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The Dean's Docket

A Message from Dean Mary C. Daly

IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE THAT THE SPRING 2008 semester is over. This issue of *The Dean's Docket* is a testament to why the days and months have whizzed by so quickly. The Law School's students, faculty, and alumni have never been busier.

I am constantly amazed by the hard work and dedication of our students. They arrive early in the morning, leave late at night, and work through the weekends. The new affiliation between the *Journal of Legal Commentary* and The Ronald H. Brown Center for Civil Rights and Economic Development will take advantage of their talents and drive to create a premier academic forum to address some of the most difficult political, social, and economic issues facing the United States.

The students' talents and drive have not gone unnoticed outside the Law School. St. John's students have had remarkable success this year in capturing prestigious awards and fellowships. They include a Skadden Fellowship in public interest law, the AFL-CIO General Counsel Fellowship in labor law, a Fulbright Fellowship for study in Italy, a 2008 Presidential Management Fellowship and a Helton Fellowship awarded by the American Society of International Law. They also won top prizes in two of the country's most rigorous writing competitions, one sponsored by the Association of Securities and Exchange Commission Alumni, Inc. and the other by the Burton Foundation in cooperation with the Library of Congress. Finally, PTAI's mock trial team won the National Institute for Trial Advocacy's Tournament of Champions (NITA). The NITA Tournament of Champions is the preeminent invitational mock trial tournament in the country.



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Calendar of Events

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| August 11 | Alumni Reception in conjunction with the ABA Annual Meeting |
| September 8 | Hon. Guy J. Mangano Golf Classic |
| October 3 | School of Law Alumni Reunion honoring Classes of 1978, 1983, 1988, 1993 and 1998 |
| October 16 | Corporate Initiative Reception |
| November 8 and 9 | CLE Weekend |

For further information please contact the School of Law Alumni Relations Office at (718) 990-6006 or visit our website at www.law.stjohns.edu.

Attention Law Graduates from 1928 - 1958

**SAVE THE DATE:
September 20, 2008**

Please join us for the inaugural
**SCHERMERHORN SCHOLARS
BRUNCH**

Dean Daly and St. John's School of Law would like to honor you with a brunch and give you an opportunity to tour the Law School. The brunch will take place on Saturday, September 20 at 11 a.m.



Left to Right: Amanda Beltz '08, Joseph W. Canovas '08 and Lauren Fae Silver '08 at Commencement.

Three Law Students are Awarded Prestigious Fellowships

FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THE HISTORY of the Law School, a St. John's Law Student was awarded a Fulbright Scholarship. Lauren Fae Silver '08 was granted the opportunity to study and do research at the University of Rome III where she will be sponsored by the distinguished comparative law professor Vincenzo Zeno-Zenovich during the 2008-09 academic year. Ms. Silver will research the evolution of Italy's cultural property laws and assess the global illicit trade in cultural property.

Ms. Silver continues a family legacy of St. John's Law graduates. Both her uncle, Hon. James M. Catterson '85, an Associate Justice in the New York Appellate Division, and her late grandfather, former Suffolk County District Attorney James M. Catterson, Jr. '58

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Law Clinics Focus on Education and Assistance

THE SECURITIES ARBITRATION CLINIC sponsored nine investor education seminars over the fall 2007 and spring 2008 semesters. The seminars were held at libraries and senior centers to combined audiences of more than 150 attendees. The seminars covered concerns related to legal problems with securities brokers and discussed how the St. John's Securities Arbitration Clinic can provide free legal assistance. Additionally, the Clinic successfully assisted three clients in recovering losses that they had sustained in their securities accounts. The Clinic also received an arbitration award on behalf of a client equal to one-hundred percent of the client's losses, plus fees and interest.

The School of Law's Child Advocacy Clinic hosted a Child Welfare Symposium titled "No Place to Live: The Housing Crisis Facing Youth Aging-Out of Foster Care" at the St. John's Manhattan campus on March 28. Experts in child welfare, housing and homelessness, and public policy gathered for the day-long event to raise awareness of and find solutions to the problem of youth who age out of foster care without stable homes. Young people who are in the process of aging-out or who are already on their own, also participated at the symposium.

Scholars presented data and case studies with a discussion of legal, regulatory and fiscal problems associated with aging out of foster care. Former foster youth gave moving personal testimony. Speakers who have developed innovative programs made presentations and then thoughtful dialogue ensued concerning legal advocacy, law reform, policy changes, and impact litigation. Three prominent policy makers and activists—Ronald Richter, New York City Family Services Coordinator, the Honorable Gladys Carrión, Commissioner New York State Office of Children and Family Services, and Rev. Alfonso Wyatt, Vice President - Fund for the City of New York—supplemented the day with captivating addresses about

the importance of serving youth and putting an end to this crisis.

Law Students Volunteer at Queens CLARO

In response to the frightening rise in consumer debt, St. John's School of Law is helping to staff the newly formed "CLARO" that opened in January at the Queens Civil Court. CLARO stands for Civil Legal Advice and Resource Office. The clinic is being run in conjunction with the Queens Bar Association's Volunteer lawyers Project with cooperation and assistance from the Legal Aid Society, the Queens Civil Practice, Attorney-in-Charge April A. Newbauer and the Supervising Judge of Queens Civil Court the Honorable Bernice D. Siegal. The program provides legal advice for people who represent themselves in consumer debt cases. Students from the Law School volunteer on a weekly basis. Law Professors Ann L. Goldweber and Gina M. Calabrese are the coordinators of the program at St. John's.



