United States Supreme Court
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The caliber of newly-admitted students to SMU Dedman School of Law continues to impress, surpassing even the high expectations set by the previous entering class. In striving for excellence, the full-time program remains consistently strong and the part-time program proves to be one of the most competitive evening programs in the country. These outstanding incoming students were welcomed to law school at a dinner during orientation featuring three distinguished alumni: Wayne Watts ’80, Senior Executive Vice President and General Counsel of AT&T; Harriet E. Miers ’70, former White House Counsel and Partner of Locke Lord Bissell & Liddell; and Les Ware ’92, founder and partner of The Ware Firm.

The Office of Admissions received 2,825 applications, of which 2,153 were applications for the full-time program and 672 were applications for the evening program. While the nation saw a decline in applications of 11%, Dedman School of Law experienced a decrease of only 9.6%.

Due to the ever-increasing caliber of applicants, however, the admissions process at SMU Dedman Law was more competitive than ever before. The Office of Admissions accepted 21.5% of applicants to the full-time program and 16.9% to the part-time program.

The quality of Dedman School of Law’s newly admitted students has reached a new pinnacle. For the first time ever, the median LSAT score for the full-time program reached 165 (91.5% percentile). The part-time program maintained its all-time high median LSAT score of 160 (79.9%). The median GPA for the full-time program was 3.72, and the median GPA for the part-time program was 3.57. The accomplished students in the fall 2011 entering class obtained degrees from prestigious universities such as Chicago, Dartmouth, Duke, George Washington, Georgetown, Notre Dame, NYU, Princeton, Rice, UNC, USC, Vanderbilt, Wake Forest, William & Mary, and all of the major Texas
The Dedman School of Law also welcomed the third class into the Pre-Law Scholars Program. Fifty-one highly-qualified students were selected to join the pre-law program in conjunction with Southern Methodist University in fall 2011. “This year’s incoming pre-law scholars are the strongest group yet. The strength and reputation of the program parallel the unique opportunities provided to the students each year. We were particularly excited that the pre-law scholars were invited to attend the Louise B. Raggio Endowed Lecture featuring Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg,” said SMU Admission Counselor Abbi Pfister-Soria.

The pre-law scholars are guaranteed admission into Dedman School of Law upon satisfaction of certain conditions and completion of their undergraduate degrees at SMU. To gain automatic admission, the pre-law scholars must either: earn at least a 3.80 cumulative undergraduate GPA (as calculated by the Law School Admissions Council) and score at least a 153 on the LSAT; or earn at least a 3.20 cumulative undergraduate GPA (as calculated by the Law School Admissions Council) and score at least a 164 on the LSAT.

As part of their participation in the program, the pre-law scholars must complete a course designed for them, taught at Dedman School of Law. In addition, the pre-law scholars have multiple resources to aid in their preparation for law school. The pre-law scholars learn about the value of serving the community through interaction with the Dedman School of Law’s public service program. They are also invited to sit in on law school classes and to attend presentations held at the law school, including conferences and symposia, presentations on career paths and preparation, law alumni panels, and speeches by distinguished judges and prominent local attorneys. Furthermore, the pre-law scholars have the opportunity to interact with current Dedman School of Law students through an “e-mentor” program.

Recruiting top-notch students such as the pre-law scholars ensures SMU Dedman School of Law will continue to produce outstanding lawyers who will greatly impact the legal community. Having an entering class with superb credentials mirrors the commendable reputation and success SMU Dedman School of Law graduates achieve. It comes as no surprise that the Dedman School of Law attracts highly-accomplished individuals who ultimately raise the bar from year to year.
Natalie Cooley was preparing for her Texas Pretrial Procedure class. Steve Udick was checking his messages. Both were excited about the opportunity to see U.S. Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, who was speaking that day at a luncheon at SMU Dedman School of Law.

At 11 a.m., an email from Rebekah Bell, Assistant Director for Special Events in the Dean’s suite, simultaneously popped into their inboxes.

“Plan to sit at the head table for lunch.”

“I had to read it twice just to make sure I was seeing it right,” said Udick, a 3L and president of the SMU Law Review Association.

Cooley, also a 3L and editor-in-chief of the SMU Law Review, said it took a minute for the email’s message to sink in. “Then it hit me, ‘I’m sitting next to Justice Ginsburg at lunch,’” said Cooley. “How many third-year law students get to say that?”

For two days at the end of August, Justice Ginsburg educated, entertained, and inspired students, faculty, alumni, and friends of the Dedman School of Law. The 107th Justice to the Supreme Court of the United States taught two law classes, lunched with students and faculty, and spoke to nearly 2,000 area lawyers, judges, SMU alumni, and guests at the inaugural Louise B. Raggio Endowed Lecture Series.

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“Anytime a Supreme Court Justice visits the law school and speaks is a tremendous honor and privilege,” said Dean John Attanasio. “But to have Justice Ginsburg spend two full
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days on our campus, teaching classes, meeting with students, lunching with our faculty – that is extraordinary. We are so thankful to Justice Ginsburg for making such a commitment of her time.”

Justice Ginsburg kicked off her visit to SMU Dedman with a private, informal lunch with the law school’s faculty at the Godwin Gruber Lawyer’s Inn at Carr Collins Hall. Immediately following the lunch, the Justice spoke to two combined Civil Procedure classes taught by Professors William Dorsaneo and Beth Thornburg. More than 200 students packed into Karcher Auditorium.

“Civil Procedure is my favorite subject,” Justice Ginsburg told the students. “I taught it for seventeen years. In fact, I feel sometimes like I’m still trying to teach it.”

Justice Ginsburg spent a significant portion of her hour-long lecture discussing the importance of dissenting opinions. And she gave the students a rare peek into the internal workings of the Supreme Court. For example, she said that many drafts of the opinions circulate among the Justices before they are finalized. She pointed to the Virginia Military Institute gender discrimination case in 1996 as an example.

“I was assigned to write the majority opinion,” she told the students. “My final draft was much better than my first, second, and third drafts – thanks to Justice Scalia’s dissenting drafts. It was a game of ping-pong for a while. In my eighteen years, I’ve never had an opinion come out exactly as I would have it if I were queen.

“Sometimes, a dissent becomes so powerful that it distracts enough votes that the majority no longer has the votes it needs,” she said.

Justice Ginsburg pointed to one instance in which she started writing a dissent for two but ended up writing a majority for six. “That has happened only once,” she said, “but hope springs eternal.”

Justice Ginsburg said that there are many reasons why Justices should dissent. At the top of the list, she said, was “appeal to the intelligence of a future day.” She said dissenting Justices can use their opinions to challenge

A crowd of nearly 2,000 gathered at SMU’s McFarlin Auditorium for the inaugural Louise Ballerstedt Raggio ’52 Endowed Lecture Series featuring Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg.
Congress to change the law, as she noted happened in the 2007 case of Lily Ledbetter, who sued her employer for gender discrimination. The Supreme Court ruled that Ledbetter waited too long to file her claims under federal law. In her dissent, Justice Ginsburg said the Court’s interpretation of Title VII filing deadlines “could not be what Congress intended.”

“I ended my dissent by saying that the ball is now in Congress’ court,” said Justice Ginsburg. She then noted that in 2009, Congress passed the Lily Ledbetter Fair Pay Act, which directly addressed Justice Ginsburg’s concerns and corrected the law.

The students, who had about twenty minutes of Q&A time at the end of the lecture, said they were amazed at the privilege of having Justice Ginsburg teach their class.

“I have already been bragging that I asked a Supreme Court Justice a question,” said Matt Moran. “And I’m just a 1L.”

The showcase event of Justice Ginsburg’s visit occurred Monday evening, August 29.

Ms. Raggio died in January 2011 at the age of 91. Nationally known as a pioneer in marital property and family law, she was the only woman in her class when she graduated from SMU Dedman Law School in 1952. Initially unable to find a job, Ms. Raggio was the first female assistant district attorney in Dallas County. She had substantial influence in the passage of the Texas Marital Property Act of 1967, which gave married women legal rights to own their own property. Ms. Raggio was the recipient of the SMU Dedman School of Law Distinguished Alumni Award in 1992.

The evening began with a request from Justice Ginsburg to make a few comments honoring the legendary Texas lawyer, whose family was seated on the front row.

“When Dean Attanasio invited me to be with you as the Louise B. Raggio lecturer, I decided to become more familiar with this woman,” the Justice told the audience. “What a treat that has been for me. I knew a bit about her from her being awarded the Margaret Brent Award from the American Bar Association.”

Justice Ginsburg, who graduated top of her class at Columbia Law School in 1959, said she had the library at the
Supreme Court collect dozens of articles written by Ms. Raggio and about Ms. Raggio and her efforts to protect equal rights for women and men under the law.

“I read Louise Raggio’s autobiography, Texas Tornado, written in 2003. I was captivated by her story, though I would not call her Tornado, but Bright Star of Texas,” Justice Ginsburg said. “We were born fourteen years apart, but I discovered we had a good deal in common. Both of us were parents when we entered law school. I had just one child in my law school years, and that was considered a curiosity. Louise had two sons, ages six and two, and a third son was born before she earned her law degree. Neither Louise Raggio nor I received any offers of employment when we first sought to practice law.

“A woman need not forgo a family to achieve prominence in the law,” Justice Ginsburg continued, pointing to former Supreme Court Justice O’Connor, who is a mother of three, and Judge Patricia Wald of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit, who is a mother of five. “I am honored to be here as the Louise B. Raggio Lecturer.”

For the next hour, SMU Dedman Law Dean John B. Attanasio and Justice Ginsburg, seated in comfortable high-back blue leather chairs, entertained the crowd with a fascinating Q&A.

Dean Attanasio started the conversation by reminding the Justice that, despite being born and raised in Brooklyn, she’s no “stranger to Dallas.” Prior to law school, Justice Ginsburg’s husband, Martin, was stationed at Fort Sill Army Base in Lawton, Oklahoma.

“Coming from New York City, Lawton, Oklahoma was not exactly a thriving place,” she responded. “Almost every weekend we came to Dallas. Among my fondest memories, Margot Jones had a theater in the round. The Metropolitan Opera came to the State Fair every year. We would come, stay three nights in a row, and see every opera that we could. Then we also have fond memories of having lunch in the Zodiac Room at Neiman Marcus. Models would come by and say, ‘Isn’t it lovely. It’s only $1,000 in such-and-such room.’”

As the audience gave a knowing laugh, Dean Attanasio assured the Justice that prices in the Zodiac Room have not declined in the years since. At the Dean’s urging, Justice Ginsburg then discussed her early years in law school.

Justice Ginsburg pointed out that Harvard Law School, where she began her legal education, only started accepting women in 1950. Her first year was 1956. She was one of nine women in a class of 500. Classes were confined to two buildings on campus.

“Harvard was still not totally equipped to handle the nine of us,” she told the audience. “Only one of the buildings had a women’s bathroom. So, if you felt the urge and you were in the wrong building, especially if it were exam time, you made a mad dash. We never thought to complain about it. We just accepted it as the way things were.”

Justice Ginsburg said her family was supportive of her going to law school, even if they didn’t fully understand it. “At first, my mother-in-law would tell friends that Ruth is going to law school so she can understand Marty’s work,” she said, the crowd laughing. Justice Ginsburg’s husband, Martin, was recognized internationally as a great tax lawyer. He died in 2010.

The Justice also told a story about her first term at Harvard Law. She had a babysitter who watched Jane, her 14-month-old daughter, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Justice said she would take an hour or so break from her studies at 4 p.m. to take Jane to the park to play. When Jane went to sleep, Justice Ginsburg said, she would go back to the books.

“I was studying for a practice exam, which I took very seriously, at the dining room table and Jane creeps into the room with a mouth full of moth balls,” she said. “I stored my sweaters that way in
a bottom drawer, which is something you should never do, where a child could reach. Off we went to the Cambridge City Hospital where her stomach was pumped. Fortunately, she hadn’t ingested anything.

“But that put things into perspective for me. The practice exams didn’t seem all that important anymore.”

Justice Ginsburg said her dream as a young law graduate was to clerk for Judge Learned Hand of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. But Judge Hand, she said, wouldn’t think of it.

“Judge Learned Hand was probably the greatest judge of my lifetime, but he would not consider women as law clerks because, he said, women would inhibit his language,” she said, sparking a huge laugh from the crowd.

Justice Ginsburg said she and others sometimes rode home after work in the same car as Judge Hand.

“He said words I had never before heard,” she said, again sparking laughter. “I said, ‘Judge Hand, I don’t seem to inhibit your speech at all.’ He said, ‘Young lady, it is because you are sitting behind me and I cannot see you.’”

Through a series of questions by Dean Attanasio, Justice Ginsburg walked the audience through her career. They discussed her two decades as a law professor, first at Rutgers University and then becoming the first female tenured law professor at Columbia. It was during those years that she joined forces with the American Civil Liberties Union and was instrumental in creating the Women’s Rights Project. As the project’s chief litigator, she argued and briefed several landmark cases before the Supreme Court – cases that advocated for the equal citizenship status for women and men under the U.S. Constitution.

When Dean Attanasio mentioned that Justice Ginsburg has been referred to as the “Thurgood Marshall of women’s rights,” she quickly responded:

“While I was anything like Thurgood Marshall is a great exaggeration. First, my life was never in danger as his was. Second, the NAACP was the only show in town. There was no one else willing to represent the plaintiffs in his cases.”

In 1980, President Jimmy Carter appointed Ginsburg to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit. The Justice pointed out that only one woman had served as a federal appellate judge to that point, but that President Carter added eleven women during his four years in the Oval Office.

In 1993, Supreme Court Justice Byron White announced he was retiring. President Clinton nominated Judge Ginsburg. Some of the President’s staff feared that conservative senators would make an issue of her ACLU connections during the confirmation hearings. But her ACLU ties never came up, she said, because conservative Utah Senator Orrin Hatch was one of her biggest supporters. The U.S. Senate confirmed Justice Ginsburg 96-3.

“Today, my ACLU connection would disqualify me,” she said. “I wish we could wave a magic wand and go back to those days when the confirmation process was truly bipartisan.”

Justice Ginsburg said death penalty cases continue to be the toughest part of her job.

“Those who know our jurisprudence in the area know it is very, very dense,” she said. “We have steadily, throughout the year, last minute, 11th hour applications for a stay. The Justice for the circuit – Justice Scalia for the Fifth Circuit – writes a memo about what’s involved and then the rest of us weigh in. We treat those 11th hour applications like a firing squad. No one Justice has the final say. We all have to vote on it, no matter where we are in the world. I’ve been called in the middle of the night in Paris to vote on a stay application.”

Justice Ginsburg also took a few minutes to applaud Dean Attanasio for his work in promoting the rule of law around the globe. She noted that she and the Dean had been together at a conference in Luxembourg in 2010 and in various spots around the world during the past decade in an effort to help courts and political leaders in those countries better understand the rule of law as it is applied in the U.S.

The Louise B. Raggio Lecture ended as it began – with a standing ovation thanking Justice Ginsburg for her visit.

The next day, August 30, SMU students were treated to two more events featuring Justice Ginsburg. At noon, more than sixty students and local members of the federal judiciary lunched with the Justice in Karcher Auditorium in Storey Hall.

Natalie Cooley, the SMU Law Review editor, attended the Raggio Lecture and also sat at the head table with the Justice, Judge Patrick Higginbotham of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, Chief U.S. District Judge Sidney Fitzwater of the Northern District of Texas, Dean Attanasio, and a couple of fellow students.

“It was a law nerd’s celebrity dream table,” said Cooley, who plans to be a litigator. “It was an incredibly humbling experience.”

Justice Ginsburg told the group that the Justices start all of their gatherings – be it oral arguments or conferences to discuss pending matters – with each Justice shaking hands with all the other Justices.

“That is thirty-six handshakes, if you are counting,” she said.

The Justice said six to eight Justices regularly eat together in the Supreme Court’s dining room, where the discussion ranges from the performance of lawyers at oral argument to the opera. Every once in a while, she said, an invited guest, such as former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice and Israeli Supreme Court Chief Justice Aharon Barak, join them for lunch. This year, the Justice is recommending that new International Monetary Fund Chief Christine Lagarde be their special guest.
Ms. Cooley said Justice Ginsburg was as gracious and eloquent while eating as she was during her presentations.

“At the table, she would pause and think about the answer. She thought about the words she was speaking,” said Cooley. “The most touching was when she spoke about her late husband and how he didn’t have any of his law degrees on his wall but had a certificate about him hitting a hole-in-one in golf.”

Steven Udick asked the Justice about the annual Christmas show where the clerks sing carols.

“She also told us that once a year, the clerks do a skit where they impersonate the Justices. She said some of the Justices were easier to impersonate,” said Udick. “The whole time, I sat there thinking about just how incredibly lucky we students were to sit at the table with a Supreme Court Justice, a federal circuit judge, and the chief judge of the district court, and listen to them discuss various issues.”

Justice Ginsburg concluded her two-day visit to SMU Dedman School of Law by teaching Judge Patrick Higginbotham’s Constitutional Law II class. The class received a special treat when billionaire businessman Ross Perot, the founder of EDS, entered the room to join the students in listening to the lecture. Mr. Perot and Justice Ginsburg are long-time friends, as the Justice’s late husband, Martin Ginsburg, was a well-known tax lawyer who frequently represented Mr. Perot in various business matters.

“Justice Ginsburg stands as a colossal figure in our nation’s legal history, especially regarding women’s rights,” Judge Higginbotham told a room of about 200 students, faculty, and invited guests. “Equal protection being expanded to gender didn’t happen by accident. It happened because she is an extraordinary lawyer. And you will see her tracks throughout this class.”

For thirty minutes, Justice Ginsburg walked the students through the 2010-11 term and the key decisions the Court announced. She said that while she misses Justice O’Connor’s leadership and friendship, it has been wonderful to have two additional women on the Court. Justices Sotomayor and Kagan give Justice Scalia a “run for his money” when it comes to asking the most questions.

During the Q&A portion of the class, Justice Ginsburg was asked what she looks for in a law clerk.

“I look for someone with a good record in law school,” she responded. “I have the ability to wait for someone who has clerked for another judge and have that judge refer the clerk to me. I put a premium on good writing. And compatibility is important. If a law clerk is not respectful to my secretary, I don’t have anything to do with them.”

The final question from a student was simple: Back when you were in law school, did you ever think of or have the goal of being a Supreme Court Justice?

“When I was finishing law school, I didn’t think at all about being a judge,” Justice Ginsburg replied. “I just hoped to have a job.”

The lessons learned by the hundreds of students who heard Justice Ginsburg during her two-day visit to the Dedman Law School cannot be measured. Most students said she inspired them. Others said they loved the stories she told providing insight about the inner-workings of the Supreme Court. And many were impressed by the Justice’s attention to detail as she recited the facts from dozens of cases she had argued as a lawyer and decided as a Justice on the nation’s highest court.

For each student, the knowledge and experience was personal.

“It was fascinating to watch her speak. She takes time to think about her answer,” said Sarah Lopano, a 3L and managing editor of the Journal of Air Law Commerce. “So many people just spit out an answer automatically. But you can see her actually thinking about the question and then formulating an answer. She gave thought about the best way to say things.”

“I was so impressed that SMU had Justice Ginsburg to come to the law school for two full days and that students got to meet with her,” said Lopano. “It is a memory I will never forget.”
Jeffrey Kahn
Associate Professor of Law

The New York Times describes Jeffrey Kahn as a scholar on Russian law. The Journal on National Security Law & Policy considers him one of the premier voices on counterterrorism and American constitutional law. The students at SMU Dedman School of Law named him the best classroom instructor at the school for 2010-2011.

This fall, Kahn has a new title: Associate Professor.

“I am pleased to receive tenure and a promotion. It is a sign that my colleagues and peers find value in my work, and that the Dean and University wish me to continue that work here at SMU,” said Professor Kahn, who received his B.A. from Yale University in 1994, his doctorate in Russian politics from Oxford in 1999, and his J.D. from the University of Michigan Law School in 2002.

“The tenure process is rigorous and universal in its assessment,” he said. “Everything – scholarship, teaching, service – is scrutinized. This naturally leads to some anxiety at times, but knowing that my evaluators took their work so seriously, and worked so carefully, was also reassuring. I felt in good hands.”

A former trial attorney with the U.S. Justice Department’s Civil Division, Professor Kahn joined the faculty at the Dedman School of Law in 2006. He teaches and writes on American constitutional law, Russian law, human rights, and counterterrorism.

“Jeffrey is an outstanding teacher and scholar, and I congratulate him on achieving tenure, which is well deserved,” said Dean John Attanasio. “Jeffrey has gained a national and international reputation because of his extraordinary research, writing, and lecturing in the areas of national security law and Russian law. The fact that SMU Dedman is able to attract and retain exceptional teachers such as Professor Kahn points to a tremendous future for the law school.”

Despite joining the world of academia only six years ago, Professor Kahn has already developed a resume of achievements usually associated with a much older scholar. In 2007-2008, he received the Maguire Teaching Fellow Award from the Cary M. Maguire Center for Ethics and Public Responsibility at SMU for his seminar, “Perspectives on Counterterrorism.” A year later, he was named a Colin Powell Fellow of the John Goodwin Tower Center for Political Studies.

Professor Kahn has established himself as a prolific writer, authoring more than a dozen articles for law reviews and legal journals during the past three years. While his classmates at the University of Michigan Law School were editing the articles of scholars for the law review, Kahn was busy completing his first book, Federalism, Democratization, and the Rule of Law in Russia, which was published by Oxford University Press in 2002.

Next year, the University of Michigan Press will publish Professor Kahn’s new book, Mrs. Shipley’s Ghost: The Right to Travel and the Challenge of Terrorism. According to Professor Kahn, the terrorist watchlists used today to restrict travel into and out of the United States owe their conceptual origins to Mrs. Ruth B. Shipley, the Chief of the State Department’s Passport Division from 1928 to 1955.

“Mrs. Shipley was one of the most powerful people in the federal government for almost thirty years, but she is virtually unknown today,” said Professor Kahn. “She had the unreviewable discretion to determine who could leave the United States, for how long, and under what conditions.

“The book compares her work to the current watchlisting procedures employed by the Terrorist Screening Center and Department of Homeland Security and concludes that today’s so-called ’No Fly List’ used to deny boarding passes to suspect travelers resonates with Mrs. Shipley’s passport power, which was rightly scaled back by the courts and Congress as incompatible with our constitutional values.” The book was not considered for Kahn’s tenure review.

Professor Kahn is one of the most popular teachers at the law school.

In 2010, he received SMU’s Outstanding Faculty Award, a university-wide award given each year to a junior, tenure-track faculty member for excellence in teaching, curricular development, and scholarship. In 2011, he received the Dr. Don M. Smart Award for Excellence in Teaching, which is given annually to the faculty member who is voted best classroom instructor by the graduating class.

“This is my sixth year at SMU and they have been six rich and rewarding years,” said Professor Kahn. “The road to tenure runs uphill, and I don’t expect the road to stop rising, but it is an exhilarating run.”
The Dedman School of Law at Southern Methodist University would like to welcome to the faculty Cheryl Nelson Butler as one of its newest assistant professors.

A litigator at such global law firms as Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton and Debevoise & Plimpton, Professor Butler is teaching Torts to first year law students this fall and in the spring semester. A graduate of New York University School of Law, she served as Assistant Clinical Professor at the University of Houston Law Center teaching legal research and writing to 1Ls and International LL.M. students.

Professor Butler brings considerable experience in the world of corporate law (she was senior litigation counsel at Enron Corp. for two years) and in public interest non-profit advocacy law (Executive Director and General Counsel of Top Teens of America, Inc. in Houston, and Public Policy Counsel for the National Partnership for Women and Families in Washington, D.C.).

Following law school, Professor Butler clerked for U.S. District Court Judge Emmet G. Sullivan in Washington, D.C.

“I am very impressed by the SMU Law faculty’s strong commitment to both excellent teaching and scholarship,” she said. “My colleagues are genuinely interested in the academic and professional success of our students and also engaged in writing cutting edge legal scholarship that helps shape the law.”

Professor Butler, who was a Fellow at Georgetown University Law Center’s prestigious Women’s Law & Public Policy Fellowship Program, focuses her scholarly interests on the intersection of gender, race, and human rights. She said she was “drawn to SMU’s strong interest in international law and human rights.” She utilizes feminist legal theory, critical race theory, and legal history as tools to explore these issues.

Professor Butler has two articles scheduled for publication next year. The first, “Sex Slavery in the Lone Star State: Does the Texas Human Trafficking Legislation of 2011 Protect Sexually Exploited Children?,” will be published in the upcoming issue of the Akron Law Review. The second article, scheduled to be published in the Employee Rights and Employment Policy Journal, is called “Obama’s EEOC: Using Employment Discrimination Law to Combat Labor Trafficking.” In addition, Professor Butler is currently working on two articles, “Lifting as We Climb: Black Women’s Clubs, Racial Identity and the Juvenile Court Movement,” and “Bridge Over Troubled Waters: Safe Harbor Legislation for Sexually Exploited Minors.”

“I want to use my diverse practice experiences to teach both substantive law and practice skills in my courses,” she said. “In particular, I want to build upon my prior experience as a clinic assistant professor to teach my students to become critical thinkers and to use their skills to shape and impact the law.”

Professor Butler’s career as a student was impressive. She graduated cum laude from Harvard-Radcliffe College majoring in History & African American Studies. In law school, she was named a Root Tilden Kern Scholar, which is one of the highest honors at New York University School of Law. She was named a Junior Fellow for the Center for International Studies and served as staff editor of the N.Y.U. Review of Law & Social Change. Professor Butler also received the coveted Nelson Mandela Award from the National Association of Black Law Students Association.

Dean John B. Attanasio commented, “Cheryl’s passion for scholarship and her extensive practical experience make her an important new complement to the existing expertise within the law faculty. We are very pleased to add her to the team.”
"We like hiring young professors because of their energy and enthusiasm, and we like hiring actual practitioners because of their real world experience. With Keith, the law school found both," said Dean John B. Attanasio.

Professor Robinson is a new assistant professor of law at SMU Dedman. He specializes in technology law and intellectual property law, which he practiced during his eight years as a lawyer in the Washington, D.C. office of Foley and Lardner.

A former adjunct professor at George Washington University Law School, Professor Robinson is teaching Property Law in the fall semester and will teach Intellectual Property Law and Property Law in the spring.

“I was a practitioner for eight years, during which I did some teaching, and I loved it,” he said. “I enjoyed interacting with the students and answering their questions about why the law is the way it is.”

“From my first visit, I loved the great mix of the SMU Dedman faculty,” he said. “We have a lot of young professors doing some exciting work, mixed with some extraordinary experienced and established academics who are leaders in their fields and will make great mentors. And don’t forget the southern hospitality, which is underestimated until you experience it.”

Professor Robinson received his B.S.E. from Duke University School of Engineering in 1999 and graduated cum laude from Duke University School of Law in 2004. Prior to practicing law, he worked as a technology consultant for Ernst & Young LLP and Cap Gemini Ernst & Young LLC, where he counseled clients on software development processes, developed customized software solutions, and designed and implemented client/server security architectures.

After law school Professor Robinson joined the law firm Foley and Lardner, which has nearly 1,000 lawyers in 21 offices. He was a member of the electronics practice group in the firm’s Washington, D.C. office, where he assisted clients in various areas of patent law such as counseling through negotiations, opinions, prosecution, and strategic IP issues including evaluating emerging technology. As a lawyer, he counseled clients in a variety of technical areas including computer software, consumer electronics, display technology, signal processing, telecommunications, wireless communications, network architecture, application specific electronic devices, semiconductor devices and manufacturing, data mining, search technology, vehicle safety systems, RFID technology, Internet applications, and business methods.

“I love technology. I always have to have the latest gadgets,” he said. “Technology and innovation in this country are as strong as ever. One of my current research projects is that I’m looking at ways to modify and tweak the patent system to encourage innovation by small businesses.”

Professor Robinson has written or lectured on patent lawsuit avoidance, the patenting of business methods, joint infringement, and the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office’s examination guidelines. His most recent article, which appeared in the Texas Intellectual Property Journal, was judged one of the best law review articles related to patent law published in 2010 and was reprinted in the 2011 edition of the Patent Law Review.

Professor Robinson is admitted to practice in the District of Columbia, Virginia, and before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.
David O. Taylor is coming home. Born in Irving, Texas, Taylor has spent the past eight years developing a reputation as one of the leading thinkers in the area of patent law.

SMU Dedman School of Law is pleased to announce that starting this fall, Taylor joins the faculty as an assistant professor of law. A former lawyer in the intellectual property section at Baker Botts in Dallas, he has become a nationally recognized expert regarding patent prosecution, licensing, litigation, and policy.

“I chose the Dedman School of Law because of the strength of its student body, the faculty’s commitment to excellence in both teaching and scholarship, and, I must say, because Dallas is my home,” said Professor Taylor. “I was thrilled to receive an offer to be a law professor at SMU; it is quite an honor to be a part of the academic community here.”

“I love to teach students, and I am looking forward to investing time and energy into scholarship that has an impact in the field of patent law,” he said.

Professor Taylor received his Bachelor of Science degree from Texas A&M and worked for a year as an applications engineer at National Instruments in Austin, Texas. He attended Harvard Law School, where he was a member of both the Harvard Journal of Law & Technology and the Harvard Journal of Law & Public Policy. He clerked for the Honorable Sharon Prost of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit in its decision in In re Echostar Communications Corp., 448 F.3d 1294, 1303 n.5 (Fed. Cir. 2006).

David O. Taylor
Assistant Professor of Law
handles appeals in patent cases.

While at Baker Botts, he not only worked as a registered patent attorney but also assisted with various advanced patent law courses at SMU Dedman School of Law and successfully represented clients in pro bono matters, including before the U.S. Court of Veterans Appeals. Professor Taylor has published articles on patent law in the Temple Law Review and the Fordham Intellectual Property, Media and Entertainment Law Journal. His article in the Texas Intellectual Property Law Journal was cited by the Federal Circuit in its decision in In re Echostar Communications Corp., 448 F.3d 1294, 1303 n.5 (Fed. Cir. 2006).

Professor Taylor is teaching Contracts this fall and spring, and also will teach Patent Law in the spring semester.

