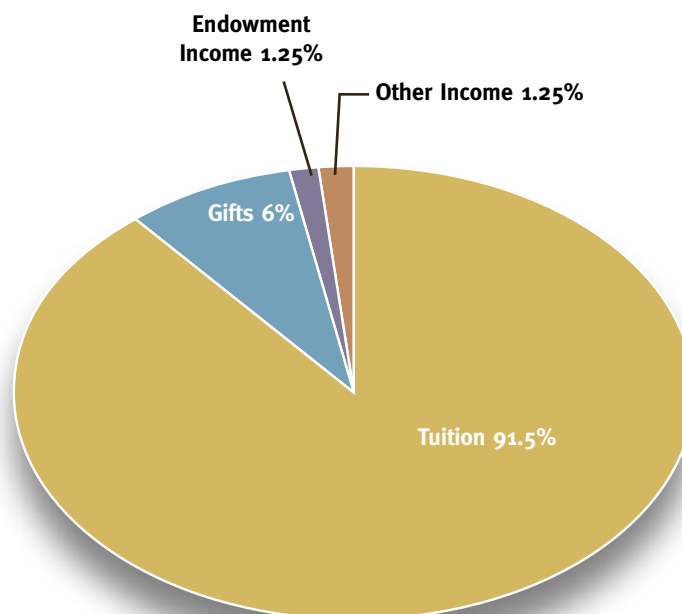
I am excited to profile in this special report several of our outstanding students who have benefited from the generosity of many alumni and friends. Recognizing that nearly 500 students – almost half the student body – were awarded scholarships, fellowships and grants in 2005-06, I hope that you will enjoy reading about the remarkable accomplishments of a few of these exceptional students.

Please know how very much we value your support, as we couldn’t provide appropriate support to students of extraordinary promise without your generosity. Heartfelt thanks on behalf of the law school and our many deserving and talented students.

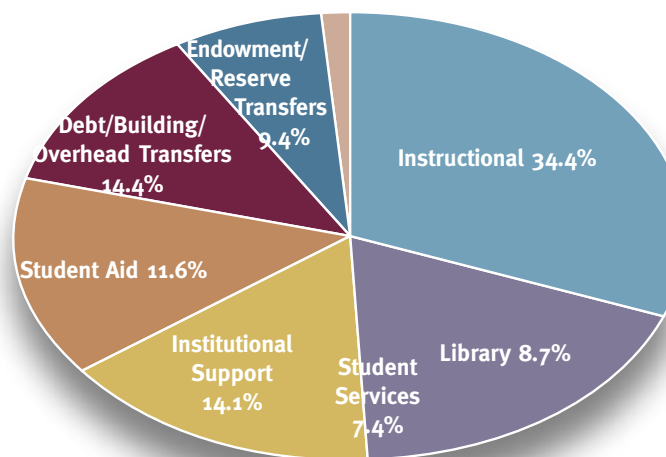
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Brian Payne 3L and Ramon “Quique” Ortiz 3L

2005-06 ARC Scholars

Brian and Quique are just two of the 33 Academic Resource Center Scholars in 2005-06 who received support from an endowment of \$3.5 million, established by an anonymous donor devoted to providing scholarships for promising students admitted through the law school's innovative Alternative Admission Program.

Director of Security for the Port of Tacoma, Quique is a part-time evening student and the recipient of three CALI awards for academic excellence. Originally from Puerto Rico, he served 22 years with the U.S. Coast Guard. Brian, a Tennessee native, served in Guatemala with the Peace Corps. During law school, he traveled to Nicaragua to collaborate on access to justice issues with law students at the Universidad Centroamericana of Managua (UCA). He also completed an externship focusing on environmental and land use law with the Central Puget Sound Growth Management Hearings Board.



Stephanie Nichols '06

2005-06 George and Mary Sundborg Alaska State Scholar

Stephanie is one of 12 Alaska State Scholars in 2005-06 who received a scholarship from The Alaska Fund, a \$1 million endowment established by George Sundborg and his late wife, Mary.