Panelists discuss issues of youth homelessness at the Clinic's symposium.

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The talents and drive of the faculty are a source of great institutional pride. In the 2007-08 academic year, the faculty published over 40 law review articles, organized and hosted six separate conferences, and gave well over 50 scholarly presentations. They also played an instrumental role in overseeing applications for fellowships and submissions to writing competitions and in honing competition skills.

The Spring semester was marked by numerous alumni and student events, one highlight of which was the Public Interest Auction. Thanks to the generous bidding

of alumni, the students raised over \$63,000 to fund fellowships for their peers who will work in public interest positions over the summer.

Let me close with a very special invitation. On September 20, the Law School will host a reunion for its Schermehorn Scholars, alumni who graduated in 1950 or earlier. This will be a wonderful occasion to reconnect with other graduates, share memories, and catch up on personal and professional lives. I look forward to seeing you there.

10th Annual Ronald H. Brown Dinner

IN APRIL, the Black Law Students Association, Asian Pacific American Law Students Association, Latin American Law Students Association, and the South Asian Law Students Association hosted the 10th Annual Ronald H. Brown Alumni Dinner. This year's event was held at the Westin in Times Square. The honorees included a distinguished group of three alumni who advanced the legal profession.

The Black Law Students Association honored Pierre Georges Bonnefil '88 who is a member of the firm, Epstein Becker & Green, P.C. Yasuhiro Saito was recognized by the Asian Pacific American Law Students Association. Mr. Saito, who graduated in 1992, is the Counsel, Leader of the Japan-related litigation Practice Group at Hughes Hubbard and Reed LLP. Jose Perez from the Class of 1985 was honored by the Latin American Law Students Association. He is with the Puerto Rican Legal Defense and Education Fund as General Counsel. In addition, the South Asian Law Students Association honored Manvin Mayell, a partner with Kaye Scholer, LLP.



Left to Right: Pierre Georges Bonnefil '88, Jose Perez '85, Dean Mary C. Daly, Manvin Mayell, Professor Leonard M. Baynes, and Yasuhiro Saito '92.

The Ronald H. Brown Center for Civil Rights and Economic Development is named after Ronald H. Brown, a St. John's law school alumnus, who served as the first African American Secretary of Commerce and the first African American Chair of the Democratic National Committee.

The Journal of Legal Commentary Becomes the Official Publication of The Ronald H. Brown Center for Civil Rights and Economic Development

OVER THE LAST 22 YEARS, the St. John's *Journal of Legal Commentary* (JLC) has published articles of significance in a wide array of areas of legal concern. Most recently, the *Journal* has made a decision to broaden its goal and to focus on more contemporary legal issues by announcing that it would become the official publication of The Ronald H. Brown Center for Civil Rights and Economic Development. The Center's mission is to engage in legal studies, research and outreach that affects the lives of underrepresented people and at the same time to educate law students and train them to be leaders on issues of racial, economic and social justice. Together the Ron Brown Center and the JLC will focus on these topics of critical concern in our current society.

The collaboration commenced in February, when the JLC hosted its 15th annual symposium "The National Security Constitution: New Threats, New Rules?" The symposium brought together top national security and constitutional law scholars for a day of discussion and debate. In March, the JLC, together with the Law School's Child Advocacy Clinic, co-hosted a symposium on the housing crisis facing youth in New York City. The symposium papers will be published in the next issue of the *Journal of Legal Commentary*.

Plans and information gathering are currently taking place for a September symposium hosted by The Ronald H. Brown Center to investigate the subject of race, gender and the media in the 2008 elections.



2008 St. John's Law School Reunion

Celebrating Classes
1978, 1983, 1988, 1993 and 1998

**Friday, October 3, 2008
6:30-9:30 p.m.**

Yale Club, NYC

Reunion details will be mailed soon

Save the Date

"Greatest Law School on Earth" Public Interest Auction Raises \$63,000

ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW'S 12th Annual Public Interest Auction held on March 6th was a great success raising \$63,000 for the Public Interest Committee. The theme of this year's auction was "The Greatest Law School on Earth." The décor, food, and energy in the room made for a festive and fun evening. "Alumni, faculty, student and community support are key to the success of the auction and this year's participation was the best we have ever seen," noted Amanda Beltz, Public Interest Committee Chair.

All donations and proceeds from the auction go to public interest internships and projects. The Public Interest Committee, through its various fundraising efforts, supports a number of worthy causes. The auction proceeds largely fund the Public Interest Summer Fellowship Program, which gives a stipend to students who accept public interest internships providing legal counsel for the poor and those of limited means, in areas such as immigration, domestic violence, child advocacy, family court mediation, and community service. The funds may also support other public interest initiatives such as the St. John's chapter of the Student Hurricane Network which organizes trips to New Orleans to offer legal assistance to victims of Hurricane Katrina.



Left to Right: Joseph W. Canovas '08 and Associate Academic Dean Andrew J. Simons '65.

The St. John's Law School community has been widely involved in public interest initiatives, and the student interest in the field has been growing. We thank our Law School graduates for your support of the St. John's Public Interest Committee.



Alumni, faculty, students and friends study their programs in preparation for the live auction.

