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FROM THE DEAN

Dear Alumni and Friends,



I am deeply honored and humbled to be writing to you at the beginning of my second term as the dean of this remarkable law school. It is an extraordinary privilege to have the opportunity to work together with the talented students, faculty, staff, and alumni of SMU Dedman School of Law, who strive every day to serve our community and our profession. We have accomplished much in the past five years. The law school has launched three new academic centers: the Tsai Center for Law, Science and Innovation; the Deason Center for Criminal Justice Reform; and the Robert B. Rowling Center for Business Law & Leadership. These Centers are supporting groundbreaking research, developing innovative and timely new courses for our law students, and bringing important speakers and conferences to the law school. We have greatly increased the diversity of our student body and enhanced the student services we are providing in the areas of academic support, inclusion, wellness, financial literacy, and professionalism. We have expanded the experiential learning opportunities we are offering to our students, with three robust externship programs and 10 hardworking clinics that are providing legal services to victims of human trafficking, to parents seeking child support or custody, and to entrepreneurs and small business owners seeking to protect their intellectual property, to give just a few examples. We have strengthened our ties with our alumni, through the creation of The Mustang Bar Law Alumni Association and the Emerging Leader Board, and new opportunities to serve through innovative programs like the flash mentoring offered by the Mustang Exchange. We could not have accomplished all this without the support of our wonderful alumni, and I am so grateful for all of you.

We celebrate an important part of the law school's legacy in this issue of the magazine: the 70th anniversary of our international LL.M. program, one of the first programs of its kind in the United States. Our distinguished graduates have become Supreme Court justices, law school deans, ambassadors, law firm leaders, and heads of multinational corporations in their home countries. I know you will enjoy reading about their accomplishments and the program's rich history. We also celebrate 20 years of our Sohmen Scholarship program, five new distinguished alumni, retiring professor Peter Winship, and an extremely successful year for our Board of Advocates student organization, which captured two national championships and second place in the ABA Competitions Championship.

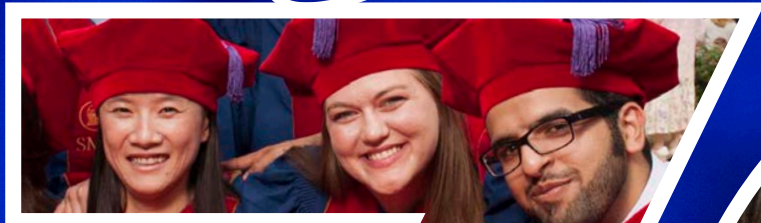
As we honor all that our community has accomplished over the past year, we also are excited to look toward the future. We still have much we want to accomplish: a new and improved classroom building to enhance the learning environment for our students, more scholarship funding to help keep the costs of a legal education for our students as low as possible, more research funding and endowed chairs to support and honor our incredible faculty, and even more ways for our students to support the DFW community that so warmly embraces us. I am always eager to hear your ideas and feedback, and look forward to talking with many of you at our upcoming alumni events throughout the year. From the bottom of my heart, thank you for all you do for SMU.

With deep appreciation,

Jennifer M. Collins

Judge James Noel Dean and Professor of Law

Celebrating



YEARS

INTERNATIONAL
LL.M. PROGRAM



The Mustang Bar
Law Alumni Association
INTERNATIONAL CHAPTER

Dedman LL.M. alumni have gone on to become managing partners of law firms in Argentina, Brazil, Venezuela, and Taiwan, and top executives of insurance giants, energy and chemical concerns, and high-tech firms from China to Chile.

They've served as presidential chiefs of staff in Uruguay and South Korea, as government ministers in Mexico and Costa Rica, and as justices of the highest courts in Indonesia, Thailand, Japan, Egypt and the Philippines.

LAW TEACHERS *to the* WORLD

FOR 70 YEARS, SMU LAW'S LL.M. PROGRAM HAS BEEN TRAINING
THE BEST AND BRIGHTEST INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS,
FORGING STRONG TEXAS TIES AROUND THE GLOBE.



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The School of Law

THE GRADUATE PROGRAM

The year 1950-1951 will mark the inauguration of a program of graduate instruction. The program is designed to accomplish the following objectives: (1) afford intensive training on the graduate level in the fields of law which have become highly specialized in modern urban practice, especially in the southwestern region; (2) broaden and deepen the student's understanding of the philosophy and history of law and of the administration of justice; (3) encourage research and creative writing in the law and related fields; (4) offer specialized instruction to practicing lawyers and judges of the plan for continuing education of the Bar. The program will be preparation for more productive service in the field of law and in the public service.

The Graduate Program

Master of Laws (LL.M.) To receive the degree in the School of Law the following requirements must be met:

(1) Residence in the School of Law for not less than four semesters if a full-time student, and not less than four semesters if a part-time student.

(2) Completion of the following requirements:

DEAN ROBERT STOREY, PROSECUTOR AT THE NUREMBERG TRIALS, SAW THE RISING IMPORTANCE OF INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE AND ESTABLISHED A LEGAL CENTER AT SMU LAW FOCUSED ON COMPARATIVE LAW.



In 1947, SMU Dedman School of Law Dean Robert Storey stood on the Hilltop, and he saw around the world.

Vision of Dean Robert Storey

He saw that postwar geopolitical upheavals had left the world a more complicated, interconnected place – a place whose very survival, in the shadow of atomic weaponry, depended on international cooperation. The former Army colonel, fresh from his assignment as a prosecutor at the Nuremberg Trials, saw, too, the rising importance of international justice.

And seeing that SMU Law could play a vital role in reshaping this new world, Storey established one of the first law school programs in the United States focused on international and comparative law. The dean's vision has evolved, over 70 years, into the Dedman School of Law's Master of Laws in Comparative and International Law (LL.M.) program.

"He recognized the critical importance of developing international institutions and international law and of promoting the rule of law and democratic values," said Joseph Norton, the James L. Walsh Distinguished Faculty Fellow and Professor in Financial Institutions Law.

"He also recognized how little American lawyers and law students knew about these new international challenges and about the importance of building bridges among the differing legal systems in the world."

"Dean Storey was an incredible person, truly a visionary," said C. Paul Rogers III, a former Dedman Law dean and the Marilyn Jeanne Johnson Distinguished Faculty Fellow and Professor of Law.

"The LL.M. program he established here has had an impact around the world. It helped Dallas grow into the international center that it is."

2,000 Grads from 80+ Countries

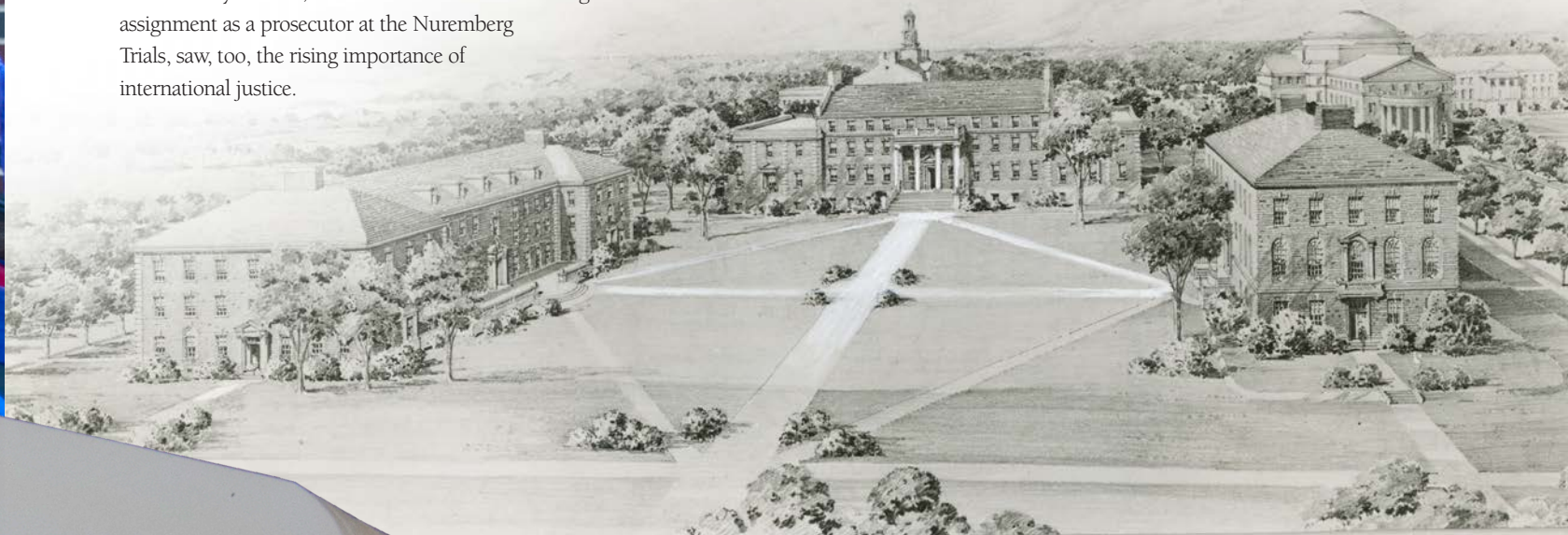
With its more than 2,000 graduates representing more than 80 countries, the global reach of the SMU program has been nothing short of profound.

Dedman LL.M. alumni have gone on to become managing partners of law firms in Argentina, Brazil, Venezuela, and Taiwan, and top executives of insurance giants, energy and chemical concerns, and high-tech firms from China to Chile.

They've served as presidential chiefs of staff in Uruguay and South Korea, as government ministers in Mexico and Costa Rica, and as justices of the highest courts in Indonesia, Thailand, Japan, Egypt, and the Philippines.

"The program is incredibly important to the law school," said Dean Jennifer Collins.

"We hope we have a lasting impact on these extraordinary attorneys from around the world, who go back to their home countries and become prominent leaders in the judiciary, government, academia, private practice and business."



LEGAL CENTER
THE SOUTHWESTERN LEGAL FOUNDATION
SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY
MARK LEMMON ARCHITECT DALLAS, TEXAS

“In a profession that is increasingly global, our LL.M. program fosters important connections and greater understanding, and we both cherish its legacy and look forward to its robust future.”

The LL.M. degree for Foreign Law School Graduates is a one-year, full-time program for students who hold a basic law degree from a recognized international law school. Students complete 24 credit hours of study, including a required, two-credit course in Perspectives of the American Legal System. In addition to the program for foreign students, Dedman offers a general LL.M. degree and one specializing in tax law.

Side by Side Learning with American Law Students

Foreign LL.M. students take classes side by side with SMU Law's American J.D. candidates. Beyond that, they're encouraged to use their time in Dallas to take advantage of the University's array of educational offerings outside the traditional classroom, such as conferences and lectures by prominent international experts on global legal issues.

“Those interactions enrich Dedman Law's international and U.S. students alike,” said Dean Collins. “Lifelong bonds are often the result.

“These accomplished lawyers enhance the experience of the students in our J.D. program, who learn about the practice of law and legal education in countries across the globe. I have been fortunate to meet with many of our international alumni since I became dean and have heard wonderful stories about professors whose classes had a profound impact on their careers, or fellow students from another country who became trusted friends.”

An oft-repeated story about the LL.M. program involves a Chinese student who came to SMU because, as he proudly put it, “I intend to be the future president of China.” A classmate, from France, replied, “And I came here because I want to become friends with the future president of China.”

That's not a far-fetched hope, according to Martin Camp, SMU Law's assistant dean for graduate and international programs.

“When I speak to the entering LL.M. class,” he said, “I tell them to look to their left and right. I tell them that those people they see, their

classmates, will be the future supreme court judges and other judicial office holders, political leaders, law school professors and deans, general counsels of international companies and partners in international law firms.

“I can say this with certainty, because that is the legacy we have as one of the first law schools in the United States to have the vision to begin an international LL.M. program.”

He added: “Each alum is an ambassador not just for their country to the U.S., Texas and Dallas, but also for the U.S., Texas, Dallas and SMU to the world.”

Christopher Hanna, the Alan D. Feld Endowed Professor of Law and Altshuler Distinguished Teaching Professor, said: “The LL.M. program, with its rich tradition and strength in both public and private international law, has helped establish SMU Law School's reputation around the world as a premier law school.” International tax law is among his areas of teaching and research expertise.

“International students,” Hanna noted, “have commented on how their studies at SMU have dramatically enhanced their legal careers.”

Powerhouse Alumni Base

Yingfeng “Jerry” Zhang '09, chairman and chief executive officer of Shanda Games, one of China's leading publishers of online computer games, called his LL.M. education at SMU Dedman School of Law “essential” to the stellar trajectory of his career. “SMU Law possesses world-class faculty, advanced research facilities and a stimulating academic atmosphere,” he said.

Jinsung Lee '88, who retired last year as President of the Constitutional Court of Korea, said:

“While studying at SMU, I was given the opportunity to learn how to live harmoniously with people who have diverse thoughts and ideas. I was also able to understand the importance of the universal constitutional values and spirit.” The court, on which Lee served for six years, is Seoul's highest tribunal on questions of constitutionality, impeachment of government officials, and dissolution of political parties.

Professor Hanna noted that generous LL.M. graduates have contributed to renowned programs at SMU Dedman School of Law. One graduate, for example, anonymously underwrote

the establishment of the Tsai Center for Law, Science and Innovation.

Another graduate, Dr. Helmut Sohmen '66, an international shipping magnate who lives in Hong Kong, endowed The Sohmen Scholars Fund, which provides approximately eight full scholarships for students from China.

His vision was to provide an opportunity for China's best and brightest law students to come Dallas to study international law at a distinguished school in the heart of a dynamic American business and cultural center. At SMU Dedman School of Law, he knew, these students would learn about other countries' legal systems, while experiencing life in the United States.

Since its inception, the Sohmen Scholarship Program has paid the tuition and living costs for more than 100 Chinese law students. Many of these Dedman Law alumni have gone onto prestigious positions in their country's leading law firms, businesses, and universities.

“Our goal,” Dr. Sohmen said in a 2009 interview, “was to create an elite group of young lawyers who would go back to China with this knowledge to help with the reforms in the China legal system.”

He added, “I benefitted greatly from my studies at SMU. ... I wanted to pay something back to the law school.”

Camp, the assistant dean for graduate and international programs, said he's confident that SMU Dedman Law's renowned LL.M. program, ambitiously “forged in the postwar fires of internationalism,” will continue to evolve in new and creative ways.

Forward Momentum

“I am hoping to build and strengthen relationships with law schools around the globe as we increase the size and geographic diversity of the entering classes,” he said. “I hope for each new student a career that is enriching, rewarding and uplifting.

“I want my counterpart 20 years from now to be bragging about the accomplishments of the students we are admitting, educating, mentoring and graduating today.”

POWERHOUSE *Mustang Bar* ALUMNI

THE FOLLOWING PAGES HIGHLIGHT SOME OF THE MANY POSITIONS
HELD BY OUR ALUMNI THROUGH THE DECADES.

CORPORATE SERVICE



Dr. Helmut R. Sohmen '66

Chairman of the shipping giant BW Group

Dr. Sohmen was the first legal Advisor in the International Division of the Royal Bank of Canada prior to joining the shipping business in Hong Kong in 1970. He was also the first international trustee on the Board of Trustees of SMU. Dr. Sohmen's gift created the Sohmen Endowed Scholarship Fund in 1999 to recruit and educate the best and brightest Chinese law students to study international law at SMU Law.

"Being at SMU opened my eyes to opportunities and to finding solutions to problems in law and business."



Richard C. Chen '84

Chief Executive Officer,
Core Pacific-Yamaichi
International Hong Kong Ltd.



WORLD BANK GROUP

Dr. Teresa Genta-Fons '85

Senior Vice President,
World Bank Group



Yingfeng (Jerry) Zhang '09

Chairman and Acting Chief
Executive Officer, Shanda
Games Limited; Vice President,
Shanda Interactive Entertainment



Siriporn Chaiyasuta '85

Vice President, Asia Strategy, Chevron Asia Pacific

Ms. Chaiyasuta's responsibilities cover matters of Chevron upstream oil and gas production business in Australia, Bangladesh, China, Indonesia, Myanmar, New Zealand, Philippines and Thailand. Before joining Chevron, Ms. Chaiyasuta was a driving force behind key legislation aimed at reforming the Thai legal system for businesses and the community, working as an advisor to the Prime Minister of Thailand and to the Thai parliament.

"The devoted faculty members trained me well for all the challenges I encounter. The diverse study body prepared me well for today's globalization."

JUDICIAL SERVICE



Dr. Julio César Cueto Rúa '53
Judge, Supreme Constitutional Court of Mexico

Law Academic and President of the Economic Science Academy; a prominent Argentinean jurist and a teacher for many generations of Argentinean lawyers.



Shigeharu Negishi '60
Justice, Supreme Court of Japan



Hideo Chikusa '62
Justice, Supreme Court of Japan

Justice Chikusa was the first recipient of the Robert G. Storey Award for Distinguished Achievement in 1999.

“Life on the SMU campus was free and bright, and it was very much profitable for the enrichment of my life through the communications I could have with, not only American students, but also those from other countries of the world.”

Hargouind S. Pradham '63
Justice, Supreme Court of Nepal



Reynato S. Puno '67
Chief Justice, Supreme Court of the Philippines



Yukio Horigome '71
Justice, Supreme Court of Japan; Professor, Keio University Law School, and private practice

Harry Yea-Hsiun Chen '73
Chief Justice, Taiwan High Court, Taichung Branch Court

Hideki Nakagome '76
Judge, Tokyo District Court; Professor, Daito Bunka University School of Law



Sobchok Sukharomna '81
President, Supreme Court of Thailand

As head of the Thai judiciary, Chief Justice Sukharomna guided efforts to reform the law and reorganize the judiciary with the aim of building a responsive and efficient judicial system and improving the administration of justice.



H. Harjono '81
Justice, Constitutional Court of Indonesia

Justice Harjono was a prominent player in the successful three-year effort to amend the nation's 1945 Constitution, which dramatically changed the landscape of the Indonesian legal system, including the creation of the Constitutional Court.



Bagir Manan '81
Chief Justice, Supreme Court of Indonesia

Chief Justice Manan was also a Professor of Law at Padjadjaran University.



Jinsung Lee '88
President, Constitutional Court of Korea

Wichai A. Angkanakul '91
Vice President, Supreme Court of Thailand

Fausto Mendanha Gonzaga LL.M. '96, SJD '13
Professor of Law, Pontificia Universidade Catolica de Goias, Brazil; Federal Judge Brazilian Regional Court, First Region



Tsutomu Takeuchi '97
Judge, Supreme Court of Japan



Changyong (Wendy) Li '99
Judge, New York City Civil Court, 2nd District

Junichi Ikeda '00
Partner, Nagashima Ohno & Tsunematsu; Judge, Tokyo District Court and the Kushiro District Court



Catherine Bamugemereire '03
Justice, Court of Appeal and Constitutional Court of Uganda

Justice Bamugemereire is passionate about good governance, the fight against corruption, human and women's rights and the strengthening of anti-corruption institutions.