“We are delighted to welcome David to the faculty. His expertise in the practice of patent law coupled with his keen interest in teaching and research make him an ideal addition to the law school,” said Dean John B. Attanasio.

Professor Taylor said that his research agenda includes evaluating the “normative foundations of modern procedures and defenses in patent infringement litigation” and to research the “historical development of the positive law associated with these procedures and defenses.” He plans to contrast the normative foundations with the positive law and then “suggest changes to the positive law to reflect these normative foundations.”

“My scholarship will identify problems related to various noninfringement, invalidity, and unenforceability defenses,” Professor Taylor continued, “and suggest solutions to these problems based on purposes of encouraging innovation and disclosure while preventing unnecessary and anticompetitive impediments to economic investment in technologically nascent markets.”
Pius Nkonzo Langa was only nine when South Africa’s National Party came to power in 1948 on a platform of greater segregation of whites and blacks. The policy, officially labeled “apartheid,” contended that white people were superior and deserved the exclusive benefits of the nation’s resources and goods.

“Apartheid was a policy of oppression, seeking to dehumanize the natives so that they could better serve those who colonized them,” Langa told a group of SMU Dedman Law students, faculty, alumni, and special guests at a symposium in May 2011. “The usefulness of black people to the South Africa that was created was restricted to being the drawers of water and the hewers of wood for the white minority.”

No one can speak more powerfully or personally about the evils of apartheid and the absolute need to fight it than Langa, who served for fifteen years on South Africa’s Constitutional Court. For the final five of those years, he was the Chief Justice – the first black Chief Justice in the nation’s history. He has spent his entire life facing oppression and opposing it. And he continues to do so.

For a handful of days this past spring, SMU Dedman Law celebrated Chief Justice Langa’s life of fighting and succeeding. On May 12, he delivered a powerful speech on the SMU Dedman campus in which he told the story of the South Africa Constitutional Court and those who fought for its existence and independence. Two days later, on May 14, Southern Methodist University awarded Langa the Doctor of Laws honoris causa degree to honor his extraordinary life and career dedicated to the pursuit of human rights and constitutional law in South Africa.

“Chief Justice Langa is a truly historic figure in South Africa and world legal history,” SMU Dedman School of Law Dean John Attanasio said when he introduced Chief Justice Langa on May 12. “He was a witness to atrocious acts of discrimination and cruelty. But he also was on the front lines in the pursuit of liberty and justice and equality.

“Chief Justice Langa’s life should be studied and admired,” he said. “SMU..."
Dedman Law School is honored to call him a friend and to have him as a frequent guest lecturer."

Born in 1939 in Bushbuckridge, South Africa, Langa was the second of seven children. He received a private education despite the restrictions of apartheid. Starting in 1957, he spent three years laboring in a shirt factory, but in 1960, he accepted a job as an interpreter and messenger at the South African Justice Department, where he was eventually promoted to magistrate. He also attended the University of South Africa, receiving his LL.B. degree in 1976.

A year later, Langa was invited to practice at the Natal Bar and attained the rank of senior counsel seventeen years later. His clients included the underprivileged, civic organizations, trade unions, and others who faced legal problems with the oppressive apartheid government. He served as a founding member of the Release Mandela Committee.

In 1994, South African officials created the Constitutional Court as part of the anti-apartheid reforms. Newly-elected President Nelson Mandela appointed eleven justices to serve on the nation’s highest court, including Pius Langa. In 2005, President Thabo Mbeki named Langa Chief Justice – a position he held until he retired in 2009.

But Chief Justice Langa’s efforts to promote democracy reach far beyond South Africa. For example, he has served as a special envoy assisting the leaders of the Fiji Islands in their efforts to return to a democratic form of government. He has participated in constitutional review commissions in Sri Lanka, Zimbabwe, Rwanda, and Tanzania. Finally, he is a member of the Judicial Integrity Group, which is responsible for drafting the Bangalore Principles for Judicial Ethics.

Chief Justice Langa has visited SMU Dedman School of Law a half-dozen times. The first was in 1998 when he and three other members of the Constitutional Court traveled to Dallas to discuss South Africa’s democratic transformation. Since then, he has served as a Distinguished Visiting Professor at the law school several times – in 2000, 2001, and 2004.

In the May Symposium, Chief Justice Langa walked students, faculty, alumni, and special guests through the three centuries of struggles for freedom that preceded the democracy that finally arrived in the mid-1990s. South Africa was ruled, he told the audience, by those who colonized the nation through brute strength. There were numerous wars, which ended with the strongest claiming to be “lord and master of the land and its people.”

“Such was the philosophy of the time: the mighty must prevail and the weakest had to be content with a position of inferiority and sometimes slavery,” he said. “We should note that apartheid oppression was effected through law. The doctrine of parliamentary sovereignty permitted the undemocratic South Africa to make any law, regardless of whether it was just or furthered the cause of freedom and human rights.

“Let me just say that many sons and daughters of South Africa lost their lives in order to bring about change,” he said.

“Eventually, sanity had to prevail. In 1994, South Africans embarked on a new direction. It was agreed that the time should be used to build and not to destroy. A new South Africa had to be born.”

Chief Justice Langa reminded the audience that there is “still a long road to travel.”

“The Constitution speaks of a better life for all,” he said. “It speaks of creating a world where everyone can meet their full potential. This, then, is the terrain in which we at the Constitutional Court had to operate. It is a noble and difficult terrain.” •
Lamar Smith went to law school with the dream of one day becoming a Texas Justice of the Peace. The job was part-time but still paid well and sometimes provided a county-owned car to those in the office.

While that dream remains unfulfilled, the 63-year-old Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law alum (Class of 1975) has done okay in the three decades since graduating. In January, he was named by his peers in the U.S. House of Representatives to be the Chairman of the powerful Judiciary Committee.

“It’s not Justice of the Peace, but it’s not a bad view either,” said Rep. Smith, who gazes out his Rayburn House Office Building window across Independence Avenue at an unobstructed view of the U.S. Capitol. “I have been extraordinarily blessed to have one of the best jobs in the country. My time at SMU Law School certainly helped prepare me for this position.”

Rep. Smith was first elected to Congress as a Republican in 1987. His district, Texas’ 21st, includes parts of Austin and San Antonio, as well as most of the Texas Hill Country. Besides being the Chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, he serves on the Committee on Homeland Security and the Committee on Science, Space and Technology.

The Chairman, who was born in San Antonio, is a fifth-generation Texan. He graduated from the Episcopal School of Texas, which is a co-ed college preparatory school in San Antonio. He graduated in 1969 from Yale University, where he majored in American Studies.
He spent a couple of years as a writer for the Christian Science Monitor before applying to law school. “I went to law school because I knew it was a great education no matter what I decided to do in life.”

“My two grandfathers were lawyers,” says Rep. Smith. “But I went to law school because I knew it was a great education no matter what I decided to do in life.”

Young Lamar had his choice of law schools, but selected SMU in 1972 because the Dallas job market offered more opportunities for his wife. The couple rented a little apartment in Highland Park. Their television sat on a cardboard box because they couldn’t afford a table.

While at SMU, Rep. Smith was editor of the law school’s newspaper, which he changed from being named The Adversary to The Advocate. During his year as editor, The Advocate won an award from the American Bar Association for best law school newspaper. He also took flying lessons and obtained his pilot’s license during his time at SMU Dedman School of Law.

“Had I known that I would become the chair of the House Judiciary Committee, I would have taken more advanced constitutional law courses,” he says. “My favorite classes were tax and law and society.”


In 1986, he successfully ran for Texas’ 21st House District. He easily won re-election a dozen times since. Rep. Smith served as chair of the House Ethics Committee and as a member of the powerful House Budget Committee for several years.

The first piece of legislation that Rep. Smith introduced when he arrived in Congress was to expand Big Bend National Park in West Texas by forty percent.

“Even such a non-controversial bill took nearly two years to pass,” he says. “But I was so proud when President Reagan signed it into law.”

When the Republicans became the majority party in 2010, he was named the Chairman of the Judiciary Committee – an august body whose previous chairs include Daniel Webster and James Buchanan.

“I would like to say that I have no plans to run for President or write a dictionary,” he says.

“There is no question that my legal education has helped me and my work on the Judiciary Committee,” says Rep. Smith. “Law school helped me know how to analyze extremely complex situations. Law school teaches you how to argue both sides of a case or an issue. It gives you that ability to deal with the daily legal situations that I confront.”

More than one thousand pieces of legislation were referred to the House Judiciary Committee during the past term. The topics ranged from terrorism and civil liberties to bankruptcy and immigration reform.

A major priority on his agenda for the year ahead is patent reform.

“We must streamline the patent system,” he says, “because it is the backbone of technology and creativity. Patent reform is about justice and the economy.”

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Above: While in law school, LAMAR SMITH ’75, was editor of Southern Methodist University’s school newspaper, The Adversary.

Clockwise, from left: FORMER FIRST LADY BARBARA BUSH, LAMAR SMITH ’75, Secret Service Agent, and FORMER PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH, SR. exiting Air Force One.
In a year when unemployment and the deficit made headlines, the Dedman School of Law at Southern Methodist University received more than $15 million in gifts in its fundraising campaign. These gifts allow the law school to increase its investments in student scholarships, faculty chairs, and exceptional library resources, which are essential to remain competitive and advance the momentum of recent years.

“SMU Dedman Law School is greatly strengthened by the generosity of our alumni, students, faculty, parents, and friends” says Associate Dean for Development and Alumni Affairs Lynn Switzer Bozalis, SMU Dedman Law graduate of 1990. “These gifts are essential investments that create opportunities and make a long-term impact.”

Dean John Attanasio added, “We are very fortunate to have a deep and diverse group of supporters. This year we saw significant gifts from a wide variety of sources ranging from faculty—with Joe McKnight’s gift of his spectacular library of rare law books—to alums and members of the local legal community. It is deeply gratifying to know the law school is valued and sustained by so many.”

The law school continues to experience extraordinary successes that have expanded the school’s national and global reputation. As SMU Dedman emerges into one of the premier legal educational institutions, it is attracting some of the most sought-after students and top-tier faculty from across the country and around the world.
Professor Joseph McKnight Donates His Extraordinary Rare Law Book Collection to the Law School

Dean John Attanasio announced in December that Professor Joseph McKnight is donating his collection of rare law books to the law school. Believed to be one of the largest contributions ever by a faculty member to a law school, McKnight’s collection of more than 6,000 exceptional books is estimated to be valued at $6-$7 million.

Professor Joseph McKnight has studied and taught legal history for fifty-five years. Scores of his articles have been published. Dozens of Texas statutes on family and marital property law were written by him. An estimated 10,000 students have taken his classes.

In the words of one colleague, Joe McKnight is legal history.

But during the past five decades, Professor McKnight also has become the owner of an extraordinary collection of more than 6,000 rare legal history books – one of the largest of its kind in the nation, which are prominently displayed on the fourth floor of the Underwood Law Library at SMU Dedman School of Law.

McKnight’s oldest book was published in 1481.

The oldest book in the collection was published in 1481. Not impressed? Well, Johannes Gutenberg only invented his press four decades earlier.

“This magnificent gift is one of the largest ever given to a law school by one of its professors,” Dean Attanasio said to the board members, faculty, and staff who were assembled. “It ranks as one of the top rare book collections in the country. We are extremely honored to be the home of this extraordinary collection and to continue to have Joe McKnight as a member of the SMU Dedman faculty.”

Raised in San Angelo in West Texas, McKnight went to college at the University of Texas. He served for three years in the Navy on a ship providing convoy duty for merchant ships going from New York to Cuba.

In 1947, he was awarded a Rhodes Scholarship at Oxford University, where he earned his law degree. He practiced law in New York for four years in the wills, trusts, and estates practice of the nation’s second oldest law firm, Cravath, Swaine & Moore.

McKnight remembers being called into Robert Swaine’s office one Friday afternoon. “He said that he and all the partners really wanted their associates to have weekends to themselves. But then he told me that he needed a certain document researched and prepared and on his desk by Monday morning. Of course, I spent the weekend at the office and had that document for him first thing Monday morning.”

Some things in the practice of law never change, he says.

In 1955, SMU Law Dean Robert Storey offered McKnight a position teaching wills and estate law and legal history. “In the years since, I have taught about every class the law school has offered, except I have never taught contracts, torts, or criminal law,” he says.

In his personal library at home, he has a collection of original novels of Cooper and Dickens that belonged to his great-grandfather, who was a member of the Republican Convention in 1860 that nominated Abraham Lincoln to be President.

“I have all the works of Washington Irving, which were purchased by my great-grandfather when they came out in the mid-19th century,” he says.

He still buys about 25 to 30 rare law books annually, but he says they are much more expensive these days because there are fewer of them available. In the 1980s, while recovering from heart surgery, he learned how books were made and how to restore them.

The McKnight Collection occupies dozens of shelves and is separated by region and country, with the French and Italian collections being the largest.

“I am trying to build up a collection of every book that any legal historian would need, and I only buy books that are of interest to me,” he jokes. “At this point, there are not many books that I want that I don’t already have – at least not that I
Professor McKnight has put his name and the date he purchased the book on the inside of every book he has ever obtained. The oldest book in his collection is *Lectura Super V Libros Decretalium*, by Niccolo Tudeschis, an Italian Benedictine canonist and teacher who studied the doctrine of superiority of a general council to the Pope. The book was published in 1481 and is an incunabula, which means that it was printed – not handwritten – prior to 1501 and post-Gutenberg.

The collection also includes a German book of legal forms dating back to 1505 and such legal classics as four volumes of Sir William Blackstone’s last corrected edition of his *Commentaries on the Laws of England* (1778) and Sir Edward Coke’s third and last edition of his *Institute of Laws of England* (1633).

“See these very small holes?” Professor McKnight asks, pointing to the pinpoint-sized, perfectly round holes throughout the book. “Book worms lay their eggs inside the books. How the hell they get in there, I have no idea. But then the larvae need to get out and they make the holes.” Even so, the book is in extraordinarily good shape.

Professor McKnight, resting against his cane for a few seconds, suddenly reflects on his fifty-five years teaching at SMU Law. He says that he still loves his work and still has more work to do. He says that the law school “has gotten much better” over the years. Of course, his colleagues say that is true because of his contributions.

“Joe is the embodiment of SMU Law School,” says Joshua Tate, an Associate Professor who also teaches legal history. “If there is ever any question during faculty meetings about how things were done over the years, everyone turns to Joe for the answer.

“He is a real treasure for the law school,” says Tate.

In November 2009, 287 members of the American Society of Legal History met in Dallas for the first time, and part of the reason was to recognize the works and collection of their colleague, Joe McKnight. Legal historians from Stanford Law, the University of Georgia, and the University of Texas spent an afternoon on a panel discussion entitled “Sources in Law 15th-18th Century Europe: A Panel in Honor of Joe McKnight.”

Students over the years also place Professor McKnight as one of their favorites.

“Joe McKnight is one of those teachers who made an impression on all of us,” said Rep. Lamar Smith, a 1975 graduate of SMU Dedman School of Law and now the chairman of the U.S. House Judiciary Committee. “I congratulate Professor McKnight on a splendid career.”

Professor McKnight received a standing ovation at the SMU Dedman Law School Executive Board meeting in December when his gift was announced.

“There are ways of keeping us around,” McKnight told the audience. “Jeremy Bentham, the founder of the University College London, solved that problem by providing that his skeletal remains be undressed of its skin after his death (in 1832) and it would be dried out and put fully clothed with his hat and put in a nice big box. He is wheeled out for all faculty meetings, as provided in his will.”

“I don’t know if SMU wants my remains in that shape,” said Professor McKnight, while the audience was laughing. “I imagine it could be provided, but I don’t know about state law keeping these things around in boxes. We might want to give it some thought.”

Professor McKnight concluded by saying that he is “very proud” of his collection and honored to give it to the law school library.

“I hope you come by to visit it,” he said, “and I would be glad to show you around.”
Anonymous Donors
Make Three Gifts Totaling $5 Million

A graduate from the early 1980s announced a $2 million planned gift that will help endow scholarships and possibly a faculty position. In addition, the law school will create a Distinguished Chair in Jurisprudence and Constitutional Law, thanks to another $2 million anonymous gift.

“We have a diverse and highly talented faculty whose members are dedicated to teaching,” says Dean Attanasio. “Not only do they hold outstanding academic credentials, but virtually all of them also have had practical experience before entering their teaching careers. Consequently, they provide the invaluable link between the theory of classroom instruction and the reality of legal practice.”

Founded in 1925, SMU Dedman School of Law has more than 12,000 alumni, including lawyers and leaders in every state and in more than 80 countries. Graduates include the general counsels of some of the world’s largest corporations, justices on supreme courts across the globe, foreign diplomats, and members of the U.S. Congress. Three are chief executive officers of Fortune 50 companies. Five have been named to Forbes’ annual list of billionaires. And one is chairman of the U.S. House of Representatives’ Judiciary Committee.

Multi-million dollar donations this year will enable the law school to be a magnet for the best students and faculty.

Alumni who have succeeded financially after leaving SMU Dedman Law help the next generation of lawyers get its start. Another donor this year boosted the school’s ability to award scholarships by giving a generous $1 million gift. This donor—a long-time public servant who wishes to remain anonymous—has made it possible for highly talented students to attend SMU Dedman School of Law.

“A legal education needs to be affordable for all qualified students, regardless of means,” says Dean Attanasio. “Many of the gifts of our contributors will fund endowed and annual scholarships to help offset the rising cost of tuition. Scholarship support diversifies the student body—attracting the best students from all backgrounds—and enables new graduates to pursue their careers without struggling to overcome education debt.”

George Bramblett ’66 Gives $500,000 for Endowed Scholarship

The newly created George and Pedie Bramblett Endowed Scholarship will be a big help. A 1966 graduate of SMU Dedman Law School and co-chair of the law school’s Second Century Campaign, Bramblett has donated $500,000 for the sole purpose of helping future students.

“When I arrived at SMU, I didn’t know a single person,” says Bramblett, who is...
a partner at Haynes and Boone in Dallas and was named Trial Lawyer of the Year in 2001 by the Dallas Bar Association. “All I wanted was an opportunity. I am forever grateful to SMU and only wish I could do more.”

Bramblett won the SMU Dedman School of Law’s Distinguished Alumni Award in 2001. The law school is grateful for all of Bramblett’s gifts of time, talent, and money.

Bramblett also received his bachelor’s degree from SMU in 1963. “I was the first in my family to go to college,” says Bramblett, who is a member of the law school’s Executive Board as well. “I am making this contribution public now in order to encourage others.”

Estate of William Hunter ’49 Boosts Scholarships with $250,000 Gift

SMU Dedman School of Law is grateful for the planning and forethought of William Hunter. Before he passed away in 2009, the 1949 alum provided for a $250,000 bequest from his estate for the benefit of the law school. Hunter, an oil and gas lawyer with Enserch Exploration, died at the age of 91. In accordance with his desires, the gift will be used for student scholarships.

Anonymous $100,000 Gift Goes Toward Funding Scholarships

A generous $100,000 cash donation was made for funding scholarships. The law school appreciates this anonymous donor for their generosity and looks forward to awarding it to deserving law students.

Dallas Bar Foundation Continues its History of Giving with a $100,000 Donation for the Sarah T. Hughes Scholarship

The Dallas Bar Foundation donated $100,000 for the Sarah T. Hughes Annual Scholarship. Since 1981, the DBF has funded full-tuition scholarships for minority students.

The scholarships serve as a permanent recognition of Judge Hughes’ vast contribution to the legal profession, and particularly her efforts toward increased minority involvement.

The scholarship is named for U.S. District Judge Sarah T. Hughes, the federal judge who gave President Lyndon B. Johnson the presidential oath of office in 1963 aboard Air Force One following the assassination of President Kennedy. Judge Hughes is the only woman to swear in a U.S. President.

The scholarships serve as a permanent recognition of Judge Hughes’ vast contribution to the legal profession, and particularly her efforts toward increased minority involvement. A secondary purpose of the scholarships is to attract minority law students to SMU Dedman School of Law in the hope they will remain in Dallas to practice law and become leaders in the community. The full-tuition scholarships are awarded to first-year law students and are renewed for the second and third year under condition of satisfactory academic performance.

VOLUNTEER SUPPORT

SMU alumni and friends continue to make the difference through their commitments of time and money. “The law school’s Second Century Campaign Steering Committee works diligently on behalf of the law school, and we are grateful for their volunteer spirit,” said Dean Attanasio. “They are wonderful ambassadors to the community—whether alumni or non-alumni—representing the SMU Dedman School of Law with pride and confidence. We couldn’t ask for a more dedicated and knowledgeable group of supporters.”

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Alan Feld ’60 continues to provide excellent leadership as the steering committee’s Convening Chair, along with Nancy Dedman ’04H who serves as Honorary Chair. The hard work of the committee’s co-chairs—Marilyn Augur ’09H; Ron Barger ’81; George Bramblett, Jr. ’66; Wayne Watts ’80; and Philip Wise ’81—has resulted in significant gifts to the school. The school appreciates the involvement of the entire steering committee.
SMU Dedman School of Law remains extremely appreciative of the continued support of the Dedman family, which has demonstrated its commitment to the law school through its extensive history of making gifts as well as matching the gifts of others.

Under the terms of the Dedman Match, 70% of its match will be used for scholarships, while the remaining 30% will be set aside to fund faculty positions. In order to receive the match, University policies require that the gifts be at “endowment levels”: a minimum of $100,000 for scholarships and $1 million for faculty positions. These endowment gifts ensure the long-term success of SMU Dedman School of Law and can serve as a lasting tribute as the income they generate over time is used to serve the donor’s purposes.

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ENDOWMENT GIVING

Scholarships
Gifts of $900,000 or more generate a named full scholarship; Named partial scholarship endowments start at $100,000

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Naming opportunities for endowing faculty positions start at $1 million; Named Chairs are $1.5 million; Named Distinguished Chairs are $2 million+

Centers/Institutes
Named Centers in a particular area of the law start at $2.5 million; Named Institutes in a particular area of the law start at $5 million

Matching Gifts
Funds from the Dedman Match may be available to match all or part of endowment gifts
The Class of 2010 is almost fully employed even though the class was caught squarely in the middle of a very difficult job market. This class entered law school in 2006-2007, when the legal job market was strong and expectations ran high, but when the economic crisis hit, jobs were not as plentiful and firms reduced salaries. Thanks to the Test Drive program and the school’s efforts to stay closely connected with our 2010 grads, however, the Office of Career Services was able to report that over 95% of our graduates who were seeking employment were permanently employed six to nine months after graduation.

"Test Drive has been extremely helpful for our graduates," said Assistant Dean Karen Sargent. “Through the innovative Test Drive program, the law school gave legal employers a financial incentive to make an initial hiring decision. The law school funded a graduate’s salary of $3,500 for one month to an employer on a ‘no strings attached’ basis (i.e., allowing a ‘Test Drive’ of the relationship) and would consider funding an additional month of employment for $3,500 if, upon completion of the first month, the employer and graduate would like to continue the relationship toward long-term, full-time employment."

Test Drive proved to be very successful. Fifty graduates completed Test Drive employment, and forty-four of those accepted offers for permanent positions. The resulting jobs were with law firms and corporations in Texas, New York, California, Missouri, and Tennessee. Of the six graduates who were not hired permanently through Test Drive, only one did not receive a job offer, while four others secured jobs elsewhere and one received an offer of employment but declined.

SMU 2010 GRADS
Despite the overall decrease in hiring by large firms nationwide, SMU Dedman Law continued to be ranked #27 in the country for sending the greatest proportion of graduates to National Law Journal (NLJ) 250 firms. In fact, 28% of our graduates who entered private practice went to firms with more than 100 lawyers.

As expected, however, since more of our 2010 graduates took jobs with small firms, the median starting salary in private practice decreased to $100,000, down from $120,000 in 2009. The average starting salary in private practice for 2010 SMU grads fell about $10,000 from last year’s average of approximately $103,000.

For 2010 SMU Law grads in private practice, the median starting salary was $100,000 and the average starting salary was about $93,000.

The median starting salary for all employed 2010 Dedman Law graduates across the various sectors—private practice, business, government, public interest, and academics—was $75,000. The average starting salary overall was $92,775.

The majority of the class—65.63%—went into private practice: 28% in firms over 100; 9% in mid-sized firms of 50-100; 20% in firms of 11-50; 40% in firms of 2-10; and 2% opened a solo practice.

“IIn spring 2011 we observed a noticeable turnaround in the job market. We’ve had more calls from firms posting jobs for law students and have seen more firms coming back for our fall 2011 recruiting programs,” said Assistant Dean Sargent. “More firms are reaching out to third-year students for permanent positions, and we’re seeing that the lateral market is even more active.”
**PARTNER TO PRACTICE**

The school’s creative new Partner to Practice program, which was initiated in February 2010, was so successful that the school repeated the program during summer 2011. The program made a significant impact on students’ ability to obtain legal experience by providing employers with an additional incentive to hire second-year SMU Dedman Law students. Under Partner to Practice, employers receive a dollar-for-dollar match of the amount they pay to any second-year summer law clerks: up to $500 per week for a maximum of $3500 per student, in the form of tuition remission for the student during the fall semester. The law school conducted an outreach campaign to area legal employers, describing the innovative incentive but making no request or expectation of permanent employment. Rather, Partner to Practice was marketed as a means to facilitate paid, summer legal employment opportunities in which students could gain experience and build relationships to better position themselves for post-graduate employment.

“The program has been a huge success,” said Sargent. “Our office actively reached out to firms and companies to create 74 Partner to Practice opportunities (49 law firm, 21 corporate, 3 non-profits, and 1 government). Although employers were told that there was no expectation of permanent employment, several employers have let us know that they plan to hire full-time from Partner to Practice and others want their clerks to continue working during their third year of school on a part-time basis.”

Director Steve Yeager, who is responsible for small firm and corporate development, added, “The program proved to be a great employer outreach tool. Several employers who had never posted opportunities with the law school before participated in Partner to Practice this year. We have developed new employer relationships that will benefit students in the future and strengthened our relationships with employers from last year.”

“I worked on several projects during my Partner to Practice clerkship, including the NFL lockout, Superbowl XVL, and numerous employment law and non-subscriber issues. In total, it was a great experience! I will continue working for my Partner to Practice employer in the fall, with positive indications from associates, paralegals, and the managing partner, that a permanent position upon graduation is very likely!”

—Brett Chisum, Class of 2012 and McCathern Mooty Partner to Practice Summer 2011 Legal Clerk

**NEW HOUSTON INTERVIEW PROGRAM & MOCK INTERVIEW MATCH**

Test Drive and Partner to Practice are only two of a number of job development initiatives SMU Dedman Law has implemented since the downturn of the legal market. In addition, a new interview program – the Houston Interview Program – was created to increase employer hiring for students who ultimately desire to settle in Houston. Also Mock Interview Match, a program started in spring 2011, connects each participating student with an attorney from a firm that participates in our OCI program. This attorney conducts practice interviews with his or her student before fall recruiting.

**JUDICIAL OUTREACH**

In the 2010–2011 academic year and summer 2011, SMU Dedman Law students experienced unprecedented access to judicial internships and externships, thanks to three new initiatives coordinated by the Office of Career Services and the expansion of two existing programs. In its inaugural year, the Federal Judicial Externship Course placed forty-five students in three-credit-hour, semester-long externships, including a classroom component, with federal judges in the United States District, Magistrate, and Bankruptcy courts for the Northern and Eastern Districts of Texas and in the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals. Summer 2011 also saw the debut of the Texas State Court Education Program with Justice Liz-Lang Miers of the Texas Fifth District Court of Appeals. The program is an intensive, three-week, two-credit-hour externship, also with a classroom component, providing another fifteen students with an insider’s view to all local levels of the state court judiciary.

Summer 2011 also marked an all-time high in judicial internship placement for SMU Dedman Law students, due in part to a new joint initiative between the Office of Career Services and the Collin
County Young Lawyers Association. The new CCYLA Collin County Judicial Internship Program placed twelve students in internships with Collin County district court judges. A creatively structured and managed program, it won recognition in its first year from the Texas Young Lawyers Association. In another first, ten SMU Dedman Law students interned with United States Magistrate Judge Amos Mazzant in the Eastern District of Texas, Sherman Division, and many other students secured their own internships with judges around the state and country.

Last, but not least, the Dallas Association of Young Lawyers, our longtime partner, placed twenty-nine students in internships with local Dallas state court judges. The increased focus on judicial externship and internship experiences, uniquely available to SMU Dedman Law students due to the school’s location in a major legal market with an abundance of federal and state courts, has led to increased interest in applications for prestigious post-graduate judicial clerkships. Currently, eight 2010 SMU Dedman Law graduates serve as judicial clerks at every level of the Texas appellate court system, and in federal district and bankruptcy courts throughout Texas and Florida. Applications for 2012 positions by SMU Dedman Law students are on the rise.

GOVERNMENT OUTREACH
The Office of Career Services also engaged in a personal outreach campaign to local, state, and federal government employers in the Dallas-Fort Worth area during the last school year to develop, maintain, and strengthen relationships with SMU Dedman School of Law. Using both webpage links and Hot Jobs & Opportunities Bulletins, Career Services increased marketing of ways to gain legal experience with government employers (both during and after law school) by directing students to upcoming Government Honors and Internship deadlines. To better educate and inform students about governmental employment opportunities, Career Services presented twelve separate on-campus information sessions through its Government Practice Series. Representatives came from the U.S. Attorney’s Office, the Public Defenders’ Offices, the Department of Justice, the CIA, the FBI, the IRS, the Office of the Controller of the Currency, the Presidential Management Fellows Program, and Army and Air Force JAG, among others. In order to further develop relationships with these employers, Career Services will be hosting a Government Lawyers Reception in the fall of 2011, where government employers can meet students and explain about employment opportunities. The government employers will be encouraged to participate in Phase II of our On Campus Recruiting Program in October 2011.

LINDA A. HALE NEW OCS DIRECTOR

Linda Hale joined SMU Dedman School of Law in December 2010 as a Director in the Office of Career Services. Linda leads the development of legal employment opportunities for the law school’s students and recent graduates with federal, state, and local government agencies and with the judiciary. She also counsels students in their professional development and coaches them in their job searches. In addition, she works with Steve Yeager in the Career Services Office to develop opportunities with midsize and small firms.