Three Firms Attain "Participation Perfection" in the 2007-2008 Law Firm Challenge

ALTHOUGH THE FISCAL YEAR has just ended, the Law School Office of Alumni Relations and Development can, with confidence, confirm that three participating regional law firms (each with five or more St. John's Law Graduates) have achieved "Participation Perfection" in the 2007-2008 St. John's Law Firm Challenge. Gratitude and congratulations are extended to the St. John's Law Graduates employed at Cahill, Gordon & Reindel, LLP, Chadbourne & Park, LLP, and Shaub, Ahmuty, Citrin & Spratt, LLP for unanimously supporting this year's annual challenge campaign. All told, over 30 firms and 400 St. John's Law graduates were involved in this effort which "rolls up into" the Law School's Annual Appeal. At publication, the average participation rate for alumni support at firms involved in the Law Firm Challenge was greater than 34 percent.

The firm of Shaub, Ahmuty, Citrin & Spratt, LLP has now attained "100% Participation" each of the five years that this initiative has existed. Cahill, Gordon & Reindel, LLP has now attained "Participation Perfection" two consecutive years. Chadbourne & Park, LLP also attained "Participation Perfection" thanks to the generosity of alumni employed at that firm. Each participating firm has a Challenge Liaison who interfaces with the Law School throughout the year to communicate events at St. John's Law and the respective firm's status in the initiative. It is important to note, that each individual donor is extended the courtesy of gift amount confidentiality and the ability to

direct the intent of their respective gift within the Law School. Special thanks must be extended to: Christopher F. Simone '94 from Shaub, Ahmuty, Citrin & Spratt, LLP, Maura A. McLoughlin '91, '06HON from Cahill, Gordon & Reindel, LLP, and Bruce Sheffler '82 from

or through a mail-in response envelope. Many Law Firm Challenge participants are Loughlin Level supporters, as the gift counts towards both initiatives.

If your firm has five or more graduates from St. John's Law and



Two liaisons from the firms that obtained 100% participation in the Law School's Law Firm Challenge Program for 2007-2008 gather at a recent event. Left to Right: Executive Director of Development and Alumni Relations George Richardson, Maura A. McLoughlin '91, '06HON of Cahill, Gordon and Reindel, LLP, Dean Mary C. Daly and Christopher F. Simone '94 of Shaub, Ahmuty, Citrin & Spratt, LLP.

Chadbourne & Park, LLP who tirelessly served as Challenge Liaisons between their respective firms and *alma mater*.

In general, funds raised by the St. John's Law Firm Challenge are used to support financial assistance for qualified students, faculty professorships, and program and technology enhancements at the Law School. Payments made on existing pledges count towards challenge participation. Graduates choosing to support *alma mater* can make their tax deductible gift through our website, via phone

you wish to participate in the St. John's Law Firm Challenge please contact Philip Maroney, Assistant Director of Development at (718) 990-7991 or maroney@stjohns.edu.

If your firm has fewer than five St. John's Law Graduates, we invite you to support the school through the Law School Appeal by also contacting Mr. Maroney.

Law Review Alumni Honor Graduating Members

EACH YEAR, ALUMNI MEMBERS OF THE LAW REVIEW gather to welcome the incoming Law Review staff and honor the graduating staff members. This year the reception was held on March 26 at the Westin Hotel, in New York City. The evening began with a special ceremony in which the graduating members were presented a key by Dean Mary C. Daly. Following the ceremony, alumni had the opportunity to mix and mingle with the students, Dean Daly and faculty members. Editor-in-Chief, Christine Hogan took the opportunity to thank her board and staff. She also introduced the new Editor-in-Chief Raymond A. Mascia, Jr. (2L).



Editor-in-Chief Christine Hogan thanks the Law Review staff for their service and Dean Mary C. Daly for her support.

Professor Mary L. Lyndon honored at 10th Annual Environmental Law Reception

THE SCHOOL OF LAW'S ENVIRONMENTAL Law Alumni and the Environmental Law Society held their 10th jointly-sponsored cocktail reception and award ceremony on February 20. The guest speaker and honoree was St. John's Law Professor Mary L. Lyndon. Professor Lyndon teaches Environmental Law, International Environmental Law, Torts, and Toxic Torts. She is a member of the Executive Committee of the Environmental Law Section of the New York State Bar Association and is a member of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York. It was a great evening as students, alumni and friends came together to honor Professor Lyndon.

The Environmental Law Society, founded in the fall of 1978, offers students the opportunity to broaden their backgrounds in this expanding and dynamic area of law. The purpose of the Society is to promote environmental awareness at the Law School and to help develop career opportunities in environmental law. The Society sponsors guest speakers and its members write summaries of important court decisions that appear in the *New York Environmental Lawyer*, published quarterly by the NY State Bar Association's Environmental Law Section.



Honoring Professor Mary L. Lyndon are from left to right: Associate Academic Dean Andrew J. Simons '65, Gordon Johnson, Environmental Counsel to the MTA, Professor Philip Weinberg and Kevin A. Reilly '81.

Law School Co-Sponsors the Nation's Only Bankruptcy Moot Court Competition and Banquet Honoring its Winners

ON MARCH 10, THE SCHOOL OF LAW ANNOUNCED the winners of the 16th Annual Chief Judge Conrad B. Duberstein Bankruptcy Moot Court Competition. The competition, which is sponsored by the School of Law and the American Bankruptcy Institute (ABI), is named after the distinguished St. John's Law alumnus and former ABI Director Chief Judge Conrad B. Duberstein, who passed away in 2005.