“Today, I live for the law. I work for the law. I administer the law, because SMU taught me the law.”

Monica Medrano-Vargas '18
Criminal Judge for the Costa Rican Supreme Court of Justice; Costa Rican Lawyer and Professor

GOVERNMENT SERVICE

Kiyoshi Furukawa '57

The Academy of American Law Program; Japanese Ambassador to Ireland and Oman

J. Miguel Otero Lathrop '57

Senator of the Chilean Republic; Professor of Law at Chilean Universities

Chitti Tingsabadh '57

Member of the Privy Council and President of the Senate of Thailand; Dean and Professor, Thammasat University



J.K. Loh '59

Minister of Finance of Taiwan



S. M. Krishna '59

Minister of External Affairs of India

Under his leadership, Bangalore became an investment hub, with improvements in infrastructure and telecom facilities. He also facilitated the construction of a 4,300-acre international airport in the city.

"I owe a great deal of my success to this great institution of learning."



Lincoln

M. da Rocha '63

Minister of the Federal Court of Accounts of Brazil; Professor at University of Brasilia Law School

"I can see the benefits I have received from my legal education at SMU Dedman School of Law. I learned to cultivate the true values of the American legal system: order, certainty, solidarity, cooperation, democracy, peace and justice."



Dr. Mohamed

Aboul-Enein '67

Director of the Cairo Regional Centre for International Commercial

Arbitration;

Senior Vice President, Supreme Constitutional of Egypt



Meechai

Ruchupan '66

President of the Senate of Thailand

Mr. Ruchupan studied at SMU Law after being awarded a scholarship from Thailand's government to study legal procedure and analysis of the U.S. legal system.

"The knowledge of the U.S. legal procedure and analysis helped broaden the scope of the foundation of my legal skill while learning the U.S. culture and customs helped develop the basis of my philosophy."



Kaarina Buure-Hagglund '68

Director of Legislation, Finnish Ministry of Justice; Professor at the Institute of Comparative Law, Finland

Pornchai Soonthornpan '70

Member of the Senate of Thailand; Dean and Professor at Assumption University School of Law

Yoon-Seok Chang '83

Member of the National Assembly of the Republic of Korea; Director General of Prosecution Bureau, Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Korea

Dr. Pablo Clusellas '87

Legal and Technical Secretary of the Presidency of Argentina



Raul E. Granillo Ocampo '88

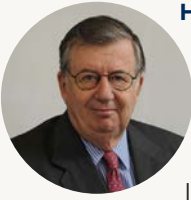
Minister of Justice of the Republic of Argentina; U.S. Ambassador to the Argentine Republic

Gela Bezhuashvili '97

Director of the Intelligence Service of Georgia; Minister of Defense and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Georgia



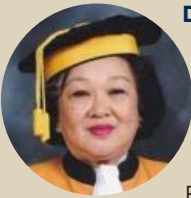
EDUCATION



Hector A. Mairal '63

Professor of Law at Argentinian Universities; Founding Partner of one of the largest Latin American law firms; served in the National Ministry of Economy and in the National Directorate of Foreign Trade, Argentina

"SMU has a true global alumni network. We are all proud of our SMU degree."



Dr. Mieke Komar Kantaatmadja '70

Supreme Court Justice of Indonesia; first woman Dean of the Faculty of Law, Padjadjaran University

Dr. Andreas Auer '74

Law Dean and Professor *Emeritus* of Law, University of Zurich, Switzerland

Seung K. Yang '74

President of Sejong University, South Korea

Nattapong Posakabutra '84

Director of Graduate Studies and Professor, Assumption University School of Law

Akio Otsuka '90

Faculty of Business Sciences, Professor of Law; University of Tsukuba Law School, Japan



Wang Wei '01

Professor of Law and Vice Dean, Fudan University Law School, China

His research projects cover Chinese banking law reform and legal education history.

Dr. Aunya Singsangob LL.M. '93, S.J.D. '03

Vice President for Academic Affairs and Professor, Bangkok University



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Dr. Joeng-Woong (JW) Baik LL.M. '03, S.J.D. '05

Professor of Law, Pai Chai University, Korea

"Every class was just like the globe! Many students from many countries participated in classes."

Marcos Aurelio Pereira Valadão LL.M. '03, S.J.D. '05

Professor of Taxation, Catholic University of Brasilia; Fiscal Auditor and Coordinator of International Relations, Federal Revenue of Brazil

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International Legal Consultant, MacKenzie & Albritton LLP

Dr. Shen was the first person from the People's Republic of China to receive a degree from an American law school. She was instrumental in drafting significant aspects of China's business legislation, including China's Joint Venture Law and Trademark Law.

Arturo Lan '82

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"I served as President of the International Law Society, which allowed me to get to know other cultures and ways of living and enhanced my views towards the law. I still find this to be one of the most rewarding experiences of my life."

Dr. Waleed Nasser Al-Nuwaier S.J.D. '05

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FRONT *and* CENTER

FIVE YEARS IN THE MAKING, three new academic centers at SMU Dedman School of Law are having a transformative impact on a number of challenging issues at the national and local level. The Deason Criminal Justice Reform Center is advancing remedies for injustice in rural communities. The Tsai Center for Law, Science and Innovation is tackling important legal questions about emerging technologies. The Robert B. Rowling Center for Business Law & Leadership is engaging the broader DFW community in areas of executive education and business leadership.

DEASON CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM CENTER

In November 2018, just 18 months after the Deason Criminal Justice Reform Center at SMU Dedman School of Law officially opened, the Center hosted the first national Rural Criminal Justice Summit. Prosecutors, defense attorneys, judges, sheriffs, victims' advocates, and academics from across the country gathered at SMU to hash out the challenges and rewards of working with rural communities.

After working on cases in rural Louisiana, where she saw how a lack of resources led to people spending months in jail, Professor Pamela Metzger, Director of the Deason Center, was determined to create a space for rural criminal justice stakeholders. Although 97% of the land in America is rural, she explained, academia knows little about how these systems work in those regions. She added, "We have an urban bias in criminal justice reform and it's our hope that this is a first step in remedying that."

Brittany K. Barnett '11, who founded Girls Embracing Mothers (GEM) to connect children and teens with incarcerated parents, emphasized the importance of facilitating family connections during incarceration to assist with reentry. Connecting family members in rural communities is all the more challenging because of the distances between prisons and towns. "One of my passions and goals for the next year in 2019 is to really scale our program into more rural areas," she explained.

Her mother, Evelyn Fulbright, who is the reentry director for GEM, put a face on rural justice and discussed the impact of the criminal justice system on her own life. "I'm formerly known as TDCJ inmate 1374671. And I got that number during a trial in a criminal case in a rural area. I had an underlying problem, and it was a drug addiction," Ms. Fulbright explained. Without access to treatment and services, Ms. Fulbright eventually served an eight-year prison sentence. "Rural areas are full of meth, full of opioids, full of crack, and there's no rehabilitation services there," she said.

The Rural Criminal Justice Summit also explored the relationship between jail growth and mass incarceration in rural areas. Chris Henrichson, Research Director at Vera Institute for Justice, offered, "We can talk all we want about jail and prison declines coming out of New York, [but] that is not going to move the needle on incarceration nationally if we do not address the rural criminal justice problem."

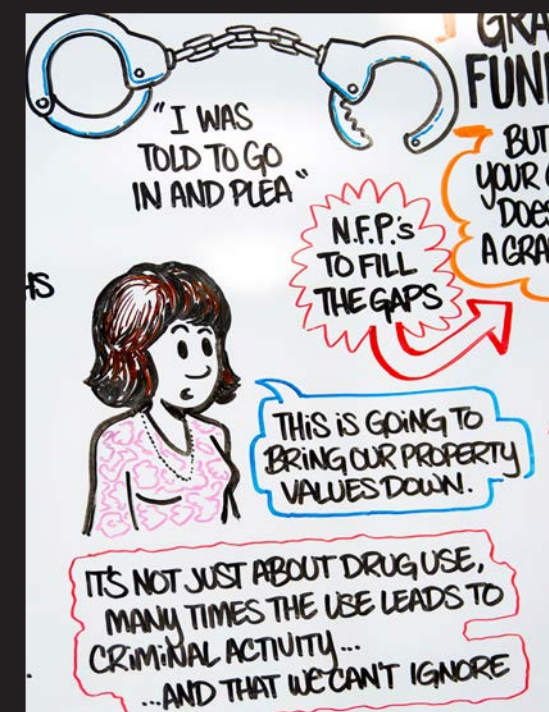
Through a mixture of panel presentations by experts and smaller discussions among different stakeholders, attendees shared their experiences while also offering innovations. Geoff Burkhart, Executive Director of the Texas Indigent Defense Commission, noted the extreme shortage of defense attorneys in rural regions. Technological solutions like video-conferencing may not work for some rural communities who don't have access to the Internet. Peter Ohman from Montana's

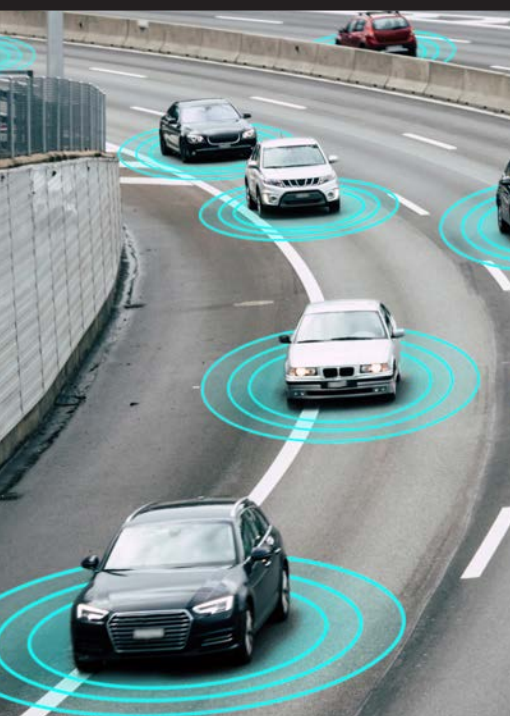
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state public defender office stressed the need for community-specific solutions, emphasizing that what might work for one community may not work in another.

The Deason Center is just the place for these conversations. "It's all part of the Center's mission to include everyone, not just academics, not just judges, not just law enforcement," Professor Metzger explained. As part of its ongoing advocacy for rural criminal justice, the Center will soon be releasing a report building on discussions from the 2018 Summit and has arranged for SMU Law to host the second national Rural Criminal Justice Summit this October. "We're all in," said Professor Metzger. "We're going to bring criminal justice reform to the whole country, not just to the cities."

For more information: deasoncenter.smu.edu





TSAI CENTER FOR LAW, SCIENCE AND INNOVATION

From blockchain to virtual reality to artificial intelligence, emerging technologies are changing our world in ways that can be unsettling and unpredictable.

Change, especially sudden, profound change, invites disruption. New products dazzle us, but doom older ones to obsolescence. New markets create new opportunities, but roil

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established markets. Technological breakthroughs raise unforeseen legal questions.

Understanding the challenges that come with innovation was the theme of SMU's 15th Annual Symposium on Intellectual Property Issues, hosted by the Tsai Center for Law, Science and Innovation on September 21, 2018.

The daylong symposium, titled "Disruptive Ideas and Emerging Technologies," featured nearly two dozen prominent scholars, government officials, practicing lawyers, entrepreneurs, and industry executives. In panel discussions and keynote presentations, they explored current trends, controversies, and judicial decisions in intellectual property law.

David O. Taylor, co-director of the Tsai Center and an associate professor of law at SMU, said he hoped the symposium would provoke thoughtful conversations about encouraging "the use and development of new technology, not just because it's cool, but because it can help improve the world."

The topics touched on were varied and intriguing: how autonomous vehicles – driverless cars – may transform commuting and housing patterns, automobile sales, insurance coverage, and liability claims: how copyright and licensing of music and other artistic works can be best administered in a digital age, when anyone can download anything; how blockchain, the decentralized ledger technology underlying cryptocurrencies, may be applied to an array of transactions, and the mechanisms for regulating them.

James Smith, chief intellectual property counsel for Ecolab Inc., said for all that's changing, the bedrock principles of intellectual property law are rooted in America's earliest history.

In a keynote addresses subtitled "WWTJD?" – for "What Would Thomas Jefferson Do?" – Smith said the Founding Fathers had a "predisposition to accept innovation," even disruptive innovation. (They were, after all, revolutionaries.)

Jefferson, James Madison, and others of their day believed a spirit of creativity and inventiveness would favor the young republic. One of the first major acts of the first Congress, in 1790, was to pass the original U.S. patent law. It was intended, Smith said, "to help the United States become the greatest inventing nation in the world."

"The foresight of the Founders was remarkable," he said. "Centuries later, invention and innovation are ongoing."

For more information: smu.edu/law/tsaicenter

ROBERT B. ROWLING CENTER FOR BUSINESS LAW & LEADERSHIP

The Robert B. Rowling Center for Business Law & Leadership, created in 2018, is Dedman Law's newest center. According to Center Director, Eric F. Hinton, the Rowling Center's mission is to be a nationally and internationally prominent center of excellence, focusing on developing leaders at the intersection of business and law. The Rowling Center has four key areas of focus related to business law and leadership:

- Engaging the broader DFW business community to provide high-quality interaction with one another and with Dedman Law and the Rowling Center
- Curriculum development for Dedman Law Students, including new courses and expanded opportunities for hands-on learning
- Executive education for lawyers and business leaders
- Faculty scholarship and thought leadership

To achieve those objectives, the Rowling Center offered the SMU Certificate in Ethics & Compliance in February 2019. This prestigious interdisciplinary program was taught in conjunction with the SMU Cox School of Business and the SMU Maguire Center for Ethics. The 2019 class included a diverse group of participants, including CEOs, general counsels, vice presidents, human resource directors, and chief ethics & compliance officers. Participants came from many sectors, including academia, government, energy, financial services, food services, insurance, hedge funds, high tech, lending, manufacturing, real estate, sports, and transportation. Key organizations represented included American Airlines, Atmos Energy, AT&T, BNSF Railways, City of Dallas, Cinopolis USA, Dallas Mavericks, Department of Homeland Security, Federal Reserve, Flowserve, and Sysco. Faculty came from academia, business, and law and covered cutting edge ethics and compliance topics. The 2020 Certificate Program will be held February 26th and 27th at SMU.

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During the 2019 May Term, the Rowling Center offered the Business Law Boot Camp for the first time. This course, for Dedman Law students, covered key business basics, including accounting, finance, labor and employment, intellectual property, and international transaction. Students learned these topics from practitioners, Dedman Law faculty, and Cox School of Business faculty. The Rowling Center will offer this course at regular intervals, with the next course planned for spring semester 2020.

For more information: smu.edu/law/rowlingcenter



GIVING & IMPACT

THANK YOU TO DR. HELMUT SOHMEN '66

Celebrating 20 Years of the Sohmen Scholarship



"WE ARE PROFOUNDLY GRATEFUL FOR DR. SOHMEN'S ENDOWMENTS THAT WILL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES...AT SMU FOR YEARS TO COME," SAID DEAN JENNIFER COLLINS.



A generous gift from Dr. Helmut R. Sohmen '66 established The Sohmen Endowed Scholarship Fund at SMU in 1999, providing full scholarships for Chinese law students in Dedman Law's one-year LL.M. in Comparative and International Law program. We celebrated the 20th anniversary of this transformative gift this year with receptions in both Hong Kong and Beijing.

Dr. Sohmen was chairman and president of BW Group, a Hong Kong-based maritime shipping company, for 28 years before retiring in 2014. Born in Linz, Austria, Dr. Sohmen received his law degree from the University of

Vienna, and attended the SMU Dedman School of Law Master of Laws for Foreign Law School Graduates program from 1964-66. He was a member of the SMU Board of Trustees from 1999-2012 and received SMU's Mustang Award in 2012 in recognition of his extraordinary philanthropy to the University. He also served on the Dedman Law Executive Board from 2004-2013 and its Second Century Campaign Committee from 2008-2013. He worked as a lawyer for the Royal Bank of Canada in Montreal until 1970 when his wife, Anna Pao, persuaded him to join the family's shipping business. Dr. Sohmen has touted his SMU experience as invaluable and life-changing, and instrumental to his law and business career.

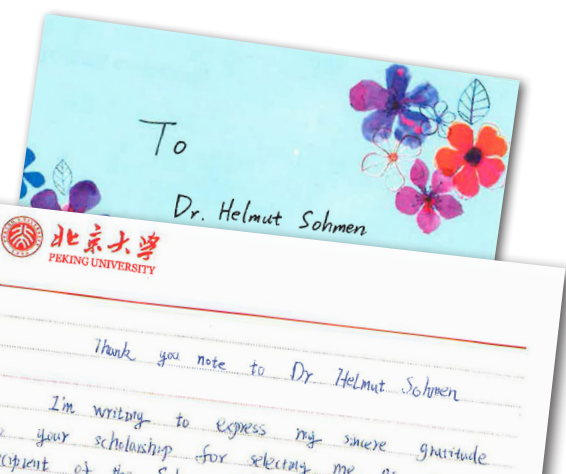
Dr. Sohmen saw a need to expose bright scholars from China to other legal systems and life abroad and aimed to create an elite cadre of young lawyers who were committed to returning to China and using their expanded

knowledge to help with reforms in the country's legal system.

In 2001, Dr. Sohmen established The Sohmen Chinese Scholars Program Endowment with another gift, which was matched by the Dedman Foundation. The endowments now provide approximately eight attorneys per year with a full scholarship, including tuition, fees and a living stipend. More than 100 lawyers from Hong Kong and mainland China have graduated from SMU as Sohmen Scholars and returned to their home country to hold prominent positions in government, law firms, business, the judiciary and legal education.

Dr. Sohmen's vision and generosity has transformed the lives of these attorneys, helping them to develop knowledge of the American legal system and gain an understanding of a culture different from their own. He has transformed the law school as well, because our Sohmen Scholars bring such a unique energy and perspective into our classrooms and to their relationships with our domestic J.D. students and other international LL.M. students. Dr. Sohmen has quite literally enabled SMU to achieve its goal of shaping world changers through this outstanding community of Scholars.