Linda earned her Bachelor of Arts in Economics from Baylor University and her J.D. from Baylor Law School. While attending Baylor Law School, she was a member of the Order of the Barristers and of the Texas Championship Jessup International Moot Court Team, which placed third in the country in national competition. Upon law school graduation in 1981, Linda joined Shank, Irwin in Dallas, becoming a litigation partner focusing on toxic tort, oil and gas, and complex commercial litigation. From 1990–1992, Linda served as Assistant University Counsel for SMU. For the next eighteen years, prior to joining SMU Dedman School of Law, Linda was Of Counsel to the Conant Whittenburg, Conant French & Chaney, and Clouse Dunn Khoshbin firms, handling business litigation, with a focus on plaintiffs’ class action securities work, among other matters. From 2002–2006, Linda also served as an Associate Municipal Judge for the City of Dallas. Linda is a member and Life Fellow of the Dallas Bar Association, Sustaining Member of Attorneys Serving the Community, Fellow of the Texas Bar Association, and has been AV rated by Martindale-Hubbell as a practicing lawyer for more than twenty years.
JILL NIKIRK ’03
NEW ASSISTANT DEAN OF ADMISSIONS

Jill Nikirk ’03 has been promoted to Assistant Dean of Admissions for the law school. “This promotion is richly deserved. Jill’s track record speaks for itself. She has proven herself an effective leader of the admissions department and an important member of the staff of SMU Dedman School of Law,” said Dean John B. Attanasio.

Nikirk joined the law school’s administration in 2005 as the Associate Director of Admissions, before being promoted to Director of Admissions in 2009. Nikirk received her J.D. from SMU in 2003 and, after graduation, practiced education law at the law firm of Walsh, Anderson, Brown, Shultz & Aldridge. As a law student, Nikirk served as managing editor of The Law & Business Review of the Americas and was Executive Director of the Jackson Walker Moot Court Board and a member of the Barristers. She was also a 2003 John E. Kennedy Scholarship winner. Before law school, Nikirk worked as a speech-language pathologist in Texas public schools for five years.

During Nikirk’s tenure, entering students’ credentials remained exceptional, and the median LSAT score of the full-time day program students rose from 162 in 2005 to 165 in 2011. She is a sought-after speaker among the pre-law community and can be found presenting to prospective students and pre-law advisors across the country, including at the National Association of Pre-Law Advisors annual meeting in 2010. Nikirk is innovating communications between the admissions office and prospective and incoming students. In 2010, she created an admitted students website that was unanimously well-received by the law school’s admitted students. Nikirk is committed to ensuring that the admissions office continues to evolve.

Nikirk says, “I want to continue to increase my recruitment efforts and continue making our admissions office both user-friendly and efficient. We know that SMU Dedman School of Law is a regional powerhouse, but we can make it even more than that.”

BECCA H. LICKTEIG ’02
NEW ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF ADMISSIONS

SMU Dedman School of Law is delighted to announce the addition of Becca H. Lickteig ’02 as the Associate Director of Admissions. Lickteig received her J.D., cum laude, from SMU in 2002 and after graduation was an associate in the corporate and securities section of Thompson & Knight LLP and practiced in-house at HBK Investments. Most recently, Lickteig served as in-house counsel at HollyFrontier Corporation where she assisted in the management of corporate governance, compliance, and securities filings for a public petroleum refining company and a public master limited partnership; assisted with the legal aspects of mergers, acquisitions, and special projects; and reviewed and negotiated contracts. As a law student, Lickteig served as an articles editor of the SMU Law Review. Before attending law school, Lickteig practiced social work at Hospice of Lubbock and Vitas Hospice in Dallas.

“We are extremely lucky to have Becca join our office. Her shrewd corporate background will be the perfect complement to the admissions team,” said Jill Nikirk ’03, Assistant Dean of Admissions.
Early 450 alumni, faculty, students, and friends of the law school gathered to honor the outstanding achievements of seven impressive individuals at the 2010-2011 Distinguished Alumni Awards Dinner on February 19, 2011. This year’s tremendous turnout shows the continuing dedication of our alumni and friends, and the honorees’ willingness to give back.

A special selection committee is tasked with reviewing letters of recommendation for the nominees and selecting alumni who have distinguished themselves in a variety of areas, including judicial service, private practice, corporate service, international work, and public service. This year’s awards were presented by Dean John B. Attanasio; Dr. R. Gerald Turner, President of SMU; Albon O. Head, Jr., Selection Committee Chairman; and Dawn Enoch Moore, Selection Committee Member.
JACK D. KNOX ’60, ’63

Robert G. Storey Award for Distinguished Achievement

In addition to earning his place among the most successful businessmen in the Dallas-Fort Worth area, Jack D. Knox has devoted himself to public service and charitable causes across the globe. Knox received a Bachelor of Arts degree in English from SMU in 1960 and a Juris Doctor degree from SMU Dedman School of Law in 1963. After graduation he became active in the oil and gas industry and over a period of thirty years developed and sold energy companies, both public and private. Knox has also been involved in the regional amusement park business for many years and continues to serve as the General Partner of Six Flags Over Texas Fun Ltd., a private limited partnership which he helped found. He is the developer of Café Pacific and Patrizio restaurants in Dallas and still serves as President of Café Pacific, Inc. Knox is also the Founder and President of the Fund for Sick Children, a private foundation which supplies medicine and equipment to hospitals and doctors in third world countries. Knox is active in the ranching business west of Fort Worth and continues to have close ties to his hometown of Weatherford through his many civic activities.

Knox has previously served public companies in roles as Chairman and CEO of Summit Energy, Inc., and as a Director of Sunshine Mining, BancTEXAS Group, Inc., El Chico Inc., and Bryson Oil and Gas Ltd. His civic and honorary appointments and directorships have included the Board of Trustees of Medical City Hospital in Dallas, Associate Board of SMU Cox School of Business, Executive Board of Dedman College at SMU, Friends of Scott and White Hospital in Temple, M.D. Anderson Hospital Board of Visitors in Houston, Board of Directors of the Independent Petroleum Association of America, Board of Directors of the Metropolitan YMCA in Dallas, and the Advisory Board of Directors of the Texas Human Legislative Network. Knox has also served as a member of the Advisory Committee to the City of Dallas Animal Shelter Commission. Knox is active in many charities and lobbying groups directed toward stopping animal abuse and he received the Humanitarian of the Year award from Operation Kindness in 2005.
CHIEF JUSTICE SOBCHOK
SUKHAROMNA ’81

Distinguished Global Alumni Award

Born in 1948 into a family that values education, discipline, and loyalty to the Monarchy, Chief Justice Sukharomna has devoted himself to judicial service for thirty-five years. He graduated with a Bachelor of Laws degree with honors from Thammasat University in 1970, and qualified as a Barrister-at-Law of the Institute of Legal Education of the Thai Bar Association in 1971. In 1980, he was awarded a Fulbright Scholarship to further his studies in the United States, and earned a Master of Comparative Law in 1981 from SMU Dedman School of Law.

Chief Justice Sukharomna began his professional career as a lecturer at the Faculty of Law, Ramkhamhaeng University. His judicial career began as a judge-trainee in 1974. He then became a judge of the Nakhorn Sri Thammarat Provincial Court. Later, he was appointed Chief Judge of the Phuket Provincial Court. Subsequently, he also worked as a Presiding Judge of the Criminal Court and Justice of the Appeal Court. He also served as a Presiding Justice of the Appeal Court, Justice of the Supreme Court, Presiding Justice of the Supreme Court, and Chief Justice of the Environmental Division of the Supreme Court from 1990 to 2007. In 2008, Chief Justice Sukharomna served as Vice-President of the Supreme Court of Thailand, the country’s highest court, and was appointed President of the Supreme Court of Thailand in October 2009.

As head of the Thai judiciary, Chief Justice Sukharomna inspires and guides efforts to reform the law and is reorganizing the judiciary with the aim of building a responsive and efficient judicial system, as well as improving the administration of justice. He has authored landmark decisions in areas such as serious crimes, family, and civil cases. Chief Justice Sukharomna also devotes his time and energy to a number of noteworthy appointments such as serving as Chairman of the Judicial Commission, Chairman of the Judicial Administration Commission, Chairman of the Commission on Jurisdiction of the Courts, and President of the Thai Bar Association.

Although the Chief Justice was not able to attend the Distinguished Alumni Awards Dinner, he sent his thankful regards and appreciation. The award was presented in Thailand in August 2011.

DR. RICHARD WRIGHT-HOGELAND ’57, ’58

Distinguished Alumni Award for Corporate Service

Dr. Hogeland embarked on his impressive career in corporate service as International Counsel for the Aluminum Company of America and General Counsel for Warner-Lambert Pharmaceutical Company. Dr. Hogeland transitioned from the legal world and became the Chairman and CEO of Barnes and Tucker Coal Mining Company, which he eventually sold to Alco Standard Corporation, becoming the Chairman and CEO of its World Resource Company and a Director of Alco Standard. Dr. Hogeland then joined Gulf & Western Corporation and was Chairman and CEO of its Natural Resource Group, which was involved in the international mining and oil and gas business. Eventually Dr. Hogeland left the big corporate world to become a successful entrepreneur buying and running his own companies in the United States, France, and Saudi Arabia. Over the course of his business career, Dr. Hogeland has been involved in the turnaround of seven companies.

Dr. Hogeland presently serves on the International Advisory Committee to the Dean of Harvard Law School. He previously served two terms as Chairman of the Zinc and Lead Institute of North America, Mexico and Canada, and also as a Director and head of the Financial Committee of National Coal Association. He
has served as a member of numerous social, scientific, technical, judicial, Knightly and Orders of Chivalry, environmental, wildlife, and educational organizations and societies. Dr. Hogeland served as a 2nd Lieutenant and 1st Lieutenant in the United States Artillery during the Korean War and received an honorable discharge from the service.

Dr. Hogeland was born in Huntington Valley, Pennsylvania. He received his Bachelor of Arts from the University of Oklahoma and then earned both his Juris Doctor in 1957 and Master of Comparative Law in 1958 from SMU Dedman School of Law. He also earned a Master of Laws in International Law from Harvard University School of Law and a Diploma in Comparative Law from The University of Luxembourg. Dr. Hogeland currently divides his time between Portugal, England, Ireland, and Switzerland and was therefore unable to attend the DAA dinner, but the award will be presented at a later date in Portugal.

Judge Houser, who lectures and publishes frequently on corporate restructuring and insolvency law, is a past chairman of the Dallas Bar Association’s Committee on Bankruptcy and Corporate Reorganization; a member of the Dallas, Texas, and American Bar Associations; and a fellow of the Texas and American Bar Foundations. Judge Houser is also a contributing author to *Collier on Bankruptcy* and has been a Visiting Professor at SMU Dedman School of Law, teaching Creditors’ Rights.

Judge Houser was elected as a fellow of the American College of Bankruptcy in 1994 and currently serves as a Vice-President of the college. In 1996, she was elected a conferee of the National Bankruptcy Conference and is a current member of the Executive Committee. The *National Law Journal* named her one of the “50 Most Influential Women Lawyers in America” in 1998. In 2000, she joined the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges and currently serves as its Immediate Past President, having concluded her term as President in October 2010. Chief Justice John Roberts appointed Judge Houser to the Federal Judicial Center’s Bankruptcy Education Committee. Judge Houser is Chair of the Board of Directors of the Legal Hospice of Texas and a member of the SMU Dedman School of Law Executive Board.

In her acceptance speech, Judge Houser reflected on the importance of the support of her family, friends, and colleagues throughout her career and expressed her sincere gratitude.
DONALD J. MALOUF ’62

Distinguished Alumni Award for Private Practice

After forty-five years of successful and enjoyable private law practice, Donald J. Malouf now serves as a consultant and facilitator for a limited number of prominent families, helping coordinate their legal, financial, and accounting activities within and across the generations. In addition, Malouf continues to consult with his former firm, Malouf Lynch Jackson & Swinson. Malouf has authored or co-authored numerous professional articles and books, including ten books on tax and estate planning. He has taught graduate and undergraduate law courses and legal assistant courses at SMU and at other schools.

Malouf has been named in every edition of Best Lawyers in America, in Texas Monthly’s list of “Super Lawyers,” and in D Magazine’s “Best Lawyers in Dallas.” Malouf was named in Robb Report, Worth Magazine, “Top 100 Lawyers in America” for his work in assisting successful entrepreneurs and prominent families. In addition, he was given the Lifetime Achievement Award by the Dallas Bar Association’s Probate, Trusts and Estates Section.

Malouf has served as a board member or advisory board member of many educational, charitable, and arts organizations, including serving on the Executive Board of SMU Dedman School of Law, the Executive Board of Meadows School of the Arts, and the SMU Planned Giving Council. For twenty-five years he served as Secretary and General Counsel of the Dallas Theater Center. He is also a member of the SMU Dedman School of Law Campaign Steering Committee. Malouf’s greatest satisfaction is in the accomplishments of his four children and those of their mother, Malouf’s wife of fifty-one years, noted jewelry designer and author, Dian Leatherberry Malouf.

Malouf received his Bachelor of Business Administration in 1957 and his Master of Business Administration in 1964, both from The University of Texas at Austin. He earned his law degree from SMU Dedman School of Law in 1962.

PHILIP J. WISE ’78, ’81

Distinguished Alumni Award for Public Service

Philip J. Wise developed a passion for public service early in life and began to explore creating new public/private platforms to solve intractable social issues. In 1987, Wise was one of the founders of Habitat for Humanity in Dallas. In 1999, he took semi-retirement to create and launch Greenleaf Village, one of the nation’s largest public/private and non-profit urban redevelopments. This community won national recognition as a model for urban development by the federal government, the Urban Land Institute, and Habitat for Humanity. In 2002, Wise co-founded the Trinity Strand Trail. In 2006, Wise was one of the founders of the Dallas Faith Communities Coalition, and in 2008 he was appointed Chairman by the Mayor of Dallas. These efforts to date have created homes for over 2,200 people and created over $100 million in new property value in west Dallas. Most recently, Wise has focused his efforts on improving educational opportunities, and has received recognition from national publications and the Dallas Morning News for his work to reform public education. In 1999, Wise formed Mission Holdings and Cienda Partners to better support his business and public service activities.

A native Dallasiite, Wise graduated with honors earning a Bachelor of Science and a Bachelor of Arts from SMU in 1978 and a Juris Doctor from SMU Dedman School of Law in 1981. Upon graduation from law school, Wise practiced law with the firm of Wise and Stuhl. At the age of twenty-six, he left private practice to pursue a career in real estate development and investment. Over the next fifteen years, Wise led over $2 billion of real estate transactions, primarily in his role as Investment Manager for the Trammel Crow family, where he also headed up the reorganization of the Dallas Market Center and several other real estate and technology businesses. Wise currently serves as Chairman of the McKinney Fund, and is a member of the Baylor Health Care System Foundation Board, the Leadership Council of the Enterprise Foundation, and the Urban Land Institute. Wise is a Campaign Steering Committee Co-Chair and is also on the Executive Board of SMU Dedman School of Law.
MARSHALL P. CLOYD

Honorary Alumnus Award

While Marshall P. Cloyd did not attend SMU Dedman School of Law himself, he has repeatedly proven that he is a dedicated supporter of the school and deserving of the Honorary Alumnus Award. Cloyd’s mother, Frances Spears Cloyd ’30, ’31 J.D., ’59 LL.M., was one of the first women to earn a law degree and was the first woman to earn a Master of Laws degree from SMU Dedman School of Law. Cloyd has provided significant scholarship opportunities in honor of his mother’s legacy for the benefit of both J.D. and international LL.M. students. Cloyd also serves on the Executive Board and is a member of the Campaign Steering Committee of SMU Dedman School of Law.

Marshall P. Cloyd is Chairman of the Board of InterMarine Incorporated, an international oil services company operating in the marine sector in forty countries. Prior to founding InterMarine in 1982, Cloyd was Senior Vice President of Brown & Root, a large diversified engineering and construction company, where he was responsible for strategic planning and new market development. In addition, Cloyd is a trustee of the American Iranian Council and a member of numerous professional, civic, and military organizations. Cloyd has a particular interest in military and aviation history; he is Chairman of the Lone Star Flight Museum’s Board of Directors and has been involved with The American Air Museum in Great Britain. Cloyd is past president of the Greater Houston Council of the Navy League of the United States and served as Chairman of the Commissioning Committee of the USS Texas in 2006.

Cloyd has been recognized as an Industry Pioneer in the Offshore Energy Center’s Hall of Fame, and in 2010, he was made Domus Fellow for St. Catherine’s College, Oxford. In 2004, he received the Superior Public Service Award from the Department of the Navy, the second highest civilian award, and the Andover Distinguished Service Award. Cloyd is also the recipient of The 2000 Spirit of Elissa Award from The Galveston Historical Foundation. He has written articles for publications including Civil Engineering Magazine and Journal of the Construction Division and has spoken on topics such as the global economic crisis and terrorism.

Cloyd earned a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from SMU in 1964, before earning a Master of Science in Civil Engineering from Stanford University and an M.B.A. from Harvard Business School.
STUDENTS VISIT JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR
SMU Law Students Enjoy Rare Opportunity for Q&A with U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor
A visit to the Supreme Court of the United States to hear oral arguments is a once-in-a-lifetime experience. The opportunity to have a question-and-answer session with a Supreme Court Justice is a life-long dream even for many of the best and brightest lawyers in America.

This past spring, a select group of students from SMU Dedman School of Law got to experience both.

Twenty 2L and 3L students traveled to Washington, D.C. in March to listen to oral arguments in two cases before the Supreme Court. Immediately following the arguments, the students had the extraordinary opportunity to meet Justice Sonia Sotomayor.

“Walking into the court was hands-down one of the most exciting and overwhelming experiences I have had in my life,” said Class of 2013 SMU Dedman law student Sadat Montgomery, who was president of the Black Law Students Association and actually spearheaded the event.

While each of the twenty SMU Dedman law students came away with different impressions and were impacted in unique ways, all agreed that they were in awe from the moment they walked into the courtroom of the Supreme Court.

“The courtroom itself was breathtaking – the red velvet curtains, the massive gold clock hanging in the front, the marble statues and carvings, the vibrant colorful ceilings, the rows of seats similar to pews,” said Erin C. Callahan, Class of 2011, who was president of the Student Bar Association and Women in Law. “I froze when I walked into the room. I never imagined I would have such a visceral response. I thought the courtroom would be similar to every other court, only with more judges. It is a memory I will never forget.”

Jason Sansone, who was Student Bar Association Vice President and a member of the Class of 2011, said watching the Supreme Court in action was “mesmerizing.”

“It was enjoyable to see the interactions of the Justices on the bench and how they asked questions with the intent of swaying their colleagues,” said Sansone, who is now in-house counsel at National Credit Solutions.

But the star of the event, as far as the students are concerned, was Associate Justice Sotomayor, who is the first Hispanic Justice ever to serve on the Supreme Court. She generously led a question-and-answer session for the students in which she shared her insights and experiences as a Justice on our nation’s highest court.

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“It was humbling to hear Justice Sotomayor speak so eloquently about everything from the law to becoming a celebrity,” says Punam Kaji, who is in the Class of 2012. “Her passion and concern about the educational system mirror my own perspectives on the issue. She has inspired me to continue to meet my goals in improving the American educational system.”

Callahan asked Justice Sotomayor, who was the third woman to serve on the Supreme Court, if she had any advice for female law students who are about to graduate.

“Her response,” says Callahan, “was simple yet impactful: ‘Don’t become bogged down in the fear of making the right choice; follow your instincts and know there is no wrong choice. Don’t let fear immobilize you.’”

SMU Dedman School of Law and two other law schools – American University Washington College of Law and Harvard Law School – were the three institutions to be invited to participate in this very special event. •
Extraterritorial jurisdiction stands uneasily at the crossroads of globalization and sovereignty. The term refers to an assertion of legal power, or jurisdiction, by a state over conduct or activity outside that state's territory. Recent years have seen the practice explode onto the legal and policy scene as one of the more complex and significant phenomena with which courts and lawmakers now must wrestle. As travel and communication media increasingly interconnect the world, state regulatory interests have enlarged to embrace a proliferating and diversified array of foreign activity. As a result, states are pushing in new and aggressive ways against limits customarily observed on the geographic reach of their laws. And the United States has been at the very forefront of this trend.

Over the past five years or so, I’ve developed theories addressing this phenomenon in both international and U.S. law. In the international context, I’ve dealt chiefly with the highly controversial (and often highly confused) doctrine of universal jurisdiction, or the principle that any state in the world can exercise jurisdiction over certain “universal” offenses under international law wherever they occur, even absent a connection to the offense. In the U.S. context, I’ve concentrated principally on the power of the United States under the Constitution to project and apply U.S. law abroad. Lately I’ve also ventured into perennially litigated issues of statutory construction, that is, how courts should construe the reach of statutes silent on geographic scope. My two most recent articles, both in the Virginia Law Review, together set out to give a fairly comprehensive and nuanced account of extraterritorial jurisdiction in U.S. law. And that’s the topic I’ll address here. I’ll draw from those articles, but because space is limited I intend to leave aside much of the heavy doctrinal lifting and instead cut to the chase about when and how the United States may exercise extraterritorial jurisdiction by using a few scenarios as focal points of departure. This is not just an academic exercise; the scenarios below all pull from real cases.

A brief step back is probably warranted before jumping in.
A dozen years ago Stanford Law School and Yale Law School started the Stanford/Yale Junior Faculty Forum to encourage scholarly dialogue between junior and senior members of the academy. The forum alternates each year between public and private law topics. A limited number of papers are selected on a blind basis by leading senior academics in the fields scheduled for that year.

For the second consecutive year, and for the third time in his four years of teaching at SMU Dedman School of Law, the forum selected one of Assistant Professor Anthony Colangelo’s papers. “Stanford and Yale have done a terrific job bringing together junior and senior scholars in a vibrant, rich, and friendly exchange,” said Professor Colangelo. “I have learned a great deal and my scholarship has benefitted tremendously from the experience.”

Professor Colangelo presented his paper, A Unified Approach to Extraterritoriality, at Stanford Law School in June. The focus of this year’s forum was private law and dispute resolution. His paper was selected under the Private International Law category. Professor Colangelo’s previous papers were selected in Public International Law and Constitutional Law.

In the paper he presented this year, Professor Colangelo uses the source of lawmaker authority behind a statute to discern the proper canon for construing that statute’s geographic reach and to evaluate whether application of the statute violates due process. He argues that this approach holds important implications for a variety of high-stakes issues with which courts are presently wrestling, including: the proper role of the presumption against extraterritorial application of U.S. law, whether international law or federal common law should supply the rule of decision in Alien Tort Statute cases, the scope of U.S. jurisdiction over terrorism offenses, and the viability of due process objections to the application of U.S. law abroad.

Extraterritorial jurisdiction cases pose major legal and policy issues triggering serious foreign relations, separation of powers, and individual rights questions. They also tend to be novel. Which means courts are actively searching for answers without much precedent to go on, sometimes turning out extravagant reasoning riddled with loose language that portends absurdities down the line. My scholarly aim has been not only to offer a coherent way to conceptualize and think about these issues, but also to supply practical guidance to litigants and courts busy contesting and defining the cutting edge of extraterritoriality. Boiled down to its most basic, the common element tying together many of my arguments is the simple observation that when the United States seeks to apply international law to foreign conduct (by enacting a statute; I’m not talking about courts applying international law on their own) there is greater potential to exercise extraterritorial jurisdiction than if the United States seeks to apply a uniquely U.S. norm. This is so as a matter of both constitutional authority and statutory construction. Indeed, international law might even expand U.S. jurisdiction beyond where it otherwise would not reach under conventional constitutional and statutory analyses. Let’s explore how.

Courts are actively searching for answers without much precedent to go on, sometimes turning out extravagant reasoning riddled with loose language that portends absurdities down the line.

The Plane-Bomber
A Pakistani man plants and explodes a bomb on a Filipino commercial airplane flying from the Philippines to Japan, killing a Japanese citizen and injuring others. No Americans are on board the flight. If the United States gains custody of the man at some later point, can we prosecute him for the plane bombing?
Most readers probably would want the United States to prosecute plane-bombers in U.S. custody. Yet a couple of questions immediately arise. What in the Constitution authorizes Congress to project U.S. law to activity halfway around the world having no overt link to the United States? And, does the application of U.S. law to the defendant for acts entirely outside the United States violate due process?

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**Constitutional Authority**

Taking up the question of constitutional authority first—that is, what in the Constitution gives Congress authority to regulate this foreign activity—there are a few options. One is the Foreign Commerce Clause, which grants Congress power “[t]o regulate Commerce with foreign Nations.” This might seem like an obvious choice. Airplanes are clearly instrumentalties of commerce, and foreign airplanes are clearly instrumentalties of foreign commerce. It therefore stands to reason that Congress can regulate them under the Foreign Commerce Clause. Indeed this would appear to be a very easy case if Congress had the same power over foreign commerce under the Foreign Commerce Clause that it has over domestic commerce under the Interstate Commerce Clause, which gives Congress extensive power to regulate commerce “among the several States.” According to the Supreme Court, this interstate power is quite broad: it authorizes Congress to create comprehensive national regulatory schemes among the states and, beefed up by the Necessary and Proper Clause, even to reach purely local conduct that threatens to undermine those schemes.

The problem with reaching the foreign plane-bomber is that the Foreign Commerce Clause doesn’t give Congress an equivalently large power to regulate commerce “among foreign Nations.” Rather, it grants only the power to regulate commerce “with” them. Accordingly, the commerce that is the subject of federal regulation must be not only “with” foreign nations, but also “with” the United States. It also follows that Congress cannot create comprehensive global regulatory schemes over international markets or prevent races to the bottom among the world’s nations the same way it can create comprehensive national regulatory schemes over domestic markets and prevent races to the bottom among the states. Because Congress lacks primary authority to create such global schemes, it cannot claim a derivative authority to reach local foreign conduct that threatens to undercut those schemes the same way it can reach local intrastate conduct to effectuate regulation “among the several States.” Keep in mind too that all of the other major reasons typically advanced for Congress’s broad regulatory powers over commerce at home are inapposite when it comes to regulating commerce abroad: the Supremacy Clause covers only “the Land” of the United States, not the planet, and addresses specifically the states; unlike the states, foreign nations never ceded a portion of sovereignty to the U.S. government; and unlike the states, political mechanisms in the federal lawmakers do not protect foreign nations from overencroachment.

But it is really the requirement that commerce “with” foreign nations also be “with” the United States that erects barriers to extending U.S. law to the wholly foreign plane bombing. Long ago, Chief Justice John Marshall famously announced that the “enumeration of the power to regulate commerce ‘among’ the several states] presupposes something not enumerated”: namely, the internal commerce of a state. The Foreign Commerce Clause also presupposes something not enumerated: namely, commerce that is not “with” both foreign nations and the United States. That is, it presupposes the exclusion of commerce internal to foreign nations and “among foreign Nations” unconnected with the United States. If Congress’s authority is deemed to reach all foreign commerce around the world, it excludes nothing, gutting the limits inherent in the Clause. On this reasoning, the plane-bomber looks out of reach.

Yet one might object here based on precedent; after all, the Supreme Court has said that Congress’s foreign commerce power is “greater” than its interstate commerce power, the reason being that there are no federalism concerns when Congress regulates commerce with foreign nations. To be sure, the Court has pronounced Congress’s power over foreign commerce “exclusive and plenary.” Lower courts have seized upon this language to declare that Congress’s power over commerce inside foreign nations is also “greater,” and even “exclusive and plenary.” One might then, agreeing with those lower courts, argue that Congress can reach any foreign commerce, anywhere.

But that would misread the Supreme Court case law. All of the Court’s statements indicating that Congress has greater power under the Foreign Commerce Clause relate to federal power vis-à-vis the states, not foreign nations. The reason for this greater power is to establish national uniformity in U.S. commercial dealings with other nations by representing the United States as a single economic unit. And that was, in fact, the original intent behind the Clause. On the other hand, these same cases suggest that Congress has greater control over foreign commerce in the United States precisely because the federal government has less control over foreign commerce in foreign nations. Reliance on these inapposite Supreme Court statements to justify broad power to regulate inside foreign nations therefore looks sloppy at best, and may even contradict the very decisions from which the statements were cherry-picked.

Fortunately, we don’t need the Foreign
Commerce Clause to prosecute the plane-bomber. Other sources of lawmakering authority clearly authorize Congress to reach this foreign conduct, even if it has no connection “with” the United States. These bases essentially give Congress power to enact laws that implement international law. For instance, the Necessary and Proper Clause gives Congress power to implement treaties. And the so-called Offences Clause—which grants Congress power to “define and punish . . . Offences against the Law of Nations”—gives Congress power to implement customary international law. Customary international law can be a somewhat tricky concept; for now it is enough to know that it arises out of the general practice of states accompanied by a sense of legal obligation, or what international lawyers call opinio juris.

As to the plane-bomber, a treaty—the Montreal Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts Against the Safety of Civil Aviation—clearly prohibits his conduct, the United States is a party to the treaty, and Congress has implemented this prohibition in the U.S. code. Moreover, both the treaty and the U.S. implementing legislation provide for jurisdiction based on custody of the accused. In short, the Constitution plainly authorizes the United States to reach this foreign activity by virtue of international law.

Due Process

The next question is whether application of U.S. law violates the defendant’s due process rights. This is a different constitutional inquiry than the question of authorization. While the discussion until now has dealt with Congress’s power to project U.S. law to the defendant’s activity in the first instance, this inquiry asks, even if Congress has the power to extend U.S. law, does the application of U.S. law nonetheless violate the defendant’s rights?

The next question is whether application of U.S. law violates the defendant’s due process rights.

Courts have uniformly held that the application of U.S. law abroad cannot be arbitrary or fundamentally unfair under the Due Process Clause. And a leading test in the Courts of Appeal requires a U.S. connection, or “nexus” as the courts are fond of saying, to the foreign activity for the United States to regulate it.