Mississippi College School of Law, which placed second last year, won the competition by defeating Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law. Forty-four teams from around the country participated and close to 200 lawyers and judges assisted with the competition.

This year's competition focused on resolving two emerging scenarios of bankruptcy law. One involved whether class-skipping gifts are permissible in Chapter 11 plans and the second was concerned with whether a provision of an inter-creditor agreement authorizing a senior creditor to vote the claim of a junior creditor is enforceable.

"This is a wonderful educational event that exposes law students to the complexity and excitement of bankruptcy law and pushes them to a level of excellence they did not realize they could achieve," said Professor G. Ray Warner, Director of the LL.M. in Bankruptcy Program at St. John's and a faculty advisor to the competition.

He continues, "The competition also helps advance the development of bankruptcy law by giving the judges an outstanding presentation of issues that they will soon see in their own courts."

The event honored the competitors and the winners with a gala awards banquet at Chelsea Piers in New York City. More than 800 people, including top judges and lawyers, attended the event.



The Awards Banquet was held at Chelsea Piers. Left to Right: Reggie Jackson, President American Bankruptcy Institute; Jonathan G. Bissette, Kenitra T. Hairston and Ashley H. Nader, First Place Winners from Mississippi College School of Law; Honorable Mary M. Schroeder, Chief Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit; Elyssa Belessakos, daughter of the late Judge Duberstein; and Dean Mary C. Daly.



The final round participants of the competition and judges from around the country gathered at the United States Bankruptcy Court in Brooklyn.

Eye On...Alumni Chapters

Alumni Association - Softball Challenge

The Annual Softball Challenge was held on October 20, 2007. Alumni, students and faculty members gathered for a barbecue and softball tournament at which, once again, the alumni were victorious. This event gives all of the members of the Law School community the opportunity to meet and enjoy the beautiful campus in an informal and fun setting.



Alumni of Color Chapter Reception

The School of Law's Alumni of Color Chapter and The Ronald H. Brown Center for Civil Rights and Economic Development hosted a reception on March 18, 2008 at the New York Offices of Kirkland & Ellis LLP. We would like to thank Michelle R. Pinzon '04, Jade L. Fuller '04 and our host Cindy Y. Chen '04 for organizing this event.

Theodore M. Shaw, Former President and Director-Counsel of the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc. was presented with the Charles B. Rangel Award. It was a wonderful gathering with over 40 alumni attending.

If you would like to assist with the Alumni of Color Chapter, please contact Claire McKeever, Assistant Dean for CLE and Alumni Relations at mckeevec@stjohns.edu or (718) 990-6006.



Left to Right: Professor Leonard M. Baynes, Cindy Y. Chen '04, Dean Mary C. Daly, Theodore M. Shaw, honoree, Jade L. Fuller '04, and Michelle R. Pinzon '04.

American Bankruptcy Institute Law Review Alumni Chapter Reception

The ABI Law Review Alumni Chapter held their Inaugural Reception at the Warwick Hotel on January 24, 2008. Dean Mary C. Daly, Professor Ray Warner and Professor Robert Zinman welcomed and congratulated the latest Chapter of the Alumni Association.



Gathered at the Inaugural Reception are from left to right: Gerard DiConza '94, Gerard R. Luckman '93 and Tal Marnin '96.

Bronx Alumni Chapter Fall Concert

The Bronx Alumni Chapter attended a concert by the United States Marine Band. The concert was held at Lehman Center for the Performing Arts on November 6, 2007. It was a wonderful evening which began with a reception prior to the concert. Alumni had the chance to enjoy a wonderful evening of music.

Brooklyn Alumni Chapter Holiday Toy Drive

The Brooklyn Alumni Chapter, along with the Kings County District Attorney's Office, held their annual Toy Drive on December 11, 2007. Over 400 toys were collected and donated to St. John's Parish in Bedford-Stuyvesant. Since the Toy Drive began in 1999, the Chapter has donated over 2,600 Toys to needy children.

Staten Island Alumni Chapter Roast and Toast

On April 24, 2008, the St. John's School of Law Staten Island Alumni Chapter and the Titone Tigers hosted their Third Annual Roast and Toast at the Staaten Restaurant. This year the honoree was George J. Siracuse, a graduate from the Class of 1949. It was a fun evening as many friends of Mr. Siracuse's joked and recounted



Dean Mary C. Daly with the Staten Island Dinner Committee and honoree George J. Siracuse '49.

his years as one of Staten Island's most prominent attorneys. Each year the Chapter hosts this event and donates the proceeds to the Honorable Vito J. Titone '56 Scholarship Fund. The Scholarship now provides two scholarships to Staten Island students attending the Law School. Many thanks go to the Dinner Chairs George F. Sacco, Esq. '77 and Edward Wagner, Esq. '90 and to their outstanding Dinner Committee.

Nassau Alumni Chapter hosts "Meet Our Judiciary" Luncheon

Members of Nassau County Bench and Bar gathered for the 13th Annual Nassau County Chapter "Meet Our Judiciary" luncheon on October 3, 2007. It was a great day, with the Honorable Anthony F. Marano '69, Supreme Court Justice and Administrative Judge of Nassau County, as the honored guest. The Luncheon was held at Carltun on the Park, in Eisenhower Park and there was a good turnout of graduates from various classes.



Dean Mary C. Daly and Chapter President Marie Kaiser Napoli '93 with honored guest the Hon. Anthony F. Marano '69.