"We are so proud of the Sohmen Scholars we have educated over the years," said Dean Jennifer Collins. "We are profoundly grateful that Dr. Sohmen's endowments will continue to provide opportunities for these academically gifted lawyers to study at SMU for years to come."



TSAI CENTER FOR LAW, SCIENCE AND INNOVATION

\$2 Million Gift Amplifies Research and Innovation

A recent \$2 million gift expands the profile of SMU Dedman School of Law's Tsai Center for Law, Science and Innovation as a leading academic platform for multidisciplinary research and scholarly debate surrounding new technologies.

The academic center brings together experts from the legal, scientific and business communities to explore the complex challenges presented by the evolving innovation ecosystem. Such topics as artificial intelligence, digital currency, intellectual property and data privacy have been explored through faculty research, educational programming and student engagement opportunities since the Tsai Center was launched in 2015.

"The Tsai Center has already sparked historically significant faculty scholarship on legal issues linked to emerging technologies," said SMU President R. Gerald Turner. "This additional support allows the center to strengthen collaborations across disciplines that result in these forces coming together in remarkable ways, facilitating deep study of important matters within the ever-changing legal, innovation and discovery landscapes. This work further strengthens our reputation for academic quality."

The new gift was made by the same anonymous Dedman Law alumnus who generously provided the \$3.125 million gift to establish the Center. It will be split between endowment and current operational funding, and provides additional resources for research grants, programs and curricula.



Current research projects supported by the Tsai Center include studies of fingerprint technology and tax implications of artificial intelligence, as well as a digital tool for keeping track of litigation involving government watch lists. The Center's Leadership Lecture series recently welcomed Ajit Pai, Chairman of the Federal Communications Commission, and Andrei Iancu, Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. The Center's interdisciplinary programs include its Innovation Lecture series that partnered with SMU's Lyle School of Engineering in 2018 to feature John Carmack, a trailblazing software developer. Another collaboration with SMU's Cox School of Business produced a standing-room-only event where business and legal experts discussed Bitcoin and other cryptocurrencies. The Tsai Center has also funded new courses, including one in which law students create web-based legal apps for Texas legal-aid organizations.

This new gift gives SMU added resources to raise its profile as a leader in innovation and the law.



PONY POWER

3 Year Giving Stampede

On June 1, 2017, SMU launched a three-year giving stampede focused on yearly investments that strengthen current use efforts in every area of the University. We recently completed year two of *Pony Power: Strengthening the Stampede* and are pleased to report that the law school raised \$3.3 million, exceeding our overall fundraising goal! We are very grateful to Amy Ware '90 for serving as

the law school's volunteer representative to the *Pony Power* Committee.

A few notable *Pony Power* gifts include:

- **Thompson & Knight** agreed to a three-year sponsorship of the law school's innovative mentoring program called Mustang Exchange.
- **The Rees-Jones Foundation** is supporting the Child Advocacy Clinic's Aged Out program. This important initiative focuses on North Texas-area youth as they "age out" of the foster care system.
- An anonymous donor made a generous gift to launch the **Lawyering Lab**. This Robert B. Rowling Business Law & Leadership Center initiative will offer new and innovative short courses in the areas of business law and leadership.
- **Reunion Giving** had strong alumni participation with 14 classes and 242 donors. The Class of 1988 alone raised \$56,860!
- **Association for Public Interest Law (APIL) 12th Annual Auction:** \$19,366.04 raised.



THIRD ANNUAL LAW FIRM CHALLENGE

Alumni Contribute \$483,041 Through Area Firms

The Law Firm Challenge, an annual, three-day fundraising event now in its third year, was a huge success as North Texas-based law firms vied for the highest percentage of alumni giving to SMU Dedman School of Law. Any gift to the law school by an alum at a participating firm during the challenge year counts toward the Law Firm Challenge.

In 2018, our generous alumni raised \$483,041 to

provide critical resources and immediate support to scholarships, clinics, and student organizations, such as the Mustang Exchange Flash Mentor Program and the Corporate Counsel Externship Program. We are most proud to report that we had 85% alumni participation.

Contact Anne Beard to participate: agbeard@smu.edu

Thank you!
to these firms for 100% participation:

BAKER BOTTS

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Thanks to the seventeen law firms and 411 donors that participated in this year's Law Firm Challenge!

Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP	Haynes and Boone LLP	Jackson Walker LLP	Norton Rose Fulbright	Thompson & Knight LLP	Winstead PC
Baker Botts L.L.P.	Holland & Knight	Kelly Hart	Scheef & Stone	Vinson & Elkins	Winston & Strawn LLP
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ALUMNI & FRIENDS MEET THE CHALLENGE

Commemorating 50 Years of Sumners Scholarship



HATTON W. SUMNERS FOUNDATION CHALLENGE ADDS \$450,000 FOR LEGACY SCHOLARSHIP

SMU Dedman School of Law was pleased to partner with the Hatton W. Sumners Foundation in celebrating 50 years of the Sumners Scholarships at the law school. The anniversary dinner was held on March 2, 2018, where we announced a fundraising challenge to further strengthen the endowment and celebrate 50 years of bringing the very best and brightest students to SMU. The Sumners Foundation pledged to contribute \$1 for every \$2 donated to the scholarship fund during the anniversary challenge. With a very generous lead gift of \$100,000 from Sumners Scholar alumnus Joseph Foran '77, we were off to a very good start.

The SMU community achieved its goal and raised over \$300,000 to earn the full match from the Sumners Foundation. As a result, we were able to add over \$450,000 to the endowment to support this signature program.

We are so grateful to our alumni and friends for their support of the Sumners Scholarship to ensure that SMU Law continues to attract excellent students destined to become future leaders in the legal profession.

Although the challenge has ended, we hope you will continue to include support for this important scholarship in your philanthropic plans.



MARCH 5, 2019

SMU Giving Day

SMU Giving Day is an annual one-day giving challenge – it's the one day of the year when the entire SMU community comes together to support different projects and maximize the impact of their gifts. This year, alumni rallied to support a number of projects for our amazing students:

- The Board of Advocates competing in national championships.
- Scholarships that help support wonderfully diverse, talented students.
- The Association of Public Interest Law (APIL) Fund that helps students spend the summer serving public interest organizations.

The Board of Advocates participated in promoting the day by sending out emails encouraging friends, family and the legal community to give, and helped produce and star in one of the videos used for the email and social media promotional campaign.

This year, 109 donors gave \$20,456 to support the SMU Fund for Dedman Law, APIL, Board of Advocates, Dedman Law Scholars, and Challenge Donations.

Watch the official SMU Law Giving Day video: smu.edu/Law/News-Events/2019/February/SMU-One-Day



Thank you to all our alumni and friends for your support!





CLEO EDGE AWARD AND 2018 ACCESS TO JUSTICE AWARD

SMU Law Honored for Commitment to Diversity and Access to Justice

In celebration of its 50th Anniversary in 2018, the Council on Legal Education Opportunity, Inc. (CLEO) named SMU Dedman School of Law to its inaugural class of CLEO EDGE Honorees. This honor is given based on the law school's outstanding contributions in the field of "Greater Equality" and commitment to education and diversity. Founded in 1968, CLEO is the oldest national organization dedicated to increasing diversity in the legal profession through legal education. The law school was honored at CLEO's 50th Anniversary celebration in Washington, D.C. on November 15, 2018.

SMU Dedman School of Law also was selected by the Texas Access to Justice Commission as the recipient of the 2018 ATJ Law School Commitment to Service Award. This award recognizes the law school that has most distinguished itself by actively educating its students about access to justice issues, thereby carrying forward one of the finest traditions of

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the legal profession in Texas. The Texas Access to Justice Commission presented the Law School Commitment to Service Award at the New Lawyer Induction Ceremony in Austin on November 19, 2018. The Commission noted that the Law School's commitment to the provision of legal services to the poor is "truly exceptional."

"We are truly honored to receive this recognition of our efforts both to increase diversity in the legal profession and to educate our students about the importance of public service and pro bono work," said Jennifer Collins, Judge James Noel Dean and Professor of Law at SMU Dedman School of Law. "We are so thankful to CLEO and to the Texas Access to Justice Commission for these awards."



During orientation, incoming law students receive advice from some of the law school's most highly regarded alumni. The students have also participated in a service project through the North Texas Food Bank.





2019 Distinguished Alumni Awards

ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENTS HONORED

“In our 94 years, more than 17,000 students have walked through our doors ... we could not be prouder of these extraordinary lawyers and leaders.”

-Dean Jennifer M. Collins

Thirty-three years ago, U.S. District Judge James L. Noel, Jr. '38 stepped to the podium to accept SMU Dedman School of Law's first Distinguished Alumni Award.

Then-law school dean Kenneth Penegar summarized Judge Noel's accomplishments: SMU Law graduate in 1938; former Dallas County prosecutor; former Texas Attorney General; and former federal judge appointed by President John F. Kennedy.

Judge Noel was one of three SMU Dedman law alumni recognized that night in 1986 for their extraordinary service to the law and to their communities. Also honored were Herbert S. Kendrick '60 and Charles E. Long '35.

In the three and a half decades since that initial ceremony, SMU Law has recognized 166 prominent lawyers, judges, corporate executives, public servants and educators with the law school's highest and most prestigious honor: the Distinguished Alumni Award.

On April 10, 2019, 300 prominent lawyers and leaders came together at the Belo Mansion as five new Distinguished Alumni Award recipients joined the list:

- Baker Botts Partner Christa Brown-Sanford '04;
- Matador Resources Founder and CEO Joseph Foran '77;
- Lynn Pinker Cox & Hurst Founder and Chair Mike Lynn '75;
- Northern District of Texas U.S. Magistrate Judge Irma Ramirez '91; and
- Texas Capital Bank General Counsel Kelly Rentzel '02.

“What an extraordinary heritage of alumni we are here to celebrate tonight,” SMU Dedman Law Dean Jennifer Collins told those who attended the event. “In our 94 years, more than 17,000 students have walked through our doors. So many have gone on to greatness. We could not be prouder of these extraordinary lawyers and leaders.”

CHRISTA BROWN-SANFORD '04

Emerging Leader Award

When Christa Brown-Sanford '04 was 12-years-old, she told her mother that she wanted to be a lawyer.

"Christa," her mother responded, "you need to be a patent attorney."

"I did what most kids should do. I obeyed my mom," Brown-Sanford said when she accepted the SMU Law Emerging Leader Award. "So kids, always obey your mother. At 12, I started on my path to where I am today."

Despite practicing law for only 15 years, Brown-Sanford has developed a reputation as one of the leading intellectual property lawyers in the U.S. and become a leader at one of the largest corporate law firms in Texas and across the country.

Born and raised in Dallas, Brown-Sanford graduated from Rice University in 2001 with a Bachelor of Science degree in electrical engineering.



That fall, her parents Guy and Jacqueline Brown (Guy was a linebacker for the Dallas Cowboys in the late 1970s and early 1980s and was on the 1977 team that won Super Bowl XII) sent their daughter to SMU Law. Brown-Sanford thrived. She was a leader in the SMU Law Review Association, the Black Law Students Association and the Barristers Service Organization.

"After my first semester of law school, I did what most students do – I sent my resume to all the law firms in town. I got a call from this IP partner from Baker Botts," she said. "He said, 'You know what, I've never seen a resume with electrical engineering from Rice, that has experience drafting patent applications and working for a cheerleading company. Who are you?'"

A few months later, she met Bart Showalter, chair of the intellectual property practice at Baker Botts.



"He has been an incredible teacher, mentor, champion and friend for the last 18 years. Thank you, Bart," she said when accepting the award.

In 2004, Brown-Sanford graduated Order of the Coif and joined the Dallas office of Baker Botts, where she became the first African-American associate to be promoted to partner in the Dallas office and eventually became the firm-wide deputy chair of the intellectual property department. She also developed the IP department's talent management program.

"Now, of course, those of us in law know how grueling our work can be and the importance of having a compelling 'why' to maintain our passion," she said. "My driving reason to continue to practice is to make an impact in this legal profession while improving the representation of women and minority attorneys."

"After all, the likelihood of at least two of my three kids going to law school and becoming attorneys is pretty high – especially if they listen to their mother," she said. "I would not be able to do all that I have done in my career without the support of so many people."

Brown-Sanford said there is one person she met in 1997 who changed her life.

"I met this young man who played football at the University of Houston," she said. "Let me tell you, he was like a celebrity on campus. Then, I decided to come to SMU in Dallas for law school."

"After almost 16 years of marriage and three

kids later, he continues to support me unconditionally," said Brown-Sanford, who married Ketric Sanford at SMU's Perkins Chapel. "So, thank you, Ketric, for being my best friend, my life partner, and my rock. In a sea of people, my eyes will always search for you."

They have three children: Jackson, Cason, and Landry.

Brown-Sanford's professional successes have not gone unnoticed. *Savoy* magazine recognized her as one of the most influential black lawyers in America. *The Dallas Business Journal* named Brown-Sanford one of North Texas' leading minority business leaders. Texas Diversity Council, the Legal 500 U.S., and the Dallas Women's Foundation have each honored her with awards and accolades.

Brown-Sanford serves on the boards of the Dallas Children's Theater, First Baptist Academy, and New Friends New Life, and she is a member of the Junior League of Dallas. She is a founding officer of The Village Giving Circle at Texas Women's Foundation, which honors, sustains, and expands the legacy of African-American women's philanthropy by funding organizations and initiatives that benefit African-American women, men, and children in North Texas.

Brown-Sanford serves on the law school's Emerging Leader Board and also is an adjunct professor at the law school.

"I want to have a major impact on young women and young minority attorneys – to let them know that they can be successful and that I am there to be a resource for them," she said. "I feel truly blessed to be where I am today."

KELLY RENTZEL '02

Distinguished Alumni Award for Public Service

Kelly Rentzel '02 was a senior at Rice University in 1996 when she experienced a severe manic episode that required a one-month hospitalization and resulted in a diagnosis of bipolar 1 disorder. Although forced to withdraw from all her first semester courses, she returned the next semester, doubled down on her studies, and graduated on time with a double major (English and Managerial Studies) and with honors.

In 2002, Rentzel graduated from SMU Dedman School of Law with honors, all while continuing to manage and learn more about her disorder.

Nearly two decades later, Rentzel is the general counsel of Texas Capital Bank, which has more than 1,600 employees and \$28 billion in assets. She also has become a leading public voice advocating for mental health education.

Recognizing her extraordinary bravery to advocate for others suffering from mental illness in the face of extreme personal adversity, SMU Dedman School of Law honored Kelly Rentzel with the 2019 Distinguished Alumni Award for Public Service.

Born and raised in Dallas, Rentzel attended SMU Law as a Hutchison Scholar. She excelled as a student leader on the *SMU Law Review*, won the Best Brief Award, and was a spirited classmate as the catcher of the Lawdaws championship softball team.

After graduation, Rentzel was hired to be an associate in the litigation section of Baker Botts. Several years later, she accepted a position as a staff attorney at the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas. While there, she spiraled into postpartum depression in 2010 after having her daughter, Catie. (To prevent injury to her baby, Rentzel had to remain off her medication during her



pregnancy and for several months after delivery, which, on top of the chronic sleep-deprivation of motherhood, made her vulnerable to the effects of her mood disorder.)

When her postpartum depression became medication resistant and failed to fully resolve, Rentzel fell into a major depressive episode, which led to a suicide attempt in June 2012. She was treated with electroconvulsive therapy ("ECT"), which she credits with saving her life.

Only four months after undergoing ECT, Rentzel was hired as Texas Capital Bank's first in-house lawyer. Her early tasks included handling small litigation matters and responding to subpoenas. But her work assignments and influence increased as bank executives recognized that she was a brilliant lawyer with strong leadership skills.

In 2016, the financial institution promoted Rentzel to the position of general counsel. She first spoke publicly about her condition in August 2017.

Through ECT, medication, counseling, and sheer grit, Rentzel has rebuilt her life and become an outspoken advocate for others suffering with mental illnesses. In her time outside the bank, she shares her story nationwide, spreading awareness and giving hope to others suffering from debilitating mental illnesses through her writing, website (www.bipolaroz.com) and speaking engagements, including a TEDx Talk at SMU in 2018.

Rentzel credits Texas Capital Bank CEO Keith Cargill as a significant reason for her success. She said Cargill kept an open mind and is definitely a corporate leader of the future.

"He was just unflinching in his support of me," she said. "Thank you."

In recognition of her candid and courageous efforts to help others, she received a 2018 Dallas Bar Association Presidential Citation as well as the 2018 Outstanding Public Service and Pro Bono Award from the Association of Corporate Counsel and *The Texas Lawbook*.

In accepting the law school's Distinguished Alumni Award for Public Service, Rentzel said, "This award is more to me than just an award. It's really encouragement to keep doing and keep going with what I've been doing in the past, which is speaking about mental illness and showing people that there's a way out and that there's hope even if you're diagnosed with one."

She also pointed to her daughter Catie, now 9 years old, as her "rock and inspiration."

"Just to share with you how encouraging a 9-year-old can be, there was one night when I really wasn't sure what I was doing," she said. "I thought, no one really needs to hear me speak anymore. This is a tough story to tell, and maybe I should just quit."

Rentzel said that's when Catie stepped in and showed her mother her journal.

"She said, 'Mom, I want you to list here all the people who support you.' And I did," Rentzel said. "They are my friends, my family, mentors, and I really, really want to thank the bank where I work because instead of shunning me or telling me I needed to stay quiet, the bank embraced me and gave me even more courage to move on and promote what I like to advocate."

"It's a really special night for me, and I just hope you feel the love tonight."





JOSEPH Wm. FORAN '77

Distinguished Alumni Award for Corporate Service

Joseph William Foran '77 remembers his first week of classes at SMU Dedman School of Law 45 years ago. The professor called on the Amarillo native to give the meaning of "jurisdiction."

"At that point, I barely knew how to say *forum non conveniens*, as well as to try to explain the difference between *in rem* and *in personam* jurisdiction," Foran said. "The theme music to *Jaws* played in my head. I did not know what jurisdiction meant. Larry Wolfish, sitting next to me, tried to help. He whispered, 'power.'

"So I responded by saying, 'power.' The *Jaws* music then returned to my head," he said. "Professor Cogan then said, 'Well Mr. Foran, just what kind of power did you mean?'

Foran answered, "Power. Like a big, powerful locomotive." Everyone laughed.

"Obviously, I did not pass the pop quiz that day," Foran said, looking back laughing. "No one else in that class still living today could ever imagine that I'd be here at this very moment receiving this distinguished award. Isn't life wonderful?"



Today, Foran is Founder, Chairman and CEO of Matador Resources, a \$3.5 billion Dallas-based oil and gas operation, one of the largest producers in the Permian Basin.