A native of Fairbanks, Alaska, and a graduate of the University of Notre Dame, Stephanie placed first in the 2005 Fredric Cutner Tausend Appellate Competition and graduated *cum laude* from the School of Law. During the summer following her second year of law school, she worked on the Indian Estate Planning Project (now the Institute for Indian Estate Planning at SU School of Law), writing wills and doing estate planning for elders in the communities of the Swinomish and Upper Skagit Indian Reservations. Stephanie completed an externship with the National Labor Relations Board in her third year of law school. Following graduation, she joined the Legal Department of the Squaxin Island Indian Tribe outside Olympia, Wash.

Thanh Tran 2L

2005-06 Recipient of The Grove Foundation Book Grants

Thanh is one of 40 students who received a 2005-06 Grove Foundation Book Grant, awarded to students with demonstrated financial need.



Forced to flee Vietnam in 1987, Thanh's parents settled in Dublin, Calif., where they raised and educated four children. A political science major and graduate of the University of California, Irvine, Thanh spent her senior year in college interning with the Office of Corporation Counsel, General Litigation Division in Washington, D.C. She interned for King County Superior Court Judge Mary Yu during the summer after her first year of law school and is clerking for a small Bellevue, Wash. firm.

Bryan Doran '06

2005-06 Recipient of the John J. Costello, Leo B. Costello, and The Society of the Friends of St. Patrick Law Endowed Scholarship



This scholarship was established to provide financial support to an outstanding student.

An Illinois State Scholar, championship high school debater, and a graduate of the University of Puget Sound, Bryan graduated from law school *summa cum laude* and is currently clerking for Justice Tom Chambers of the Washington State Supreme Court.



Olatilewa "Tilewa" Folami 3L

2005-06 Recipient of the SEED IP Law Group Founders Scholarship

Established several years ago by the Seattle law firm SEED IP Law Group, this annual award goes to a top student interested in intellectual property law.

Born in Nigeria, Tilewa graduated with honors and a degree in computer engineering from The City College of New York. As an undergraduate, he received National Science Foundation awards in both 2002 and 2003. Tilewa worked as a summer associate at Perkins Coie in Seattle after his first year in law school. Last summer, he worked for Arent Fox in Manhattan. In his second year of law school, Tilewa represented the law school in the western region of the Saul Lefkowitz Trademark National Moot Court Competition.

Twyla Carter 3L

2005-06 Recipient of the Professor Henry W. McGee Fellowship

Established in 2005-06 to honor Professor Henry W. McGee, this fellowship is awarded to an active member of the Black Law Students Association who has secured summer employment with a civil rights organization.

Twyla secured one of two national positions available through the ACLU Drug Law Reform Project and spent the summer of 2006 working in Santa Cruz, Calif. A graduate of SU and past president of the Black Law Students Association, which was named Chapter of the Year for the Western region under her leadership, Twyla has worked throughout law school as a transition counselor for sexual offenders. Last year, she and her teammate Lena Madden won best brief for respondents in the Western Region of the BLSA Frederick Douglass Moot Court, and she was the recipient of the 2L Student Choice Award.



Nate Bernstein 2L and Miriam D'Jaen 2L

2005-06 Recipients of Public Interest Law Foundation (PILF) Fellowships

Thanks to the support of donors to the law school's 2005-06 annual fund, a record 25 PILF grants were awarded during the summer of 2006, allowing students to be paid for summer public interest work.

As PILF summer grant recipients, Nate joined Columbia Legal Services in Wenatchee, Wash., focusing on litigation and outreach to farmworkers, while Miriam worked with the Mexican Capital Legal Assistance Project (MCLAP) in Seattle, providing litigation support for counsel representing Mexican nationals on death row. Nate is the Twelfth Circuit Governor of the ABA Law Student Division, working on several projects to increase minority enrollment in law schools. In the spring, he will extern at the Unemployment Law Project. Miriam, a member of Law Review, also serves on the PILF Board and volunteers at the law school's Access to Justice Institute immigration clinic in the Rainier District.