This test didn’t materialize out of nowhere. It basically replicates in the international context under the Fifth Amendment the governing test in the interstate context under the Fourteenth Amendment. In the interstate context, the Supreme Court has held “that for a State’s substantive law to be selected in a constitutionally permissible manner, that State must have a significant contact or significant aggregation of contacts, creating state interests, such that choice of its law is neither arbitrary nor fundamentally unfair.” On the face of it, the Due Process Clause and the nexus requirement in particular appear to interpose a fairly solid shield against the application of U.S. law to the plane-bomber on the facts presented. Again, he is a Pakistani national, the aircraft was Filipino traveling from the Philippines to Japan, and there weren’t even any Americans on board. On these facts, a U.S. nexus seems conspicuously absent.

Yet perhaps there is a way to move the due process shield aside by shifting the foundation upon which it is built. In the interstate context, contacts are required for a U.S. state constitutionally to apply its law in order to protect both the sovereignty of other U.S. states and the defendant’s reasonable expectations—specifically, to ensure that the defendant was sufficiently on notice of the law applicable to his conduct when he engaged in it. The concern about other states stems more from the Full Faith and Credit Clause than the Due Process Clause, and accordingly does not constrain the federal government vis-à-vis foreign nations. So that concern largely drops out. As for reasonable expectations, no nexus is needed. If the U.S. law applies and enforces an international law that already prohibits the defendant’s conduct wherever it occurs, he can’t claim lack of notice of the applicable law and due process is satisfied. It just so happens that plane bombing falls into this category.

A final point of clarification on the due process issue: the analysis above relates only to the choice of law, not the choice of forum. A defendant, especially a civil defendant, still may have an objection that hailing him into a U.S. forum as a matter of personal jurisdiction violates his due process rights (for better or worse, on the criminal side physical custody of the accused generally moots this challenge). That is a separate question, governed by separate doctrines of jurisdiction, and I put it aside for purposes of this article.

“ANY SECURITY” & PIRACY BY “ANY PERSON”

Another persistently nagging and exceedingly vexing issue courts routinely confront in extraterritoriality cases involves statutes that simply don’t say where they apply. For instance, a statute might prohibit fraud in relation to “the purchase or sale of . . . any security,” or it might just apply to “any seaman” or even “any person.” The question is whether this language ought to be taken at face value (a plain meaning rule suggests it should) to apply to literally any purchase or sale of any security, or any person, anywhere. Faced with this remarkably frequently litigated issue, courts have had to divine the geographic ambit of statutory coverage and variously have looked to whether some part of the activity takes place in the United States, whether activity abroad has an effect in the United States, whether activity abroad involves U.S. citizens, and so forth. The list goes on, and if nothing else it reveals that this
inquiry invariably involves a judicial judgment call about what connection with the United States is strong enough to warrant the application of U.S. law.

**Statutory Construction**

The Supreme Court recently, and heavily, weighed in on this question in relation to the Securities Exchange Act, reinvigorating the traditional “presumption against extraterritoriality” and limiting the Act’s coverage to purchases and sales that take place on national exchanges or U.S. soil. According to the Court, “when a statute gives no clear indication of an extraterritorial application, it has none.” The quoted language suggests that the Court intends this reinvigorated presumption to apply broadly to other statutes silent on geographic scope, not just the Exchange Act, and that is indeed how lower courts have read it.

The presumption against extraterritoriality has been around for a long time, and is fundamentally about avoiding unintended discord with foreign nations. Note the separation of powers angle here, captured by the word “unintended.” The canon is not worried about all potential discord with foreign nations. Sometimes it may well be in the United States’s overriding national interest to project U.S. law abroad even if doing so sparks discord with other nations. Rather, the canon is designed only to guard against the judiciary making this call, as opposed to the political branches. In other words, if we’re going to project U.S. law inside foreign nations and thereby create foreign relations frictions, it should be the political branches, not the courts, that do so.

And this made complete sense when jurisdictional rules were strongly territorial in nature. If the world is divided up into mutually exclusive units of jurisdiction, anytime one state extends jurisdiction into the territory of another, it could be viewed as jurisdictional overreach. What’s more, that extraterritorial extension of U.S. law could conflict with foreign law inside foreign territory. So there are a couple of sources of potential friction: the jurisdictional overreaching itself, and conflicts of law, specifically U.S. law conflicting with foreign law inside foreign territory. A presumption against extraterritoriality is obviously going to avoid these sources of potential friction. And I think it does, at least when it comes to projecting abroad uniquely U.S. laws like the securities laws.

But what about when the United States applies international law? In my view, the answer here changes. Concerns about jurisdictional overreaching and conflicts of law largely disappear or are substantially minimized. Unlike the old territorial rules of jurisdiction, modern international law has evolved to authorize, encourage, and sometimes even obligate extraterritoriality.

Furthermore, the law being applied is not a uniquely U.S. law, but a U.S. law implementing an international law also operative in the foreign territory, thereby substantially reducing or altogether eliminating true conflicts of law.

In fact, sometimes a presumption against extraterritoriality may perversely achieve what it was designed to avoid—by stripping the United States of extraterritorial jurisdiction where international law might now direct or even require the United States to exercise such jurisdiction. Suppose Congress enacts a statute implementing an international norm that carries with it the encouragement or obligation to exercise extraterritorial jurisdiction. If courts apply the presumption to that statute, it will have accomplished exactly what it was designed to avoid by blocking fulfillment of U.S. international legal obligations, and consequently could create discord with foreign nations. Piracy is a good example. Or torture. Or plane bombing, for that matter. International law encourages and in some situations obligates states to exercise extraterritorial jurisdiction over these offenses. Yet if courts were to cramp U.S. jurisdiction through the presumption against extraterritoriality, the United States would fail to carry out that responsibility. The better view, to my mind, is to construe the geographic scope of statutes that implement substantive rules of international law according to jurisdictional rules of international law. This way of construing statutes is captured by another age-old tool of construction, the *Charming Betsy* canon, under which courts construe ambiguous statutes in conformity with international law.

In conclusion, the practice of extraterritorial jurisdiction promises only to grow in coming years. And as the cases show, the United States promises to remain at the forefront of this important and controversial trend. Now more than ever, lawyers, courts, and policymakers need a sophisticated account of this phenomenon and the high-stakes struggle of interests it implicates: of governments to apply their laws, of plaintiffs to see justice done, of defendants not to be unfairly subjected to laws of which they may have had no notice, and, not least, of the international system itself to avoid destabilization through jurisdictional overreaching by some members to the affront and provocation of others. This is the larger puzzle in both U.S. and international law that will occupy me going forward.

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2. Naturally, I’ve had to simplify some of the facts to facilitate cleaner analysis in limited space. For more extensive and nuanced analysis, see id.
4. Id.
7. Bd. of Trustees of Univ. of Ill. v. United States, 289 U.S. 48, 56 (1933).
8. United States v. Clark, 435 F.3d 1100, 1109 (9th Cir. 2006).
10. Id. at art. I, § 8, cl. 10.
In May, Chief Justice Sobchok Sukharomna, President of the Supreme Court of Thailand, traveled from Thailand for a visit to SMU Dedman School of Law. Along with other court officials, the Chief Justice toured the school, met with a group of LL.M. students from Thailand, and attended a luncheon held in the Justice’s honor in Karcher Auditorium. More than eighty alumni, faculty, and students attended this important event.

Justice Sukharomna received his Master of Comparative Law in 1981 from SMU Dedman School of Law. In February, SMU Dedman Law proudly honored him with its Distinguished Global Alumni Award for a career dedicated to legal service and achievement.

Dawn Moore, a member of the Distinguished Alumni Awards Nominating Committee, opened the luncheon event with a brief summary of Justice Sukharomna’s tremendous accomplishments, followed by Dean John Attanasio’s introduction of the Chief Justice.

“Chief Justice Sukharomna is an inspiration for lawyers and judges around the globe,” said SMU Dedman Law Dean John Attanasio. “His commitment to improving the administration of justice has been unparalleled.”

Justice Sukharomna spoke briefly about his efforts to guide law reform and to reorganize the judiciary with the aim of building a responsive and efficient judicial system in Thailand.

“SMU Dedman Law School is truly honored to count Chief Justice Sukharomna as one of our own,” said Dean Attanasio.

Dean Attanasio officially presented the Distinguished Alumni Award to Justice Sukharomna at a formal ceremony at the Supreme Court in Bangkok on August 1, 2011.
The Appellate Judges Education Institute (AJEI) Summit, co-hosted by SMU Dedman School of Law and the ABA Judicial Conference, is the pre-eminent provider of appellate judicial education in the United States. Designed by appellate judges, lawyers, and staff attorneys, the annual AJEI summits are unique in their focus on the challenging issues that judges and lawyers confront in the appellate arena.
More than ninety-eight appellate judges, ninety-four appellate lawyers, and seventy-four appellate staff attorneys, including representatives from thirty-six different states and Guam, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands, attended the 2010 AJEI Summit. The Summit faculty was comprised of notable scholars, distinguished appellate judges, accomplished appellate lawyers, and members of the press.

Presenters from the Federal Bench included Judge Thomas I. Vanaskie, U.S. Court of Appeals, 3rd Circuit; Chief Judge Edith Jones, Judge Catharina Haynes, and Judge Jennifer Walker Elrod, U.S. Court of Appeals, 5th Circuit; Judge Jeffrey Sutton and Judge Ronald Gilman, U.S. Court of Appeals, 6th Circuit; Judge Consuelo Callahan and Judge Margaret McKeown, U.S. Court of Appeals, 9th Circuit; Judge Rosemary Barkett, U.S. Court of Appeals, 11th Circuit; and Chief Justice Rebecca White Berch, Arizona Supreme Court.

C-SPAN recorded the opening session, “Executive Power: Does the President Have to Follow the Law?” Walter Dellinger, O’Melveny & Myers LLP, moderated the panel which included Judge Kenneth Starr, President of Baylor University; Professor David D. Cole, Georgetown School of Law; Professor John C. Yoo, U.C. Berkeley School of Law; and Kathleen M. Sullivan, Quinn Emmanuel, and former Dean of Stanford Law School.

In the keynote speech, author and constitutional lawyer David O. Stewart gave attendees a look into the attempted impeachment of former President Andrew Johnson. Mr. Stewart brought the narrative to life using vibrant adjectives and personal anecdotes. He described the time of impeachment as an “insane state of irritation” and portrayed Representative Thaddeus Stevens as both “ferocious” and “funny.” The lecture focused on the importance of impeachment to constitutional law but the author kept it light, quoting Ben Franklin, “We need something like that, otherwise the only way to get rid of a president is to kill them.” Thus, impeachment is “something to be grateful for,” concluded Mr. Stewart.

Adam Liptak, The New York Times; Dahlia Lithwick, Slate; and Stuart Taylor, Jr., contributing editor at Newsweek and The National Journal; participated on the panel “Front-Row Seat: Leading Media Members Share Their Insights Regarding the United States Supreme Court.” The panelists addressed the impact of the confirmation hearings for Justice Sotomayor and Justice Kagan and the intense vetting process that has evolved in the current political climate. Taylor described the confirmation as an “undignified spectacle.” Lithwick characterized the proceedings as “horrifying and boring” and expressed concern that the hearings “misinform the public on the job of the Court.”

Dean John B. Attanasio moderated a panel titled “Supreme Court Preview,” with Judge Kenneth Starr, President of Baylor University, and Professor Pamela Karlan, Stanford Law School. Dean Attanasio gave a brief introduction to twelve of the sixty-five cases on the Supreme Court docket, covering issues including immigration, First Amendment protections, violent video games, the confrontation clause, and more. The panel shared their thoughts on why the Court granted cert and the potential legal ramifications of these specific cases. The panelists also discussed the role that the newest addition to the Supreme Court, Justice Elena Kagan, is likely to play in the cases decided during the current term. Dean Attanasio noted, “These cases will create openings for the new Justices to make a difference.” To close, the panel opined on the number of cases accepted by the Court and the quality of opinions being issued today. Referencing the substantive quality of the opinions, Professor Karlan stated, “You can get unanimity but only by issuing opinions that aren’t very helpful.” Judge Starr expressed concern that the Court has become too academic, noting that “the Court needs to work harder and take more cases.”

Multiple SMU Dedman School of Law faculty members presided as panel members during the Summit. Professor Eads put her Professional Responsibility expertise to work, participating on a panel titled, “Why Do Bad Things Happen to Good Judges? How Ethical Judges Find Themselves in Difficult Situations and How to Avoid This from Happening to You and Your Colleagues.” Professor Colangelo presented with Professor Gerald Neuman, Harvard Law School, on “U.S. Extraterritorial Jurisdiction in an Era of Globalization.” Additionally, Professor Bellin spoke on the “Privacy in the Age of Technology” panel, which included Associate Justice Joan K. Irion, California Court of Appeals, and Professor Paul Ohm, University of Colorado Law School. Bryan Garner, Distinguished Research Professor at SMU Dedman School of Law, also presented a discussion on “Brief Writing.”
For five days in June, more than two dozen state appellate court judges from eleven states and Puerto Rico gathered in Santa Fe, New Mexico to attend classes taught by SMU Dedman School of Law professors.

The inaugural Appellate Judges Certificate Program was hosted by SMU Dedman School of Law and supported by the Appellate Judges Education Institute (AJEI), the professional development arm of the Appellate Judges Conference (AJC) of the American Bar Association. The effort brought together jurists from Florida to New York and North Carolina to Nebraska for a week of intense and stimulating discourse on the most important legal issues of the day.

Four of SMU’s premier law school faculty members – Professors Lackland H. Bloom, William Dorsaneo, Anthony Colangelo, and Meghan J. Ryan – gave the appellate judges a time to step away from the daily pressures of the bench in order to examine developing issues on Constitutional interpretation, personal jurisdiction, extraterritorial jurisdiction, and the increasingly complex crossroads of science and law.

“Judges need time to rejuvenate their intellectual batteries in a setting where we can think deeply about jurisprudential issues and also develop increased understanding of legal issues we face on a daily basis,” said Judge Martha C. Warner of Florida’s Fourth District Court of Appeals. “The Certificate Program offers judges the opportunity for both.”

“The week-long format allowed judges to be exposed to topics in greater depth than the normal judicial education programs, yet the program was short enough to fit into judges’ busy schedules,” said Judge Warner. “There is a hunger out there for this type of experience, and I applaud SMU and its faculty for producing this program.”

Indiana Supreme Court Justice Frank Sullivan said there were four reasons he chose to attend. First, to “engage with first-rate legal thinkers who serve on the faculty of one of the country’s finest law schools. Second, to gain new insights on traditional subjects that require the regular attention of appellate judges. Third, to learn about new and evolving subjects that will prepare appellate judges for changes in their work.”

Last, but not least, Justice Sullivan said, was the opportunity to “enjoy the companionship of other appellate judges from throughout the country in a relaxed and picturesque setting.”

All attendees agreed that having the program at the Inn and Spa at Loretto in Santa Fe was a major draw.

“I had never been to New Mexico and I have wanted to visit for a long time,” said Ohio Administrative Judge Mary Eileen Kilbane of the state’s Eighth District Court of Appeals. “Santa Fe was great and the hotel was wonderful.

“The educational programs were excellent from both a practical and intellectual curiosity standpoint,” said Judge Kilbane. “In fact, when I got back to Ohio, my court had a case with the exact personal jurisdictional issues that Professor Dorsaneo discussed.”

The Certificate Program included twenty hours of class time, in four one-hour educational sessions each day.

The first class, “Current Issues in Constitutional Interpretation,” was taught by SMU Dedman Professor Lackland H. Bloom, Jr., who authored Methods of Interpretation: How the Supreme Court Reads the Constitution, which was published by the Oxford University.
Press in 2009. His interest as a scholar is devoted to analyzing the different ways in which the Supreme Court interprets the Constitution or, as he frequently noted he prefers to say, “how the Supreme Court explains the Constitution.”

The class for hour two was “Personal Jurisdiction over Non-Residents,” taught by Professor William V. Dorsaneo, III, who is the Chief Justice John and Lena Hickman Distinguished Faculty Fellow at SMU Dedman Law. In addition to his teaching, Dorsaneo is an active appellate practitioner and the author of two treatises and three casebooks. He provided the judges with the evolution of the law of personal jurisdiction doctrine and a detailed examination of the Supreme Court’s 2011 Nicastro decision. In doing so, Professor Dorsaneo sent the appellate judges back to their courts as up-to-date as possible on the law of personal jurisdiction, even though the current state of the law continues to be highly ambiguous.

Professor Dorsaneo said the time required to prepare the presentations, which were compacted into one hour a day for one week, was a challenge.

“Normally, I spend two hours preparing for every classroom hour of teaching, but for the appellate judges certificate program, it was about five hours for every hour in the classroom,” he said. “The judges are much more interested in discussing how the specific legal issues were resolved and how that impacts the cases they handle, while students want to know how the courts came to certain conclusions.”

Professor Dorsaneo also said that the pre-classroom workload for the judges was heavier and that the interaction in the classroom was more significant. In fact, he said the classroom interaction was more similar to an appellate argument than a first-year civil procedure or torts class.

“The judges had handled cases similar to those we were discussing, and they were not shy about speaking up,” he says. “Normal law students are reluctant to speak up if they are not absolutely sure of something for fear of failure. The tendency is not to say anything, which is the wrong approach. The appellate judges had no such reluctance and it was a more sophisticated discussion of the subjects.”

The final two courses went beyond the nuts-and-bolts of daily law. They were taught by Assistant Professors Anthony J. Colangelo and Meghan J. Ryan, who were described by the judges as “highly talented and impressive young scholars.”

Professor Colangelo taught “Extraterritorial Jurisdiction,” which examined cutting-edge efforts to assert jurisdiction in U.S. courts against defendants outside the country. By introducing the judges to the rapidly emerging field of extraterritorial jurisdiction that raises perplexing questions for both law and public policy, Professor Colangelo broadened their jurisprudential horizons to include exciting and challenging subjects that, while not part of the daily fare in state court, require analytical techniques readily transferable to an appellate judge’s work.

Professor Ryan ended the class day with a session on “Law and Science,” which explored the interactions of law and science in both civil and criminal law contexts. She began with a discussion of culpability, examining the extent to which neuroscience in general and certain brain imaging techniques in particular can and should be used to establish the mens rea element in civil and criminal cases. Professor Ryan then turned to the issue of causation, using tort litigation in which plaintiffs sought damages for injuries allegedly caused by their silicone breast implants to introduce the various probability calculations used to establish causation. As the class progressed, Professor Ryan noted with regularity the interplay of politics with the themes of law and science, using as an illustration the lawsuit of several states against the five largest emitters of carbon dioxide in the U.S. for their contributions to global warming and alleged attendant damages.

“I found that teaching judges is quite different from teaching law students, especially in the area of law and science,” said Professor Ryan. “The judges have significant experience with the law and can therefore quickly absorb new legal ideas. But unlike many of my law students, most judges have not grown up in the age of the DNA revolution and the Internet.”

Professor Ryan said that the judges were quick to speak up to ask for clarification or to challenge what either she or their colleagues said. “This made for a lively debate on the merits of particular fields dealing with both law and science,” she said.

“The SMU Dedman School of Law Appellate Judges Certificate Program was taught by first-rate, engaging faculty members who provided us with a rich introduction to new and emerging topics that will be extremely helpful to us in our work, as well as a valuable set of insights on traditional subjects that require regular attention by appellate judges,” said Justice Sullivan.

“In addition to the great course work, the program provides an opportunity for judges from across the country to meet, work, and socialize together,” said Judge Warner. “These interactions result in a fertile exchange of ideas about judicial issues facing all courts.”
Judge Wynn delivered the fourth presentation of the 2011 Murrah Lecture Series on March 30th at the SMU Dedman School of Law. His presentation, entitled “Some Thoughts on the Federal Judicial Selection and Confirmation Process,” featured an anecdotal account of his recent nomination and confirmation to the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals.

Judge Wynn told the audience of law students, “Many of you are probably laboring under the delusion that when you are a nominee to a federal court, somebody is keeping in contact with you all the time…. [as if] every now and then the President gives you a buzz.”

But that was certainly not the case. Like a first-year law student waiting anxiously on that struggling professor so that grades can be released, the Senate kept Judge Wynn waiting... and waiting.

“Nobody knew anything,” he said. Then the last day came before the Senate would adjourn for the summer. Judge Wynn sat in his hotel room at an ABA reception in San Francisco, and sure enough, with the television tuned to CSPAN, the crawling text at the bottom of the screen indicated that the Senate had finished its business for the session. “Shucks,” Judge Wynn said, thinking the wait would continue. He joked that he had set a Google Alert for his own name, and sure enough, moments later, his phone began to buzz, and out there in cyberspace, Google had found the message. Judge Wynn had been confirmed.

A VISIT FROM THE HONORABLE JAMES A. WYNN, JR.
United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit

On January 20, 2011, the Appellate Judges Education Committee hosted a panel of judges to share their tips and experience on “The Art of Persuading Judges” as part of the 2011 Alfred P. Murrah Lecture Series. SMU Dedman School of Law’s Professor William V. Dorsaneo III moderated the discussion. Participants included:

- Judge N. Randy Smith, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- Chief Judge Andrew Effron, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces
- Associate Judge Stephen Glickman, D.C. Court of Appeals
- Justice Scott Bales, Arizona Supreme Court
- Justice Evelyn Keyes, Texas First District Court of Appeals (Houston)
- Justice Elizabeth Lang-Miers, Texas Fifth District Court of Appeals (Dallas)
- Associate Justice Thomas Hollenhorst, California Court of Appeals
- Judge Christel Marquardt, Kansas Court of Appeals

A JEAI ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION
“The Art of Persuading Judges”
Students and faculty welcomed Justice Allan Rosas to SMU Dedman School of Law at an evening reception to kick off the judge’s week-long stay in February. Judge Rosas presides on the European Court of Justice, the highest court in Europe, and has held numerous international and academic positions, including Principal Legal Advisor and Deputy Director General at the Legal Service of the European Commission. He received his Doctor of Laws degree from the University of Turku in Finland and was a professor for many years. He has authored more than four hundred publications on European Union law and relations. While at SMU, Judge Rosas presented two lectures on hot topics in European Union law as part of the Alfred P. Murrah Lecture Series and co-lectured a course on European Union Law with Professor Jenia Turner.

The member states of the European Union are sovereign states and have been hesitant to cede power to any central governing entity. Over time, a body of law has developed to govern the common interests of the member states, but not without continued controversy over the interaction of European Union law and member state laws. Judge Rosas referenced the Treaty of Maastricht, which created the European Union, and subsequent case law to explain the guiding constitutional principles of conflicts of law in the EU.

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Judge Rosas referred to the issue as primacy, as opposed to supremacy—primacy meaning European Union law prevails in the case of national law conflict.

He stated, “If one of the national laws must win that would have been the end of the EU.”

Instead, the states rely on interpretation based on a hierarchy of norms and fundamental rights and responsibilities. This area is continually evolving and will remain a controversial issue as member states and the EU seek to find a balance that respects the independence of the member states while providing a practical solution to interstate conflicts.

Judge Rosas opened his second lecture by pulling out his passport; the text is in Finnish and Swedish, but if translated to English it would read “European Union.” Judge Rosas noted that the mixture of nationality and EU membership shown by the passport is representative of the legal status of citizenship in the EU. The Treaty of Maastricht provides that all citizens of member states shall be citizens of the EU, but EU citizenship does not replace national citizenship. Since then, courts have recognized EU citizenship as a legal status and upheld greater protections for citizens traveling within the EU. However, Judge Rosas stated, “There is no real European consensus of patriotism to the EU. It is not headed towards a U.S.-like system.” Judge Rosas closed with an illustration of the unified yet independent nature of the EU by noting that Belgium flies four different flags—representing the EU, Belgium, the region, and the municipality.
Adelfa Botello Callejo was only five years old when she decided she wanted to be a lawyer and a leader. The daughter of a migrant worker, Callejo attended SMU Dedman School of Law’s night program while working during the day as a secretary.

In 1961, Callejo became the first Hispanic woman to graduate from SMU Law School and one of the first Latinas in the country to obtain a law degree. During her forty-five years as a lawyer in Dallas, she has consistently championed for the rights of Hispanics and the under-privileged. She and her husband, Bill Callejo, who is a 1966 SMU Dedman Law alum, are partners in the firm Callejo & Callejo.

Now, SMU Dedman Law School is honoring their extraordinary leadership in the Hispanic community and their commitment to the legal profession with the creation of the Callejo Roundtable, which will be an ongoing lecture series with the mission of “training leaders for a changing world.”

The inaugural Callejo Roundtable was held in March in Karcher Auditorium in Storey Hall. AT&T sponsored the event.

The featured speaker was Antonio “Tony” Garza, who served as the U.S. Ambassador to Mexico from 2002 to 2009 and is widely regarded as one of the premier experts on U.S. – Mexico relations. Garza is a 1983 graduate of SMU Dedman Law School.

“I’m very thankful for this wonderful recognition, and I am extremely proud of SMU Law School and the dean for bringing this new urgency to developing Hispanic leadership,” Adelfa Callejo said at the Roundtable’s first program. “Teaming up with SMU Dedman Law School and AT&T is a proactive start to tackle some of these issues and turn them into opportunities.”

Callejo pointed out that Hispanics are the fastest-growing segment of the U.S. population. Latinos comprise thirty-eight percent of the Texas population and forty-eight percent of those who are eighteen years old and younger. Seventy-six percent of the pre-kindergarten students in the Dallas public school system are Hispanic. And experts predict that Latinos will be in the majority in Texas by 2040.

“The Callejo Roundtable will provide a forum where we can bring together leaders and citizens who are interested in discussing important issues that impact Latinos on the local, state, national, and international levels,” said
SMU Dedman School of Law Dean John Attanasio. “I cannot think of anyone better to start this conversation than Tony Garza.”

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Dean Attanasio also announced the creation of the AT&T Callejo Leadership Scholarship and the Adelfa Botello Callejo Professorship. The AT&T Callejo Scholarship is a full-tuition, three-year scholarship awarded to a SMU Dedman law student on the basis of academic achievement, interest in Latino issues, and the potential to serve as a leader in the increasingly diverse business community. The Callejo Professorship is the result of a $1 million gift from Adelfa and Bill Callejo and a $750,000 match from the Dedman Family Foundation. It will support the teaching and research of a nationally renowned scholar in the field of Latino studies and leadership.

“AT&T is thrilled and proud to sponsor the Callejo Roundtable and the Callejo Scholarship,” said AT&T Senior Vice President Cathy Coughlin. “It is more and more important that our government leaders and business leaders work together with Hispanic leaders to address issues that impact us all. AT&T is very proud to put our brand with Adelfa Callejo.”

During his speech at the Roundtable, former Ambassador Garza said he is frequently asked if Mexico is in crisis.

“No,” he responded. “But Mexico is definitely facing challenges, with security being the most visible.”

The problem, said Garza, is that Mexico is struggling to “build the institutions that can contain and manage the challenges of violence and corruption.”

“We have violence and corruption in the United States, but we have the institutions to contain and control it,” he said. “This is a challenge – not just of one political party – but of a generation in Mexico.”

Garza, who was previously a partner at Bracewell & Guiliani, said that Mexicans have a respect for America. But he said that there is resentment by many in Mexico of the wealth and power of the U.S., and he pointed to various U.S. policies that marginalize Hispanics.

“I think the United States is finally starting to understand the impact that Mexico has on us, but we don’t know how to manage a public policy to address the important issues,” he said.

The Ambassador said there are two primary questions:

“How does Mexico develop a policy that opens up a more competitive environment allowing for the flow of capital – be it financial or energy or technology – south, and how do we in the U.S. develop a policy regarding capital – human capital – north,” he said. “That is the framework that captures most of the issues and challenges.”
SYMPOSIUM ON EMERGING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ISSUES
Eastern District of Texas and Patents

Intellectual Property Symposium focused on the impact of the Eastern District of Texas (EDTX) on patent law, patent reform and innovation, as well as the history and development of EDTX as one of the Rocket-Docket jurisdictions for patent litigation.

XUAN-THAO NGUYEN, Professor of Law, SMU Dedman School of Law, Symposium Organizer

MIKE MCKOOL, McKool Smith; THE HONORABLE LEONARD DAVIS, District Judge, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Texas; THE HONORABLE T. JOHN WARD, District Judge, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Texas; THE HONORABLE DAVID FOLSOM, Chief Judge, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Texas

BART SHOWALTER, Baker Botts L.L.P.; MICHAEL SHORE ’90, Shore Chan Bragalone DePumo LLP; ELIZABETH THORNBURG, Professor of Law, SMU Dedman School of Law
Attorneys, academics, jurists, and industry leaders gathered at SMU Dedman School of Law on February 18, 2011, to discuss the latest theories and practices important to the development of intellectual property law and the central role of the Eastern District of Texas to that area of the law. This year’s symposium was presented by SMU Dedman School of Law and sponsored by The Ware Firm.

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The Honorable Patrick E. Higginbotham of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit presented the symposium keynote address, “EDTX and Transfer of Venue: Move Over Federal Circuit, Here is the Fifth Circuit’s Law on Transfer of Venue.” Judge Higginbotham was appointed to the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas in 1975 and was the youngest sitting federal judge when President Ronald Reagan appointed him to the Fifth Circuit in 1982. He is also a noted writer on important legal topics and has taught at multiple law schools in the south.

Judge Higginbotham explained the current trends in venue transfer in terms of “perceptions and illusions.” While some jurists are offended that transfers might be made to other districts, Judge Higginbotham does not see forum shopping to procure a relative advantage for one’s client as troublesome. He stated, “There has been a change in the very culture of the federal courts; it is not a trial court. They don’t try cases and don’t set them for trial, which gives the perception of unfairness.”

The Eastern District of Texas has become much more common. On the other hand, some choose to file in the Eastern District of Texas based on the erroneous view that they will get better treatment. Regardless of the motivation, the issue of transfer will continue to play an important role in the future of patent litigation.

The panel on “The EDTX and Local District Courts: Advancing or Stifling Innovations?” discussed the industry implications of current patent law cases and trends. Panelists included Bart Showalter, Baker Botts LLP; Michael J. Crowley, Research in Motion; Michael W. Shore, Shore Chan Bragalone DePumpo LLP; Douglas E. Lumish, Kasowitz, Benson, Torres & Friedman LLP; and was moderated by Phillip B. Phiblin, Haynes and Boone, LLP.