This year, he was the recipient of the SMU Dedman School of Law 2019 Distinguished Alumni Award for Corporate Service for his

business leadership and valuable contributions to the community.

"It's been quite a journey," Foran told the audience when he accepted the award. "I sometimes wonder how I even got here. I haven't collected any legal fees and I haven't tried a legal case in over 40 years.

"Certainly, I would not be here without the help of a large number of you," he said. "Family, friends, teammates, and mentors – some are here to support me and some may be here to fact-check my claims and remarks. But I've been assured that there would be no opportunities for a recount or a rebuttal."

The son of William and Roberne Foran, Joseph William Foran was born the middle child of five children at Camp Wolters in Mineral Wells, Texas, where his dad, a veteran of World War II and Korea, was posted. He received his bachelor's degree in accounting with highest honors from the University of Kentucky in 1974 and his J.D. from SMU Dedman School of Law in 1977.

The summer before he started classes at SMU, Foran worked digging ditches for a pipeline company in Amarillo area.

"I was proud of my work as a ditch digger," Foran said. "It was one of the few jobs where you get to start at the top and work your way down. Still, they were good ditches.

"In fact, only a few days before law school began, I was still digging ditches in Amarillo," he said. "So, it was quite a change for me to load everything I own in the backseat of my '71 Oldsmobile Cutlass to come to Dallas and find myself two days later trying to explain – not so well – the nuances of jurisdiction to my classmates."

Thank you!

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“Other challenges in law school awaited me,” he continued. “Texas trial and appellate procedure, the rule against perpetuities, and, everyone’s favorite, the rule in Shelley’s Case, as announced in 1366 and amended in 1581. Fortunately, we had great professors to explain these great mysteries like Bill Flittie, A.J. Thomas, Ernie Figari and Harold Taubenfeld, to name a few. And when I really needed it, Ms. Jury was there to give me a little encouragement.”

Foran was a Hatton W. Sumners Scholar and founder of the Sumners Sentinel, the newsletter of the Sumners program. He was also leading articles editor for the *Southwestern Law Journal* and a member of Phi Delta Phi. One reason for selecting SMU Law was the Hatton W. Sumners program, where he met the longtime chairman of the foundation, Jimmy Thompson, and ultimately worked for him as vice president and general counsel of J. Cleo Thompson and James Cleo Thompson, Jr., Oil Producers in Dallas.

After working for several years as a lawyer for J. Cleo Thompson, Foran – with support from

family, friends, fellow teammates, and handball partners – founded Matador Petroleum, also known as Matador I, in 1983 with an investment of \$270,000. Two decades later, he sold it for \$388 million.

After the sale of the first Matador on Friday in 2003, Foran – again with family and friends – founded Matador Resources Company, also known as Matador II, the following Monday with \$6 million. Matador Resources is traded on the New York Stock Exchange and has 300 employees, production of more than 60,000 barrels a day of oil or gas equivalent, and an industry reputation for innovation.

While building Matador and raising his family, Foran started various programs to help young people with jobs, educational opportunities, and athletic scholarships in order to give back for the scholarships, help, and encouragement he received along the way. These educational programs have grown during the past 32 years and include nine different high schools in small towns and rural Texas, as well as scholarships and professorships at five different universities.

Foran and his wife, Nancy, also have supported faith-based organizations and various military organizations – especially volunteer work with the Medal of Honor Foundation – and numerous individual Medal of Honor recipients.

“Nancy is the kindest, most loyal, and most thoughtful person I know,” he said. “We’ve been married 39 years, which means at least one of us is easy to get along with. I will let you decide.

“For three out of the first five years of Matador, Nancy and I made zero dollars,” Foran said. “Nancy was kind enough and thoughtful enough in that period not to ask too many questions. Thank goodness.”

An avid outdoorsman who loves reading, fishing, hunting, ranching, and early Texas and Southwestern art, Foran is the father of five children: Laura, Julia, Shelly, Mary, and Bill, who is a Major in the Marines, currently serving our country in Afghanistan and due home soon.

MICHAEL P. LYNN '75

Distinguished Alumni Award for Private Practice

When Michael P. Lynn '75 stepped to the podium to accept the Distinguished Alumni Award for Private Practice, he was wearing a cast. Just days earlier, he had fallen while hiking the Appalachian Trail between Damascus, Virginia, and Harpers Ferry, West Virginia.

“It took me over three hours to hike out, and I am delighted to actually be here,” he told the audience.

Corporate clients describe Lynn, who is chairman of the 40-lawyer litigation boutique Lynn Pinker Cox & Hurst, as passionate, a game-changer, an incredibly creative lawyer, and a highly effective storyteller. His firm has consistently ranked as one of the top five such firms in Texas by the prestigious

Chambers & Partners, as well as one of the top 10 firms in the U.S. by Benchmark.

Lynn has taken 120 cases to a verdict before juries – an extraordinary feat in this era of declining civil jury trials. His courtroom successes have made front-page headlines, including:

- He has won more than \$1 billion dollars in verdicts since 2004;
- He scored the largest verdict (\$535 million) ever reported in Dallas;
- He also won the largest verdict of 2016 in Reeves County;
- He settled one of the largest trade secret claims in Dallas history; and
- He has represented corporate defendants in defeating more than \$1 billion in damage



claims and was twice recognized by the *National Law Journal* as having the defense win of the year in the U.S.

Born in Buffalo, New York, and raised in Arlington, Texas, Lynn is one of four siblings and son of Dorthea and Robert Lynn. He received his undergraduate degree in economics

from the University of Virginia and his J.D. from SMU Dedman School of Law in 1975.

While a student at UVA, he met Barbara Golden, who was in the first class of women admitted into the university’s undergraduate program.

The couple married and attended SMU Law together.

“Through it all, Barb persevered during our first years of marriage and thereafter,” he said.

“I remember that my major reason for



said. “All of these mentors taught me that trials were about the dreams and sins of humans. They taught me the more I understood humanity and myself, the better I would do talking to jurors and winning them back.”

Lynn said hiking 700 miles of the Appalachian a few years ago taught him many things about life and his legal practice.

“It is encapsulated within the admonition, *hike your own hike*. Those who have read anything about that know that that is one of the phrases, one of the admonitions, that we all learn about as we hike that hike,” he said. “I feel as if the hiking of the Appalachian Trail and the practice of law have a lot in common. Barb and I have both hiked our own hike. And that means many things to many people, but to me it means to go slow and to enjoy the journey.

“My wisest advice is don’t take any shortcuts. ‘Hike your own hike.’ Go up every mountain and down every valley,” Lynn said. And maybe it took me two decades longer than Barb to get here because I had to hike my own hike, had to struggle to become, and I don’t regret it at all. In the end I think this noble profession, which began at Dedman Law, will be safeguarded by you because the only reason we have any right in the contract or right in the Constitution is because a trial lawyer took the long journey and knows how to protect our rights through telling a compelling story, a compelling tale, about right and about wrong.

“So, ‘hike your own hike’ my friends, but don’t break your arm.”



succeeding at all in law school was watching Barb study at the northeastern side of the library on the 2nd floor,” he said. “There, I sat across from Barb and hopelessly tried to distract her from reading cases and I would throw missiles her way at various times during the day. We spent literally hours together. As time wore on, I learned to study and Barb learned to duck the missiles.”

“As usual, my wife got this award two decades before I got this award,” he said.

Barbara Golden is now U.S. District Chief Judge Barbara Lynn of the Northern District of Texas. She received SMU Law’s

Distinguished Alumni Award in 1999. They have two daughters, Tara and Whitney, and two granddaughters.

Lynn said the discipline and rigor of the law school, along with his involvement in moot court and law review, helped sharpen his ability to analyze issues and to think creatively.

“I owe a great debt of gratitude to SMU for giving me the opportunity to test the limits of my ability, including months of tedious law review, cite checking on all of the different statutes in cases and so forth in the law review,” Lynn said. “It seemed way too much time to devote to that, but it taught me grace and patience. And, of course, there was moot and mock court with Jim McElhaney, which was anything but fun. Each step forward was accompanied by major deconstruction of my speaking style and my personality, humbling me each time that we met,” he said. “All in retrospect was totally necessary and was all very hard to take. Dedman Law gave me the chance to complete and grow in ways I did not completely understand or acknowledge at the time, but today it seems absolutely miraculous what they wrought.”

Lynn also thanked some of his mentors, including Dallas trial lawyer greats Jack Hauer and Jim Coleman.

“They saw something in me I did not see and encouraged me at our lunches together to go on and try cases and to form a law firm,” he



IRMA C. RAMIREZ '91

Distinguished Alumni Award for Judicial Service

The Honorable Irma C. Ramirez '91 was born in West Texas to parents Feliciano, an immigrant, and Helen Carrillo. Both instilled in her and her two sisters the importance of hard work, putting forth best efforts, and the value of education to achieve their goals. Their message got through. Ramirez has served as a federal magistrate judge in the Northern District of Texas for the past 17 years.

For her extraordinary public service, SMU Law honored Judge Ramirez with its Distinguished Alumni Award for Judicial Service.

In accepting the award, Ramirez quoted former U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice.

"There is no greater challenge and there is no greater honor than to be in public service," she said. "I couldn't agree more."

In high school, Ramirez discovered her love of intellectual debate, which sparked her determination to become a lawyer.

After earning a bachelor's degree from West Texas State University, Ramirez received a full scholarship to attend SMU Dedman School of Law, where she was a Sarah T. Hughes Diversity Fellow. While at SMU, she was selected to the Order of Barristers and received the International Academy of Trial Lawyers award, the Orgain Bell & Tucker Trial Advocacy Award and the Dean's Award for Extraordinary and Dedicated Service to the law school.

"There is no doubt in my mind that I would not have the honor to be in public service if it were not for my law school and for the foundation it provided both in the classroom and based on its bond with the Dallas legal community," Judge Ramirez said. "It was the partnership between the law school and the

Dallas Bar Foundation that provided the scholarship that allowed me to attend this magnificent institution."

After graduating and passing the bar in 1991, Ramirez joined the litigation practice at Locke Purnell Rain Harrell, which is now Locke Lord. In 1995, she joined the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Texas, where she served in both the civil and criminal divisions.

In 2002, the federal judges in the Northern District of Texas appointed Ramirez to be Magistrate Judge. During her time on the bench, Judge Ramirez has enjoyed significant achievements, including:

- Leading the creation of the Northern District of Texas federal re-entry court in 2008 to reduce recidivism among moderate-to-high-risk, formerly incarcerated persons serving a post-conviction term of supervised release;
- Helping create a pro bono civil panel so that persons

with potentially meritorious civil cases who cannot afford counsel may be appointed a volunteer attorney, while at the same time providing litigation opportunities for young lawyers; and

- Hosting dozens of student groups from many different schools and her courtroom and developed an exercise called "U.S. v. Grandpa Bandit" to teach students about her role in the criminal justice system and to help them visualize themselves as lawyers and judges.

President Obama nominated Judge Ramirez in 2016 for an open position as U.S. District Judge in Texas, but the U.S. Senate never voted on her nomination.

The Dallas Hispanic Bar Association

recognized Judge Ramirez with its La Luz Achievement Award. Judge Ramirez also received a Federal Executive Board Public Service Award and the Dallas Association of Young Lawyers Outstanding Mentor Award.

A devoted supporter of the law school, Judge Ramirez regularly organizes lunch visits with the student members of the Hispanic Law School Association and she consistently hires and mentors SMU Law students. She has coached the law school's mock trial teams and is also a member of the executive board. Judge Ramirez has been married to her husband, Adam, for more than 33 years, and her life and career are a testament to the ideals of hard work and tenacity.

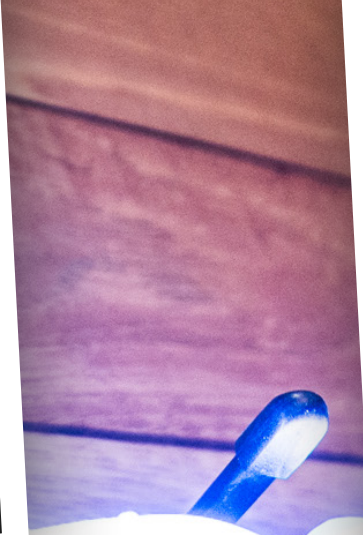
"To have my judicial service deemed worthy of recognition is beyond humbling, especially when I think about the people who have received this award before me and [those] I am privileged to serve alongside," Judge Ramirez said, referring to U.S. District Court Chief Judge Barbara Lynn and U.S. District Judge Jane Boyle.

Judge Ramirez said that she "deeply admired" Judge Boyle when she was a young attorney appearing in Judge Boyle's court for "her example of service." She said Judge Boyle has been "a wonderful mentor and a giving person."

"And, of course, there's the incomparable Chief Judge Barbara Lynn, who has broken down so many barriers and continues to do so, and her inexhaustible energy and service amaze, inspire, and terrorize me," Judge Ramirez said. "If you've ever worked with her, you've come in in the morning and found a voice mail from her at 2 o'clock in the morning; you know exactly what I'm talking about."

"To be listed as a recipient with both of these esteemed jurists is just unbelievable to me," she said.





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We enjoyed catching up
with thousands of alumni
and friends at numerous
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October 1, 2019

Oral Argument, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

October 3, 2019

Black Law Alumni and BLSA Reception

October 5, 2019

Alumni Tailgate - Family Weekend
SMU vs. Tulsa

October 18, 2019

27th Annual Corporate Counsel Symposium

October 2019

Raggio Lecture Series

November 8, 2019

Reunion 4s and 9s

November 9, 2019

Reunion Tailgate - Homecoming
SMU vs. East Carolina

April 22, 2020

Distinguished Alumni Awards

June 25, 2020

State Bar Annual Meeting Reception - Dallas

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MORE EVENTS!

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NETWORKING FALL 2018

September 12, 2018

North Texas Alumni
Chapter Launch Party

September 13, 2018

APIL-palooza

September 29, 2018

Law Alumni Tailgate
SMU vs. Houston Baptist

October 4, 2018

Weil Foundation Reception

October 8-12, 2018

Mustang Bar Asia Tour

November 1, 2018

Barristers 8:38 pm Reunion

November 2, 2018

Reunion 3s and 8s

November 2, 2018

Bush Library and Meadows Museum Tours

November 3, 2018

Law Alumni Reunion Tailgate -
Homecoming and Reunion Weekend
SMU vs. University of Houston

November 13, 2018

D.C. Alumni Happy Hour

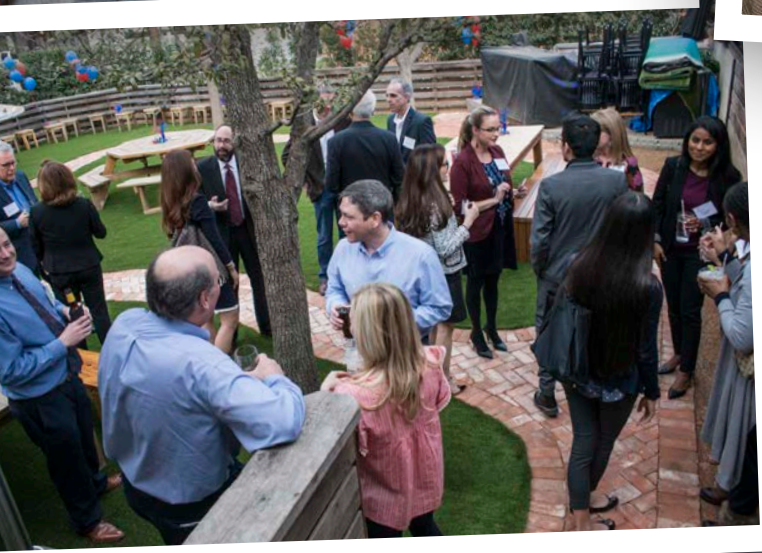
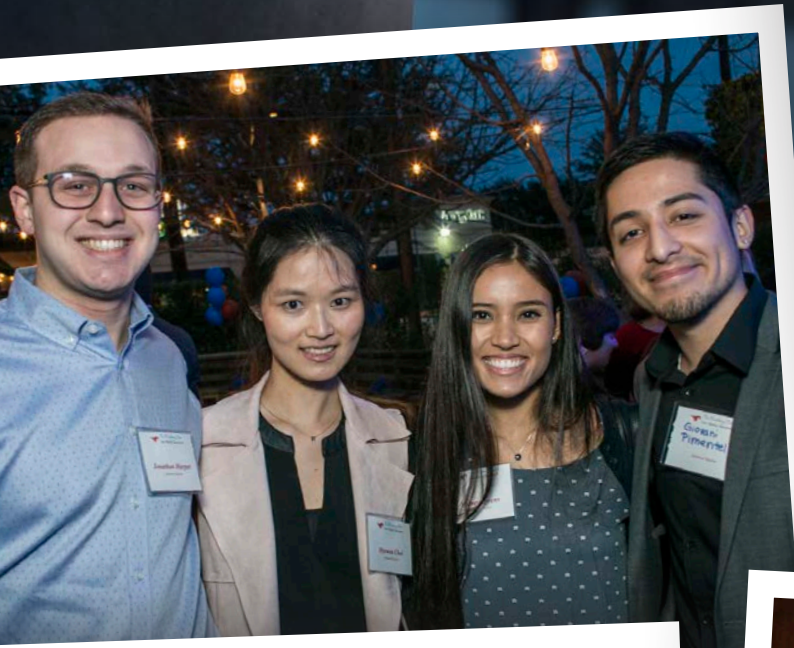
November 14, 2018

New York City Alumni Happy Hour



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NETWORKING SPRING 2019

January 26, 2019

Fort Worth Stock Show
and Rodeo Alumni Event

March 7, 2019

Dallas Alumni Happy Hour

April 10, 2019

Distinguished Alumni Awards

June 13, 2019

State Bar Annual Meeting
Reception - Austin

June 14, 2019

SMU Dedman Law
Night at Bar None



SYMPOSIA + CLE EDUCATE

September 6, 2018

Irving L. Goldberg Endowed Lecture Series: "Locking Up Our Own: Crime and Punishment in Black America"
James Forman, Jr., Professor of Law, Yale Law School and 2018 Pulitzer Prize Winner for Nonfiction

September 21, 2018

15th Annual IP Symposium - "Disruptive Ideas and Emerging Technology"

September 26, 2018

Texas Lawbook Future of Texas Jury - CLE

October 26, 2018

26th Annual Corporate Counsel Symposium Keynote speaker
Vice Chancellor J. Travis Laster, Chancery Court of the State of Delaware "The Challenges of Regulating Controllers"