Young Alumni Leap Year Happy Hour

Over 45 recent graduates gathered for a night of networking and catching up at Joe O's in Manhattan on February 29, 2008. If you would like to become involved with the Young Alumni Committee, please contact Claire McKeever, Assistant Dean for CLE and Alumni Relations at mckeevec@stjohns.edu or (718) 990-6006.

Queens Alumni Chapter Celebrates Chinese New Year

The Queens Alumni Chapter, students, faculty and members of the Flushing Lawyers Association gathered together to celebrate the Chinese New Year and to honor Hon. Randall T. Eng '72, newly appointed to the Appellate Division, Second Department, on February 23, 2008.



Dean Mary C. Daly and the Hon. Maureen A. Healy '75, Queens Alumni Chapter President join in the celebration to honor Judge Randall T. Eng '72.



The Hon. Randall T. Eng '72 with students of the Law School.

Eye On...Alumni Chapters

Suffolk Alumni Chapter Honors Suffolk County Executive

Steve Levy '84, the Suffolk County Executive, was the guest of honor at the Suffolk Chapter Annual Alumni Dinner which was held at the Bellport Country Club on November 14, 2007. It was a delightful evening as Mr. Levy reminisced about his time and friends at the Law School. Taking part in the festivities were several of his classmates including Robert Sweeney, President of the Suffolk Chapter who has remained friends with Mr. Levy over these many years.



Left to Right: Robert P. Sweeney '84, President of the Suffolk County Alumni Chapter, Thomas J. Stock '78, Dean Mary C. Daly, Hon. Steve Levy '84, the evening's honoree, and John Breen '86.

Washington D.C. Alumni Chapter Honors Military Graduates

The Washington D.C. Alumni Chapter sponsored a reception on October 24, 2007 at which they honored alumni who were members of the Military. The reception was held at the Army and Navy Club and Dean Mary C. Daly presented each Military member a memento from the Law School. In addition, Tracy Adamovich, a 3L at the Law School and a graduate of West Point, told the group about her experience in Iraq, her military service, and how she came to St. John's Law School. The evening concluded with a presentation by Chapter President Michael Goldman '98 to outgoing President Brian V. Breheny '96, in recognition and gratitude for all that Mr. Breheny has done for the Washington, D.C. Alumni Chapter.



Left to Right: Michael Goldman '98, Washington, D.C. Alumni Chapter President; Tracy Adamovich (3L) military reservist and West Point Graduate; Brian V. Breheny '96 D.C. Chapter Past-President and evening honoree; with Dean Mary C. Daly.

Westchester Alumni Chapter Fall Reception

Honorable Theodore T. Jones, Jr. '72, '07HON, Associate Judge, New York Court of Appeals was the honoree at the Westchester Alumni Chapter reception at the Westchester Hills Country Club on November 8, 2007. Dean Mary C. Daly and Hon. Daniel D. Angiolillo '77 presented Judge Jones with the Distinguished Alumni Award from the Chapter.



Left to Right: Hon. Daniel D. Angiolillo '77, Joseph V. Angiolillo '52, Hon. Theodore T. Jones, Jr. '72, '07HON, and Dean Mary C. Daly.

Class Notes

1949

Harry McKillop was presented with the Department of Defense Medal for Exceptional Public Service by President George W. Bush in August 2007. Mr. McKillop has made a career out of rescuing Americans in foreign hotspots. He was nominated by U.S. Rep. Sam Johnson, R-Texas, a longtime friend who was a prisoner of war in Vietnam when Mr. McKillop took his first trip there.

1953

Vivian H. Agress was honored by the Brooklyn Women's Bar Association as the recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award. Ms. Agress was a Past President of the Brooklyn Women's Bar Association and the Brooklyn Bar Association.

Hon. C. Albert Parente's first novel, *Are You A Fool Benucio?* was published by iUniverse. It is a story based family saga, which spans four generations of a family who emigrated from Italy to America.

1954



Roy L. Reardon and his wife, **Patricia M. Hynes**, were honored by the Citizens Union of the City of New York and were presented with the Robert F. Wagner, Jr. Award at the organization's Annual Dinner in October 2007.

1956

Lawrence F. Scinto, a partner at Fitzpatrick Cella Harper & Scinto was featured in the 2007 edition of *Super Lawyers*.

1959

Henry G. Miller has had his first novel published. *More*, is a story about a boy from Brooklyn who has a fast rise and fall, but manages to find his way.

1960

Gerald D. McLellan, a former Associate Justice of the Probate and Family Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and a former member of the adjunct faculty of Western New England Law School has written his first novel, *Old City Hall*. Using Boston's historic landmarks as his backdrop, he weaves a story of legal intrigue, political power and family secrets.

1962

Honorable Michael F. Mullen has joined the law firm of Lamb & Barnosky as counsel in its Litigation Department. Judge Mullen formerly served as Acting State Supreme Court Justice in Suffolk County where he presided over many high-profile criminal cases including those involving capital murder and political corruption. Judge Mullen retired from the bench in July after 20 years of service.

1963

Honorable Peter L. Broderick retired from the Bench after 40 years of service in the Niagara County criminal-justice system.

1967



John J. Barnosky, a partner at Farrell Fritz, P.C., was named a Super Lawyer in the 2007 Metro Edition of *New York Super Lawyers* magazine and was also selected for inclusion in *The Best of the U.S.'s 2008* list of the best professionals in the U.S.