The panel opened by Mr. Showalter observing, “We have the best patent system in the world—the gold standard, the crucible.” However, a key issue discussed was how to regulate the quality of existing and new patents in a system that is already overburdened. Mr. Lumish remarked, “The number of patents is going up because the system is awarding patents, but examiners are only spending eight hours per patent, which means they aren’t even reading the specs. This is shifting the burden of sifting through the good and bad to the courts.” Mr. Showalter added, “If we don’t fix that, the system will lose credibility and that will cause legislators to change it and screw it up.” The panel agreed that more examiners are needed, however no one was optimistic that the government will make the investment. Other topics discussed included patent sale limitations, third-party financing, and admissibility of settlement agreements.

The symposium featured three additional panels composed of prominent judges and attorneys: Andrei Iancu, Irell & Manella; Michael Smith, Siebman, Burg, Phillips & Smith LLP; and Robert Conklin presented “The Jury in the EDTX: Unsophisticated American Peers or Idealists of Property Rights in Patents?” which was moderated by Professor Beth Thornburg, SMU Dedman School of Law.

“Tribalism or Customary Practices of the EDTX?” featured Samuel F. Baxter, McKool Smith; Otis W. Carroll, Ireland Carrol & Kelley, PC; and Michael E. Jones, Potter Minton. Professor Debra Lyn Bassett, Southwestern Law School, moderated the panel.

Professor Xuan-Thao Nguyen, SMU Dedman School of Law, moderated “History and Development of the EDTX as a Court with Patent Expertise: From TI Filing, First Markman Hearing to the Present,” which was presented by the Honorable David Folsum, Chief Judge, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Texas; the Honorable T. John Ward, District Judge, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Texas; the Honorable Leonard Davis, District Judge, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Texas; and Mike McKool, McKool Smith.
Honorable Justice Henry Dupont Ridgely began his keynote address with a line from J.K. Rowling’s *Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince*: “From this point forth, we shall be leaving the firm foundation of fact and journeying together through the murky marshes of memory into thickets of wildest guesswork.” While courts may not be using their powers to battle dark wizards, they are regularly faced with the complex task of applying the laws of other jurisdictions, which at times may feel like “wild guesswork.” The certification of question of law process allows courts to formally request an opinion on a question of law from another court, typically another state. Forty-eight states and the District of Columbia have enacted some form of a certification process, many of which are based on the Uniform Certification of Questions of Law Act. As Delaware is the undisputed capital of U.S. corporation law, this process has unique importance to Justice Ridgely, and the other justices of the Delaware Supreme Court, because non-Delaware courts are frequently asked to apply Delaware law. Unlike many states and the Uniform Act, Delaware allows certification from trial courts. On issues that are not clearly resolved, courts of any level in other jurisdictions can avoid “educated guesswork” and instead ask the Delaware Supreme Court directly for their opinion. Justice Ridgely acknowledged the risk of overburdening the high courts, but stressed that by minimizing conflicting decisions, courts and litigants can avoid frustrating uncertainty and unnecessary litigation that is both time-consuming and expensive.

Additionally, the 18th Annual SMU Corporate Counsel Symposium included a stimulating panel discussion on “The Management of Outside Counsel,” moderated by Marc I. Steinberg, Senior Associate Dean for Research and Professor at SMU Dedman School of Law. The audience of attorneys listened intently as the panelists expounded on the higher standard of service expected by corporations in the current economic climate. Panelists stressed that law firms need to go beyond the status quo and be problem-solvers for the corporation to make using outside counsel a worthwhile investment. Kathryn Koorenny, Associate General Counsel for American Airlines, stated, “You need to know something about our business and bring value to it.” Kim Rucker, Senior Vice President & General Counsel for Avon Products, summed up the panel by saying, “There is opportunity because the landscape is changing. These are opportunities that require a different level of engagement, being proactive and creative.” The panel also included James Baldwin, Executive Vice President & General Counsel for Dr. Pepper Snapple Group, and Wayne Watts ’80, Senior Executive Vice President & General Counsel for AT&T.

The Symposium included ten additional sessions covering a wide range of topics, including the Dodd-Frank legislation, employment law, corporate healthcare reform, and current developments in mergers and acquisitions. Speakers included SMU Dedman Law faculty; partners from top Dallas law firms; Duncan Currie, Chief of the Dallas Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice; and the Honorable Gerald E. Rosen, Chief Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan.
On January 26th, there was not a seat to be found in Hillcrest auditorium as electronic media professionals from across the country assembled for the third annual Game::Business::Law International Summit on the Law and Business of Video Games. The two-day conference, hosted by SMU Dedman School of Law, The Guildhall at SMU, and The Center for American and International Law, drew almost one hundred registered participants. Attendees included intellectual property attorneys and industry professionals from the areas of developing, publication, and distribution.

Dr. Peter Raad, Executive Director of The Guildhall at SMU, opened the keynote panel titled “What in the Heck is Going On?” by diving into the case on the mind of every attorney in the digital media world—Schwarzenegger v. Entertainment Merchants Association. The then-pending Supreme Court case challenged a 2005 California law that bans the sale of certain violent video games to anyone under the age of eighteen. The district court found the law was an unlawful restriction of minors’ First Amendment rights, and each time this is rejected it validates games.” Richard Hilleman, Chief Creative Director at Electronic Arts, had a less optimistic point as he added, “Unfortunately there will be another law following; we are an easy target for politicians.” Evan Hirsch, Executive Creative Director at THQ Inc., emphasized the importance of the Schwarzenegger case because “the U.S. is driving the industry as far as setting the standard [for the level of violence] for games.” The courts and industry professionals are still working to understand this issue and all of the global implications of such new mediums of expression. “This is the biggest generation gap in all media,” stated Randy Pitchford, President and CEO of Gearbox Software.

The panelists also discussed the current trends in the video game industry and the effect recent advances in technology have made on the business. Specifically, tablet computers are opening up a new market for gaming on the go. As noted by Richard Hilleman, “The bulk of gaming is no longer taking place in the living room. The number one thing the iPad does is introduce gaming where you are; these are not the same players.” Additionally, motion-based controllers such as Wii and XBOX Kinect are creating a new target audience for developers. Pitchford noted that “Kinect has tried to broaden the base for Microsoft; it’s a product marketed to Mom and is very mature comparatively.”

Internet gaming is another expanding platform for developers. The consensus of the panel was that much like portable gaming, internet gaming is not hurting traditional console sales as much as might be expected, but is actually opening another portal for gaming. Randy Pitchford sees the industry moving towards a “pay to play meta-game where gamers can participate from all of their devices. The challenge is gaining attention and engagement.”

Over the course of the conference, participants heard from six additional panels featuring leaders in publishing, developing, marketing, and intellectual property law speaking on topics including privacy problems, growth and sale matters, deal negotiation, recent court rulings, and digital distribution. An evening reception followed by dinner, sponsored by Munck Carter, LLP, was hosted at the SMU Meadows Museum. Professor Xuan-Thao Nguyen, SMU Dedman School of Law, and Dr. Peter Raad brought the conference to a close by thanking the esteemed panelists and taking suggestions from the participants on what they would like to see at next year’s event, which is already in the works. Dr. Peter Raad concluded, “it is an amazing form of human expression for all of us to benefit from.”
Just two years earlier, Mr. Gerald J. Ford ’69 stood behind the podium in Hillcrest presenting his comments on the financial crisis of 2008 and remarking that the situation in the banking industry was “more troublesome than I have ever seen it.” This year, Ford discussed the current economic situation, but he also shared personal experiences that led him from a small town in the Texas panhandle to SMU, SMU Dedman School of Law, and now the high rankings of the Forbes List.

Ford took a forward-looking view on the economy, advocating deleveraging by the government and corporations, recapitalization, finding equilibrium in the housing market, and maintaining faith and resilience as a nation. He acknowledged that this is not an easy task by any measure, but had a positive take on the actions of the current administration. “There is no silver bullet,” he said. “We didn’t get here overnight and we’re not going to get out overnight, but the good news is that we are here to fight.”

Looking back, Ford recalled his experience as a law student at SMU Dedman School of Law. His candid account of the fear he felt as a 1L, the distractions as a 2L, and the uncertainty as a 3L evoked empathy and laughter from the crowd of over 125 students. He encouraged the students to “learn from other people’s experience” as they start their careers as legal professionals and to stay positive. “There will always be a place for good people and people who are willing to work hard and do a good job.”

Mr. Ford was selected as a Distinguished Alumnus of SMU in 1995 and was honored with the Storey Award for Distinguished Achievement by SMU Dedman School of Law in 2002. He was named the 2008 Laureate to the Dallas Business Hall of Fame, and currently serves on the Executive Board of SMU Dedman School of Law and the Trusteeship Committee of SMU. Additionally, the Gerald J. Ford Stadium is named after Mr. Ford in recognition of his generous support of SMU.

According to Jane Ginsburg, vesting copyright in authors was an innovation of the 18th century that made authorship the functional and moral center of our culture. But, all too often, authors neither possess control over the content nor derive much benefit from their works by having copyright. Authors’ lack of bargaining power with publishers and a revenue model that has drastically changed with the advent of new technologies have significantly encroached on the ownership rights authors can retain. The expansion of social networking websites and the common practice of blogging or commenting on internet threads have led to a “Wikipedia-fication” of authorship. Instead of readers looking to one author for a story’s origination, creative content has taken on more of a “poly-vocal” nature. For example, according to Professor Ginsburg, thousands of unauthorized Harry Potter stories are circulating the internet, all spin-offs created by readers who wish to tell their versions of the story.

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"But reports of the death of the professional author have been greatly exaggerated,” said Ginsburg. Readers still value individual genius, and sometimes they want to sit back and enjoy a story
the old-fashioned way. That is where the Kernochan Center for Law, Media and Arts comes into play. Professor Ginsburg, along with her colleagues at the Columbia University School of Law, has established a website that provides authors with a plain-English translation of confusing contracts with publishers. Called www.keepyourcopyrights.org, the site is dedicated to helping authors make informed decisions and maintain ownership rights in their work as the means for distributing content continues to evolve with the rapid growth of technology and its ramifications on society. With the help of people like Professor Ginsburg, authors should be able to maintain their important role in educating and entertaining society for generations to come.

THOMAS A. BARTHOLD
Chief of Staff for the U.S. Congressional Joint Committee on Taxation

Students, faculty, and guests were privy to an inside look at the complex issues and processes behind tax legislation thanks to Mr. Thomas A. Barthold, the Chief of Staff for the Joint Committee on Taxation. Mr. Barthold began his career as an economics expert for Dartmouth University, after which he considered academia, but ultimately found himself intrigued by an opportunity to work on relevant and interesting issues at the Committee, where he has now served for more than twenty years.

The Joint Committee on Taxation is a non-partisan committee that provides research, advice, and analysis to members of both sides of Congress. The Committee staff is composed of ten members of Congress, twenty attorneys, and a number of CPAs and economists. Mr. Barthold explained the challenges of working with four distinct factions of lawmakers: House Republicans, House Democrats, Senate Republicans, and Senate Democrats. With multiple sides to every issue and important confidences to keep, the Committee has a difficult job to perform while avoiding taking a particular political stance. “We are a resource for every member of Congress, but we work most closely with the committees of jurisdiction—the Ways and Means Committee in the House and the Finance Committee in the Senate.” The Joint Committee on Taxation designs proposals, drafts committee reports, researches legal issues and legislative history, and performs studies on relevant issues, such as tax shelter strategies being used by multinationals.

Although in theory there is a “regular order” that dictates the procedure for making laws, Mr. Barthold remarked, “Regular order is not how things get done, typically.” However, Mr. Barthold used the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) to show a bill that did pass by “regular order” and to illustrate the importance of compromise in the tax policy process. He stated, “Compromise is rational in our system of government,” and necessary to move legislation forward. For example, the ARRA originated to fulfill a presidential campaign promise, but in order to make that bill a reality, the two houses of Congress had to compromise with each other to find support for the ideas each side believed were important. And last but certainly not least, “There is always a budget constraint in the tax legislation process.”

The lecture was held October 25, 2010, as part of the 2010-2011 Tax Policy Colloquium Series organized by Professors Christopher H. Hanna and Henry J. Lischer, Jr. Through this program, SMU Dedman Law hosts leading academics in the field to lead discussions on various issues of tax policy with students, professors, and members of the business community.

JEFFREY BREINHOLT
Attorney for the United States Department of Justice National Security Division

Mr. Jeffrey Breinholt opened the presentation by stating that “U.S. prosecutors are a human rights enthusiast’s best friend because we can do things no other organization or country can do.” He paused to let this sink in because many people find it hard to believe that counterterrorism supporters and human rights protectors could be on the same side of any initiative. Mr. Breinholt explained to students and faculty how these seemingly disparate areas are growing closer together as criminal law enforcement becomes a frequent resource for preventing terrorists and corrupt leaders from subjecting populations to inhumane treatment. “The essence of being an American is human rights protection because it goes directly to the quality of life,” stated Mr. Breinholt.
In addition to presenting this lecture, Mr. Breinholt led Professor Kahn’s edited writing seminar, “Perspectives on Counterterrorism,” in a multi-media, role-playing exercise that Mr. Breinholt created to train FBI agents. The students spent two hours with Mr. Breinholt examining constitutional and statutory constraints on a fictitious federal investigation. After the exercise, the students enjoyed an opportunity to meet informally with Mr. Breinholt over dinner at Professor Kahn’s home.

Mr. Breinholt currently works with the Counsel for Law and Policy at the National Security Division of the United States Department of Justice and has served with distinction in the Department for over twenty years, specializing in white-collar fraud, tax crimes, and terrorist financing. He is a graduate of Yale University and the UCLA School of Law, and has authored numerous books and articles in his areas of specialty.

Darwin Bruce
The Potter’s House of Dallas, Inc., Chief Operating Officer

The word “entrepreneur” is derived from a French term meaning “to undertake risk.” This is a concept that law students today can identify with—committing three or more years of their lives and taking on significant debt amidst a tumultuous economic situation to pursue a J.D.

Mr. Darwin J. Bruce ’95, an entrepreneurship and business strategist, spoke to students about how a law degree uniquely prepares them to succeed as entrepreneurs and to represent the interests of other innovators. There is often a disconnect between the entrepreneur and the practical aspects of business, and the principles and critical thinking skills learned in law school can turn a visionary idea into a reality. “Lawyers have a huge comparative advantage due to the knowledge they bring to the table, and many times they are unaware of it,” added Dean Attanasio. Mr. Bruce emphasized that this type of analytical strength is needed now more than ever because “entrepreneurship is the most critical driving force in the economy.” He added, “Innovation is no longer competing against old products, but figuring out how to do more and better as a whole.”

Eighth Court of Appeals for the State of Texas
Hears Cases via Webcast from SMU

On October 7, 2010, the Appellate Court in El Paso heard oral arguments in five cases, but the attorneys never left Dallas. Instead, the arguments were presented via webcast from SMU.

As the crowd searched for seats in the Godwin Gruber Courtroom, a disembodied voice from the television suddenly ordered everyone to stand for the Justices of the Eighth Court of Appeals for the State of Texas. “All rise,” the bailiff bellowed. The group quickly realized they were not just watching a case on a television in Florence Hall; they were in court.

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Their terms as justices were short-lived, but Professors Armour, Bellin, Bridge, Eads, Ryan, and Turner traded in their professor titles for a day to serve on a mock Supreme Court panel. Joined by Jason Hawkins, Joel Page, and William Biggs from the Dallas Public Defenders’ office, the SMU Dedman Law faculty members listened to oral arguments and challenged the attorneys with tough questions to help prepare them to argue before the United States Supreme Court on October 4, 2010.

The moot arguments were held on the law school campus, giving more than 100 students and faculty the unique opportunity to watch attorneys from several Texas firms prepare oral arguments in two separate cases. David Horan, a partner at Jones Day in Dallas, argued the petitioner’s positions in Gould v. United States, a case involving mandatory sentencing requirements. The late Greg S. Coleman, a partner at the Austin firm of Yetter Coleman, LLP, argued the District Attorney’s position in Skinner v. Switzer, which involved prisoners’ rights to DNA testing.

Dean Attanasio commented, “It is a true privilege for us to be hosting this. It is a great educational experience, very close to the real thing.”

ARGUMENTS MOOTED AT SMU DEDMAN SCHOOL OF LAW

Next Stop: United States Supreme Court

45TH ANNUAL AIR LAW SYMPOSIUM

Oldest and Largest Aviation Legal Conference in the World

The 45th Annual SMU Air Law Symposium, sponsored by the Journal of Air Law & Commerce, was held March 31–April 1, 2011, at the Omni Mandalay Hotel in Las Colinas. The Symposium is the oldest and largest aviation legal conference in the world.

The Symposium drew more than 450 registrants, including nationally and internationally recognized aviation trial lawyers from both sides of the docket; United States government attorneys from the Department of Justice, Federal Aviation Administration, and branches of the armed forces; and executives from foreign and domestic insurance companies and major airlines.

Distinguished judges and law professors from noted U.S., Canadian, and European law schools were in attendance, along with representatives of aircraft and component manufacturers, economists, engineers, meteorologists, and test pilots.

The keynote speakers were the Honorable Loretta A. Preska, Chief Judge, U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York; and Captain Robert Lee “Hoot” Gibson, former NASA astronaut, retired Naval Aviator, and airline captain.

The Symposium provided the attendees with a review of significant developments in aviation law and a presentation on legal ethics.
In light of the current corporate environment, directors of both privately-held and publicly-held companies and their legal counsel need to understand complex legal, fiduciary, and ethical oversight responsibilities. Now more than ever, being an informed and educated director is a necessity. On March 24, 2011, the SMU Law Review Association hosted executives, directors, attorneys, and in-house counsel from across the state for its annual Corporate Directors’ Institute, designed to address issues of corporate governance currently impacting directors and executives. The event, which was held on campus in Karcher Auditorium, provided attendees with an opportunity to learn from a distinguished speaker panel about recent SEC developments and other current trends impacting corporate governance.

SMU Dedman Law Professor Marc I. Steinberg, who founded the Institute and was instrumental in its development, moderated the featured panel discussion, “Corporate Governance: Dilemmas and Challenges.” Speakers included Alan D. Feld ’60, Jeffrey E. Curtiss, Rose L. Romero ’87, and Dr. Stephen Grace, Jr.

Mr. Feld, a graduate of SMU Dedman School of Law (1960) and a partner at Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld, opened the conversation by discussing the role of the lead director. Mr. Curtiss, who currently serves as the Chairman of the Audit Committee at KBR, Inc., a global engineering, construction, and services company, addressed the role of the audit chair.

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Ms. Romero, who is also a graduate of the SMU Dedman School of Law (1987), discussed her position as the SEC’s Regional Director for its Fort Worth regional office and focused her presentation on the SEC’s enforcement and examination procedures. Dr. Grace, the president of H.S. Grace & Company, Inc. and an experienced manager, consultant, and professor, concluded the more structured component of the discussion by addressing other modern developments affecting corporate governance. Following Dr. Grace’s presentation, Professor Steinberg opened the floor to questions from the audience.

At the conclusion of an extensive Q&A session, guests were invited to continue the dialogue at the Institute’s cocktail reception. Attendees took advantage of this opportunity to meet the speakers, to converse with their peers, and to resolve any unanswered questions.

The Institute’s success has participants excited for the next SMU Law Review sponsored event, the Corporate Counsel Symposium, which will be held at the Hilton Dallas/Park Cities on October 14, 2011. For more information regarding the upcoming Symposium or for questions regarding the Institute, please contact Ms. Donnaise Baldwin at dbaldwin@smu.edu or (214) 768-2594.
SMU DEDMAN PARTNERS WITH ABA SILVER GAVEL
Educating the Public About American Constitutional and Legal Systems

For 54 years, the American Bar Association Silver Gavel Award for Media and the Arts has honored those who use the mass media to shine a spotlight on the law and the justice system.

The prestigious Silver Gavel has been awarded to historic movies, including the 1958 film *12 Angry Men* with Henry Fonda and the beloved 1963 drama *To Kill A Mockingbird*, and great books, including Fred Friendly’s 1982 book *Minnesota Rag* and James Stewart’s 1992 bestseller *Den of Thieves*. Newspapers such as the *Washington Post*, *Chicago Tribune*, *The Dallas Morning News*, and the *New York Times Sunday Magazine*, have been repeatedly honored for their excellence in legal journalism.

For the second consecutive year, SMU Dedman School of Law is proud to have sponsored the ABA’s Silver Gavel Award ceremony and dinner at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C. in July. More than a hundred of the nation’s leading legal journalists and ABA officials, including ABA Past President Carolyn Lamm, attended the event. The keynote speaker was ABC News legal analyst Dan Abrams, who is the son of famed First Amendment lawyer Floyd Abrams.

The ABA presents Silver Gavels in categories that include books, magazines, newspapers, commentary, drama and literature, documentaries, television, radio, and websites. Selection criteria includes educational value of the legal information or issues addressed in the entry; the impact on the public; the thoroughness and accuracy in presentation of issues; the creativity and originality in approach to subject matter and effectiveness of presentation; and the technical skill involved in the entry.

“We are so pleased to have SMU Dedman Law School’s support for the second year,” said ABA Silver Gavel Award Chairwoman Sheila Hollis. “The law school is a great partner in showcasing efforts by the media to promote the rule of law. We are thankful for SMU’s commitment to this important program.”

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Dean John Attanasio said that the ABA Silver Gavel Awards are exactly the kind of public outreach efforts that SMU Dedman Law wants to support.

“The very purpose of the Silver Gavel Awards is to educate the public about the American constitutional and legal systems and how they operate,” said Dean Attanasio. “The intent of the Silver Gavel is to put a spotlight on our courts, legislatures and other legal institutions. The articles and programs tend to focus on significant problems that need reforms. And the very best way to reach the public is through the media.”

In 2011, the ABA received nearly 200 entries in all categories. After significant review, the Silver Gavel committee selected six Silver Gavel winners and two honorable mentions.

“We would like to congratulate the honorees and thank them for their amazing efforts,” said Dean Attanasio.

The honorees were:

**Books:** *Scorpions: The Battles and Triumphs of FDR’s Great Supreme Court Justices* by Noah Feldman.

**Magazines:** "Profiting from Fallen Soldiers" by David Evans, a senior writer for *Bloomberg Markets*.

**Newspapers:** "Hounded: Debtors and the New Breed of Collectors" by Minneapolis Star Tribune business reporters Chris Serres and Glenn Howatt.

**Radio:** "Bonding for Profit" by National Public Radio Correspondent Laura Sullivan and NPR Editor Steven Drummond.

**Television:** "The Lord is Not on Trial Here Today" is a one-hour film by Jay Rosenstein, who produced, wrote and directed for PBS.

**Documentaries:** "A Call to Act: Ledbetter v. Goodyear," was written, produced and directed by Robe Imbriano of The Documentary Group in New York.
2010-2011 TAX POLICY COLLOQUIUM

Second Year at SMU Dedman Law for Tax Policy Discussions

Each year, SMU Dedman School of Law hosts a series of discussions on the implementation of tax policy with leading academics, students, lawyers, and members of the business community. The 2010-2011 Tax Policy Colloquium series was organized by Professors Christopher H. Hanna and Henry J. Lischer, Jr.

Since the inception of the colloquium in August 2009, SMU Dedman School of Law has hosted speakers ranging from the Washington University School of Law to University of San Diego School of Law to Chuo University in Japan, and covered topics such as publicity rights and taxation, corporate tax shelters, sub-prime mortgages, and Japanese-style tax reform.

“This year we had an incredible collection of tax scholars who spoke on cutting issues as part of our colloquium series,” said Hanna.

Traditionally the colloquium audience has included a mix of corporate and tax lawyers, as well as non-tax faculty. The series is designed to provide a major overview of tax policy primarily because tax policy is affected by the law and impacts business as well.

SMU Dedman School of Law was proud to host the following speakers:

Lawrence Lokken: High F. Culverhouse Eminent Scholar in Taxation; Professor Emeritus; University of Florida Levin College of Law; “Swapping Our Way to Ruin: The Role of Credit Derivatives in the Mortgage–Finance Crisis”

Thomas A. Barthold: Chief of Staff, U.S. Congressional Joint Committee on Taxation; “A View From Inside the Legislative Sausage Machine”

Calvin H. Johnson: Andrews & Kurth Centennial Professor; University of Texas School of Law; “Fifty Ways to Raise a Trillion”

Daniel J. Lathrope: E.L. Wiegand Distinguished Professor in Tax, University of San Francisco School of Law; “Equity and Fairness in the Federal Income Tax: Alternatives to the Alternative Minimum Tax”

Michelle M. Kwon: Assistant Professor of Law, Texas Tech University School of Law; “The Tax Man’s Ethics: Four of the Hardest Ethical Questions for an IRS Lawyer”

2011-2012 SAVE THESE DATES

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2012
2012 Distinguished Alumni Awards Ceremony

SATURDAY, APRIL 21, 2012
Law School Alumni Reunions
“International law is one of the core strengths of the law school; we have alumni in eighty-two countries. Today we are pleased to present a panel of experts to discuss the important issues at the heart of globalization,” stated Dean Attanasio as he opened the 2011 SMU International Trade and Law Event, “Emerging Issues for Businesses Going Global.” This event was hosted by the SMU International Law Review Association and the International Law Society, and brought together experts in international trade, practicing attorneys, and interested students.

Mr. Wade Channel ’82, Senior Commercial Law Advisor for USAID, spoke on “Developing Trade Capacity in Foreign Countries.” Channel practiced international commercial law for eight years in Brazil and New York before focusing on business-enabling environment reform. A self-proclaimed “competitive free market person,” he discussed the impetuses of trade from a business perspective. He defended his views, noting, “Yes, there are greedy and despicable people in business, but guess what—they are in government too.” But even as a staunch supporter of free markets, Channel noted the importance of international trade agreements and progressive reform to increase revenue and reduce costs and risks. He concluded by stating, “These trade agreements are essential, but they are not nearly enough.”

Next, Mr. Carlos Angulo Parra, Senior Partner at Baker & McKenzie LLP, took the podium to give a practitioner’s perspective on “U.S.-Mexico Trade and the Maquiladoras.” Parra serves as Counsel for Foreign Investors in Mexico, helping manufacturers introduce their projects into the Mexican business and legal environment and advising them throughout the regulatory and financial processes. His talk was informative, explaining the issues associated with tariff barriers and manufacturing in Mexico. Mexico has more free trade agreements than any other country in the world, but the intricacies of NAFTA’s origin make it possible to transform exports to give countries other than Mexico an advantage. Parra earned his law degree from Universidad Iberoamericana, Mexico City in 1973 and a Masters in Tax Law at Autonomous University of Ciudad Juarez in 2002.

Mr. Clement Osimentha ’95, Vice President and Associate General Counsel for Mary Kay Inc., provided yet another distinct voice, discussing corruption compliance programs and the FCPA. He gave an overview of the statutory mandates, but focused on practical advice for companies looking to avoid compliance issues. He stated, “Authorities want to see that you have done all you can to educate your company. We do everything we can at Mary Kay to promote a culture of compliance.” On a global level, Osimentha was encouraged by a soccer-themed advertisement in South Africa which advised people to “Give corruption the red card.” Osimentha currently oversees legal support for Mary Kay Inc. in more than thirty-five countries. He graduated from SMU Dedman School of Law with honors in 1995 and is a member of the law school’s Executive Board.

Finally, Ms. Adrienne Braumiller, one of the founders of Braumiller and Schulz LLP, gave some “Tips to Successfully Negotiate NAFTA.” Braumiller has over eighteen years of experience in customs, import, export, and compliance. In 2007, she was appointed to serve a two-year term on the Departmental Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations of Customs and Border Protection. While many compliance tips seem obvious—such as “Follow the Rules – Not the Crowd,”—the most common NAFTA errors are avoidable oversights such as incomplete or missing forms. She concluded her remarks on the importance of careful compliance by stating, “Free trade is not free. It is very expensive but well worth the investment if you do it right.” Braumiller earned her J.D. from St. Mary’s University and her LL.M. in International Business Transactions from McGeorge School of Law.
VIETNAM MINISTRY OF JUSTICE

Spent Two Weeks at SMU Dedman School of Law for Intensive Training on International and U.S. Law

As part of the U.S. Department of State’s International Visitor Leadership Program, a group of federal and state judges from Brazil visited the SMU Dedman School of Law campus to learn more about American legal curriculum in order to promote efficiency in their own courts. While in the U.S., the Brazilian officials met with their counterparts and learned more about effective administration of law enforcement and the judicial system. Participants included:

- Rodolfo Freitas Rodrigues Alves, Coordinator of Strategic Planning, National Preparation and Improvement School for Magistrates
- Andre Felipe Gomma DeAzavedo, Judge
- Eva Maria Ferreira Barros, General Secretary of the Federal Justice Council
- Poul Erik Dyrlund, Federal Chief Justice, Federal Regional Court, 2nd Region
- Silvio Cesar Arouck Gemaque, Federal Judge, Federal Regional Court, 3rd Region
- Paulo Cesar Caminha Elima, Chief Justice, Amazonas Justice Court
- Jose Amilcar De Queiroz Machado, Federal Chief Justice
- Edson Vidal Pinto, Chief Justice, Parana Justice Court
- Hector Valverde Santana, Judge, 2nd Family Court, Federal District Justice Court
- Marga Inge Barth Tessler, Chief Justice, Federal Regional Court, 4th Region

BRAZILIAN COURT ADMINISTRATION

U.S. Department of State Sends Brazilian Federal and State Judges to SMU Dedman School of Law

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FACULTY FORUM SERIES

SMU Dedman School of Law’s annual series of presentations through the Faculty Forum provides an opportunity for new ideas to be explored through informal discussion between the presenter and SMU Faculty.

Scholars and law professors from around the country and world including Columbia, George Washington University, Seton Hall, and James Cook University Law School in Queensland, Australia participated in this year’s Faculty Forum Series. Discussions centered on topics such as user-generated content sites, judges’ dissents, and financial regulations.