November 2, 2018

Reunion CLE - "Qui Tam Litigation Against Government Officials: Constitutional Implications of a Neglected History"

Randy Beck '88

Associate Dean for Academic Affairs & Justice Thomas O. Marshall Chair of Constitutional Law, University of Georgia School of Law

January 25, 2019

Diverse Attorney Pipeline Program (DAPP)

February 9, 2019

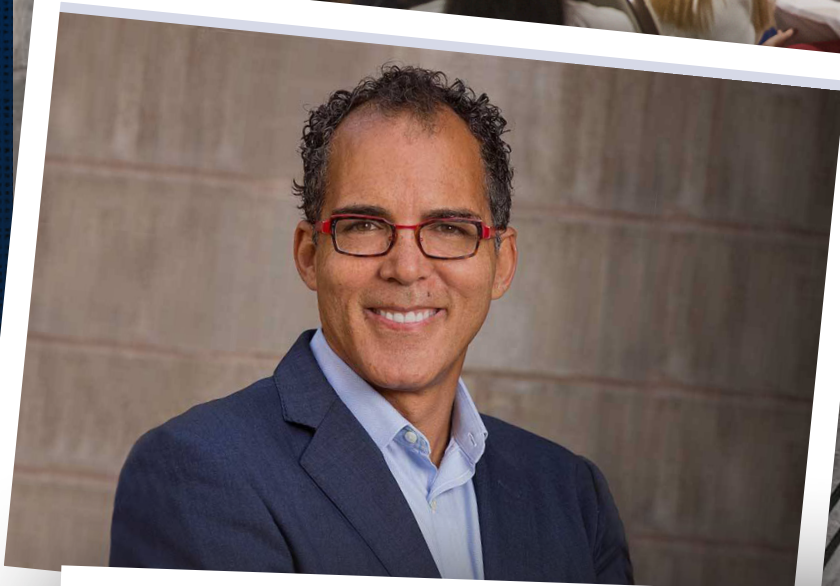
Minority Pre-Law Symposium

February 27-28, 2019

2019 Ethics & Compliance Certificate Program

March 27-29, 2019

53rd Annual SMU Air Law Symposium



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ALUMNI + STUDENTS ENGAGE

August 15, 2018

Alumni Lunch - Student Orientation

September 26, 2018

Haynes and Boone, LLP Inns of Court
Welcome Reception

October 1, 2018

Law School Advice - Community Fellows

January 15, 2019

In the Alternative - Allison Casper
Adams '95

February 14, 2019

Conversation with the Dean
Erin Nealy Cox '95

February 25, 2019

Real-World Advice - Community Fellows

March 1, 2019

Summers Scholars Dinner

March 1, 2019

12th Annual APIL Auction

March 5, 2019

SMU Giving Day

March 27, 2019

The New York Times Bestselling Author
Evan Thomas discusses his new book,
"First, Sandra Day O'Connor" with
Talmadge Boston '78

April 2, 2019

Lynn Pinker Cox & Hurst
Moot Court Competition

April 4, 2019

Inns of Court Olympics

April 15-18, 2019

Jackson Walker Moot Court Competition

May 18, 2019

Graduation Hooding Ceremony



ENGAGE.

FACULTY NEWS

WELCOME!

New Faculty



Anna C. Offit

Assistant Professor of Law

Dr. Anna Offit comes to SMU from New York University School of Law, where she served as a Research Fellow with the Civil Jury Project. Her teaching and research interests span criminal law, evidence, legal ethics, comparative law, anthropology, and law and society. She has applied empirical research methods to the study of prosecutorial ethics and lay participation in legal systems, and, as a Fulbright scholar to Norway, observed and analyzed the abolition of all-layperson juries in appellate criminal cases.

Dr. Offit served as Editor-in-Chief of the *Georgetown Journal of Legal Ethics* and as a law clerk at the Department of Justice's Office for Civil Rights during law school. She also served as a Visiting Researcher at the University of Oslo's Department of Public and International

Law, as well as a Graduate Prize Fellow at the Princeton University Center for Human Values. Her research has been funded by the National Science Foundation, the U.S.-Norway Fulbright Foundation, the Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies, and the Lois Roth Foundation. Her articles have appeared in the *Northwestern University Law Review*, the *UC Irvine Law Review*, and the *Political and Legal Anthropology Review*, among other law review and peer-reviewed journals. She is a member of the Association for Political and Legal Anthropology.

During the 2019-2020 academic year, Professor Offit will be teaching criminal Law, evidence, and a seminar on the American jury system.

For more information: smu.edu/law/annaoffit



Eric Ruben

Assistant Professor of Law

Professor Eric Ruben joins SMU Law from New York University School of Law where he is a fellow at the Brennan Center for Justice and was an adjunct professor. Professor Ruben's research and teaching interests include criminal law, constitutional law, and legal ethics. He is a prominent commentator on the right to keep and bear arms, publishing articles in the *California Law Review* (forthcoming), *Duke Law Journal*, *Yale Law Journal Forum*, and *Journal of Law and Contemporary Problems*, as well as popular outlets such as *The Atlantic*, *The New York Times*, *Vox*, *Jurist*, and various legal blogs.

Previously, Professor Ruben worked as a criminal defense attorney at Morvillo Abramowitz Grand Iason & Anello, P.C. and served as a law clerk for the Honorable Julio M. Fuentes of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.

During the 2019-2020 academic year, Professor Ruben will be teaching criminal law, professional responsibility, and a seminar on the Second Amendment and weapons regulation.

For more information: smu.edu/law/ericruben

Promotion

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Associate Professor of Law

Awards & Recognition

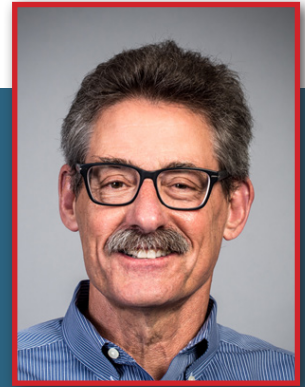


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Judge James Noel Dean
and Professor of Law

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Dean of SMU Law for a
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Gregory S. Crespi

Homer R. Mitchell Endowed
Professorship in Commercial
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Professor of Law

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2019-2020 Gerald J. Ford
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and Professor of Law

Awarded:

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Christopher H. Hanna

Alan D. Feld Endowed
Professor of Law and Altshuler
Distinguished Teaching Professor

Appointed:

Visiting Professor of Law,
The University of Tokyo School
of Law, Summer 2018



Lolita Buckner Inniss

Professor of Law

Appointed:

Senior Associate Dean
for Academic Affairs



Christopher Jenks

Director of the Criminal Clinic
and Associate Professor of Law

Awarded:

The Office of the Secretary of
Defense Medal for Exceptional
Public Service as Special Counsel,
Office of the General Counsel of the
Department of Defense

Selected: 2019-2020 Colin
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Awards & Recognition



Joseph J. Norton

James L. Walsh Distinguished Faculty Fellow and Professor in Financial Institutions Law

Awarded:
Honorary LL.D. degree from the University of Edinburgh



Meghan J. Ryan

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Appointed:
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Mary Spector

Associate Dean for Clinics, Director of the Civil/Consumer Clinic and Professor of Law

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Appointed:
Working Group of the Enforcement Gallery, Securities and Exchange Commission Historical Society



Joshua C. Tate

Professor of Law

Appointed:
Visiting Professor, University of Alaska Fairbanks, August 2018

Elected:
Council of the Selden Society, July 2018; Program Committee, 2018 Annual Meeting of the American Society for Legal History



David O. Taylor

Co-Director of the Tsai Center for Law, Science and Innovation and Associate Professor Law

Awarded:
2019-2020 Robert G. Storey Distinguished Faculty Fellow

Invited:
To testify before the Senate Judiciary Committee Subcommittee on Intellectual Property



Jenia Iontcheva Turner

Amy Abboud Ware Centennial Professor in Criminal Law

Appointed:
Faculty Advisory Board and a Senior Fellow at the SMU Tower Center, Fall 2018; Co-Chair of the International Criminal Law Interest Group of the American Society of International Law

Awarded:
2019-2020 Robert G. Storey Distinguished Faculty Fellow



Jessica Dixon-Weaver

Associate Professor of Law

Awarded:
2019-2020 Robert G. Storey Distinguished Faculty Fellow; 2019-2020 Gerald J. Ford Research Fellowship

RETIREMENT

Professor Peter Winship Retires After 45 Years of Service



Peter Winship

Peter Winship, the James Cleo Thompson, Sr. Trustee Professor of Law, has retired after 45 years as a distinguished member of SMU's law faculty.

Winship, who assumed the title of Professor Emeritus of Law in December 2018, taught and researched primarily in the areas of domestic and international commercial law. He also taught corporate law, seminars on American legal history, comparative commercial law, admiralty law, and law and ethics.

HE IS THE AUTHOR OF SEVEN BOOKS AND IS CONSIDERED A LEADING U.S. SCHOLAR ON THE UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON CONTRACTS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL SALE OF GOODS.

He is considered one of the leading U.S. scholars on the drafting and adoption of the United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods. The treaty, which established a uniform international sales law, has been ratified by 91 nations, making it one of the most successful international uniform laws in history.

Winship joined the SMU Law faculty in 1974

after earning his A.B. and LL.B. degrees from Harvard University and an LL.M. from the London School of Economics.

He's been a visiting professor at numerous institutions, including King's College at the University of London, the University of Rome, the University of Konstanz in Germany, and Cayman Islands Law School.

The author of seven books and dozens of chapters and articles, he has served as editor in chief of the *Journal of Ethiopian Law* and of *The International Lawyer*. He also has served as a member of the Board of Editors for the *American Journal of Comparative Law* and the Editorial Advisory Board for the *Tulane Law Review*.

In 2007, he received the Leonard J. Theberge Award from the American Bar Association's Section of International Law in recognition of his contributions to private international law.

Winship shared with his faculty colleagues what he called a bit of "ephemera" he found while cleaning out his office at retirement: A yellowed copy of the convocation address he delivered to newly arrived SMU students in August of 1987.

"I remember," he told his fellow professors, "putting as much effort into writing this address as I did in short law review articles."

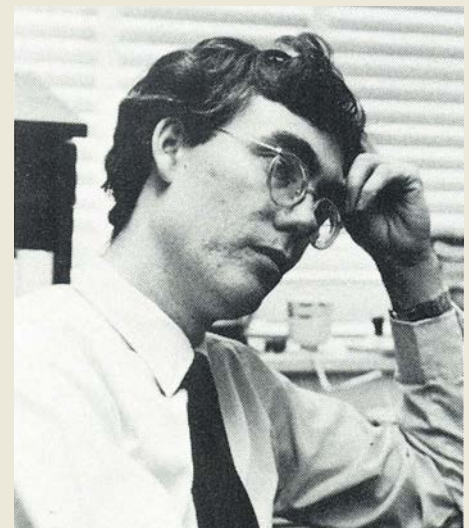
In his convocation address, Winship welcomed

for a worthy personal life and for an active civic role in a complex world. ...

"Seek out mentors who not only can help you to understand special technical problems in their areas of expertise but who also will help you to struggle with issues that ignore artificial barriers between academic disciplines. Seek out accounting professors who can talk knowledgeably about the revolutionary effect of double-entry bookkeeping on the conduct of business in Renaissance Italy. ... Seek out engineering professors who struggle with the ethical implications of laser research that might be used to develop life-threatening weaponry but also might lead to life-saving medical breakthroughs. Seek out professors of theatre who study the impact of role playing on the conduct and character development of the learning impaired."

He quoted from SMU's Master Plan of 1963: "For the well-educated person is indeed a WHOLE HUMAN BEING."

We are profoundly grateful to Professor Winship for his decades of dedicated service to SMU, and wish him all the best in his well-deserved retirement.



PROFESSOR WINSHIP JOINED THE SMU LAW FACULTY IN 1974.

the new students into "the company of educated men and women."

He encouraged them to learn not just a profession, but to learn about life.

"You will receive excellent technical training at our University," he said. "But you should receive more than a technical training. Indeed, you should claim more. ... You should 'take as the rightful owner' an education that prepares you

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Dale Carpenter

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EASTON CALLER

August 14, 2018; "New Trump administration memo on Obama order alarms LGBT advocates"

October 4, 2018; "Did Texas Woman's political yard sign go too far? Sid Miller calls her out, and others call the cops"

October 30, 2018; "North Texans React to President Trump Wanting to Drop Birthright Citizenship"

October 30, 2018; "Trump lacks authority to end birthright citizenship, but talking about it could mobilize his base, experts say"

January 10, 2019; "'The President Has A Lot Of Authority' When It Comes To Declaring A National Emergency"

February 7, 2019; "Conservative groups attack gay rights bills as effort to 'Ban the Bible' in Texas"

February 14, 2019; "Conservative groups in Texas attack gay rights proposals as effort to ban the Bible"

March 12, 2019; "One Texas senator's bill could have unintended results for gay workers in Dallas, Fort Worth, Plano"

March 12, 2019; "A Fight Over Paid Sick Leave Is Turning Into a Fight Over LGBTQ Non-Discrimination Ordinances"

April 4, 2019; "Sick leave bills pass first hurdle after Texas AG's office says they won't threaten LGBT rights"

May 6, 2019 & July 11, 2019; "Business Leaders Oppose 'License To Discriminate' Against LGBT Texans"

Nathan Cortez

Associate Dean for Research, Gerald J. Ford Research
Fellow, and the Adelfa Botello Callejo Endowed
Professor of Law in Leadership and Latino Studies



Bloomberg

September 5, 2018; "No immediate ruling in GOP's latest 'Obamacare' lawsuit"

February 11, 2019; "American Travelers Seek Cheaper Prescription Drugs in Mexico and Beyond"

February 14, 2019; "Can Americans travel to Mexico to buy insulin?"

February 22, 2019; "FDA official says ongoing blood pressure drug investigation will probably uncover more tainted pills"

April 2, 2019; "Startups Are Hawking Zolof and Beta-Blockers for Off-Label Uses"

Gregory S. Crespi

Homer R. Mitchell Endowed Professorship in
Commercial and Insurance Law and Professor of Law



February 27, 2019; "Student Loan Forgiveness: Great in theory, murky in practice"

Linda S. Eads

Professor Emeritus of Law



November 1, 2018; "Atty Rightly Sanctioned For Push Poll, Texas High Court Told"

Bryan A. Garner

Distinguished Research Professor of Law

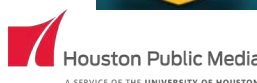


November 1, 2018; "Our shifting meanings: Test your knowledge of modern usage"

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James W. Coleman

Associate Professor of Law



August 31, 2018; "If foes could beat Trans Mountain, why not Dakota Access?"

September 6, 2018; "Court decision blocks TransMountain pipeline"

October 24, 2018; "New York Sues Exxon for Misleading Investors on Climate Change"

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November 9, 2018; "U.S. Court decision blocks Keystone XL pipeline"

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November 13, 2018; "Where does the Keystone XL go from here?"

November 25, 2018; "Rise of the new Alberta energy populism: Is oil/gas industry weaponizing Vivan Krause's conspiracy nonsense?"

December 18, 2018; "2018 in court: Climate impacts can't be ignored"

March 13, 2019; "If we ignore costs of climate regulation on average Americans, we risk a catastrophe"

April 2, 2019; "Will Trump's pipeline permit hold up in court?"

April 8, 2019; "Trump's efforts to spur projects hit NEPA wall?"

April 12, 2019; "Trump aims to clear path for Keystone XL, but opponents vow to keep fighting"

May 20, 2019; "Don't cut Iowa out of the U.S. energy boom"

May 24, 2019; "Upcoming decision on oil shipments to British Columbia"

May 24, 2019; "As Trump talks infrastructure, power lines remain a hard sell"

May 28, 2019; "Export pipelines new front in eminent domain fights"

Pamela R. Metzger

Director of the Deason Criminal Justice Reform Center and Professor of Law



August 16, 2018; "SMU law students work to help reduce sentences for some non-violent federal drug offenders"

August 20, 2018; "Why Murder Charges And Convictions In Police Shootings Like Balch Springs Are Rare"

October 25, 2018; "How 'End Mass Incarceration' Became a Slogan for D.A. Candidates"

November 29, 2018; "SMU Hosts National Summit on Criminal Justice Reform for Rural Communities"

April 7, 2019; "The Rise of the Progressive Prosecutor"

April 22, 2019; "I am ready to get going": Dallas County DA moving forward with plans even with police pushback"

May 9, 2019; "Dallas Co. DA Gives Closer Look at Plans for Criminal Justice Reform"

May 22, 2019; Op Ed: "Equal justice depends on properly funding public defenders"

Jeffrey Kahn

Gerald J. Ford Research Fellow and Professor of Law



November 15, 2018; "European Court Vindicates Aleksei Navalny, Russian Opposition Leader"

June 21, 2019; "Hackley Distinguished Lecturer warns about trading civil liberty for security"

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FACULTY IN

Chris Jenks

Director of the Criminal Clinic and
Associate Professor of Law



May 20, 2019; Op Ed: "Sticking It To Yourself: Preemptive Pardons for Battlefield Crimes Undercut Military Justice and Military Effectiveness"

May 20, 2019; "Trump's Unpardonable Cynicism"

May 23, 2019; "Most presidents don't pardon murderers. Trump did, and may again."

May 24, 2019; "War-Crimes Pardons Seen as New Twist on Trump's Clemency Power"

Natalie Nanasi

Director of the Judge Elmo B. Hunter Legal Center for
Victims of Crimes Against Women and Assistant Professor of Law



January 21, 2019; Op Ed: "The Trump Administration Quietly Changed the Definition of Domestic Violence and We have No Idea What For"

January 23, 2019; Op Ed: "Trump administration quietly changes definition of 'domestic violence' and 'sexual assault'"

January 25, 2019; Op Ed: "Trump administration 'rolling back women's rights by 50 years' by changing definitions of domestic violence and sexual assault"

March 21, 2019; "Trump's DOJ provides free rein to commit abuse and assault against women with impunity"

March 25, 2019; "Federal Prosecutors Are Cracking Down on Domestic Abusers With Guns"

May 30, 2019; "The Deadly Link Between Guns and Domestic Violence"

John S. Lowe

George W. Hutchison Chair in Energy Law
and Professor of Law



July 30, 2018; "In evolving world of oil and gas law, 'This ain't Texas'"

David O. Taylor

Co-Director of the Tsai Center for Law, Science and
Innovation and Associate Professor of Law



June 4, 2018; "SMU law students witness Marshall's federal court in action"

March 6, 2019; "Guest Post on Patent Eligibility and Investment: A Survey"

March 12, 2019; "Investors And The Need For IP Literacy"

June 1, 2019; "Senate Hearings on 35 U.S.C. 101 Will Almost Certainly Fail to Bring Back Software Patents"

June 3, 2019; "This Week on Capitol Hill: Patent Eligibility Hearings, Protecting Taxpayer-Funded Research, and Licensing Nuclear Technologies"

June 4, 2019; "First Senate Hearing on 101 Underscores That 'There's More Work to Be Done'"

Marc I. Steinberg

Rupert and Lillian Radford Professor of Law



April 18, 2019; "Spotlight on his new book *Securities and Exchange Commission v. Cuban*"

May 21, 2019; "Book Review: Marc Steinberg's *Securities and Exchange Commission v. Cuban*"

THE MEDIA

Lackland H. Bloom, Jr.