Honorable Carmen Beauchamp Ciparick was reappointed for a second term as an Associate Judge of the New York State Court of Appeals. Her investiture was held on January 8th in the Court of Appeals Hall. Judge Ciparick has been a Judge for almost 30 years. In 1978, she was appointed as a Judge of the New York City Criminal Court. Four years later, she was elected to the New York State

Supreme Court, where she heard both criminal and civil cases. In 1993, then-Governor Mario M. Cuomo nominated Judge Ciparick to serve as an Associate Judge of the Court of Appeals. She was confirmed by the Senate in 1994, and has served on the Court of Appeals since that time.

1968

Arthur Dresner is of counsel at Duane Morris LLP in the Intellectual Property Practice Group.

Stephen J. Solomon, together with a management team, has formed Accrue Sports and Entertainment Ventures, LLC, "... a strategic investment and advisory firm which will focus on unique opportunities arising from the convergence of sports with the media, entertainment and technology sectors."

1970



New York State Supreme Court Justice **Edward W. McCarty III** has been awarded a scholarship to participate at the Sir Richard May Seminar on

International Law and International Courts at The Hague in Holland. Judge McCarty assisted in the restoration of judicial systems in Kuwait, Albania, Slovenia and Haiti. He has also been a contributor to the American Bar Association's Central European Legal Initiative. He is also a Special Professor of Law at the Hofstra Law School.

1971



Frederick D. Braid, a partner in the Labor and Employment Practice Group at Holland & Knight, was again selected by his peers for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*, and has also been honored with the designation as a *New York Super Lawyer*.

1972

Honorable Randall T. Eng, a Justice of the Supreme Court for the State of New York, was appointed to serve as an Associate Justice in the Appellate Division, Second Judicial Department.

Michael P. Stafford has joined Farrell Fritz, P.C., as counsel. He concentrates in trusts and estates.

1973

Andrew Odell has been named a partner at Duane Morris LLP. He concentrates on international banking and corporate matters, international capital markets and foreign sovereign and diplomatic law.

1974

Barton R. Resnicoff was named Pro Bono Attorney of the Month by the Nassau County Bar Association in February 2008.

1975

Nicholas M. Cannella, a partner with Fitzpatrick Cella Harper & Scinto was featured in the 2007 edition of *Super Lawyers*.

1976

Barbara Sullivan-Parry is the coordinator of the New York State Democratic Lawyers Council for Nassau and Suffolk Counties. NYDLC monitors elections and provides training to lawyers and non-lawyers who volunteer to monitor the voting process in New York State.

1977

Honorable Judy Harris Kluger was re-appointed as Criminal Court Judge for the City of New York by Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg.

Ralph J. Lamparello, managing partner for the 35-member law firm of Chasan Leyner & Lamparello in Secaucus, NJ, took the oath of office as Secretary of the New Jersey State Bar Association (NJSBA) in May, during the Association's Annual Meeting and Convention in Atlantic City. Beginning with his installation as Secretary, Mr. Lamparello will be on track to assume the presidency of the NJSBA in 2013.

1978



Roberta E. Ashkin of the Ashkin Law firm, located in New York City, was named a Super Lawyer in the 2007 Metro Edition of *New York Super Lawyers Magazine*.

1979

Eugene R. Barnosky, a partner at Lamb & Barnosky, LLP participated in a pod cast featured on the Long Island Business News website "At C Level."



William T. Hilliard has joined the Insurance & Coverage Practice Group at Rivkin Radler LLP.

Honorable Elaine Jackson Stack, was named Director of the Master of Laws program in Family Law at Hofstra University School of Law. Judge Stack retired from the bench in December 2007.

1980

Alice Reiter Feld, a Florida Bar and National Elder Law Foundation Board Certified Elder Law Attorney maintains offices in Tamarac and Delray Beach, FL. She is a Past President of the Academy of Florida Elder Law Attorneys.



Bob G. Goldberg has joined Farrell Fritz, P.C., in its Tax Department as counsel.

Honorable David Goodsell has been elected a District Court Judge in Nassau County, NY.

1981

Charlotte A. Biblow, a partner at Farrell Fritz, P.C., has been appointed to the Board of the Queensborough Community College Fund.

Hon. Janet DiFiore, the Westchester County District Attorney, was honored by the National Organization of Italian American Women (NOIAW), in recognition as the First Italian-American Woman District Attorney.

Dr. Robert Goldstein, the General Counsel and Director of Enforcement at Riverkeeper's, was honored with an EPA Environmental Quality Award. Dr. Goldstein was selected for his work leading Riverkeeper's legal team in protecting the Hudson River Estuary and the New York City watershed.

Gary Milano was named Director of the Tampa area district for the Transportation Security Administration.

1982

John F. Finnegan has joined the firm of Chadbourne & Parke LLP as a partner in the Insurance and Reinsurance Practice Group, based in the New York office.

Daniel J. Harris has become the Executive Vice President and Chief Lending Officer of Dime Community Bancshares, Inc. He will have general oversight over the operations of Dime's commercial lending and loan servicing departments.

1983

Peter J. Comerford, who practices in Rhode Island, was honored in the December 2007 edition of *Lawyers Weekly*.

Penny B. Kassel participated in the St. Anthony's Triathlon in April in St. Petersburg, Florida. This is one of the country's largest triathlons, attracting 4,500 athletes. She ran for the benefit of the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

Anthony Michael Sabino, a partner at Sabino & Sabino, and chair of the Corporation, Banking and Securities Committee at the Nassau County Bar Association, was recently named the 15th most popular University Professor in the United States by "ratemyprofessor.com" a website that compiles

faculty evaluations. While maintaining his practice in corporate and commercial litigation, Mr. Sabino is a Full Professor in the Law Department at the Peter J. Tobin College of Business at St. John's University.