For more information, visit:
www.law.smu.edu/Faculty/Faculty-Forum

Jane Ginsburg
Morton L. Janklow Professor of Literary and Artistic Property Law, Columbia Law School

Gregory S. Crespi
Professor of Law, SMU Dedman School of Law

Linda S. Eads
Associate Professor of Law, SMU Dedman School of Law

Dr. Louise Floyd
Director of Research, Senior Lecturer in Law, James Cook University Law School, Townsville, Queensland, Australia

Orin S. Kerr
Professor of Law, The George Washington University School of Law

André Douglas Pond Cummings
Professor of Law, West Virginia University College of Law

Ryan Scott
Associate Professor of Law, Indiana University – Bloomington, Maurer School of Law

Kristen Boon
Associate Professor of Law and Director of International Programs, Seton Hall University School of Law

Eric Pan
Associate Professor of Law and Director, The Samuel and Ronnie Heyman Center on Corporate Governance, Yeshiva University, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law

Lee Epstein
Henry Wade Rogers Professor of Law, Northwestern University Law School

Dale Carpenter
Earl R. Larson Professor of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Law, The University of Minnesota Law School

Jonathan Todres
Associate Professor of Law, Georgia State University College of Law

Gregory S. Crespi
Professor of Law, SMU Dedman School of Law

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CHRISTOPHER H. HANNA
Appointed New Senior Policy Advisor on Tax Reform for the U.S. Senate Finance Committee

SMU Dedman School of Law Professor Christopher H. Hanna has spent the past few months on a new project that could impact every person living in the United States and significantly improve the economy. He is the new Senior Policy Advisor on Tax Reform for Republican leaders on the U.S. Senate Finance Committee.

Professor Hanna was contacted early in 2011 about working with Republican senators and staff on efforts to reform the U.S. tax code, which is also a priority for President Obama.

“There’s been a lot of talk about tax reform, but the last time it was done was 1986,” said Professor Hanna, who is the Altshuler Distinguished Teaching Professor of Law at SMU Dedman School of Law. “Senator Hatch, the ranking member of the Senate Finance Committee, has made it clear that the goals of tax reform are simplicity, fairness, and economic growth.”

WILLIAM V. DORSA NEO III
Honored by LexisNexis for 100th Release of Texas Litigation Guide

In 1977, the editors at Matthew Bender legal publishers met a bright young law professor from Dallas named Bill Dorsaneo who proposed publishing a book on litigation that was far different from any others on the market.

“There were encyclopedias of the law and treatises. But they were lengthy and dense and painful to read and not very helpful when it came to practicing law,” said Serena Wellen, Director of Content Development at LexisNexis, which now owns Matthew Bender. “Professor Dorsaneo’s idea was quite novel: to provide in-depth analysis of the law with the busy practicing lawyer in mind.”

“Success was not a foregone conclusion,” said Ms. Wellen. “Professor Dorsaneo was pretty young and unknown at the time. And it is pretty difficult to convince people to buy something different. We took a risk and it is a good thing we did. For the past thirty years, the Texas Litigation Guide has been one of our top sellers. It is frequently cited by the courts.”

In February 2011, officials at LexisNexis and SMU Dedman School of Law commemorated the 100th release of the prominent civil procedure professor’s groundbreaking book, which is considered the Bible of the civil litigation practice in Texas.
“My work on the multiple volumes of the *Texas Litigation Guide* over the past thirty-five to forty years matches much of the same work that I and many others have done in the process of drafting and revising the Texas Rules of Appellate Procedure and many parts of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure as a member of the Advisory Committee to the Texas Supreme Court, and of many other committees appointed to perform this work,” said Professor Dorsaneo, who is the Chief Justice John and Lena Hickman Distinguished Faculty Fellow at SMU Dedman School of Law.

Added Ms. Wellen from LexisNexis, “The *Texas Litigation Guide* is the jewel in our crown. What does the future hold? Maybe video commentary from Professor Dorsaneo.”

**LINDA S. EADS**  
**Named Associate Provost at SMU**

Linda Eads, Associate Professor at SMU Dedman School of Law, was recently named Associate Provost for SMU, where she will oversee academic affairs in the Provost’s Office and serve as Director of the Hunt Leadership Scholars Program.

Four-time winner of the Dr. Don M. Smart Award, Professor Eads has been named to the American Law Institute and is recognized as one of Texas’ top lawyers. Eads is the immediate past president of the Faculty Senate for the University.

“Professor Eads is an outstanding scholar, an award-winning teacher, and during this past year she has exhibited remarkable leadership as President of the Faculty Senate,” said SMU Provost Paul Ludden when announcing the appointment.

Following graduation from law school, Eads worked for the U.S. Department of Justice, where she received the Outstanding Attorney Award. She also served as Deputy Attorney General for Texas. She has taught in the areas of professional responsibility, evidence, trial advocacy, constitutional law, criminal tax fraud, and women and the law.

She earned a B.A. in International Studies from American University and a J.D. from the University of Texas School of Law. Eads is a frequent presenter and speaker, and the co-author of *Questions & Answers: Constitutional Law* (2nd Edition, LexisNexis, 2007), along with many articles and papers.

“While I will miss my day-to-day interactions with law students and my colleagues on the law faculty, I am excited about my new position as Associate Provost for Faculty and Administrative Affairs. In this position, I will be able to work on university-wide issues that affect the well-being of the faculty throughout our academic community. I also will work directly with the senior administration of the University in helping them guide SMU in this period of significant growth,” said Professor Eads.

**JEFFREY KAHN**  
**Receives Dr. Don M. Smart Award**

2011 was a good year for SMU Dedman Law Associate Professor of Law Jeffrey Kahn.

First, he learned that his colleagues on the law school faculty recommended that he be given a promotion and granted tenure. And then he found out that another tough crowd had given him the thumbs up.

The Class of 2011 presented Professor Kahn with the Dr. Don M. Smart Teaching Award for excellence in teaching during the May hooding ceremony. The honor, created in 1965, is the graduating students’ way of recognizing specific faculty members for their tremendous abilities in the classroom.

“I was delighted to receive this award, which comes from the most important group in the Law School: our students,” said Professor Kahn, who teaches Counterterrorism, American Constitutional Law, and Russian Law.

Students said Professor Kahn effectively uses narrative storytelling to make scholarly subjects easier to digest. They said his ability to show, not just tell, helps them better understand how complicated matters of law are applied.

“Professor Kahn has made his mark on the law school and its students as an outstanding teacher and a prominent scholar,” said Dean John Attanasio. “His works in national security and Russian law have gained him international recognition as one of the leading experts in his field.”
VISITING FACULTY

THE HONORABLE ADEL OMAR SHERIF
Deputy Chief Justice, Supreme Constitutional Court of Egypt; Charles J. and Inez Wright Murray Distinguished Visiting Professor of Law

Dr. Adel Omar Sherif has been the Deputy Chief Justice of the Supreme Constitutional Court of Egypt since December 2002. He earned his LL.B. (1979), Advanced Studies Diploma in Public Law (1980), Advanced Studies Diploma in Administrative Law (1981), and Ph.D. in Constitutional Law (1988) from Cairo and Am Shams Universities in Egypt. After working in private practice for a short period of time, he was appointed to the Egyptian judiciary, commencing his judicial career at the Council of the State, where he served in various judicial positions between 1980 and 1992. In 1992, Justice Sherif moved to the Supreme Constitutional Court, Egypt’s Supreme Court, as Assistant Counselor for the Commissioners’ Body. He was promoted to full Counselor in 1993 and was assigned Acting Head of the Commissioners’ Body that same year. Justice Sherif was a Visiting Fellow at the International Human Rights Law Centre of the College of Law, DePaul University, in Chicago in 1992; the Human Rights Centre of the University of Essex from 1993–94; and the Federal Judicial Center in Washington, D.C. in 1996; and was a Visiting Professor at the Faculty of Law, McGill University from 1998–99. He often represents the Egyptian judicial community in international conferences and seminars and has already received many honors and awards at the international level. Justice Sherif is a member of the International Board of Judicial Advisers for the Judges Newsletter of The Hague Conference on Private International Law and a member of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights’ Judicial Reference Group. Further, he has recently been appointed as a Vice-President of the International Judicial Academy in Washington, D.C.

In 2005, the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan awarded Justice Sherif the Medal of the Constitution of Kazakhstan. In addition, in 2007, the Ateneo de Davao University in the Philippines conferred upon Justice Sherif an honorary doctorate degree in laws.

He has written and published widely on various legal topics including human rights, constitutional issues, Islamic law, criminal law, and environmental law.

Justice Sherif taught Comparative Law II: Islamic Law in Fall 2010.

DON BUSH
Magistrate Judge – United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas

The Honorable Don Bush was appointed United States Magistrate Judge for the Eastern District of Texas in 2003. Judge Bush earned his B.A. at Indiana University in 1968 and his J.D. and LL.M. degrees from SMU Dedman School of Law in 1976 and 1986, respectively. He was briefing attorney for the Honorable Price Daniel, Sr., of the Texas Supreme Court, from 1976–77. Board certified in Civil Trial Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization, he was in private practice from 1977 to 2003. Judge Bush has authored numerous law

Judge Bush taught Trial Advocacy in Fall 2010.

RUDOLF DOLZER
Director of the Institute for International Law, University of Bonn in Bonn, Germany

Rudolf Dolzer is a Distinguished Visiting Professor and Director of the Institute for International Law at the University of Bonn in Bonn, Germany. Dolzer received his J.D. from the University of Heidelberg and his LL.M. from Harvard, where he also acquired an additional J.D. Before joining the faculty of the University of Bonn, Dolzer was a Professor of Law at the University of Heidelberg and at the University of Mannheim, where he served two years as Vice Rector.

He spent six years as a member of the German Parliament, and he was Director General at the Office of the Federal Chancellor.


ROLF DOTEVALL
Professor of Law at Gothenburg University in Gothenburg, Sweden

Professor Rolf Dotevall is a Professor of Commercial Law, Department of Law, School of Business, Economics and Law, at Gothenburg University in Gothenburg, Sweden. There, he is responsible for the courses in Comparative Company Law and Law of Capital Markets. He has been a guest lecturer at several universities in Denmark, Finland, Norway, Germany, and England. He also serves part-time as a judge on the Court of Appeals in Gothenburg. He has published several textbooks in company law, contract law, and agency law, which are used at law schools throughout Scandinavia. He is also widely published in several European law journals.

Professor Dotevall taught Comparative Law II: European Company Law in Spring 2011.

DR. DAVID ELKINS
Senior Lecturer and Distinguished Teaching Fellow, Netanya College School of Law, Israel

Dr. David Elkins is a Senior Lecturer and Distinguished Teaching Fellow at the Netanya College School of Law in Israel. He is the author of Taxation of Intellectual Property: Patents, Copyright, Goodwill and Know-How and Taxation of Corporations and Their Shareholders. He also has published numerous articles in leading Israeli and American law reviews and professional journals, some dealing with subjects such as tax accounting and corporate taxation, others exploring the concepts of distributive justice and horizontal equity. Prior to his academic appointment, Dr. Elkins served as Senior Assessor and as Senior Assistant to the Legal Advisor for the Israeli Tax Authority.

He received his LL.B. from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and his LL.M., as well as his Ph.D., from the University of Bar Ilan.

Dr. Elkins taught Corporate Tax and Income Taxation in Fall 2010.
ROBERT M. FILLMORE  
Justice – Texas Fifth District Court of Appeals

The Honorable Robert M. Fillmore was appointed Justice of the Texas Fifth District Court of Appeals in May 2009. He received his undergraduate and J.D. degrees from the University of Kansas. Prior to his appointment to the Court, Justice Fillmore was in private practice in the Dallas office of Hunton & Williams LLP, and its predecessor, Worsham, Forsythe & Wooldridge LLP, focusing on energy regulatory litigation. Earlier in his career, he served as Assistant Attorney General and Special Assistant Attorney General of Kansas. He also has served as an adjunct professor at the University of Kansas School of Law, teaching trial advocacy. Justice Fillmore has been elected Fellow of the American Bar Foundation, the Texas Bar Foundation, and the Dallas Bar Foundation and has served as Chairman of the Public Utility Law Section of the State Bar of Texas.

Justice Fillmore taught Regulated Industries in Spring 2011.

ALLEN JOE FISH  
Senior District Judge – United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas

Allen Joe Fish is a Senior United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas in Dallas, Texas. Born in Los Angeles, California, Judge Fish received his B.A. from Yale College in 1965 and his LL.B from Yale Law School in 1968. He was a Sergeant in the United States Army Reserve from 1968 to 1974, and was in private practice in Dallas, Texas, from 1968 to 1980. In 1980 he was elected to the 95th Judicial District Court of Dallas County, Texas. From 1981 to 1983 he was a judge on the Fifth District of the Texas Court of Appeals in Dallas. On January 31, 1983, Judge Fish was nominated by President Ronald Reagan to a seat on the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas vacated by Patrick E. Higginbotham. Judge Fish was confirmed by the United States Senate less than a month later, on February 23, 1983, and received his commission the following day. He served as chief judge of the district from 2002 to 2007, assuming senior status on November 12, 2007.

Judge Fish taught a Federal Judicial Externship course in Fall 2010 and Spring 2011.

BRYAN A. GARNER  
Distinguished Research Professor of Law

Bryan A. Garner, a noted speaker, writer, and consultant regarding legal writing and drafting, regularly teaches a seminar on Advanced Legal Writing at the law school. He is the editor-in-chief of Black’s Law Dictionary, beginning with its seventh edition in 1999, and is the author of Garner’s Modern American Usage (Oxford Univ. Press, 1st ed. 1998, 2d ed. 2003); The Redbook: A Manual on Legal Style (West Group, 1st ed. 2002, 2nd ed. 2006); Making Your Case: The Art of Persuading Judges (with Justice Antonin Scalia, West, 2008); and The Elements of Legal Style (Oxford Univ. Press, 1st ed. 1991, 2nd ed. 2002); along with many other books. Professor Garner received a J.D. from the University of Texas at Austin in 1984, where he was an Associate Editor of the Texas Law Review; and a B.A. from the University of Texas at Austin in 1980, with Special Honors in Plan II. He is President of LawProse, Inc., the foremost provider of CLE training in legal writing, editing, and drafting. His many professional activities include service on the Board of Directors of the Texas Law Review Association and on the Editorial Advisory Boards of The Copy Editor and The Green Bag, and as a consultant to the Oxford Dictionary Department in Oxford, England. Professor Garner received the 2005 Lifetime Achievement Award in Plain Legal
Language, the 2000 Scribes Book Award for Research and Writing (for Black’s Law Dictionary, 7th ed.), and the 1998 Outstanding Young Texas Ex Award, as well as many other honors and awards.

Professor Garner taught Advanced Legal Writing in Spring 2011.

H. DEWAYNE “COOTER” HALE
United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Texas

The Honorable H. DeWayne “Cooter” Hale was appointed to the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas in November 2002. He received his undergraduate and J.D. degrees from LSU, where he was a member of the Order of the Coif and an editor of the Law Review. He worked at Strasburger & Price before opening a boutique firm, where he became well-versed in bankruptcy law. Two years before his judicial appointment, Judge Hale was a regional partner in charge of the bankruptcy practice at Baker & McKenzie in Dallas. He is a member of the Texas Bar Association, the Louisiana State Bar Association, the American Bar Association, the Dallas Bar Association, the Dallas Bankruptcy Bar Association, and the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges.

Judge Hale taught Creditors’ Rights in Spring 2011.

YEHIEL KAPLAN
Senior Lecturer – Haifa University, Faculty of Law

Professor Yehiel Kaplan lives in Israel where he is a senior lecturer at Haifa University, Faculty of Law. Kaplan teaches and writes about Jewish Law and Family Law. Professor Kaplan earned his LL.B. in 1983 and his LL.M. in 1985 at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. He was a Visiting Scholar in Medieval Roman and Canon Law at the University of California Law School at Berkeley from 1987 to 1988. Professor Kaplan has taught a wide variety of courses dealing with Jewish Law and Family Law at the University of Haifa, the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, and Tel-Aviv University. He has published several articles, including most recently “The Power of Interpretation: Religious Scholars Elevate the Status of Female Guardians in Jewish Law,” which appeared in the Cardozo Journal of Law and Gender.

Professor Yehiel Kaplan taught Introduction to Jewish Law in Spring 2011.

BOE W. MARTIN
Of Counsel, Bell Nunnally & Martin LLP

Boe W. Martin is a partner at Bell, Nunnally & Martin LLP. His areas of expertise include Bankruptcy and Reorganization, Creditors’ Rights, Real Estate, and Real Estate Finance. He has extensive experience in representing debtors and creditors in Chapter 11 and other insolvency proceedings. In 2005 and 2006, Professor Martin was selected by Texas Monthly as a “Texas Super Lawyer.” He received his B.A. from Texas A&M University in 1962, his LL.B. from University of Texas in 1964, and his LL.M. from George Washington University in 1970. Professor Martin has taught Real Estate Transactions at the University of Texas School of Law and at the University of Houston Law Center. He began teaching as an adjunct professor at SMU Dedman School of Law in 1972.

He has taught Payment Systems, Real Estate Development Law, Secured Transactions, Property, and Torts at the law school.

Professor Martin taught Secured Transactions in Fall 2010 and Torts in Fall 2010 and Spring 2011.
RUSSELL F. NELMS  
United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Texas, Fort Worth Division

Judge Nelms is in his fifth year as a United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Texas, Fort Worth Division. Before taking the bench, Judge Nelms was a partner with the Dallas firm of Carrington, Coleman, Sloman & Blumenthal, where he served as a litigator in the firm’s bankruptcy section. Judge Nelms joined Carrington Coleman after serving for six years in the United States Army Judge Advocate General’s Corps. Judge Nelms received a J.D. with high honors from Texas Tech University School of Law in 1978 and a B.A. with high honors from Texas Tech University in 1975.

Judge Nelms is a frequent speaker at functions sponsored by the State Bar of Texas, the University of Texas School of Law, Texas Tech University School of Law, John C. Ford American Inn of Court, and the Dallas and Tarrant County Bar Associations.

Judge Nelms taught a new course offered Spring 2011 called Texas Ranger Bankruptcy.

JOHN PREBBLE  
Former Dean at Victoria University of Wellington

John Prebble is a professor of tax law and former dean of law at Victoria University of Wellington. Prebble received his LL.B. with honors from the University of Auckland, his B.C.L. from Oxford, and his J.S.D. from Cornell University. Before joining the faculty of Victoria University of Wellington in 1981, Prebble taught at Auckland University as a part-time tutor in commercial law and later as a senior lecturer in law. He has been a barrister and solicitor in New Zealand since 1968 and a barrister of London’s Inner Temple since 1972. He is currently a Fellow for the Society for Advanced Legal Studies in London, an elected position which he has held for the past thirteen years.

Professor Prebble taught Tax and Fiscal Policy in Spring 2011.

RICHARD A. SCHELL ’75  
United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Texas

A native Texan, Judge Richard A. Schell graduated from SMU with his bachelor’s degree in 1972 and his J.D. degree in 1975. He was appointed by President Ronald Reagan in June of 1988 as a United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Texas. Judge Schell taught Research Methods/Legal Writing to first year students at the SMU School of Law from 1975 to 1976. He then became an assistant district attorney for Collin County, Texas. After serving as an Assistant District Attorney, he spent five years in private practice until 1982, when he was appointed and then elected as a County Court at Law Judge for Collin County. In 1986, he was elected as a State District Judge for the 219th Judicial District Court in Collin County and remained in that position until his appointment to the federal bench in 1988. Judge Schell served as Chief Judge of the U. S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas from 1994 until 2001. He has also served on the U. S. Judicial Conference Advisory Committee on Bankruptcy Rules and on the board of the Federal Judges Association.

SHEN SHIAO-MING ’81
International Legal Consultant to Mackenzie and Albritton LLP

Shen Shiao-Ming serves as an international legal consultant to Mackenzie and Albritton LLP and has worked in similar capacities for other law offices in San Francisco, New York, and Hong Kong. She has been a visiting professor at SMU Dedman School of Law since 1998. She received her S.J.D from Berkeley, her LL.M. from Harvard, her M.C.L from SMU Dedman School of Law, and her Graduate Degree in Civil Law from the Law Institute of the Chinese Academy of Social Science. Shiao-Ming’s undergraduate legal accomplishments include a B.A. from the Peking Institute of Political Science and Law and a Certificate of International Legal Studies from Columbia. She has taught and lectured at universities in Texas, Virginia, California, New York, Beijing, and Hong Kong.

Professor Shen taught Comparative Law II: Doing Business in China in Spring 2011.

T.S. SOMASHEKAR
Assistant Professor in Economics, National Law School of India University, Bangalore

Professor Somashekar earned a Ph.D. in Economics at the Institute for Social and Economic Change (2010). He started his teaching career at St. Joseph’s College, Bangalore, in 1998 and was a visiting faculty in NLSIU between October 2001 and January 2002. He joined NLSIU as a regular faculty in March 2002.

His areas of interest and research include Law and Economics, Industrial Organization, Business Strategy, Public Policy Analysis, and the World Trade Organization. He was an Erasmus Mundus Fellow in the Institute for Law and Economics at the University of Hamburg, Germany in 2006. In 2008, he served as an advisor to the Ministry of Commerce and Industries, Government of Karnataka, to help formulate industrial policy. He is a member of the advisory board for the European Doctorate in Law and Economics (EDLE).

In 2009, he was selected for the US International Visitors Leadership Program (IVLP) to study US Trade Policy. He has published articles on Mutual Fund and Insurance Regulation.

Professor Somashekar co-taught Comparative Law II: International Trade Law & The Developing World in Spring 2011 with SMU Dedman School of Law Professor Joseph Norton.

LINDA THOMAS ’73
Chief Justice – Fifth District Court of Appeals (Ret.)

The Honorable Linda Thomas is the former Chief Justice of the Fifth District Court of Appeals, the State’s largest intermediate appellate court. Chief Justice Thomas received her B.A. from the University of Texas at Arlington and her J.D. from SMU Dedman School of Law. She served eight years as a family court judge and has been on the appellate court since 1987. Chief Justice Thomas is Board Certified in Family Law and has been awarded the prestigious Sam Emison Award by the Texas Academy of Family Law Specialists for meritorious contributions to family law. Chief Justice Thomas is a nationally recognized leader in legal and judicial education.

Chief Justice Linda Thomas taught Texas Trial & Appellate Procedure in Fall 2010 and Family Law in Spring 2011.
ROY ANDERSON
Vinson & Elkins
Distinguished Teaching Fellow and Professor of Law

PUBLICATIONS:
Annual Supplement to DAMAGES UNDER THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE Annotated (Thomas/West) (2010);


MAUREEN ARMOUR
Co-Director of Civil Clinic and Associate Professor of Law

PRESENTATIONS:
Presenter, “Activist Judges”

JOHN ATTANASIO
Judge James Noel Dean and Professor of Law & Judge William Hawley Atwell Chair of Constitutional Law

PUBLICATIONS:
2010 Supplements to CONSTITUTIONAL LAW & UNDERSTANDING CONSTITUTIONAL LAW (LexisNexis) (with N. Redlich & J. Goldstein).

PRESENTATIONS:
Organized and moderated a symposium on the Constitutional Court of South Africa in honor of Pius Nkonzo Langa, former Chief Justice of the Constitutional Court of South Africa and 2011 recipient of the Doctor of Laws, honoris causa from Southern Methodist University, SMU Dedman School of Law, (Dallas, TX (May 2011));

Speaker, Conference on the current situation in Egypt (attended by diplomats, journalists & justices from the Supreme Constitutional Court of Egypt) (Cairo, Egypt (March 2011));

Panelist, “U.S. States and Municipal Budget Crisis,” China Radio International – “Today on Beyond Beijing,” (Beijing, China (March 2011));

Moderator and Speaker, Panel on “Supreme Court Preview,” with President Kenneth W. Starr, Baylor University and Professor Pamela S. Karlan, Stanford Law School, Appellate Judicial Education Institutes’ 2010 Summit, (Dallas, TX (November 2010));

Presentation about Dedman School of Law, 20th Anniversary celebration of Mac Taylor American Inn of Court, (Dallas, TX (November 2010));

Presentation about Dedman School of Law, President’s 20th Century Board, Southern Methodist University, (Dallas, TX (October 2010));

“Fundamentals of American Constitutional Law,” Thammasat University, (Bangkok, Thailand (July 2010));

“The Global Financial Crisis: An Academic Research Agenda,” to the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) (Delhi, India (July 2010));

“Obstacles of Interfaith Dialogue,” Interfaith Dialogue Conference, City Montessori School, (Lucknow, India (July 2010));

“THE ROAD TO KABUL GOES THROUGH DELHI,” Radio Europe/ Radio Free Liberty, (Prague, Czechoslovakia (July 2010));

JEFFREY BELLIN
Assistant Professor of Law

PUBLICATIONS:
Facebook, Twitter, and the Uncertain Future of Present Sense Impressions, 160 U. PA L. REV. ___ (forthcoming);


PRESENTATIONS:
“Facebook, Twitter and the Uncertain Future of Present Sense Impressions,” Faculty Forum, SMU Dedman School of Law, (Dallas, TX (February 2011));

“Widening Batson’s Net,” Faculty Colloquium, University of San Diego School of Law, (San Diego, CA (December 2010));

Panelist, “Privacy in the Age of Technology,” 2010 Appellate Judges Education Institute Summit, (Dallas, TX (November 2010));
“Fourth Amendment Crime Severity Distinctions,” SMU Criminal Justice Workshop, SMU Dedman School of Law, (Dallas, TX (September 2010));

Judge, SMU Dedman School of Law moot of government counsel (Yetter Coleman) in preparation for counsel’s argument before the U.S. Supreme Court in *Skinner v. Switzer*, (Dallas, TX (September 2010));

Judge, SMU Dedman School of Law moot of defendant’s counsel (Jones Day) in preparation for counsel’s argument before the U.S. Supreme Court in *Gould v. United States*, (Dallas, TX (September 2010));

“Promoting Rule of Law and Judicial Reform, A Project for Iraq,” (U.S. State Dept.), Presentation to Iraqi Judges and Defense Counsel, SMU Dedman School of Law, (Dallas, TX (May 2010)).

**LACKLAND H. BLOOM, JR.**

Professor of Law

**PUBLICATIONS:**


**PRESENTATIONS:**

Taught a mini-course, “Current Issues in Constitutional Interpretation,” Appellate Judges Education Institute’s Certificate Program, (Santa Fe, NM (June 27 – July 1, 2011));

**CHERYL NELSON BUTLER**

Assistant Professor of Law

**PUBLICATIONS:**

“The Year in Copyright,” Intellectual Property Section meeting, State Bar of Texas, (Fort Worth, TX (June 2010)).

**PRESENTATIONS:**

Taught a mini-course, “Current Issues in Constitutional Interpretation,” Appellate Judges Education Institute’s Certificate Program, (Santa Fe, NM (June 27 – July 1, 2011));

“Promoting Rule of Law and Judicial Reform, A Project for Iraq,” (U.S. State Dept.), Presentation to Iraqi Judges and Defense Counsel, SMU Dedman School of Law, (Dallas, TX (May 2010)).

**ALAN BROMBERG**

University Distinguished Professor of Law

**PUBLICATIONS:**


2011–A (June 2011) & 2010–B (November 2010) Supplements to Bromberg & Lowenfels on Securities Fraud and Commodities Fraud (Thomson/West) (with Lowenfels);


**PRESENTATIONS:**

Taught a mini-course, “Current Issues in Constitutional Interpretation,” Appellate Judges Education Institute’s Certificate Program, (Santa Fe, NM (June 27 – July 1, 2011));

“A Unified Approach to Extraterritoriality,” AALS, Annual Conference “Hot Topics” Panel, (San Francisco, CA (January 2011));

**ANTHONY J. COLANGELO**

Assistant Professor of Law

**PUBLICATIONS:**


**PRESENTATIONS:**

Taught a mini-course, “Extraterritorial Jurisdiction,” Appellate Judges Education Institute’s Certificate Program, (Santa Fe, NM (June 27 – July 1, 2011));

“A Unified Approach to Extraterritoriality,” Stanford/Yale Junior Faculty Forum, (Stanford, CA (June 2011));


“A Unified Approach to Extraterritoriality,” “A Unified Approach to Extraterritoriality,” AALS, Annual Conference “Hot Topics” Panel, (San Francisco, CA (January 2011));

“A Unified Approach to Extraterritoriality,” Appellate Judges Education Institute, Annual Conference, (Dallas, TX (November 2010));

“A Unified Approach to Extraterritoriality,” Symposium on Extraterritorial Jurisdiction, Southwestern Law School, (Los Angeles, CA (November 2010));

**MARTIN L. CAMP**

Assistant Dean for Student Affairs

**APPOINTMENTS:**

Appointed Co-Chair of the Dallas Bar Ethics Committee for 2011.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

Taught a mini-course, “Current Issues in Constitutional Interpretation,” Appellate Judges Education Institute’s Certificate Program, (Santa Fe, NM (June 27 – July 1, 2011));
“The Foreign Commerce Clause,” Culture and the Humanities Conference, Brown University, Law, (Providence, RI (March 2010));

“The Foreign Commerce Clause,” HILSA Annual Conference, Hastings Law School, (San Francisco, CA (February 2010)).

NATHAN CORTEZ
Assistant Professor of Law

PUBLICATIONS:
Adverse Publicity by Administrative Agencies in the Modern Era. ___ BYU L. Rev. ___ (forthcoming);

Can Speech by FDA–Regulated Firms Ever Be Noncommercial?, 37 AM. J. L. & MED. 388 (2011);

Embracing the New Geography of Health Care: A Novel Way to Cover Those Left Out of Health Reform, 84 S. CAL L. REV. 859 (2011);

PRESENTATIONS:

“India’s Consumer Dispute Forums: A Model for Developing Countries?,” Conference on “Reforming Medical Liability: Global Perspectives” at Drexel Law School, (Philadelphia, PA (April 2011));

Can Speech by FDA – Regulated Firms Ever be Noncommercial?, Conference on “Marketing Health: The Growing Role of Commercial Speech Doctrine in FDA Regulation,” at Boston University School of Law, (Boston, MA (February 2011));

Charting the Global Trend Towards Biosimilars,” Conference on “Follow-On Biologics: Implementation Challenges and Opportunities,” Seton Hall Law School, (Newark, NJ (October 2010));

“Dissecting Health Reform,” 18th Annual Corporate Counsel Symposium, SMU Law Review Association, (Dallas, TX (October 2010));

“Harnessing the New Geography of Health Care,” Conference of Asian Pacific-American Law Faculty (CAPALF) and the Western Law Teachers of Color, University of Arizona Law School, (Tucson, AZ (March 2010));

“Harnessing the New Geography of Health Care,” 22nd Annual Institute of the State Bar of Texas International Law Section, (Houston, TX (March 2010)).