Larry and Jane Harlan Senior Research Fellow
and Professor of Law



July 3, 2019; Op Ed: "Gerrymandering presented a 'political question doctrine' deemed outside Supreme Court jurisdiction"



July 17, 2019; Op Ed: "SCOTUS caught imagining 'illegitimate motives' in census case"



Lolita Buckner Inniss

Robert G. Storey Distinguished Faculty Fellow
and Professor of Law

May 17, 2019; "How a sex scandal led to the nation's first abortion law 200 years ago"

May 28, 2019; Op Ed: "Morehouse gifts don't erase loan burdens and underemployment of blacks"

June 6, 2019 "A legal scholar says any resulting court challenges should be met head on, not avoided"

June 29, 2019; "Supreme Court Shoots Down Trump's Census Citizenship Question"

Joanna L. Grossman

Ellen K. Solender Endowed Chair in Women
and the Law and Professor of Law



September 16, 2018; "In the #MeToo era, can Dallas-based restaurant chain Twin Peaks survive a wave of allegations?"



Fall 2019; Documentary on the Fourteenth Amendment "Amend"



December 14, 2018; "LGBT Rights at High Court: Waiting for Transgender Student Case?"



January 24, 2019; "The Equal Rights Amendment Is Not Dead Yet"



February 12, 2019; "Houston federal judge bars female prosecutor from trial, sparking standoff with U.S. attorney's office"



April 26, 2019; "Law Firm Bias Cases Hinge on Meaning of Partner"



July 12, 2019; "A Mississippi politician abides by the 'Billy Graham rule,' but his refusal to be alone with a woman other than his wife in a work setting could be illegal, according to an employment law expert"

C. Paul Rogers III

Marilyn Jeanne Johnson Distinguished Faculty Fellow and
Professor of Law and Former Dean



June 20, 2019; "To Take Down Big Tech, They First Need to Reinvent the Law"

June 24, 2019; "Change in Antitrust Thinking Could Be Problem for Big Tech"

Grant M. Hayden

Professor of Law



September 18, 2018; "Texas D.A. Who Sent Woman To Prison For Five Years For Voting Made Her Own Election Mistake"

April 29, 2019; "Here's what really matters in Frisco ISD lawsuit – and how Saturday's election fits in"

May 1, 2019; "Here's what really matters in Frisco ISD lawsuit – and how Saturday's election fits in"



Anthony J. Colangelo

Professor of Law



June 19, 2019; "Can Two States Prosecute You for the Same Crime? Yes, and So They Should"

2018-19 LAW ADJUNCT FACULTY

Thank you to our Dedman Law Adjunct Professors

Reeni Ann Abraham
Val J. Albright '86
Jay Balfour
Shannon Bates
Daniel Baucum '79
Matthew Beard '06
Susan B. Benton '87
Misty Birdsong '02
The Honorable Brandon
Birmingham
Shelby Bobosky
Vickie S. Brandt '03
Christa Brown-Sanford '04
John Browning
Laura G. Burstein
Brook Busbee
Martin L. Camp '79
David W. Carstens '89
Eric Cedillo
David Cho
Wilson Chu '84
Bernard Clark, Jr.
Robert Colwell '94
John M. Cone '83
David Cowart

Greta E. Cowart
John M. Cox
Susan C. Cox
Terry I. Cross
Tim Curren '07
The Honorable Xiomara
Davis-Gumbs
William Dawkins
Steve Doyle
Dennis B. Drapkin
Cassie DuBay
Joanne Early '89
Andrew S. Ehmke
Yolanda Eisenstein '04
Sander L. Esserman '76
Stephen Fahey
The Honorable Allen Joe Fish
C. W. "Peter" Flynn
Jason B. Freeman
David C. Gair
Timothy Gallina
The Honorable Dennise
Garcia '93
Brent C. Gardner, Jr.
Bryan A. Garner

Larry Glasgow '83
Rebecca A. Gregory
The Honorable
H. DeWayne Hale
Susan M. Halpern
Sally Helppie
Eric Hinton
Charles M. Hosch
Marc A. Hubbard '88
Clifton T. Hutchison '80
Tom Jackson
Brett Johnson '94
The Honorable Kimberly
Priest Johnson '00
Richard "Jay" Johnson
Larry Jones '68
Ralph C. Jones '73
Tom Kimbrough
Kent C. Krause '82
Gary M. Lawrence
Michael R. Louis
Jay J. Madrid
Ernest Martin, Jr.
Mike McCollum
David L. McCombs

Patsy Yung Micale
Jared A. Miller
B. Tyler Milton
Dana Minissale '90
Scott P. Montopoli
Dudley Murrey
Dana Nahlen
Jeff Nichols '96
Christopher Nolland
The Honorable Christine A.
Nowak
The Honorable James A.
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Gerald N. Olson '71
The Honorable Tonya
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David J. Parsons
Michael D. Pegues
Phillip B. Philbin
Michael V. Powell
Ellen A. Presby '84
Shane Read
Katherine Lydia Reed '09
John Seddelmeyer
Mark A. Shank '81

Eliot Shavin
Shamoil Shipchandler
Bart Showalter '93
Ronald F. Shuff
Maxel Silverberg
Steven Smathers
Bruce S. Sostek
Clifton A. Squibb '05
Sidney Stahl '56
Harry W. Sullivan, Jr. '84
Don Tittle
Michael J. Uhl '85
Kay L. Van Wey
John Vernon
Brandie Wade '07
Timothy L. Watson
Brian L. Webb '75
Glenn D. West
Russell Wilson, II
Donna Wolff
Stephen Yeager '93
Christopher Young
Angela C. Zambrano '97
Luis G. Zambrano '01

Thank you!

2018-19

CORPORATE COUNSEL EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Our Corporate Counsel Externship Program placed more than 90 students inside the legal departments of major corporations. SMU Law thanks all the corporations who make this opportunity possible.



NEW HIRES

Kenitra Brown '14

Practitioner in Residence,
Deason Criminal Justice Reform Center

Kenitra Brown recently joined the Deason Criminal Justice Reform Center as a staff attorney who will focus on the Center's



criminal justice initiatives. A life-long Dallas resident, Brown received a B.A. from Rice University and a J.D. from SMU Dedman School of Law,

and joins the Deason Center after several years of private defense and civil practice in North Dallas. As an attorney, she not only served as counsel for criminal defendants, but also gained experience in federal clemency and post-conviction relief by writing petitions for non-violent offenders who were eligible for sentence reductions or release. At the Deason Center, she is spearheading research related to criminal justice reforms in Dallas and will be coordinating a community lecture series.

Dr. Andrew Davies

Director of Research,
Deason Criminal Justice Reform Center

Dr. Andrew Davies comes to the Deason Center from The Office of Indigent Legal Services in Albany, New York, a state office that



assists county governments and indigent legal services providers. There, he oversaw data collection and research for the office. He

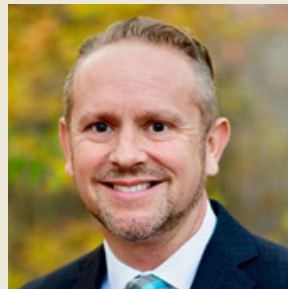
received a B.A. in Modern History, an M.Sc. in Criminology from Oxford University, and an M.A. and Ph.D. from the University at Albany School of Criminal Justice. He is a prolific scholar and has published research on indigent legal services in several books and journals, including Law and

Society Review and the Albany Law Review. He has also received large national grants on access to counsel and quality legal representation from the National Institute of Justice and the National Science Foundation. He is the co-founder of the Indigent Defense Research Association (IDRA), a national organization dedicated to data-driven research of the indigent defense function.

Eric Hinton

Director, Robert B. Rowling Center for
Business Law & Leadership

Eric Hinton is the inaugural Director of the Rowling Center and an adjunct professor of law at SMU Dedman School of Law. Eric holds an LL.M. from the University of Leiden Law School



(The Netherlands), a J.D. from BYU Law School, an M.A. from the University of Limerick (Ireland), and a B.A. from Utah State University.

He has more than 10 years of experience teaching international business law, European Union law, and ethics. With 20 years of experience in international business law matters, he has worked for two public Fortune 500 companies and two privately owned companies in Illinois, Texas, and Brussels, Belgium. Hinton began his career practicing international trade law in Washington, D.C., with an international law firm. He is the founder and past chair of the North Texas Ethics & Compliance Council and past chair of the ABA Export Controls and Economic Sanctions Committee.

Lark Markham

Administrative Assistant,
Office of Career Services

Lark Markham joined the SMU Dedman Law Office of Career Services in August of



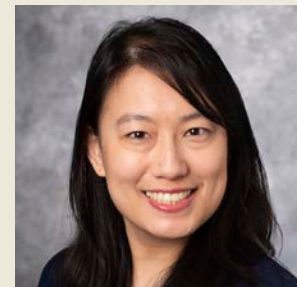
2018. Prior to joining the law school, she worked in the SMU Cox School of Business Career Management Center. Lark earned a

Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance from the University of North Texas. After receiving her degree, she spent many years working in the mortgage industry before joining SMU. She enjoys volunteer work, spending time at White Rock Lake, and is passionate about animal rescue.

Jiacheng Yu

Fellow, W.W. Caruth, Jr. Child Advocacy
Clinic, SMU Dedman School of Law

Jiacheng Yu comes to SMU from the Committee for Public Counsel Services, Massachusetts' public defender agency, where



she worked as a trial attorney. She received her B.A. and B.B.A. from the University of Texas at Austin and her J.D. from Yale Law School.

At the Child Advocacy Clinic, Yu's work focuses on improving the lives of youth in the Dallas-Fort Worth area who are aging out or who have already aged out of the foster care system. She represents aged out youth in a large array of civil legal matters, presents Know-Your-Rights sessions to youth and service providers, and conducts research on the most pressing legal issues facing aged out youth.

STUDENT NEWS

GRADUATION AWARDS

Congratulations!

The **John E. Kennedy Memorial Scholarships** are given in honor of Professor John Kennedy, who served on the faculty with distinction for 20 years until his untimely death in 1989. Professor Kennedy was a beloved teacher who had a strong commitment to the law as a service profession. It is most fitting that the awards given in his memory are presented to the J.D. graduates who are deemed by their classmates to exemplify the spirit of service by working tirelessly to benefit the law school community.

The **Sarah Tran Award** honors beloved faculty member Sarah Tran, whose selfless service and unyielding commitment to her students and her scholarship in the face of personal adversity represent the very best of our profession. The award is selected by the faculty and is presented to a student who exemplifies the highest standards of leadership, service, and dedication to the nobility of the legal profession.

**Patricia (Brooke) Adams**

Brooke Adams is from Kennedale, Texas, and received her Bachelor of Arts in media strategies from Texas Tech University.

She is president of the Student Bar Association, is a member of the Barristers

Service Organization, was an Inns of Court mentor director, and served as a 1L representative. Brooke was named Best Oral Advocate in her round in the Jackson Walker Moot Court Competition, selected as a Student Advocate for the Mack Kidd Moot Court Competition team, and interned with the Dallas County District Attorneys' office. She was a member of Women in Law and participated in the SMU Student Abroad Program, studying comparative law for six weeks in Oxford, England.

She is interested in criminal law and plans to work as an assistant district attorney in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

**Bryan Kelly**

Bryan Kelly is originally from Fort Worth, Texas, and received his Bachelor of Science in construction science from Texas A&M University. Before law school, he worked as a project engineer for Prim Construction.

Bryan served as president of the Aggie Law Students, was an SBA mentor to the Bromberg Inn and was selected to the Barristers Service Organization. He was senior articles editor for the *Science and Technology Law Review*. He externed with Fluor Corporation through the Corporate Counsel Externship Program and interned with the legal department at Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children.

He will work as an associate at Decker Jones, PC, Fort Worth's second-oldest law firm focusing on construction litigation.

**Briana Blackman**

Briana Blackman is a native of Dallas, Texas, and attended Belmont University in Nashville, Tennessee, where she received a Bachelor of Music with an emphasis in music business.

Briana was a student in the combined J.D./ M.B.A Program. She is a member of the Barristers Service Organization. Briana served as president of the Board of Advocates and was named to the National Order of the Barristers. She was part of the ABA Arbitration team that was named National Champions in Chicago, Illinois, earlier this year. She received Best Open and Best Direct in the fall Mock Trial Competition; in the Mack Kidd Moot Court Competition, she was named runner-up champion and received the Best Brief Award; and she received the Excellence in Appellate Advocacy Award. Briana externed with the Mark Cuban Companies through the Corporate Counsel Externship Program, worked with the legal department at Lennox International, and served as a Niemi Research Fellow in Trade and Globalization at the Bush Institute. She will join Winston & Strawn as an associate in the litigation department.



JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS



ADAM AHNHUT '19

The Honorable Rodney Gilstrap; Chief Judge, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas

TAMARA BEASSIE BANKO '19

The Honorable Sidney A. Fitzwater; Senior Judge, United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas

ALLISON COOK '17

The Honorable Karen Gren Scholer; Judge, United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas

KATHERINE ANNE DAVIS '19

The Honorable Sharon Keller; Presiding Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals of Texas

ADRIENNE DELLINGER '19

The Honorable Rodney Gilstrap; Chief Judge, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas

BETHANY ECHOLS '19

Court of Appeals for the Fifth District of Texas

MACKENZIE FITZGERALD '19

The Honorable R. Scott Walker; Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals of Texas

SAMANTHA GAISS '19

The Honorable Jessica Gallivan, Judge, Superior Court of the Virgin Islands

IRIS HARRIS '19

Court of Appeals for the Eleventh District of Texas

BROOKE LEMON

HAUGLID '19

The Honorable Andrew Austin; Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the Western District of Texas

ALEC MOROVITZ '18

The Honorable Renee H. Toliver; Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas

ALEXA R. NAUMOVICH '18

United States Board of Veterans' Appeals

ALICIA PITTS '19

The Honorable J. Brett Busby; Justice, Supreme Court of Texas

KYLE RINGLE '18

The Honorable Karen Gren Scholer, Judge, United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas

BRYAN ROCHELLE '17

The Honorable H. Christopher Mott; Judge, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Texas

AUSTIN SCHNELL '18

The Honorable Michael J. Truncale; Judge, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas

The Honorable Alan D. Albright, Judge, United States District Court for the Western District of Texas

STUDENT & FACULTY DISCUSSIONS

“Flash Classes”

The Upcoming Supreme Court Confirmation Hearings and Why They Matter

August 29, 2018

Citizenship and the 14th Amendment

November 1, 2018

Take Back the Law: Legal Careers Combatting Violence Against Women

hosted by The Judge Elmo B. Hunter Legal Center for Victims of Crimes Against Women and the Government and Public Interest Externship Program
November 8, 2018



MOOT COURT COMPETITIONS

Oral Advocacy Teams Win Big in National Competitions

The 2018-19 school year was filled with a number of firsts for the oral advocacy program at SMU Dedman School of Law.

The ABA Arbitration team, coached by Stephanie M. Gonzales '09 and assisted by Jibraeel Zaidi '15, won the regional competition held in Orange, CA on November 17 – 18, 2018, and then the national competition held at the American Bar Association offices in Chicago, IL on January 25 – 26, 2019. This success marked the first Regional and National title in the ABA Arbitration competition in SMU's history.

"This was OUR year," said Gonzales. "We embarked on this journey with a huge goal in mind and we dominated."

Her powerhouse team consisting of Briana Blackman '19, Charles Entsminger '19, Ty Harding '19, Cecilia Jimenez '19, and Karina Rambeau '19 had an undefeated record in both Regionals and Nationals. The team was seeded in first after the two preliminary rounds, with a total score more than 50 points above the other competitors. Each of SMU's advocates scored a perfect 10 in one or more of the ballot categories.

Teamwork and Preparation

"Being ahead of the other teams was a product of teamwork and preparation," said Harding. "There's no doubt that without the intellectual wrestling matches we had as a team early on, we would not have been able to foresee and adapt to the strategies and arguments our opponents employed against us."

After a hard-fought final round against Duquesne University School of Law, the SMU Dedman School of Law team was awarded the title of 2018-19 ABA Law Student Division Arbitration National Champions, beating 180 competitors from 32 law schools across the country. The judges were impressed by the preparation and repeatedly commented on the skill level of the advocates.

"Winning two championships with my law school family was a very special moment for



Cecilia Jimenez, Ty Harding, Karina Rambeau, Stephanie Gonzales '09 (coach), Briana Blackman, and Charles Entsminger with their National Championship awards

me," said Blackman, who also was the 2018-19 BOA Chair. "We poured our blood, sweat, and tears into winning the competition together."

Going Above and Beyond

Another first occurred when SMU Dedman School of Law placed second in the 2018-19 ABA Competitions Championship. The ABA created this award two years ago to recognize law schools that go above and beyond to help prepare their students for practice. Law schools are awarded points through team achievements and participation in four competitions: ABA Arbitration, ABA Client Counseling, ABA Negotiations, and NAAC Moot Court. More than 1,300 students from 154 schools participated in one or more of these advocacy competitions sponsored by the Law Student Division.

"The ABA recognizing SMU as second in the nation serves to further validate the Board of Advocates (BOA) as an organization and is objective measurable evidence of the value that student advocacy contributes to the school and to experiential education," Entsminger said.

The BOA continued its success in moot court with a Regional Semi-Finalist and Runner-up title in the Thomas Tang Moot Court Competition, and a Quarterfinalist title in the Mack Kidd

Administrative Moot Court Competition. In the 27th Annual Duberstein Moot Court Competition, a preeminent bankruptcy law competition in New York City, 60 teams from law schools across the nation were represented. Duberstein is one of the largest single site moot court competitions. After three full days of competition, oralists 3L Michael J. Creme and Gina Mills '19 along with brief writer Austin Brakebill '19 won the National Championship.