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Deidra Foster '06 and Jennifer Sweigert '06

2005-06 Recipients of the Law School Faculty Scholarship Trust

Established by the faculty in 1976, this scholarship is awarded to an outstanding student or students who have made significant contributions to the law school community.

Deidra, a *summa cum laude* graduate, is clerking for Federal District Judge Robert J. Bryan in Tacoma. During law school, she served on the editorial board of *Law Review*, received three CALI awards, was a student mentor, and worked as a research assistant in the law clinic.

A *magna cum laude* graduate, Jennifer taught for six years prior to starting law school. In law school, she served as the staff editor for the *Seattle Journal for Social Justice* (SJSJ), received the CALI award in legal writing twice, and was a finalist and top finisher in numerous moot court and ABA competitions, locally and regionally. A judicial extern for Washington State Supreme Court Justice Tom Chambers, Jennifer also interned with the Attorney General's Office and volunteered with both the law school's Access to Justice Institute and the Northwest Women's Law Center.

Joanna Plichta, '06

2005-06 Recipient of the Kellye Testy Scholarship Award

Established by the law school's Women's Law Caucus in 2005 in honor of Dean and Professor of Law Kellye Testy, this award is presented annually in recognition of the unique potential represented by women in the law and to foster and reward leadership abilities and excellence.

Originally emigrating from Poland, Joanna graduated with honors from the University of Washington with a degree in international political economy. While in law school, she earned two CALI awards, served as executive editor of the *Seattle Journal for Social Justice*, won the first annual President's Scholar Essay Contest and interned at the Access to Justice Institute, where she was honored with a Public Service Award of Distinction. Joanna is an attorney at Foster Pepper PLLC in Seattle and serves as the firm's pro bono counsel.



Lucia Ramirez 3L

2005-06 Recipient of a King County Bar Foundation Minority Scholarship

Lucia is one of 14 King County Bar Foundation Minority Scholarship recipients for 2005–06. The foundation provides annual support for minority law student scholarships in recognition of the law school's work toward commonly shared goals of increased diversity in the profession within our community.

Lucia is a part-time evening student and director of Development and Youth Leadership of the YMCA of Greater Seattle, Metrocenter Branch. She has volunteered with the Immigration Court Project through the Access to Justice Institute and competed in the Fredric Cutner Tausend Appellate Competition. A 2006 summer associate with MacDonald, Hoague & Bayless, she is a founding member of the Northwest Girls Coalition and former Americorps volunteer. Lucia hopes to practice in the area of immigration law, drawing upon her family's own immigration from Peru and her substantial nonprofit development and management experience.