GREG CRESPI
Professor of Law

PUBLICATIONS:

The Trillion Dollar Problem

GAIL M. DALY
Associate Dean for Library and Technology, Director of the Underwood Law Library and Associate Professor of Law

PUBLICATIONS:
Antiquarian Books in the Age of Technology, Trends in Law Library Management & Technology (forthcoming 2011);

Earl C. Borgeson’s Rules for Law Library Management, 103 LAW LIB. J. 515 (Summer 2011).

PRESENTATIONS:
Taught a mini-course, “Personal Jurisdiction Over Nonresidents,” Appellate Judges Education Institute Certificate Program, (Santa Fe, NM (June 27 – July 1, 2011));

WILLIAM V. DORSANE0, III
Chief Justice John and Lena Hickman Distinguished Faculty Fellow and Professor of Law

PUBLICATIONS:
Releases 98–101 for Texas Litigation Guide (LexisNexis 2010–2011);

Supplement to Cases and Materials on Civil Procedure (LexisNexis 2010) (with Crump, Perschbacher & Bassett);

Texas Civil Procedure: Pre-Trial Litigation (LexisNexis 2010–2011 edition) (with Crump, Carlson & Thornburg);

Texas Civil Procedure: Trial and Appellate Practice (LexisNexis 2010–2011 edition) (with Crump, Carlson & Thornburg);

Dorsaneo’s Texas Discovery (LexisNexis 2010–2011 edition);

Dorsaneo’s Texas Pre-Trial Procedure (Release 10) (LexisNexis 2010);


PRESENTATIONS:
Taught a mini-course, “Personal Jurisdiction Over Nonresidents,” Appellate Judges Education Institute Certificate Program, (Santa Fe, NM (June 27 – July 1, 2011));
“Access to Texas State Courts,” Texas State Bar Convention, (Austin, TX (June 2011));

Moderator, Appellate Judges Education Institute Roundtable on “The Art of Persuading Judges,” SMU Dedman School of Law, (Dallas, TX (January 2011)).

HONORS:
Honored by LexisNexis Matthew Bender at a celebration commemorating the 100th Release of Texas Litigation Guide for his role as Principal Author, (Dallas, TX (February 2011)).

LINDA EADS
Associate Provost and Associate Professor of Law

PRESENTATIONS:
“Proposed Changes to the Texas Ethics Rules,” Dallas Bar Association Friday Clinic, (Dallas, TX (January 2011));

“Proposed Changes to the Texas Ethics Rules,” Webcast, State Bar of Texas, (Austin, TX (January 2011));

“Proposed Changes to the Texas Ethics Rules,” Dallas Bar Association Ethics Fest, (Dallas, TX (May 2010));

“Proposed Changes to the Texas Ethics Rules,” Austin Bench Bar Conference, (Austin, TX (April 2010)).

APPOINTMENTS:
Appointed Associate Provost, Southern Methodist University on July 1, 2011;

Elected as a Member to the American Law Institute (2010).

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DISCUSSION:
“Effect of a Judge’s Religious Training on Judicial Decision-Making,” Women’s Forum, Southern Methodist University, (Dallas, TX (October 2010));

“Proposed Changes to the Texas Ethics Rules,” Faculty Forum, SMU Dedman School of Law, (Dallas, TX (October 2010));

“Proposed Changes to the Texas Ethics Rules,” Webcast, State Bar of Texas, (Austin, TX (August 2010));

“Proposed Changes to the Texas Ethics Rules,” Dallas Bar Association Ethics Fest, (Dallas, TX (May 2010));

“The Art of Persuading Judges,” SMU Dedman School of Law, (Dallas, TX (January 2011)).

PRESENTATIONS:
“The Texas Assignment of Rents Act,” Dallas Area Real Estate Lawyer’s Discussion Group, (Dallas, TX (May 2011));

“Proposed Texas Assignment of Rents Act,” Advanced Real Estate Law Course, Texas Bar CLE, (San Antonio, TX (July 2010));

“Uniform Assignment of Rents Act,” Advanced Real Estate Drafting Course, Texas Bar CLE, (Dallas, TX (March 2010)).

LINDA EADS
Associate Provost and Associate Professor of Law

PRESENTATIONS:
“Proposed Change to the Texas Ethics Rules,” Dallas Bar Association, (Dallas, TX (November 2010));

“Why Do Bad Things Happen to Good Judges? How Ethical Judges Find Themselves in Difficult Situations and How to Avoid this from Happening to You and Your Colleagues,” 2010 Appellate Judges Education Institute Summit, (Dallas, TX (November 2010));

JULIA P. FORRESTER
Professor of Law

PUBLICATIONS:
Property: Cases, Materials, and Questions, 2nd ed., (LexisNexis 2010) (with E. Chase);


PRESENTATIONS:
“The Texas Assignment of Rents Act,” Dallas Area Real Estate Lawyer’s Discussion Group, (Dallas, TX (May 2011));

“Proposed Texas Assignment of Rents Act,” Advanced Real Estate Law Course, Texas Bar CLE, (San Antonio, TX (July 2010));

“Uniform Assignment of Rents Act,” Advanced Real Estate Drafting Course, Texas Bar CLE, (Dallas, TX (March 2010)).

CHRISTOPHER H. HANNA
Altshuler Distinguished Teaching Professor and Professor of Law

PUBLICATIONS:

PRESENTATIONS:
“Income Taxation of Individuals, Corporations and Partnerships,” University of Tokyo School of Law, (Tokyo, Japan (August 2010));

“The Future of Tax Planning,” at “The Comparative Law and Politics Symposium, Modern Issues in American Law,” University of Tokyo School of Law, (Tokyo, Japan (August 2010)).

APPOINTMENTS:
Named Senior Policy Advisor for Tax Reform to the U. S. Senate Finance Committee, (February 2011);

Visiting Professor of Law, University of Tokyo School of Law, (August 2010).

JEFFREY M. GABA
Professor of Law

PUBLICATIONS:
Applegate, Laitos, Gaba & Sacs, Regulation of Toxic Substances and Hazardous Waste 2d Ed. (Foundation Press, University Casebook Series) (2011);

2010 Edition, GABA’S TEXAS ENVIRONMENTAL LAW STATUTES ANNOTATED (West 2009 Edition);


FACULTY SCHOLARSHIP
JEFFREY KAHN
Associate Professor of Law

PUBLICATIONS:
The Case of Colonel Abel,
5 J. Nat’l Sec. L. & Pol’y (forthcoming 2011);
The Extraordinary Mrs. Shipley: How the United States Controlled International Travel before the Age of Terrorism, 43 Conn. L. Rev. 819 (2011);
Professor Frederick C. Moss, or, The Education of a Junior Colleague, 63 SMU L. Rev. 933 (2010).

PRESENTATIONS:
Presenter, Symposium on the Constitutional Court of South Africa in Honor of Pius Nkonzo Langa, former Chief Justice of the Constitutional Court of South Africa, SMU Dedman School of Law, (Dallas, TX (May 2011));
“Pretextualism,” SMU Ethics Colloquy, Southern Methodist University, (Dallas, TX (April 2011));
“Mrs. Shipley’s Ghost: The Right to Travel and the Challenge of Terrorism,” Stanford Law School, (Stanford, CA (March 2011));

AWARDS:
2011 Dr. Don M. Smart Award for Excellence in Teaching.

NDIVA KOFELE-KALE
University Distinguished Professor of Law

PUBLICATIONS:

PRESENTATIONS:
“Overview of the Sea” to delegation from the Vietnam Ministry of Justice, SMU Dedman School of Law, (Dallas, TX (February 2011));
“In the Guise of a Conversation with the ‘Fortunate Few,’” Opening Ceremony of Cameroon Christian University, (Bali, North West Region, Cameroon (October 2010));

HENRY J. LISCHER, JR.
Professor Emeritus of Law

PUBLICATIONS:

JOHN S. LOWE
Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and George W. Hutchison Professor of Energy Law

PUBLICATIONS:
2011 Cumulative Pocket Parts, KUNTZ, LAW OF OIL AND GAS, (with Anderson, Smith & Pierce) (Lexis);

PRESENTATIONS:
“Operator/Non-Operator Issues,” University of Texas’ Fundamentals of Oil and Gas Law, (Houston, TX (April 2011));
“Legal Issues in Shale Gas Development,” U.S. State Department Shale Gas Initiative for Poland, (also organized program) (Dallas, TX (February 2011));

“Legal Issues in Shale Gas Development,” U. S. State Department Shale Gas Initiative for Morocco, (Dallas, TX (December 2010));

Short Course in Oil and Gas Law, Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation, (Westminster, CO (October 2010));

“The Implications of the Macando Oil Spill,” Petroleum Institute of Thailand Executive Session, (Bangkok, Thailand (September 2010));

“International Petroleum Contracts and Issues,” Chulalongkorn University Faculty of Law, (Bangkok, Thailand (September 2010));

Short Course in International Petroleum Contracts, University of Dundee, (Dundee, Scotland (June 2010));


“Selected Issues in International Operating Agreements,” University College London School of Energy and Resources, (Adelaide, South Australia (May 2010));

Short Course in International Petroleum Contracts, University of Sydney LLM Program, (NSW, Australia (May 2010));

“Operator’s Duties to Non-Operators,” University of Texas’ Fundamentals of Oil and Gas Law, (Houston, TX (April, 2010));

“Issues in Confidentiality Agreements” and “Key Issues in Operating Agreements,” University of Oklahoma College of Law, (Norman, OK (February 2010)).

GEORGE A. MARTINEZ
Professor of Law

PUBLICATIONS:


PRESENTATIONS:
“Bobbitt, the Rise of the Market State and Race,” Fifteenth Annual Latino Critical Theory Conference, University of Denver Strum College of Law, (Denver, CO (October 2010));

“Bobbitt, the Rise of the Market State and Race,” Third National People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, Seton Hall University School of Law, (Newark, NJ (September 2010)).

THOMAS W. MAYO
Associate Professor of Law

PUBLICATIONS:
My Life and Futility, in THE PICTURE OF HEALTH: MEDICAL ETHICS AND THE MOVIES 428 (H. Colt, S. Quadrelli & L. Friedman, eds.) (Oxford Univ. Press 2011);

Bioethics, in HEALTH LAW PRACTICE GROUP 15:1-15:21 (Gosfield et al., eds., 3rd ed., 2011);

Bioethics, in FUNDAMENTALS OF HEALTH LAW 407 (AHLA, 5th ed., 2011);

Tax-Exempt Hospitals: Renewed Focus on Indigent Care, 4 J. Health & Life Sciences L. 140 (2010).

PRESENTATIONS:
“The Trustee’s Challenge: Mission, Money and Medicine,” Annual Meeting, Texas Healthcare Trustees, (Fort Worth, TX (August 2011));

“End-of-Life Decisions: What Patients and Families Need to Know,” 43rd Annual Haltalin Seminar, Children’s Medical Center, (Dallas, TX (April 2011));

“Is There a Duty to Die in Texas?,” University of Texas at Dallas, (Dallas, TX (March 2011));

“Advance Directives: Crossing the T’s, Dotting the I’s, and Minding Your P’s & Q’s,” The Senior Source, (Dallas, TX (January 2011));

“Is There a Duty to Die in Texas?,” Dr. Kenneth Street Law Symposium, Austin College, (Sherman, TX (February 2010));

JOSEPH MCKNIGHT
Larry and Jane Harlan Faculty Fellow and Professor of Law

PUBLICATIONS:
FREDERICK C. MOSS
Professor Emeritus of Law

PUBLICATIONS:
Lover vs. Lawyer: The Sex with Clients Debate in Texas, 55 The Advoc. 40 (Summer 2011) (with P. Chamblin).

PRESENTATIONS:
“An Introduction to Introducing Exhibits, Including Digital Evidence,” Dallas Bar’s Trial Skills Section, (Dallas, TX (September 2011));
“The Ethics of Witness Preparation: A Peek Inside the Woodshed,” National Institute for Trial Advocacy “Taking and Defending Depositions” skills training CLE course, SMU Dedman School of Law, (Dallas, TX (June 2011));
“The Advocate – Witness Rule” and “Contacting an Adversary’s Current and Former Employees: Common Law and Ethical Limitations,” Center for American and International Law’s Conference on Labor Law and Labor Arbitration, (Dallas, TX (May 2011));

XUAN-THAO NGUYEN
Professor of Law

PUBLICATIONS:
Apologies as Intellectual Property Remedies, ___ Conn. L. Rev. ___ (forthcoming 2012);
The Unequal Tax Treatment of Intellectual Property, 130 Tax Notes 931 (2011) (with J. Maine);
2010 Supplement to INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY TAXATION (BNA) (with J. Maine);
2010 Supplement to INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY, SOFTWARE AND INFORMATION LICENSING: LAW AND PRACTICE (BNA 2007) (with R. Gomulkiewicz & D. Conway-Jones);

PRESENTATIONS:
Scholarship Panel, AALS New Law Teachers Conference, (Washington, D.C. (June 2011));
“TRIPS and Vietnam – A Developing Country Perspective,” TRIPS Symposium, Thomas Jefferson School of Law, (San Diego, CA (April 2011));
International Topics Related to Advanced Legal Training,” to a delegation from the Vietnam Ministry of Justice, SMU Dedman School of Law, (Dallas, TX (March 2011));
Organized and Developed the “Program for Advanced Legal Training” at SMU for the Vietnam Ministry of Justice, SMU Dedman School of Law, (Dallas, TX (February 28 – March 11, 2011));
Moderator, Panel on “The History and the Development of the EDTX as a Court with Patent Expertise: From TI Filing, First Marksman Hearing to the Present.” Participants included Judges T. John Ward, David Folsom and Leonard Davis, SMU Dedman School of Law, (Dallas, TX (February 2011));
Organized Program for the SMU Symposium on “Emerging Intellectual Property Issues: Eastern District of Texas and Patents,” (Dallas, TX (February 2011));
“Apologies as IP Remedies: Comparing China and U.S. Approaches,” Intellectual Property Symposium, Boston University School of Law, (Boston, MA (February 2011));
Co-Organized, Game-Business-Law Summit, SMU Dedman School of Law, SMU Guildhall and Center for American International Law, (Dallas, TX (January 2011));
Moderator, “Privacy and Online Games” Panel, Games: Business-Law Summit, SMU Dedman School of Law, SMU Guildhall and Center for American International Law, (Dallas, TX (January 2011));
“Understanding Licensing Models & Law in Business and Finance,” Vietnam National University, University of Economics and Law, (Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam (December 2010));
“Licensing Information: The Intersection of Intellectual Property, Contract and Privacy Laws,” East China University of Politics and Law, (Shanghai, China (December 2010));
“Monetizing Intellectual Property,” Fudan University School of Law, (Shanghai, China (December 2010));
“University as Center for Innovation Production: A Closer Examination of US Law and University-Created IP Assets,” Southwest University of Politics and Law, (Chongqing, China (December 2010));
“Bankruptcy, Secured Financing and the Quest for Innovation,” Shanghai University of Finance and Economics, School of Law, (Shanghai, China (December 2010));
“Apologizing China: Apologies as Remedies in Chinese Intellectual Property Law,” University of Washington School of Law, (Seattle, WA (December 2010));
“Viewing Justice Through Trademark Cases,” Third National POC
Legal Scholarship Conference, Seton Hall Law School, (Newark, NJ (September 2010));


“Scholarship: Strategies for Success,” AALS Workshop for Pre-tenured Minority Law Teachers, (New York, NY (June 2010)).

JOSEPH NORTON
James L. Walsh Distinguished Faculty Fellow and Professor of Law

PUBLICATIONS:
The 'Santiago Principles' For Sovereign Wealth Funds: A Case Study on International Financial Standard-Setting Processes, 13 (3) J. Int’l Econ. L. (OUP) 645 (December 2010);

NIFA-II or ‘Bretton Woods-II’?: The G-20 (Leaders) summit process on managing global financial markets, 11 (4) J. Banking Reg. 261 (September 2010).

PRESENTATIONS:
Presenter, Symposium on the Constitutional Court of South Africa in Honor of Pius Nkonzo Langa, former Chief Justice of the Constitutional Court of South Africa, SMU Dedman School of Law, (Dallas, TX (May 2011));

Panelist, “Prospects for Conclusion of the WTO Doha Trade Round,” SMU LLM International Annual Conference, SMU Dedman School of Law, (Dallas, TX (April 2011));

“Comparative and Regional Dimensions of the U.S. Dodd-Frank Legislative Reform,” University of Buenos Aires Conference on “Reform of the Banking and Finance System—Initiatives and Trends, (Participated by video conference (November 2010));


“Capital Adequacy Reform: Too Little, Too Late,” LRI-PIDM Conference on “Managing Systemic Risk, Warwick Law School, Warwick University, (Coventry, UK (April 2010));

“Comment on Post-Privatization Reform in Mexico,” 2010 SMU-Owens Foundation Colloquium, (Dallas, TX (March 2010)).

ELLEN SMITH PRYOR
Homer R. Mitchell Endowed Professor of Law

PUBLICATIONS:
Peculiar Risk in American Tort Law, 38 Pepp. L. Rev. 393 (2011);


PRESENTATIONS:
“Revisiting the Relationship between Tort and Workers’ Compensation,” 17th Annual Clifford Torts Symposium (Festschrift for Robert Rabin) (Chicago, IL (April 2011));

“Restatement (Third) Chapter 10,” Annual Meeting of the American Law Institute, (San Francisco, CA (May 2011)).

W. KEITH ROBINSON
Assistant Professor of Law

PUBLICATIONS:
Current and Potential Methods to Undermine a Competitor’s U.S. Patent Application, 81 PTCJ 770 (2011) (with M. Aamir Haq);


MEGHAN J. RYAN
Assistant Professor of Law

PUBLICATIONS:
Total Retribution, 48 Hous. L. Rev. ___ (forthcoming 2012);


PRESENTATIONS:
Taught a mini-course, “Law and Science,” Appellate Judges Education Institute Certificate Program, (Santa Fe, NM (June 27-July 1, 2011));

“Accounting for Wrongful Execution,” International Innocence Network Conference, (Cincinnati, OH (April 2010));

“Palsgrafian Torts,” Pre-Law Scholars Program, SMU Dedman College of Humanities and Sciences, (Dallas, TX (March 2011));

“Total Retribution,” Southwest Junior Law Professors Workshop, Arizona State University College of Law, (Tempe, AZ (March 2011));

“Total Retribution,” Fourteenth Annual Conference for the Association of the Study of Law, Culture and the Humanities, University of Nevada – Las Vegas, (Las Vegas, NV (March 2011));

Moderator, “Dallas County Exonerees Share Their Stories,” SMU Dedman School of Law, (Dallas, TX (March 2011));

“American Criminal Law and Procedure,” U.S. Department of State’s Rule of Law and Judicial Reform of Iraq Programs, SMU Dedman School of Law, (Dallas, TX (May 2010));

“Proximate Retribution,” Central States Law Schools Association, University of North Dakota School of Law, (Grand Forks, ND (September 2010));

“Total Retribution,” Junior Faculty Forum, SMU Dedman School of Law, (Dallas, TX (November 2010));

“Accounting for Wrongful Executions,” Criminal Justice Workshop, SMU Dedman School of Law, (Dallas, TX (December 2010)).

DANIEL W. SHUMAN
M.D. Anderson Foundation Endowed Professor of Health Law
PUBLICATIONS:
Strangers at the Gate: The Effect of the Plaintiff’s Use of an Interpreter on Juror Decision Making, BEHAV. SCI. & L. (forthcoming);

Empathy or Objectivity: the forensic examiner’s dilemma?, 28 BEHAV. SCI. & L., 585 (2010).

ELLEN K. SOLENDER
Professor Emerita of Law
AWARDS:
The League of Women Voters of Dallas Education Fund’s 15th Annual Susan B. Anthony Award, (Dallas, TX (February 2011)).

MARY SPECTOR
Co-Director of Civil Clinic, Director of Consumer Law Project, And Associate Professor of Law
PUBLICATIONS:

PRESENTATIONS:

Panelist, “Settlement, Collection and Modification: Debt Buyer Litigation Findings,” Conference: “Teaching Consumer Law,” University of Houston, (Houston, TX (May 2010));

“Works in Progress: Conducting an Empirical Study,” AALS, Conference on Clinical Legal Education, (Baltimore, MD (May 2010)).

Consumer Working Group Leader, AALS, Conference on Clinical Legal Education, (Baltimore, MD (May 2010)).

MARC I. STEINBERG
Senior Associate Dean for Research And Rupert and Lillian Radford Professor of Law
PUBLICATIONS:
Lawyering and Ethics for the Business Attorney (West) (3d ed., 2011) (with Teacher’s Manual);

2010 Supplement to Securities Practice: Federal and State Enforcement (West) (2d ed., 2001) (coauthored);

Releases 48 & 49 to Securities Regulation: Liabilities and Remedies (Law Journal Press);

2010 Supplement to Attorney Liability After Sarbanes – Oxley (Law Journal Press 2005);

2010 Supplement to Textbook Securities Regulation (revised 5th edition 2009);
Attorney Conflict Dilemmas in Parent-Subsidiary Related Party Transactions, 38 Sec. Reg. L. J. 381 (2010);

Blurring the Lines Between Pleading Doctrines: The Enhanced Rule 8(a)(2) Plausibility Pleading Standard Converges With the Heightened Pleading Standards Under Rule 9(b) and the PSLRA, UT Rev. Ltr. (2010);

The Assault on Section 11 of the Securities Act: A Study in Judicial Activism, 63 Rutgers L. Rev. 1 (2010).

PRESENTATIONS:
Moderator, SMU Corporate Directors’ Institute, SMU Dedman School of Law, (Dallas, TX (March 2011));

“Corporate Securities Attorney Ethical Issues,” Dallas Bar, Securities Section, (Dallas, TX (March 2011));

“Federal and State Securities Litigation Developments,” University of Texas Annual Conference on Securities Regulation and Business Law, (Dallas, TX (February 2011));

“Corporate Governance 2011 – A Master Class,” Practising Law Institute, (New York, NY (February 2011));

Moderator, SMU Dedman School of Law Corporate Counsel Symposium, (Dallas, TX (October 2010)).

JOSHUA C. TATE
Associate Professor of Law

PUBLICATIONS:
A Texas Companion for the course in Wills, Trusts, and Estates, (Aspen Publishers) (forthcoming);


PRESENTATIONS:
Panelist, “Incentive Trusts: Control from the Grave,” East Texas Estate Planning Council, (Dallas, TX (March 2011));

“Immortal Fame: Publicity, Taxation, and the Power of Testation,” Dallas Bar Association, Tax Section, (Dallas, TX (February 2011));

Panelist, “The Changing World of Trusts and Estates: Pedagogy,” Annual Conference of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools, (Palm Beach, FL (August 2010));

“Property, Patronage, and the Birth of the Common Law,” Forty-Fifth International Congress on Medieval Studies, (Kalamazoo, MI (May 2010));

Panelist, “Incentive Trusts: Control from the Grave,” Estate Planning Council of North Texas, (Dallas, TX (May 2010));

“Property, Patronage, and the Birth of the Common Law,” SMU Dedman School of Law, Executive Board Meeting, (Dallas, TX (April 2010));

“Property, Patronage, and the Birth of the Common Law,” Eighty-Fifth Annual Meeting of the Medieval Academy of America, (New Haven, CT (March 2010)).

ELIZABETH C. THORBURG
Professor of Law

PUBLICATIONS:
Defining Civil Disputes: Lessons from Two Jurisdictions, 35 Melb. U. L. Rev. ___ (with C. Cameron) (forthcoming 2011);

Texas Civil Procedure: Pretrial Litigation (LexisNexis 2010–2011 edition) (with Crump, Carlson & Dorsaneo);

Texas Civil Procedure: Trial and Appellate Practice (LexisNexis 2010–2011 edition) (with Crump, Carlson & Dorsaneo);

Reaping What We Sow: Anti-Litigation Rhetoric, Limited Budgets, and Declining Support for Civil Courts, 30 Civil Justice Quarterly 74 (2011);

Saving Civil Justice, 84 Tulane L. Rev. 247 (2010).

PRESENTATIONS:
Moderator, SMU IP Symposium: “Patent Litigation in the Eastern District of Texas/EDTX Juries,” SMU Dedman School of Law, (Dallas, TX (February 2011));

U.S. Delegate, “Teaching Civil Procedure in Common Law Countries Project,” (England, June 2010);

Keynote speaker, “Undermining Religious and Ethnic Conflict through Education, Dialogue, and Shared Community Service,” Interfaith Dialogue Dinner sponsored by the Turkish American Women’s Association, (Dallas, TX (September 2010));
“Judicial Research and Judicial Ethics,” West Virginia Judicial Conference, (White Sulphur Springs, WV (June 2010));

“Google, Twitter and Facebook: Judicial Ethics Meets the Internet,” Conference on State and Federal Appeals, University of Texas at Austin, (Austin, TX (June 2010));

Participant, Advisory Committee on the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Civil Litigation Conference, Duke University School of Law, (Durham, NC (May 2010));

“Commercial Dispute Resolution in Australia,” Dallas Bar Association International Law Section, (Dallas, TX (April 2010)).

SARAH MCQUILLEN TRAN
Assistant Professor of Law

PUBLICATIONS:
Administrative Law, Patents and Distorted Rules, 30 Geo. Wash. L. Rev. ___ (forthcoming 2012);


PRESENTATIONS:
“Expediting Innovation: The Quest for a New Sputnik Moment,” 12th Annual Intellectual Property Scholars’ Conference, DePaul University School of Law, (Chicago, IL (August 2011));


“U.S. Environmental Regulation on the Seas,” Delegation from the Ministry of Justice of Vietnam, SMU Dedman School of Law, (Dallas, TX (March 2011));

“Overview of U.S. Maritime Energy Regulation,” Delegation from the Ministry of Justice of Vietnam, SMU Dedman School of Law, (Dallas, TX (March 2011));

“Expediting Innovation: The Quest for a New Sputnik Moment,” SMU Junior Faculty Forum, SMU Dedman School of Law, (Dallas, TX (February 2011));

JENIA IONTCHEVA TURNER
Associate Professor of Law

PUBLICATIONS:
Prosecutors and Bargaining in Weak Cases: A Comparative View, in Transnational Perspectives on Prosecutorial Power (Erik Luna & Marianne Wade, eds., Oxford UP forthcoming 2011);


PRESENTATIONS:
Presenter, Symposium on the Constitutional Court of South Africa in Honor of Pius Nkonzo Langa, former Chief Justice of the Constitutional Court of South Africa, SMU Dedman School of Law, (Dallas, TX (May 2011));

“The Expressive Dimension of EU Criminal Law,” International Law Colloquium, Institute for International Law & Public Policy, Temple University Beasley School of Law, (Philadelphia, PA (April 2011));

“The Expressive Dimension of EU Criminal Law,” AALS Annual Meeting, Comparative Law Section, (San Francisco, CA (January 2011));

Panelist, “Beyond the State? Comparative Approaches to Group Political Identity in the Age of the Transnational,” AALS Annual Meeting, (San Francisco, CA (January 2011));


“Prosecutors and Bargaining in Weak Cases: A Comparative View,” Washington & Lee Law School, Roundtable on Prosecutorial Discretion, (Lexington, VA (April 2010)).

JESSICA DIXON WEAVER
Assistant Professor of Law

PUBLICATIONS:
The First Father: Perspectives on the Presidential Fatherhood Initiative, Special Issue featuring Emerging Family Law Scholars, Family Court Rev. ___ (forthcoming 2011);


PRESENTATIONS:
“Grandma in the White House,” 2011 Lutie A. Lytle Faculty Writing Workshop, Texas Southern University Thurgood Marshall School of Law, (Houston, TX (June 2011));

“The First Father: Perspectives on the President’s Fatherhood Initiative,” Law & Society Annual Meeting, (San Francisco, CA (June 2011));

“The First Father: Perspectives on the President’s Fatherhood Initiative,” Emerging Family Law Scholars and Teachers Conference 2011, University of California Hastings College of Law, (San Francisco, CA (June 2011));

School of Law, (St. Louis, MO (March 2011));

“Grandma in the White House,” Feminism and Legal Theory Project Workshop “Aging as a Feminist Concern,” Emory University School of Law, (Atlanta, GA (January 2011));

“Grandma in the White House,” Junior Faculty Legal Scholarship Workshop, SMU Dedman School of Law, (Dallas, TX (January 2011));

“The Principle of Subsidiarity Applied: Reforming the Legal Framework to Capture the Psychological Abuse of Children,” AALS Annual Meeting, Poster Presentation, (San Francisco, CA (January 2011));

“Family and Race in Post-Obama America,” Third National People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, Seton Hall University School of Law, (Newark, NJ (September 2010));


“Family and Race in Post-Obama America,” Emerging Family Law Scholars & Teachers Conference, University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law, (Kansas City, MO (June 2010)).