"Duberstein was by far my favorite law school experience. It allowed me to further develop my advocacy skills and confidence in presenting an argument while also forming lasting friendships with my teammates and coaches," said Mills. "The consistent hard work we all put into preparing for the competition made our success incredibly rewarding."

The SMU Dedman School of Law team is coached by Omar Alaniz, Liz Boydston '07, and Tim Springer '13. The Duberstein moot court team also competed in the Dallas regional of the Elliot Cup, where second best oralist went to Creme.

Effective Coaching Makes All the Difference

"Knowing the legacy that we had to live up to only made Gina and me work harder," said Creme, who is the 2019-20

BOA Chair. “We couldn’t have done it without our coaches, whose support and expertise helped develop our advocacy to new heights.”

As for trial advocacy, the National Trial Competition (NTC) mock trial team consisting of Harley Jones ’19 and Madeleine Rosuck ’19 won a Regional Championship, and the ABA Labor and Employment mock trial teams were awarded Regional Champions and Regional Runners-Up. Both NTC and ABA Labor and Employment mock trial earned a spot at Nationals, where the ABA Labor and Employment team consisting of 2L Blair Beene, 2L Brendan Farrelly, 2L Andrew Gray, 2L Ryan Musser, and 2L Tom Whitten came back with a National Semi-Finalist title.

“Rising to the top takes dedication, strategy, and heart,” said Gonzales. “As a coach we try to lay the foundation and give the students tools to fill their lawyer toolbox and aid them in their careers. Teaching them to trust their instincts requires a lot of patience, but the moment that lightbulb starts glowing, the student will begin shining like a star.”

The transformation of the advocates inspires coaches like Gonzales. Her enthusiasm and passion for molding the next generation of lawyers motivates her team to aim higher. “I would not have grown into the advocate or person I am today without [Gonzales’] love and mentorship,” said Blackman. “She taught me to believe in myself, and after five teams with her over the course of three years, I was able to develop the skills necessary for the practice of lawyering.”

As Gonzales gets ready to celebrate her 10-year reunion, she reflects on the journey she has had as a coach. She admits it takes a village of people including her law school classmates and friends, former team members of hers, former BOA board members, and attorneys she has met along the way to cultivate this winning mentality and help produce zealous and confident advocates.

“For me, it is always about the climb and the journey that got us to where we are,” said Gonzales. “We spend countless hours preparing, laughing, and even shedding some tears. At the end of the day, my students are irreplaceable, and our memories are unforgettable.”

FAMILY IMMIGRATION DETENTION CLINIC

Asylum Seekers: Reflections from 3L Ayana Estrada



The treatment and detention of asylum seekers is a topic that has dominated the news cycle in recent months. The Family Immigration Detention Clinic at SMU Dedman School of Law allows students to get a firsthand understanding of the issue and hone critical legal skills, as they provide legal assistance to families at a detention center in south Texas. 3L Ayana Estrada reflects on her experience below.

I walked into Karnes Detention Center thinking, “I’m going to change the world,” but I quickly realized what made the difference to these people was the ability to change their world. The humanity I would encounter in the days to come changed my life.

- **Frustration.** The feeling that never went away. It only grew as they talked about how content they were, happy to be sheltered, fed what little they were, despite how ill-informed they were about the process ahead. They spoke of murder, poverty, and starvation as if they were describing a day out at the park. It was normal for them to live in those conditions, but detention, in comparison to being back home in Honduras, Guatemala, or El Salvador, was a haven.

- **Understanding.** The virtue that manifested itself in different ways. It stemmed from my understanding of the law, and knowing they would never be able to navigate it on their own. It is structured in a way that ensures their failure. It stemmed from my understanding that even with a legal background I don’t know how to do this, how could they possibly do it? It stemmed from understanding they were in dire need of help, and knowing I would likely be what little they received during their time in Karnes. It stemmed from understanding they were people and knowing they were treated otherwise.

- **Success.** The goal that was never achieved. Success at the Karnes Family Immigration Detention Center can only be defined as an unknown. How are the conditions now? Did I even help them? Would they pass the word along to others? Where are they now? The frustration of not knowing still lingers. Nevertheless, the connections we made were vital and although they were brief, they were noteworthy both for their gruesome reality and humbling effect.



Every Spring, students in the Family Immigration Detention Clinic provide legal support to women and children detained at the Karnes Family Immigration Detention Center. No photos are allowed inside the facility.

Congratulations!

CLASS OF 2019

 *The Mustang Bar*
Law Alumni Association

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J.D. Candidates

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Economics Candidates



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LL.M. Candidates

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S.J.D. Candidates





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Dallas County
District Attorney



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- 1 Flash Class: The Upcoming Supreme Court Confirmation Hearings and Why They Matter; August 29, 2018
 2 Faculty Forum: Professor Marc I. Steinberg, SMU Dedman School of Law "The Federalization of Corporate Governance"; September 5, 2018
 3 Faculty Forum: Professor Shannon Gilreath, Wake Forest University School of Law; October 3, 2018
 4 Wellness Week: "Mustang Minds Matter"; October 8 - 12, 2018
 5 20th Anniversary of the Helmut Sohmen Scholarship; October 8, 2018
 6 2018 Diversity Week; October 15 - 19, 2018
 7 "Telling Our Stories, Women of Color and the Power of Narratives: SMU Law Professor Jessica Dixon Weaver; October 18, 2018
 8 The J.L. Turner Legal Association Foundation "Harlem Nights: A Celebration of Heritage, Culture and Excellence; October 20, 2018
 9 Flash Class: Citizenship and the 14th Amendment; November 1, 2018
 10 Flash Class: Take Back the Law: Legal Careers Combatting Violence Against Women; November 8, 2018



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11 Faculty Forum: Professor Fenner Stewart, University of Calgary; November 29, 2018 **12** Emerging Leader Board and Minority Participation Committee at Career Services Professionalism Summit; January 9, 2019 **13** Meet the Firms Night, 50 firms, 200+ Attorneys; January 10, 2019 **14** Back to School Hot Chocolate & Donut Bar with Public Interest Alumni; January 16, 2019 **15** Faculty Forum: Julian Ku, Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, Faculty Director of International Programs, and Maurice A. Deane Distinguished Professor of Constitutional Law, Hofstra University Maurice A. Deane School of Law; January 29, 2019 **16** Public Advocate Day; January 30, 2019



Events & Symposia

ROBERT B. ROWLING
CENTER FOR BUSINESS LAW
& LEADERSHIP

Business 101: What Lawyers Need to Know

November 15, 2018

Certificate in Ethics & Compliance

February 27-28, 2019

DEASON CRIMINAL JUSTICE
REFORM CENTER

"From Sodomy to Same-Sex Marriage: 15 Years Since *Lawrence v. Texas*"

June 26, 2018

Rural Criminal Justice Summit

November 29-30, 2018





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17 Faculty Forum: Professor Tessa Davis, University of South Carolina School of Law; February 13, 2019 18 Alumni Reflections: Antonio Peña LL.M. '04, J.D. '06, Shareholder at Greenberg Traurig and President of the Inter-American Chapter of the United States-Mexico Chamber of Commerce; February 7, 2019 19 Rusty Harden '75 student lecture in Professor Meghan Ryan's Criminal Procedure class; February 18, 2019 20 Black History Month Luncheon hosted by SMU Black Law Students Association; February 18, 2019 21 Faculty Forum: Professor David Marcus, UCLA School of Law; February 20, 2019 22 Student Lecture: The Honorable James C. Ho, Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit; February 20, 2019 23 Colonel Eli Bar-On, outgoing deputy head of the Israeli Military Advocate General; February 26, 2019



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24 Reproductive Justice Symposium: Michelle Goldberg, "America After the End of Roe"; April 4, 2019 **25** Ellen Presby '84, Bill Wood '81, Judge Tiffany Haertling '93, and Richard Arnold '74 speak to Professor Beth Thornburg's Civil Procedure class about why civility matters; April 9, 2019 **26** Faculty Lecture: Laura Graham, Professor of Legal Writing and Director of Legal Analysis, Writing & Research, Wake Forest University School of Law, "Generation Z Goes to Law School: Teaching and Reaching Law Students in the Post-Millennial Generation"; April 11, 2019 **27** Faculty Forum: Professor Liz Sepper, Washington University Law; April 10, 2019

Events & Symposia

TSAI CENTER FOR LAW,
SCIENCE AND INNOVATION



Tsai Talk: AT&T, A Case Study of Technology, Lawyers, & the Law
September 5, 2018

15th Annual Symposium on Emerging Technology Issues: Disruptive Ideas and Emerging Technology
September 21, 2018

Leadership Lecture: Andrei Iancu, Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office
October 19, 2018

Leadership Lecture: Telecommunications & Innovation, Ajit Pai, Chairman of the Federal Communications Commission
February 6, 2019

Technology, Innovation and Law - Designing Legal Apps Student Showcase
February 19, 2019

IP of Fashion featuring Commissioner for Trademarks Mary Boney Denison and USPTO Regional Director Hope Shimabuku '05
February 26, 2019

Tsai Talk: Wouldn't You LIKEtoKNOW.it? How Advertising in Retail is Transitioning to Digital
March 5, 2019

A Talk with IBM: Unconscious Bias and Artificial Intelligence; March 21, 2019

Tsai Talk: Hackers and Breaches and Threats, Oh My! Shifting the Risk in Cyber Space
April 9, 2019

CLASS NOTES

1960s

Windle Turley '65 was honored as a Legal Legend by the Dallas Trial Lawyers Association.

Frank Branson '69 '74 was honored as a Legal Legend by the Dallas Trial Lawyers Association.

1970s

Al Ellis '71 was honored as a Legal Legend by the Dallas Trial Lawyers Association.

Thomas Goranson '71 served as a "juror" for the final competition of the State High School Mock Trial Championship on March 2, 2019.

Jerry C. Alexander '72 will serve as Chair of the State Bar of Texas Board of Directors for the 2019-2020 term.



George Bowles '74, of Counsel at Locke Lord, was named a Fellow of the American College of Construction Lawyers



David Keltner '75 received the 2018 Chief Justice Jack Pope Professionalism Award presented by the Texas Center for Legal Ethics. He served as a justice on the Fort Worth Court of Appeals from 1986 to 1990, and is currently an appellate attorney with Kelly Hart & Hallman in Fort Worth. He is one of the original drafters of the Texas Lawyer's Creed, and he worked with Chief Justice Pope in 1984 to enact the State Bar of Texas' new disciplinary procedure rules.

Ted B. Lyon '75 was honored as a Legal Legend by the Dallas Trial Lawyers Association.



The Honorable Barbara M.G. Lynn '76 Chief Judge of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas, received the Morris Harrell Professionalism Award from the Dallas Bar Association. In addition, she received the 2019 Samuel Pessarra Outstanding Jurist Award from the Texas Bar Foundation.

The Honorable Ken Molberg

'76 was elected judge to the Texas Fifth District Court of Appeals Place 12.

Geary Reamey '76 '82, Professor of Law at St. Mary's University School of Law, published his article "Constitutional Shapeshifting: Giving the Fourth Amendment Substance in the Technology-Driven World of Criminal Investigation," in the *Stanford Journal of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties*. The 13th Edition of his casebook (co-authored with Prof. Charles Bubany), *Texas Criminal Procedure* was published by Academia Press.

Paul J. Ward '76, SMU Vice President, Legal Affairs and Governmental Relations, General Counsel and Secretary, was elected to membership in the Fellows of the Texas Bar Foundation.

James McClain '77 joined the Fort Worth Office of Kelly Hart as of counsel.

Judge Barbara Walther '77 retired after serving for 31 years as 51st District Judge in the San Angelo area.

Chief Bankruptcy Judge

Barbara J. Houser '78 named president-elect for the American Bankruptcy Institute (ABI).

The Honorable Sharon Keller

'78 was re-elected to the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals.

David Lowery '78 is now General Counsel of Mill Creek Residential Trust.

The Honorable Richard L.

Scott '78 became United States Senator from Florida in the 2018 election.

Mark Werbner '78 joined Winston & Strawn as a partner in their complex commercial litigation group.

Marshall Gandy '79, associate regional director for examinations for the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission in Fort Worth, has been named co-national associate director of the agency's Investment Advisor/Investment Company Program.



Mary Emma Karam '79, partner at Jackson Walker, received the 2018 Louise B. Raggio Award from the Dallas Women Lawyers Association. She is a Dallas healthcare contracting attorney and recognized authority in managed care. She is the first female associate to become a partner at Jackson Walker. She has been a trailblazer for all, but especially women.

1980s



Bill Holston '81, Executive Director of Human Rights Initiative of North Texas, received the Martin Luther King Justice Award from the Dallas Bar Association, which recognizes area leaders whose service to the community embodies the example of Dr. King.

Ray Khirallah '81, partner at Thompson & Knight, was elected to the Board of Directors for Nexus Recovery Center.



John Creuzot '82 was elected Dallas County District Attorney.

Larry Glasgow '83 joined Jackson Walker as partner in the corporate and securities section of the Dallas office.

Deborah Hankinson '83 has earned recognition as one of the Top Three attorneys in the state by Texas Super Lawyers. Hankinson was selected Arbitration Lawyer of the Year for Dallas in the 2019 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*. Hankinson opened a solo practice devoted exclusively to mediation.

Barbara Elias-Perciful '84, Texas Lawyers for Children's Executive Director, was named the 2018 Outstanding Legal Advocate by the National Association of Counsel for Children.

Ellen Presby '84 joined Kay Van Wey and Brady Williams to form the new trial law firm of Van Wey, Presby & Williams.



Charla Aldous '85, co-founder of Aldous\Walker LLP, is the 2019 Louise B. Raggio Award Recipient from the Dallas Women Lawyers Association. The Raggio award is presented annually to a lawyer who has shown the highest degree of professionalism and who has worked hard to advance the cause of women in the legal profession.

Christopher Bolen '85, partner at Womble Bond Dickinson, is now serving on the firm's Global Board, the governing body that oversees and directs all transatlantic activities for the firm.

Michael Truncale '85 was confirmed to serve as a Federal Judge for the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas in Beaumont.

Jim Baldwin '86, Chief Legal Officer and General Counsel of Keurig Dr Pepper, was named a 2018 Magna Stella Award winner by the Texas General Counsel Forum.

Brigitte Gawenda Kimichik '86 is co-author of the book "PLAY NICE: Respect in the Workplace," released on May 14, 2019.

Stephen Shwiff '88 is Dean of General Education at Columbia Gorge Community College, Hood River, Oregon.

Kathryn Murphy '89 was recognized as Best Lawyers® Family Law "Lawyer of the Year" in Dallas.

Mike Pipkin '89, partner at Weinstein Radcliff Pipkin LLP, was elected to the Council for the ABA Tort Trial and Insurance Practice Section.

John Ratcliffe '89 was re-elected to the U.S. House of Representatives for Texas Congressional District 4.

1990s

Robert D. Burns, III '90 was elected Chief Judge to the Texas Fifth District Court of Appeals in Dallas.

Betty Ellsworth Ungerman '90, Deputy General Counsel of Lennox International, was named to the Texas Diversity Council's 2018 Dallas Power 50 Awardees.

Judge Carlos Acosta '91 received the Adjunct Teaching Award from the American University Washington College of Law.

Alissa K. Christopher '91 was promoted to member in the Dallas office of Cozen & O'Connor.

Jeffrey J. Cox '91 joined Dykema as a member in the Products, Class Actions & Professional Liability Practice Group.

Janet Hendrick '91 joined Phillips Murrah P.C. as a shareholder and will continue her focus on employment law.

Kenda Culpepper '92 was re-elected to serve as Rockwall County District Attorney.

Carlos Treistman '92 joined Greenberg Traurig as shareholder in Houston.

The Honorable Dennise Garcia '93 was re-elected as the judge of the Texas District Court 303.

Amy Yeager '93 joined Children's Health as Senior Vice President and General Counsel.

Doug Yeager '93, partner in Winston & Strawn's Houston office, was appointed Chairman of

Houston Lighthouse's Board of Directors.

Audrey Mross '94 of Munck Wilson Mandala was selected as the 2019 Alumni Fellow for the College of Business Administration at Kansas State University.

Jana Wickman Paul '94 joined Connatser Family Law.

Steven Rhines '94 was named CEO of Noble Research Institute.

John D. Simmons '94 was appointed to the Southern Illinois University Board of Trustees.

David J. Beach '95, of Eichhorn & Eichhorn, was named the 2018 Defense Lawyer of the Year by the Defense Trial Counsel of Indiana.

Joseph D. Brown '95 has taken the oath of office to become the 35th United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Texas.

Erin Nealy Cox '95, U.S. Attorney, was appointed to the Justice Department's China Initiative combating economic espionage by Beijing.

Julie Fort '95, partner at North Texas-based Messer Fort & McDonald (formerly Messer, Rockefeller & Fort) announced they will merge with Austin-based Akers & Akers.



Darrell Guy '95 was appointed Senior Vice President – Assistant General Counsel for AT&T's Chicago office.

Al Kyle '95 joined the newly opened Dallas office of Reed Smith as partner.

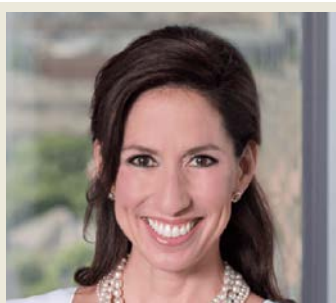
Wendi Rogaliner '95 joined the Dallas office of Bradley Arant Boult Cummings as partner.

Juan Walker '95 joined the Oracle Legal Department as Senior Corporate Counsel in the Commercial Litigation Group.

Anthony Odiorne '96 was sworn in November 5, 2018, as a new associate judge in the Magistrate's Office in Williamson County.

Former District Judge Scott Becker '97 joined McCathern, PLLC as partner in their Frisco office.

Patrick K. Craine '97 joined Gulfport Energy Corporation in Oklahoma City as General Counsel and Corporate Secretary.



Laura Benitez Geisler '97 was elected 2019 President of the Dallas Bar Association. She is the first Hispanic member to assume the role. She joined the firm of Sommerman, McCaffity, Quesada & Geisler, LLP as a named partner. She also served as a "juror" for the final competition of the State High School Mock Trial Championship.

David Littman '97 joined Cantey Hanger LLP as partner.

Toni Nguyen '97 joined Holland & Knight's Austin office as senior counsel in the Corporate, Mergers and Acquisitions and Securities Practice Group.

Judge Ryan Kellus Turner '97 was awarded the Nancy L. Garms Memorial Award at the 2018 State Bar of Texas Leaders Recognition Luncheon. The Garms Award recognizes outstanding dedication of an attorney or judge to the advancement of local political and legal education in Texas.