Jeffrey G. Walsh, a partner at Furey, Kerley, Walsh, Matera & Cinquemani, P.C., was named a Super Lawyer in the 2007 Metro Edition of *New York Super Lawyers Magazine*.

1984

Honorable Ralph A. Fabrizio was re-appointed as Criminal Court Judge for the City of New York by Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg.

1985

Marie E. Knapp has joined the Holbrook, NY law firm of Germano & Cahill as counsel.



John P. McEntee, a partner at Farrell Fritz, P.C., was named to the national listing of "The Top Attorneys in Business Litigation" in the 2008 Corporate

Counsel Edition of *Super Lawyers Magazine*. He was also named to the Super Lawyers list in 2007 for the New York metropolitan area.

Samara Swanston has been appointed counsel to the NY City Counsel's Environmental Conservation Committee and she is teaching Environmental Law and Land Use Planning at Pratt Institute.

1986

Hon. Wilma Guzman, a New York State Supreme Court Justice, presiding in Bronx County, Civil Division, has become an Adjunct Professor at John Jay College of Criminal Justice.

1988

Paul Mackey was recently named a partner in the New York office of Schiff Hardin, LLP.

1989

Mary Beth Anderson received her Master's Degree in Social Work from Hunter College School of Social Work and was awarded the Dean's Award for Excellence in Scholarship. She is the Mental Health Attorney at the Queens County Legal Aid Society.

Terese L. Arenth, a partner in the Litigation Practice Group at the Garden City law firm of Moritt Hock Hamroff & Horowitz LLP, was recently appointed by the Women's Financial Group to serve on its Board of Directors and as Chair of the Membership Committee.

1990

Marilyn Camp Gormley a member of the law firm of Gormley and Gormley, PLLC, was a speaker for the Parkinson's Association where she spoke about Medicaid, Estate Planning and Guardianships. She is the co-chair of the Elder Law Committee of the Suffolk County Bar Association.

Frank Kenna was appointed as the Managing Inspector General for Fiduciary Appointments for the New York State Unified Court System in September 2007.

Cheryl Korman, a partner in Rivkin Radler LLP's Litigation & Appeals Practice Group, was named Chairwoman of the American Heart Association's "Go Red For Women" Luncheon in February.

1991

Elsa Rodriguez Preston has joined the firm of Preston Wilkins Martin & Rodriguez PLLC, as a partner with Paul P. Martin '89 and Gregory R. Preston '91. The firm is a general practice specializing in civil and criminal litigation, employment discrimination, real estate and commercial matters.

1992

Michael V. Campanile has been named a partner at the law firm of Morris Duffy Alonso and Faley in New York City.

1993

Richard F. Hans has been appointed the Chair of the Litigation and Dispute Resolution Practice Group at Thacher Proffitt & Wood, LLP.

1994

Suzanne M. Avena has been named partner in the Great Neck, NY law firm of Garfunkel, Wild & Travis P.C. Ms. Avena is Chair of the Environmental Practice Group and a Member of the Compliance, Finance and Real Estate Practice Groups.

Thomas J. Garry has joined Jspan Schlesinger Hoffman, LLP as a partner where his practice will focus on litigation, election law, land use and banking.

1995

Jonathan Friedman has been named General Counsel at Sirona Dental Systems, a leading global manufacturer of technologically advanced, high quality dental equipment.

1996

Dr. Dorothy R. Auth has joined Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP, as Special Counsel in the Intellectual Property Group.

Brian V. Breheny has been named Deputy Director for Legal and Regulatory Policy at the Securities and Exchange Commission in the agency's Division of Corporation Finance.

Steven N. Davi has been promoted to counsel at Farrell Fritz, P.C. in the firm's Commercial Litigation Department.

Adam J. Gottlieb has been named counsel to the law firm of Ruskin Moscou Faltischek, P.C. in the firm's Trusts & Estates Department.

Amy M. Rubin has been named a partner in the Tax Group at Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP.

Wanda Selinger was named the Pro Bono Attorney of the Month by the Nassau County Bar Association in March.

1997

Jack Bunker has had the following articles published: "An Offer They Can't Refuse: Crafting an Employer's Immigration Compliance Program, 25," Hofstra Labor & Employment Law Journal (2008); "Saving Clients from Themselves," New York State Bar Association Journal, Feb. 2008; "It's a Jungle Out There: Understanding what Stepped-up Immigration Enforcement Means to the Hospitality Industry," Florida Restaurant & Lodging Magazine, (Two-Parts) Nov.-Dec. 2007, Jan.-Feb. 2008.

1998

Jay R. Alicandri has been elected partner at Dechert LLP in the Corporate and Securities Group. His practice involves leveraged finance and mergers and acquisitions.

Jon-Paul A. Bernard has been named a partner in the Mergers & Acquisitions Group at Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP.

Nelson A. Castillo has been named a partner at Ivener & Fullmer, LLP, a Los Angeles, CA Immigration Law Firm.

Barbara S. Phair has been named a partner at Abrams, Fensterman, Fensterman, Eisman, Greenberg, Formato & Einiger, LLP, in Lake Success, NY.

1999

Miriam Robin has joined the law firm of Sullivan & Cromwell LLP in New York as an analyst.