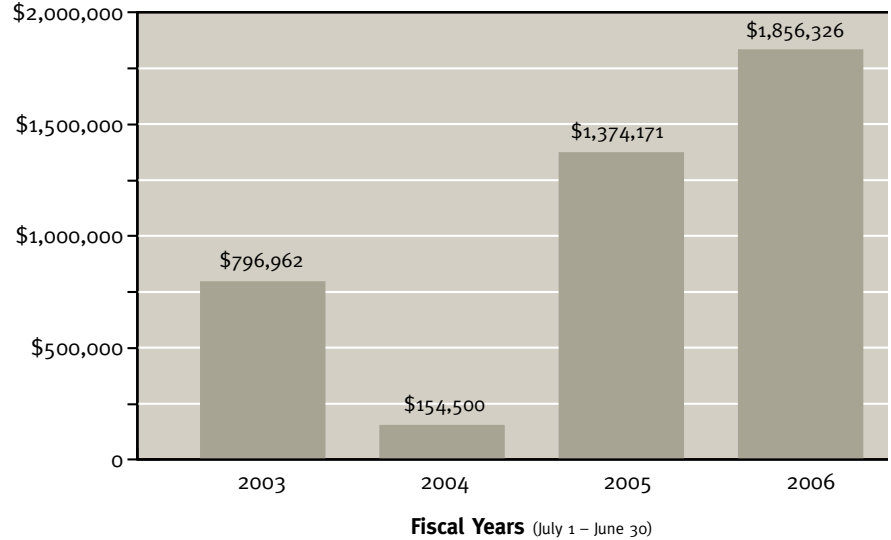
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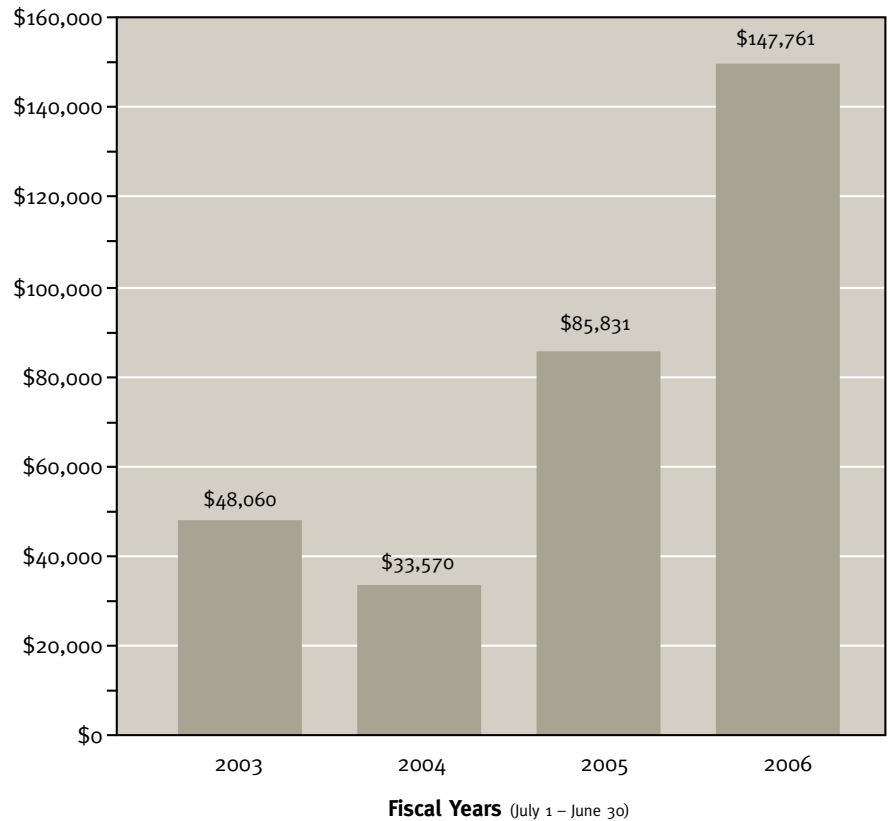
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- Established to provide grants for books to students with financial need.

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- Established to provide scholarships for minority law students.

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- Established for the managing editor of Law Review.

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- Awarded to an active member of the Black Law Students Association who plans to pursue work with a civil rights organization dedicated to eradicating racial injustice.

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The docket calendar of events

December 8

CLE: 4th Annual Hope for the Profession and the Practitioner

December 16

Fall Commencement

January 11

“Covering: The Hidden Assault on Our Civil Rights”
Kenji Yoshino, Professor of Law and Deputy Dean for Intellectual Life, Yale Law School

January 17

Conversations with Joseph McMonigle '75

February 2

PILF Auction, South Lake Union Naval Reserve

February 7

Fred Tausend Moot Court Competition

February 15

Black Law Student Association alumni/student reunion

March 5

“Bottom Up Transnational Lawmaking”
Janet Koven Levit, Associate Professor of Law, University of Tulsa College of Law

March 9 and 10

Ninth Annual Trina Grillo Public Interest and Social Justice Law Retreat, “Justice Across Borders”

March 26

“Racial Naturalization”
Devon W. Carbado, Associate Dean and Professor of Law, UCLA School of Law

April 13

Law Review 30th Anniversary Celebration Dinner

April 19

Olympia CLE and Alumni/ Student Reception

May 3

Spokane Alumni Dinner

May 12

Commencement, Safeco Field

May 25

SU Law Golf Tournament, The Golf Club at Newcastle

June 15

CCLS: Fifth Annual Directors Training Academy

June 22

Academic Resource Center 20th Anniversary

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