Chris Willis '97, Chief Legal Officer of Interstate Batteries, received the Robert H. Dedman Award for Ethics & Law awarded by the Texas General Counsel Forum.

Angela Zambrano '97, Partner at Sidley Austin, is the 2019 Dallas Women Lawyers Association Outstanding Female Lawyer Award Recipient.

Jennifer Bennett '98 began her second term as judge of the 265th Judicial District Court. Bennett also was the recipient of the 2018 Special Recognition Award from Mental Health America of Greater Dallas.



Shonn Brown '98 joined Kimberly-Clark Corporation as Deputy General Counsel. She received the 2018 Dallas Women Lawyers Association Outstanding Female Lawyer Award, and was named Dallas Women's Foundation 2019-2020 Board Chair.

Rob Friedman '98 was appointed Office Managing Shareholder (OMS) of Littler's Austin, Dallas and Fayetteville offices.

The Honorable Tonya Parker '98 was re-elected District Judge for the 116th Civil District Court of Dallas County.

The Honorable Wendy Li '99 was sworn in as New York City Civil Court Judge.

Jenny Martinez '99 joined Munck Wilson Mandala as a senior partner in the complex commercial litigation section.

Lisa Modica '99 received a 2018 Breakthrough Woman Award from the Greater Houston Women's Chamber of Commerce.

Kirsten Polyansky '99 joined the Houston office of Reed Smith as partner in the Energy and Natural Resources Group.



Dena Stroh '99, General Counsel at North Texas Transit Authority, was chosen as a finalist for General Counsel of the Year Award for a Small Legal Department by the DFW Chapter of the Association of Corporate Counsel. She also was recognized as the 2019 Outstanding Mentor Award Recipient by the Dallas Association of Young Lawyers.

2000s

Kal Grant '00 became a partner at Jackson Walker in Dallas.

Noelle Garsek '01 joins Crescent Real Estate as Vice President, Senior Counsel.

The Honorable Kendra Horn '01 was elected to Oklahoma Congressional District 5.

Jason Myers '01 was appointed partner at Barnes & Thornburg in the firm's Corporate Department.

Kris Agarwal '02 joined Platinum Equity as the firm's General Counsel.

Jonathan Bull '02 joined Jackson Walker's Dallas office as a partner in the Environment & Natural Resources section.

Jason Franklin '02 of the Franklin Law Firm was elected as an associate member of the Dallas Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates (ABOTA).



Commander Justin McEwen '02, U.S. Navy Judge Advocate General's Corps (JAGC), was selected to serve as Military Judge in Italy.

Joseph Regan '02 joined in the Fort Worth Office of Jackson Walker as a partner in the Trial & Appellate Group.

Melissa Bellan '03 was elected Judge of the County Court of Law No. 2.

Laura Hayes '03 was promoted to partner at KoonsFuller Family Law in the Dallas office.



Karen Liu Pang '03 was appointed by Governor Greg Abbott to the Midwestern State University Board of Regents. She also was named the first woman president of the Greater Dallas Asian American Chamber of Commerce.

Gina Ravenscroft '03 joined Reliant Funding, a leading small business finance provider, as General Counsel.

Dustin Whittenburg '03 was elected to the San Antonio Bar Foundation Fellows Program.

Chip Brooker '04 opened his own firm, Brooker Law PLLC.

Katharine Battai Clark '04 joined Hedrick Kring as a partner.

Scott Ellis '04 joined Greenberg Traurig's Corporate Practice as a shareholder in the firm's Dallas office.

Matthew Grunert '04 joined Bracewell's Houston office as a partner.

Brian Mitchell '04 joined the newly opened Dallas office of Reed Smith as a litigation partner.

Patrick William Stark '04, and **Steven V. Walkowiak '04**, will head a new group focused on video games and esports at Greenberg Traurig, LLP.

Ira Bowman '05 was named Chair of the commercial litigation section of the Dallas-based Godwin Bowman PC.

Yesenia Cárdenas '05, partner at Bowman and Brooke, was named Top Latino Lawyer by *Latino Leaders* magazine.

J.J. Koch '05 was elected Dallas County Commissioner for Precinct No. 2.

Shawn Long '05 joined Bradley Arant Boult Cummings' newly opened Dallas office as partner and founding member.

Gabrielle Massey '05 joined the Texas Attorney General's Office in the Major Crimes Division.

Syeeda Amin '06, Special Counsel in Littler's Dallas office, was recognized among the Top 50 Women Lawyers by the Texas Diversity Council.

Adam August '06 joined Duff & Phelps as Director of Compliance and Regulatory Consulting.

Lloyd Lim '06 was named partner in the Houston office of Reed Smith LLP.

Mary Madden Melle '06 was promoted to partner at Calhoun, Bhella & Sechrest, LLP.

Ivana K. Rouse '06 joined the Corporate Department of Latham & Watkins' Houston office as partner.

Robert L. Sayles '06 joined Bradley Arant Boult Cummings' newly opened Dallas office as partner and founding member.

Christina "Crissie" W. Stephenson '06 joined Crowe & Dunlevy PC as a partner.

Jenni Tauzel '06 joined Barnes & Thornburg as a partner.

John Adolph '07 joined Winstead's Real Estate Development & Investments Practice Group as a shareholder in the Dallas office.

Liz Boydston '07 joined K&L Gates LLP as a partner in its restructuring and insolvency practice.

Julie Clements '07, Director of Health and Clinical Affairs at University of California, Washington Center, joined the SMU Dedman School of Law Emerging Leader Board.

Aaron Rigby '07, partner at Sidley Austin and former Navy Officer gives back to veterans via pro bono work.

John Tancabel '07 joined Squire Patton Boggs as of counsel in its Litigation Practice Section.

Amanda Cottrell '08 joined Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton's Business Trial Practice Group as a partner in the Dallas office.

Molly Durbin '08 was promoted to director at Coats Rose, P.C.

Christian Kelso '08 JD, '10 LLM was promoted to partner at Farrow-Gillespie Heath Witter L.L.P.

Pamela Luther '08 was elected judge of County Court of Criminal Appeals No. 2.

Teresa Martin '08 established the DFW Legal Hackers Chapter in June 2017 to bridge the gap between technology and law.



Orly Mazur '08, Leonard, Eli (5) and Sophia (3) welcomed Mila Rose Mazur. She made her appearance on Sunday, November 25 at 3:43 a.m. weighing 7 lbs. 7 oz. and 19 inches long. Brother and sister are so excited to have a new sister!

Mark Melton '08, a corporate tax attorney, joined Holland & Knight as a partner.

Kathryne M. Morris '08, co-founder, and Russell B. Pearlman '18, of counsel, launched Hosch & Morris in Dallas.

Jeff Becker '09 was named a partner at Baker Botts.

Marc Cabrera '09, a Locke Lord Dallas associate, was selected as a member of the 2018 Fellows Program for the Leadership Council on Legal Diversity (LCLD).

Robert Cardone '09 was promoted to partner in the Dallas office of Jones Day.

Matt Davis '09 was promoted to partner at Locke Lord.

Clayton Fuller '09 was appointed to the 2018-2019 Class of White House Fellows.

Scott Jarratt '09 was promoted to partner at Haynes and Boone, LLP.

Meghan Nylin '09 was named partner at Thompson & Knight.

Sally Pretorius '09 was promoted to partner at the Dallas office of KoonsFuller Family Law.

Benjamin Ratliff '09 was promoted to partner in the Dallas office of Norton Rose Fulbright.

Justin Reinus '09 was promoted to partner in the Dallas and Los Angeles Offices of Winston & Strawn.

Peter L. Sefzik '09 was named Comerica Bank's Executive Vice President-Business Bank.

Rob Weitzel '09 was promoted to Akerman LLP's partnership.

Crystal Jamison Woods '09 was elevated to partner in DLA Piper's Dallas office.

2010s

Erreka Campbell '10, an associate at Polsinelli, was appointed to the Board of Directors for The Real Estate Council Community Fund.

Katrina Eash '10 was promoted to partner in Winston & Strawn's Dallas office.

Andrew Edson '10 was elevated to member at Clark Hill.

Sadie Fitzpatrick '10 was elevated to partner at Husch Blackwell.

Ryan Groves '10 was named partner in the Muncie, Indiana Law office of McKinney & Malapit.

David Lawrence '10 was promoted to partner at Thompson & Knight.

Audra Mayberry '10 was promoted to member at Clark Hill.

Jennifer Larson Ryback '10 was promoted to shareholder at McGuire, Craddock & Strother.

Dan Smith '10 was named principal in the Dallas office of Fish & Richardson.

James Voelker '10 was elevated to partner at Holland & Knight.

Christine Wakeman '10 was promoted to shareholder at Winstead, PC.

Avery Williams '10 was promoted to principal at McKool Smith.

Christopher Carns '11 was named Chief Operations Officer of Cabana, LLC in the Plano office.

Elizabeth Cromwell '11 was elevated to member at Clark Hill.

Tate Hemingson '11 was promoted to member at Clark Hill.

Jared Kopf '11 appeared on the cover of the April 2019 edition of *Genii Magazine*, the world's bestselling magazine devoted to magic and magicians.

Greg McAllister '11 was elevated to shareholder at Littler's Dallas office.

Lindsey Obenhaus '11 joined GoransonBain Ausley, PLLC as an associate.

Thomas Woolsey '11 joined Greenberg Traurig's Dallas office as a shareholder.

Joseph Esposito '12 joined the Dallas office of Polsinelli as a corporate and transactional attorney.

Susan Fisher '12 joined Thompson & Knight as an associate.

Ashley Mason '12 was promoted to partner at Thompson Coe.



Marisa Jeffrey O'Sullivan '12 was recognized as the 2019 Outstanding Young Lawyer by the Dallas Association of Young Lawyers.

Bailey Pham '12, partner at Vinson & Elkins, joined the SMU Dedman School of Law Emerging Leader Board.

Ana-Maria Ramos '12 was elected to Texas House of Representatives representing District 102.



Amber Reece '12, an associate with Figari + Davenport, received the 2018 Outstanding Female Lawyer, Small Firm Award from the Dallas Women Lawyers Association.

Dale O. Fresch '13 joined Hartline Barger LLP as an associate in their litigation group.



Alexandra Guio-Rozo '13, Dallas County Assistant District Attorney, received the Wm. Reece Smith Jr. National Outstanding Young Lawyer Award from the American Bar Association Young Lawyers Division. The award comes on the heels of Guio-Rozo's recognition as the 2018 Outstanding Young Lawyer of Texas by the Texas Association of Young Lawyers.

John D. Hasselberger '13 was named a partner with the Winchester Group Law Firm in Winchester, Virginia.

Marie Johnson '13 joined Messer, Fort & McDonald in their Frisco office.

Eunice Yi '13 joined Polsinelli's Dallas office as an associate in the Capital Markets and Commercial Lending practice.

Ryan C. Hale '15 joined Lathrop Gage in its newly opened office in Dallas.

Lamar White, Jr. '15, founder and publisher, launched the website *The Bayou Brief, Nonprofit Journalism for Louisiana*.

Harrison G. Papaila '16 joined Winstead's Real Estate Development & Investments Group as an Associate in the Dallas office.

Camille Powell '16 joined the Complex Commercial Litigation Team at Kilpatrick Townsend.

Shanna Dean '17 joined the Dallas office of Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP as an associate.

Ken Haesly '17 was promoted to Captain in the U.S. Army Judge Advocate General's Corps (JAG)



Hayes Booth Mannon, son of Jason and **Jessica Mannon '17**, made his appearance on April 29 at 10:55 a.m. He weighed in at 8 lbs. 10 oz. and was 22 inches long.

Kolton R. Warren '17 was commissioned a First Lieutenant in the United States Air Force Judge Advocate General's Corps and will be stationed with the 354th Fighter Wing at Eielson Air Force Base in Fairbanks, Alaska.

Daniel Atkinson '18 joined McGinnis Lochridge in Dallas as an associate in the Employment, Labor and Employee Benefits Practice Group.

Austin Freeman '18 joined the Dallas office Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP as an associate.

Samuel J. Gee '18 joined Munk Wilson Mandala as an associate.

Courtney Luster '18 joined the Dallas office of Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP as an associate.

Russell B. Pearlman '18, of counsel, and Kathryn M. Morris '08, co-founder, launched Hosch & Morris in Dallas.

Shelby Perry '18 joined the Dallas office of Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP as an associate.

Mary Sommers '18 joined the Dallas office of Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP as an associate.

Alexis Swanzy '18 joined Kessler Collins P.C. as an associate and was named "One to Watch" by the Dallas Association of Young Lawyers.

Libby Vinson '18 joined the Dallas office of Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP as an associate.



WHAT'S NEW WITH YOU?

Help us make the Class Notes section of *The Quad* Magazine a more vibrant and useful resource for our alumni! Send us news on babies, weddings, promotions, awards, moves, and anything newsworthy. We want to celebrate you and keep you up to date on all your classmates.

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Save the Dates!



LAW ALUMNI TAILGATE PARTIES

Saturday, October 5, 2019

Family Weekend - SMU vs. Tulsa

Saturday, November 9, 2019

Homecoming & Reunion Weekend

SMU vs. East Carolina



DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARDS

Wednesday, April 22, 2020



The Mustang Bar

Law Alumni Association

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IN MEMORIAM



Darrell Eddy Jordan '64 Executive Board Member and 2005 Charles O. Galvin Award for Extraordinary Service

Darrell Eddy Jordan, a distinguished lawyer and civic leader, passed away on January 30, 2019. Mr. Jordan was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He later moved to McAllen, Texas. He received his B.A. degree from the University of Texas at Austin and was a member of the Texas Cowboys, Sigma Chi fraternity, and student government. Mr. Jordan graduated from

SMU Dedman School of Law with an LL.B. degree in 1964. He championed and promoted women and minority attorneys and helped create the Sarah T. Hughes Diversity Scholarship, awarded to outstanding minority students at SMU Law.

Mr. Jordan began his legal career at the Dallas city attorney's office, then worked at the district attorney's office as a prosecutor, before founding the law firms of Jordan, Ramsey & Bradley; Jordan, Ramsey & Hill; and Crutcher, Hull, Ramsey & Jordan. He was a partner at Hughes & Luce LLP for 24 years, and later served as managing partner of the Godwin & Gruber firm and the Dallas office of Dykema Gossett PLLC. Most recently, Mr. Jordan was a partner at Diamond McCarthy LLP.

He served as president of the Dallas Bar Association, president of the State Bar of Texas, and on the board of governors of the American Bar Association.

Mr. Jordan received numerous honors for his professionalism and public service, including the Dallas Bar's Justinian Award

the Texas Bar's Outstanding 50 Year Lawyer Award, the Lions of the Texas Bar Award, the Star of Justice Award, and the Texas Appleseed Foundation Good Apple Award, among many others.

Mr. Jordan loved Dallas so much that he ran for mayor twice. Though unsuccessful, he never lost his enthusiasm for serving the community and his civic involvement was widespread. He was a longtime member of the Salesmanship Club of Dallas and a trustee of the Southwestern Medical Foundation and Methodist Healthcare System Foundation.

Mr. Jordan and his late wife, Ann McNamara Jordan, were married for 52 years, until her death in 2014.

He is survived by his wife, Janey McIntire Jordan, and his children Stacy Jordan Rodriguez, Patrick Jordan and Kendall Jordan Pillsbury, and their spouses. He is also survived by his beloved grandchildren.



WITH DEEPEST SYMPATHY

Remembering Our Law School Alumni

David L. Boren '48
September 22, 2018

Robert Gray Vial '50
September 30, 2018

Willard R. Baker '51
July 2, 2018

Robert C. Fults '51
January 16, 2019

Congressman Ralph Hall '51
March 7, 2019

Irvin C. Hatridge '51
May 30, 2018

John Winn McKee '51
August 23, 2018

Roy Wright Howell, Jr. '53
October 8, 2018

Judge Ben Frank Ellis '54
October 23, 2018

Charles E. Prichard '54
August 6, 2018

John H. Reese '54
November 2, 2018

Chester G. Ball '55
January 3, 2019

James A. Cribbs '55
March 10, 2019

Diew M. Shupp '56
November 30, 2018

Lester E. Smith '56
February 19, 2019

Ton K. Suh '56
September 12, 2018

Ivan J. Irwin, Jr. '57
August 24, 2018

Albert J. Leviton '57
March 22, 2019

John Doty "Jack" Williamson, Jr. '57
March 1, 2019

James Weaver Leftwich '58
July 23, 2018

Carl Albert Skibell '58
January 2, 2019

James C. Allums, Jr. '59
December 28, 2018

Robert C. Howard '59
March 8, 2019

Judge Alvin G. Khoury '59
November 21, 2018

Marvin Menaker '59
December 30, 2018

William D. Patterson '59
May 12, 2019

Rolando V. Del Carmen '61
November 1, 2018

Charles A. Joplin '61
August 10, 2018

John William "Bill" Payne '61
March 16, 2019

Kenneth M. Jackson '62
May 26, 2018

Warren W. Conner '63
December 15, 2018

James L. Crowner '63
January 11, 2019

Shirle A. Debenham '63
July 5, 2018

Charles Lee Caperton '64
February 16, 2019

John Robert "Jack" Halliburton '64
February 2, 2019

Darrell E. Jordan '64
January 30, 2019

Wellington B. Russell '64
July 11, 2018

Steven Strange '64
January 18, 2019

Samuel N. Vilches '64
February 22, 2019

John H. Withers '64
March 18, 2019

David Lewis Fair '65
October 11, 2018

Fredrick W. Schwendimann '65
October 18, 2018

William R. "Bill" Neil '66
May 29, 2019

Charles A. Thompson '66
March 13, 2019

Joe S. Macey '67
July 31, 2018

Charles Joseph "Chuck" McGuire III '67
February 2, 2019

H. C. "Chuck" Sibley, Jr. '67
March 22, 2019

Thomas T. Lasley '68
August 1, 2018

Daniel R. Sheehy '68
June 29, 2018

Craig Sturrock '68 LL.M.
May 12, 2019

Rhonald Dean Walker '68 J.D., '05 LL.M.
February 20, 2019

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Reunion Weekend

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8 + SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9

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FRIDAY

NOVEMBER 8, 2019

Law School Update

by Dean Collins: 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

George W. Bush Presidential Library or

Meadows Museum Tours: 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Class Reunion Party: 7:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.

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More Information and Registration

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Law Alumni Association

SATURDAY

NOVEMBER 9, 2019

Law Tailgate Party

Time: TBA (2.5 Hours Before Kickoff)

Location: Near the Flagpole on SMU Boulevard

Homecoming Football Game

SMU vs. East Carolina University

Time: TBA

Location: Gerald J. Ford Stadium

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