Anne Marie Troiano is Vice President at BNY Mellon Wealth Management in New York.

Renee Wilm has become a partner at Baker Botts, LLP in the firm's Corporate Department.

2000

Tracy D. Hannah was named Policy Adviser for Regulatory Affairs by Arizona Governor, Janet Napolitano.

Mark Kaley was named Chairman of the Board, President and CEO of ImagiTrend, Inc. Formerly, Mr. Kaley served as President of MJMM Investments, LLC.

Jenny Sherman is living in Los Angeles with her husband, composer Avner Dorman. She practices corporate law at the Los Angeles office of Latham & Watkins LLP, with a focus on commercial real estate and gaming transactions. She also serves as legal advisor to Take Wing And Soar Productions, Inc., a New York theater company.

Adriana Wos-Mysliwicz established a law practice in Hackensack, NJ, specializing in Immigration and Commercial Litigation.

2001



Matthew V. Spero has joined the Corporate & Commercial Practice Group at Rivkin Radler LLP.

2002

Martha J. Brosius is a partner at Brosius Trask, LLP, a law firm in New York City which specializes in elder law, trust and estates.

James Pisciotta is Associate Counsel at Lorillard Tobacco Company in Greensboro, NC.

2003



Jonathan M. Kashimer has joined the Litigation Department at Farrell Fritz, P.C., as an Associate.

2004



Joseph T. LaFerlita an associate at Farrell Fritz, P.C., was named Chairman of the Special Committee on E-Filing for the New York State Bar Association's Trust and Estates Law Section.

Kareem R. Vessup has formed The Vessup Law Firm, a full service, trial firm specializing in personal injury,

criminal defense, matrimonial law and family law matters.

2006

Ankara D. Kant is an ADA in the Queen's District Attorney's Office.

Nina Petraro, an associate at Farrell Fritz, P.C., practices in the firm's Land Use & Municipal and Tax Certiorari Departments, has been appointed to the Valley Stream Central High School District Business Advisory Council.

2007

Evelyn Gong's article on the Japanese-American internment in World War II and its aftermath was published in the *Thurmond Marshall Law Review*. In April, Ms. Gong spoke at a conference at Albany Law School at their Justice Robert H. Jackson Lecture Series. The theme of the conference was "Society, Security and Civil Rights: Examining Sanctioned Discrimination Across Three Generations." Ms. Gong spoke on the panel entitled "Justice Jackson's Generation: National Origin and the Law."



Sui Y. Jim has joined the Insurance and Coverage Practice Group at Rivkin Radler LLP.

Edward O'Toole has joined the law firm of Biedermann, Hoenig and Ruff, P.C.

Geoffrey J. Peters was elected partner in the Bankruptcy Department at Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A. Mr. Peters received his LL.M. in Bankruptcy from St. John's Law School.

2008

John Curley has accepted a clerkship with the Honorable Joanna Seybert '71, United States District Judge, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York, sitting in Central Islip.

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attended the Law School. Ms. Silver credits her professors for their advice, particularly the help from St. John's Law Professor and Fulbright Scholar Janai S. Nelson, in assisting her with the Fulbright application process. "I had four or five really helpful professors," notes Lauren, "including Professor Patricia Grande Montana, and Luca Melchionna, Director of Transnational Programs at the School of Law, as well as Professors Elyse Pepper, and Margaret V. Turano."

Amanda Beltz '08 has been awarded a prestigious Skadden Fellowship. The Skadden Fellowship Foundation receives hundreds of applications from law and graduate students from around the country. Two dozen applicants are chosen based on a student's academic performance, commitment to the public interest, and the quality of the project. Ms. Beltz is fluent in Arabic and French, served in the Peace Corps in North Africa prior to law school, and has remained involved in public interest programs throughout her time as a St. John's law student. She is also the Chair of the Public Interest Committee of the Student Bar Association.

Ms. Beltz's project is with Manhattan Legal Services, and she will represent low-income women of African and Middle Eastern descent who are victims of domestic violence. She received advisement on her project from Professors Gina M. Calabrese and Dale S. Margolin. Professor Margolin, who herself is a former Skadden Fellow at the Legal Aid Society of New York, remarked that, "The Skadden Fellowship is the ideal opportunity for a new lawyer like Amanda who is wholly devoted to public interest and has the drive to be innovative at the beginning of her career". The Skadden Fellowship was established in 1988 by Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, in recognition of the dire need for greater

funding for graduating law students who wish to devote their professional lives to providing legal services to the poor, the elderly, the homeless and the disabled, as well as those deprived of their civil or human rights.

In addition, Joseph W. Canovas, a 2008 graduate of the School of Law, and a 2005 graduate of St. John's University, has been awarded an impressive post-graduate fellowship with the Office of the General Counsel of the AFL-CIO in Washington, D.C. This is considered one of the premier opportunities in the nation for new lawyers seeking union-side

careers in labor law. Mr. Canovas will work with experienced labor lawyers on cases and regulatory matters affecting the labor movement and the rights of workers.

Mr. Canovas is the first St. John's Law student to win the fellowship, but he is not the first St. John's Law graduate to serve in the AFL-CIO as a lawyer. Adjunct Professor of Sports Law Jeff Fannell, a St. John's College '92 and School of Law '96 Graduate, was Associate General Counsel of the AFL-CIO from 1997-2000, before returning to New York City as counsel of the Major League Baseball Players Association.



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