**PETER WINSHIP**

*James Cleo Thompson, Sr., Trustee Professor of Law*

**PUBLICATIONS:**

INTERNATIONAL SALES LAW: A PROBLEM-ORIENTED COURSEBOOK (with John A. Spanogle) (West Group, 2nd ed. forthcoming 2011);

CASES AND MATERIALS ON ADMIRALTY (with Nicholas J. Healy, David J. Sharpe, David H. Sharpe) (West Group, 5th ed. forthcoming 2011);


**PRESENTATIONS:**


Panelist, “Federalism and Private International Law” and “Recent Developments in Secured Transactions,” Meeting of the U.S. Secretary of State’s Advisory Council on Private In-

INTERNATIONAL LAW (ACPIL), (Washington, DC (October 2010));


“International Business Transactions,” Academy of American and International Law, Center for American and International Law, (Plano, TX (June 2010)).
2011 FEATURED GRADUATES

Congratulations to the Class of 2011! A Few of Our Graduates Discuss Their Experiences at SMU Dedman School of Law

**KYLE PERKINS**

After earning his bachelor’s degree in finance at Brigham Young University, Kyle Perkins graduated *magna cum laude* and Order of the Coif from SMU Dedman School of Law in May 2011. While at the law school, Kyle served as the President of the SMU Law Review Association and as a Teaching Assistant to Professor Heard for Legal Research and Writing classes. Kyle will join Carrington, Coleman, Sloman & Blumenthal LLP this fall.

“I chose to attend the SMU Dedman School of Law because of my desire to work in the Dallas legal community. I enjoyed the opportunity to work with a number of the faculty, and I appreciated the assistance I received from the faculty, both academically and personally. I also enjoyed the opportunity to study alongside my classmates. I am proud to have graduated among such an impressive group of students, and I was fortunate to build many long-lasting friendships while I was at SMU.”

**ERIN C. CALLAHAN**

Erin Callahan was the first evening student to serve as Student Bar Association President since the program was resumed in 2005. During law school she worked as a law clerk for a global investment firm.

“I chose SMU Dedman School of Law because they offered something other law schools didn’t. SMU is more than a law school, it’s a community.”

On campus, Erin served as the Student Bar Association President, the Women in Law President, and the SBA Mentor Director. Erin is also involved in the Dallas community; she serves as a volunteer for several local organizations including Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), and she has served on the Board of Trustees for Atlantic Housing Foundation, Inc. Erin was awarded the 2010 DAYL Foundation Scholarship for community service and outreach.

“I never imaged that I would be opening my own practice at the end of my four years at SMU Dedman School of Law. I have had numerous opportunities because I went to law school at SMU, including visiting the Supreme Court, meeting Justice Sotomayor, speaking in front of the SMU Board of Trustees, and even speaking to the local Dallas Bar Association on Multigenerational Perspectives on the Practice of Law. SMU faculty, the deans, and the alumni believe in the students and support us in our endeavors. I chose SMU Dedman School of Law because they offered something other law schools didn’t. SMU is more than a law school, it’s a community.”

**ISAAC HAAS**

Isaac Haas graduated *magna cum laude* and Order of the Coif in May 2011 and attended SMU Dedman School of Law as a Hatton W. Sumners...
Scholar. Haas graduated from Baylor University with Bachelor of Business Administration degrees in Finance and Risk Management & Insurance.

During his time at the law school, Haas served in numerous capacities, including as president of the Christian Legal Society; as the Air Law Symposium Editor for the SMU Law Review Association; as Teaching Assistant to Professor Dan Shuman; and as a member of the Barristers, a Dedman School of Law service organization. Off campus, Haas volunteered at Mosaic Family Services, a local legal organization representing victims of human trafficking and domestic abuse, and Advocates for Community Transformation, a West Dallas non-profit organization defending the property rights of low-income residents.

"... they gave me the privilege to develop extremely positive relationships with classmates as future colleagues..."

"As someone with roots in the Dallas community, I chose SMU Dedman School of Law because I believed it would provide me with both a quality legal education in the classroom and an excellent point of entry into the sophisticated and dynamic Dallas business and legal communities. Not only did my time at Dedman School of Law validate those expectations, I was very pleasantly surprised to discover that the school cultivates just as strong of a community within the four buildings of the quad itself. I am very grateful that my three years at the law school were more than the excellent instruction I received; they gave me the privilege to develop extremely positive relationships with classmates as future colleagues, as well as countless members of the faculty and staff."

Haas will join the Dallas office of Jones Day as an associate in the fall of 2011.

**JOSHUA KOWERT**

Joshua Kowert recently graduated *cum laude* from the Dedman School of Law, after accelerating his graduation by one year. He started in the evening program so he could continue to work full time during the day as an adjunct economics professor at local community colleges.

While in law school, Joshua was a member of The Federalist Society and the Sports and Entertainment Law Association, volunteered in the Legal Education program, and served three years in the Student Bar Association, twice as a class representative, and his third year as the Treasurer.

"I chose SMU’s Dedman School of Law because of its reputation in Dallas. Its reputation among the legal community in the local area is second to none, and for good reason. The faculty consists of some of the brightest legal minds in Texas, the class sizes allow for intimate conversations and personal relationships with professors, and the alumni network around Dallas is invaluable to a recent graduate trying to find employment after graduation. While I could have gone to law school elsewhere, I don’t believe any other institution in Texas would better equip a student to network here in the Dallas/Ft. Worth Metroplex. I am extremely grateful for all the support and experiences I was given by SMU and its faculty."

**MONICA ADRIANO**

A Dallas native, Monica Adriano earned her bachelor’s degree in Psychology from SMU and began a teaching career. She also studied in Rome, Italy where she earned an M.B.A. in International Business from St. John’s University. In 2007, Monica began her studies at SMU Dedman School of Law as an evening student, working as a teacher by day and studying law in the evenings.

As a law student, Monica became president of the Hispanic Law Students Association and the only student member of the Dallas Hispanic Bar Association’s Law Student and Social Committees. During school, Monica worked for the U.S. government, first at the U.S. Attorney’s Office and then for the Department of Homeland Security. Monica also participated in SMU’s Criminal Justice Clinic, where she served as a student attorney at the Frank Crowley Courthouse. Monica and a handful of other law students participated in an SMU-sponsored trip to Washington, D.C., which included a question and answer session with Supreme Court Justice Sotomayor.

Monica speaks Spanish and Italian and has also studied French and Arabic. She hopes to be able to utilize her law degree to help others, especially the poor. Her areas of interest include immigration law, criminal law, civil rights litigation, and education law.

"I am fortunate to have attended..."
SMU law school. I have benefited from its prestige and from the unique opportunities it has offered me in the legal profession. For example, my Homeland Security internship was secured through the assistance of one of my law professors at SMU. Furthermore, my role as president of H.L.S.A. and my visit to the U.S. Supreme Court will forever connect me to the history of SMU as a student leader at SMU Dedman Law School. Thank you, SMU, for providing me the opportunity to evolve as a prominent student leader in the Dallas community and for providing me an impressive start to my legal career.”

Kent Workman was a police officer in a major metropolitan city for ten years before attending SMU Dedman School of Law. While working as a police officer, Kent also earned his M.B.A, and it was with thoughtful guidance from his professors that he considered which law school to attend.

“I wanted to attend a law school that was nationally recognized for its academic excellence, but one that also stood out for the opportunities it offered to the students.”

The outstanding faculty at SMU Dedman School of Law, combined with the exceptional extracurricular opportunities offered at SMU, gave me a legal education that will be a solid foundation upon which to build my legal career. I was given the opportunity to learn and grow in ways that were not possible within the confines of the classroom. I feel that my extracurricular activities taught me nearly as much as what I learned in the classroom.”

Kent is hoping to parlay his previous experience and education into a promising legal career in Dallas, or in other locales, as opportunities may arise.

Amy Bellah graduated with a bachelor’s degree in history from SMU. During her time at SMU Dedman School of Law, she was elected Editor-in-Chief of the SMU Law Review. Amy also served as a Teaching Assistant for Professor Hubbard’s legal writing class and as a tutor to first year students for Professor Epstein’s contracts class. While a Staff Editor on the SMU Law Review, Amy’s casenote was nominated for the Best Casenote Award and was published by the Journal of Air Law and Commerce. Ms. Bellah spent a semester serving clients in the SMU Child Advocacy Clinic. Amy graduated summa cum laude and Order of the Coif in May 2011. This fall she will begin her practice with the estate planning section of the Dallas office of Haynes and Boone.

“I chose to attend SMU Dedman School of Law because I knew that SMU was able to offer a wide variety of educational opportunities and challenges while still providing a close-knit community environment. I am thankful that during my time at SMU I was able to pursue a challenging legal education while also developing relationships with many of my classmates, faculty members, and SMU alumni that will continue on through my years of practice.”
ALAA OMAR ALSABBAAH
Saudi Arabia

Alaa Omar Alsabbah is from Makkah, Saudi Arabia. He graduated from Umm Al-Qura University in 2007 with a Bachelors Degree in Islamic Law and a minor in Education. After graduation, he taught in both public and private schools. In 2009, Alaa came to the United States with three goals in mind: learn a new language, complete his Masters Degree, and complete his Doctoral Degree. Alaa has achieved his first two goals, learning English and earning his Master of Laws Degree (LL.M) from SMU Dedman School of Law in 2011. He is now working on his Doctor of the Science of Law Degree (S.J.D.) at SMU Dedman Law. Alaa has chosen to focus on the area of International Commercial Contracts in his S.J.D. Program.

“I chose SMU Dedman School of Law because I wanted to attend a university that offers not only the LL.M. Program, but also the S.J.D. Program. Also, the weather in Dallas was a lot like my home in Makkah, and I had heard from other Saudi students that SMU Dedman School of Law was a great place to be,” said Alaa.

After SMU, he plans to return to Saudi Arabia to teach, work with governmental and non-governmental organizations, and, eventually, open his own law firm.

HAITING ZHANG
China

Haiting Zhang earned an LL.M. and then an S.J.D. in 2011 from SMU Dedman School of Law. Before attending SMU, Haiting was an associate professor at Central University for Nationalities Law School in Beijing. He has earned a Ph.D. in Chinese Constitution from Beijing University Law School, an LL.M. from China University for Political Science and Law, and an LL.B. from Henan University in China.

“After attending a speech by Dean Attanasio in Beijing, I learned more about this great law school and its prestigious international program. I chose SMU to pursue further S.J.D. studies on Comparative and International Law which deepened my understanding in these areas,” said Haiting.

Haiting says he attended SMU Dedman Law because of its worldwide connection and its special attention to international students. He was especially drawn to the school because he feels students benefit from the carefully-designed mentoring program. His personal attorney mentor became a life-long family friend.

Based on his work at SMU Dedman Law, he has published articles in academic law journals both in China and in the U.S., and his dissertation is currently being considered for publication. Haiting plans to continue to pursue an academic career.

AHMED ALJOMAIE
Saudi Arabia

Ahmed Aljomaie, a citizen of Saudi Arabia, is working on his Doctor of the Science of Law (S.J.D.) at SMU Dedman School of Law. He already holds a Master of Laws Degree (LL.M.) in Comparative and International Law from SMU Dedman, in addition to a Bachelors Degree in Law from Philadelphia University in Jordan. About continuing his legal education at SMU Dedman Law, Ahmed commented, “I consider this to be the best decision I have made.”

After receiving his Bachelors Degree, Ahmed decided to continue his higher education and chose to come to America. He looked at the top schools in his field and found SMU Dedman School of Law. “The education I received at SMU Dedman Law has created an amazing foundation that will carry me through my law career,” said Ahmed. For that reason, Ahmed chose to earn his S.J.D. degree from SMU Dedman Law. He says he enjoyed the opportunity, and found it to be a great experience, to be involved in organizations such as the Saudi Student Association, the SMU Human Rights Legal Association, the Muslim Law Student Association, and other organizations at SMU Dedman Law.
SMU DEDMAN SCHOOL OF LAW continues to attract top international scholars from around the world. The 2010-2011 class came from 43 countries and 17 legal jurisdictions. In 1950, SMU Dedman School of Law established LL.M. programs for international lawyers and the graduates of the programs from over 80 countries have included many prominent jurists, government officials, attorneys, and business people.

For more information on the International Program, visit the www.smu.edu/law website and click under Academics.
Left: THE HONORABLE JUSTICE PIUS NTONZO LANGA, Former Chief Justice of the Constitutional Court of South Africa, gave the Hooding Ceremony speech.
TAILGATE PARTIES!
Please join us for FUN, FRIENDS, & FOOD!

Saturday, September 10, 2011
SMU vs. UTEP

Saturday, September 17, 2011
SMU vs. Northwestern State (Family Weekend)

Saturday, October 15, 2011
SMU vs. UCF

Saturday, November 5, 2011
SMU vs. Tulane (Homecoming)

Saturday, November 12, 2011
SMU vs. Navy

Saturday, November 26, 2011
SMU vs. Rice

Note: All times for kickoff at home games are to be determined due to television coverage of the SMU Mustangs.

Visit the law school website closer to the season for official start times of games and tailgate parties.

www.smu.edu/law
REUNION WEEKEND started on Friday afternoon with a Free 1.0 hour Ethics CLE and Alumni Reception open to all classes. Professor Joe McKnight also gave tours of his Rare Book Room Collection. On Saturday, the law school hosted its annual alumni reunions at the W Hotel in Victory Park. Attendees enjoyed a combined class cocktail reception followed by individual class dinners.

To view photos from the event, visit: http://smudedmanschooloflaweventphotos.shutterfly.com
SAN ANTONIO
STATE BAR RECEPTION

Thursday, June 23, 2011
Adelfa Callejo was honored with the 2010 La Luz Achievement Award by the Dallas Hispanic Bar Association at the “Lighting the Path to Legal Education” scholarship and awards banquet at the Belo Mansion on September 30, 2010.

Callejo moved with her family from Millet to Dallas after high school and attended night school at SMU while continuing to support her family. She moved to California in 1945 to help her brother who had been blinded during World War II. While there, she became a successful entrepreneur and met her husband William “Bill” F. Callejo. The couple returned to Dallas in 1951, where she resumed studies at SMU, earning her J.D. and undergraduate degrees concurrently. She was the first Hispanic woman to earn a J.D. from SMU Dedman School of Law. Callejo has been a champion for the underprivileged ever since.

A founding member of the DHBA, Callejo has mentored young, mostly Latina attorneys over the past 20 years and has helped diversify the organization by including members from all socio-economic spheres and legal practice areas. Over the years, Callejo has become known for her sincerity, ambition, and outspoken and opinionated personality, inspiring young attorneys to pursue their goals—even in the face of obstacles—one the road to achievement.
JACK KNOX ’63 RECEIVES HUMANITARIAN AWARD

Jack Knox received the Man’s Best Friend Award from Paws in the City during their annual Top Hat & Tails event on June 18, 2011. He received the Humanitarian of the Year Award from Operation Kindness in 2005.

Knox has an ongoing interest in the well-being of animals, serving on the Advisory Board of Directors of the Texas Humane Legislative Network and as a member of the Advisory Committee to the City of Dallas Animal Shelter Commission. His dogs and cat are rescue animals.

Knox has also served on the Board of Trustees of Medical City Hospital in Dallas, Friends of Scott and White Hospital in Temple, M.D. Anderson Hospital Board of Visitors in Houston, and Board of Directors of the Metropolitan YMCA in Dallas. He is founder and president of the Fund for Sick Children, a private foundation that supplies medicine and equipment to hospitals and doctors in third-world countries.

Knox is general partner of Six Flags Over Texas Fund Ltd. and president of Café Pacific, Inc., which was recently recognized as the “Best Seafood Restaurant in Dallas” by D Magazine in its 2011 issue of “The Best of Big D.” Beyond his work as a humanitarian and restaurateur, Knox is involved in ranching and was a part of the oil and gas industry for thirty years after graduation from law school. Knox also serves on the Executive Board at SMU Dedman School of Law.

1964
The Honorable Billy D. Mills was profiled in the May 30, 2011 issue of Texas Lawyer after serving 35 years on the bench.

1965
Gayle Cannon was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of franchise law.

C.L. Mike Schmidt was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the fields of mass tort litigation and personal injury litigation.

Windle Turley was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of personal injury litigation.

1966
George W. Bramblett Jr. was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the fields of bet-the-company litigation, commercial litigation, legal malpractice law, and securities/capital markets law.

Joseph F. Canterbury was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of construction law.

Jack M. Kinnebrew was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of transportation law.

Lawrence J. Bramian was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of employee benefits (ERISA) law.

Michael M. Boone was inducted into the Junior Achievement Dallas Business Hall of Fame and was named one of the 25 greatest lawyers of the past quarter-century by Texas Lawyer. He was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the fields of corporate governance and compliance law, and corporate law.

Sam P. Burford Jr. was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of corporate law.

1967
Harry Edward Bartel received the 2011 Professional Advisor Award by the Community Foundation of North Texas, and was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of employee benefits (ERISA) law.

Eldon Lee Youngblood was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of real estate law.

1968
Lawrence J. Bramian was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of real estate law.

Jim Burnham was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of criminal defense: non-white-collar.

1969
Frank L. Branson III was selected by the American Bar Association’s Tort Trial & Insurance Practice Section as a recipient of the “Pursuit of Justice” award. He also was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the fields of medical malpractice law, personal injury litigation, product liability litigation, and professional malpractice law.

Paul Van Slyke was recognized in the inaugural edition of World Trademark Review 1000 as a leading national trademark practitioner.

1970
James P. Bradley was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of intellectual property law.

Ernest E. Figari Jr. was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the fields of bet-the-company litigation, commercial litigation, and securities/capital markets law.

Charles F. Plenge was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of health care law.
FRANK BRANSON ’69, ’74 NAMED 2010 OUTSTANDING TRIAL LAWYER BY DALLAS BAR ASSOCIATION

Frank L. Branson was named the 2010 Outstanding Trial Lawyer by the Dallas Bar Association and also received the SMU Dedman School of Law Distinguished Alumni Award for Private Practice. He is a former president of the Executive Committee of SMU Dedman School of Law.

Branson grew up in a small town west of Fort Worth and attended TCU. He was accepted to SMU Dedman School of Law during his junior year as part of a “3 and 3” program. Branson earned his LL.M. in 1974 and, in 1978, formed the Law Offices of Frank L. Branson, P.C., specializing in product liability, catastrophic injury, professional negligence, commercial transportation injuries, and business torts. He has a reputation for innovative, scientific methods.

Branson has earned multiple career accolades in Texas and across the country. The American Bar Association honored him with its Pursuit of Justice Award, and Forbes named him one of the 50 most successful trial lawyers in the U.S. He has been listed in Best Lawyers in America since 1987, Texas Super Lawyer by Texas Monthly, and “Best Lawyers in Dallas” by D Magazine.

Branson’s leadership in professional organizations includes past presidencies of the Southern Trial Lawyers Association, Dallas Trial Lawyers Association, and Dallas Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates.
Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of real estate law.

Steven R. Jenkins was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of real estate law.

Ralph C. “Red Dog” Jones was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of personal injury litigation.

Thomas E. Kurth was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the fields of commercial litigation and oil & gas law.

Emily A. Parker was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of tax law.

N. Henry Simpson III was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of commercial litigation.

James Richard White was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of real estate law.

1974

Roger Q. Beck was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of transportation law.

George E. Bowles was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the fields of bet-the-company litigation, commercial litigation, and construction law.

Ben A. Brooks III was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of public finance law.

Edward O. Caultas was named partner at K&L Gates.

James N. Cowden was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of oil & gas law.

Elliott S. Garsek was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of banking and finance law.

Tom Groves was selected for inclusion in the 2010 Dallas “Top Lawyers” by LexisNexis.

Douglas A. Harrison was named to the 2010 Texas Super Lawyers list, and was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of family law.

William R. Hays III was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of corporate law.

Gary L. Ingram was named a 2010 Texas Super Lawyer, and was selected as a “Top Attorney” by Fort Worth, Texas magazine. He also was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of labor and employment law.

Gary S. Kessler was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of commercial litigation.

Judge Terry Means had a profile published in the February 28, 2011 issue of Texas Lawyer; his wife JoAnn ’74 was also included in the article.

Charles H. Smith was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of transportation law.

Marjorie J. Stephens was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of transportation law.

1975

Thomas Orr Barton was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of transportation law.

James B. Davis was named Miami Area Employee Benefits Lawyer of the Year by Best Lawyers 2011.

Craig T. Enoch formed Enoch Kever with Andrew Kever. He also was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of antitrust law.

Rusty Hardin was named one of the 25 greatest lawyers of the past quarter-century by Texas Lawyer.

Clarke Heidrick Jr. was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the fields of banking and finance law, corporate law, and mergers & acquisitions law.

David C. Lonergan was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of antitrust law, bet-the-company litigation, and securities/capital markets law.

Timothy R. McCormick was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the fields of antitrust law, bet-the-company litigation, and securities/capital markets law.

Steven R. McCown was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of labor and employment law.

Andrew N. Meyercord was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of antitrust law.

William D. Ratliff III was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of personal injury litigation.

Rusty Hardin was named one of the 25 greatest lawyers of the past quarter-century by Texas Lawyer.

Deirdre B. Ruckman was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of commercial litigation.

1976

Michael D. Allen was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of transportation law.

Lydia Wommack Barton was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of employee benefits (ERISA) law.

William A. Bratton was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of criminal defense: non-white-collar.

Duncan Clore was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of construction law.

Robert Dransfield was elected as a Fellow of the American College of Bond Counsel, and was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of public finance law.

Stephen A. Goodwin was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of bankruptcy and creditor debtor rights/insolvency and reorganization law.

Dowe D. Gullatt was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of government relations practice.

Philip S. Haag was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of environmental law.
Edward Rust, Jr. '75 Elected Vice Chairman of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce

Edward B. Rust, Jr., elected vice chairman of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce by its board of directors, succeeds former vice chairman John Ruan of Ruan Transportation Management, who is now chairman of the board of directors.

“Ed is a leader on almost every major issue the Chamber has been working on,” said U.S. Chamber President and CEO Thomas J. Donohue. “He is always the first person to step up to the plate to offer his time and energy to this institution.”

Rust gave the SMU Dedman School of Law Hooding Ceremony Address last year, discussing the evolving nature of law and how the practice has changed since his own graduation.

Rust currently serves as chairman of the board and CEO of State Farm. He joined the company’s Dallas regional office in 1975 and became president and chief executive ten years later, holding his position as chairman of the board for the past 23 years. Rust is also on the boards of America’s Promise Alliance, The James B. Hunt, Jr. Institute for Educational Leadership and Policy, and Achieve, Inc. Former chairmanships include American Enterprise Institute, Financial Services Roundtable, National Alliance of Business, Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, Business-Higher Education Forum, and Business Roundtable’s Education Initiative.
Barry Sorrels was elected president of the Dallas Bar Association. He also was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the fields of corporate governance and compliance law, corporate law, mergers & acquisitions law, and venture capital law.

1979

Bruce Anton was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of criminal defense: non-white-collar.

R. Scott Cohen joined the Dallas office of Jones Day as a partner in the mergers and acquisitions practice. He was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the fields of corporate law, and mergers & acquisitions law.

Sanford R. Denison was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of labor and employment law.

Tim Gavin was re-elected as managing partner of Carrington, Coleman, Sloman & Blumenthal, L.L.P. He also was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of commercial litigation.

Richard B. Hemingway Jr. joined Thompson & Knight as managing partner of the firm’s Houston office.

1980

R. Michael Farquhar was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of bankruptcy and creditor debtor rights/insolvency and reorganization law.

Eugene J. Flynn was a finalist in the Texas Bar Journal 2011 Short Story Fiction Writing Contest. Her story can be found online at texasbar.com/tbj.

Patricia F. Meadows was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of immigration law.

Larry Hance spoke at the 2010 State Bar Annual Meeting at the inauguration of the State Bar Collaborative Law Section in Fort Worth. He also was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of family law.

Johnathon K. Hustis spoke at the Entrepreneur Information Series sponsored by Baylor Angel Network.

John V. Jansonius was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of labor and employment law.

Peter Alan Lodwick was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the fields of corporate governance and compliance law, corporate law, and securities/capital markets law.

Richard H. Lottman was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of transportation law.

Don McDonald opened Parker-McDonald, P.C., with Brad Parker.

Brian D. Melton was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of commercial litigation.

Marsha Hunter received the Outstanding Sole Practitioner Award from the Dallas Volunteer Attorney Program.

Bob Jewell was named Dealmaker of the Week by Texas Lawyer for the pending merger-of-equals of Houston’s Frontier Oil Corp. and Holly Corp. of Dallas.

J. Kenneth Kopf was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of real estate law.

Brian M. Lidji was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of corporate law, and structured finance law.

James W. McKeelar was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the fields of banking and finance law, and structured finance law.

James H. Moody III was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of insurance law.

Trevor Rees-Jones was selected to receive the 2011 Methodist Health System Folsom Leadership Award from United Methodist Hospital.
MARK WERBNER ’78 NAMED TRIAL LAWYER OF THE YEAR BY DALLAS BAR ASSOCIATION

Mark Werbner was honored with the Dallas Bar Association’s Trial Lawyer of the Year Award at the 2011 Bench Bar Conference in Horseshoe Bay on September 22, 2011.

Werbner began his legal career at Carrington Coleman, where he and fellow attorney Dick Sayles first began working together. In 1994, they formed Sayles Werbner with the goal of handling large, complex cases in a small-firm environment. Specializing in complex business litigation, catastrophic personal injury, and white-collar criminal defense, Werbner is known for tireless trial preparation and a willingness to put faith in the jury. His multiple high-profile cases have been covered by a variety of national media, and he is currently involved in an international terrorism lawsuit as lead counsel for terrorism victims.

Werbner is a Fellow in the American College of Trial Lawyers and in the International Society of Barristers. He is also a master in the Patrick E. Higginbotham Inn of Court. He consistently ranks among the top lawyers regionally and nationally by The National Law Journal, Dallas Business Journal, D Magazine, and Texas Monthly, as well as other notable publications.
RON BARGER ’81 HONORED WITH THE ROBERT H. DEDMAN AWARD FOR ETHICS AND LAW

Ron Barger was awarded the Robert H. Dedman Award for Ethics and Law, established by the General Counsel Forum and SMU Dedman School of Law to honor the school’s namesake and recognize one corporate attorney each year for furthering law and ethics.

Barger has served as chairman of the General Counsel Forum and presently sits on its national and state boards, as well as the boards of his alma maters, SMU Dedman School of Law and the University of Illinois. He is a member of the Law School Executive Board and a Campaign Co-Chair for the Law School Campaign Steering Committee.

Active in community efforts in Texas and Illinois, Barger is a member of St. Andrew United Methodist Church, where he chairs the Staff Parish Relations Committee and is on the Executive and Administrative councils. He is a board member of Texas Sports Medicine Foundation and supports Lead SI, a Southern Illinois organization that promotes youth leadership.

The awards dinner helps fund the Forrest Smith General Counsel Forum Scholarship. Awarded annually to an SMU Dedman School of Law student to further law and ethics, the scholarship is named after a founding father of the General Counsel Forum.
Sarah Ruth Saldaña for U.S. Attorney has been confirmed as the U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Texas.

“Ms. Saldaña is the epitome of what a U.S. Attorney should be: she not only possesses stellar qualifications and is well-respected in her profession, but she has the incredible judgment, commitment to the community, and sense of justice necessary to serve the Northern District of Texas well,” said Diana S. Sen, president of the Hispanic National Bar Association.

Saldaña has taught legal writing and research methods at SMU Dedman School of Law and is a member of the SMU Law Alumni Association Council. She began her career as a law clerk to the Honorable Barefoot Sanders, spent 20 years in practice, then returned to the U.S. Attorney’s office for the Northern District of Texas as Assistant U.S. Attorney.

“SMU Dedman Law is proud to have Sara Ruth Saldaña as an alumna, and we are very pleased that she is being recognized in such a significant way,” said Dean Attanasio.

Saldaña has served on Dallas Bar Association committees and is a member of the William Mac Taylor Inn of Court and the Dallas and Texas Bar Foundations. Saldaña has won numerous awards for her exemplary work at the United States Attorney’s Office.
MARY KORBY '84 PRESENTED SARAH T. HUGHES WOMEN LAWYERS OF ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Mary Korby received the Sarah T. Hughes Women Lawyers of Achievement Award presented by the Women and the Law Section of the State Bar of Texas. The award honors the accomplishments of women who have achieved outstanding recognition in their professional area and influenced the success of other female attorneys.

Korby is a corporate partner in the Dallas office of Weil, Gotschal & Manges LLP where she focuses on mergers and acquisitions. She has been included in multiple state, national, and international “best lawyers” lists, and has represented multiple high-profile clients during corporate sales valued in the billions of dollars.

The first female federal judge in Texas, Sarah T. Hughes is widely recognized for administering the oath of office to Lyndon Johnson aboard Air Force One.

Daniel L. Butcher was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of tax law.
Chandler L. Grisham opened an office for the practice of law, the Law Offices of Chandler L. Grisham.
Frank G. Merlino has written Stream of Consciousness, a fiction novel about a presidential candidate.
Kathryn J. Murphy was selected president of the Texas Chapter of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers for 2010-2011 and was the co-course director of the State Bar of Texas New Frontiers in Matrimonial Property Law Course. She also was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of family law.
Georganna L. Simpson co-authored an article, “Family Law,” that was published in the January 2011 issue of the Texas Bar Journal. She was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of family law.
Scott Weber was a finalist in the Texas Bar Journal 2011 Short Story Fiction Writing Contest. His story can be found online at texasbar.com/tbj.

1990
Van H. Beckwith was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the fields of commercial litigation and communications law.
Cynthia S. Buhr was appointed as Senior Vice President and General Counsel at the Dallas corporate office of PrimeLending.
Andrew L. Campbell was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of real estate law.
Mark Early was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the fields of corporate law, and mergers & acquisitions law.
Peter Gunas was promoted to Government Affairs Officer, Retirement Security & Tax Policy, at the Investment Company Institute.

1991
David Beverly joined Fishman Jackson Luebker.
Debbie Brascum published her article ‘Assistant U.S. Attorney Speaks at Houston Quarterly Event’ in the April 4, 2011 issue of Texas Lawyer.
Tom D. Caudle joined the insurance/commercial litigation boutique firm Schubert & Evans, P.C. in Dallas as Of Counsel.

1992
Ann Marie Cowdey was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of corporate law.
E.F. “Mano” DeAyala became a partner in Buck Keenan.
Denise Scofield was inducted president of the Houston Bar Association.
Tom Yoxall was elected to the Executive Committee of Locke Lord Bissell & Liddell LLP.

1993
Kelly E. Bryan joined Hersche, Hayward, Drakeley & Urback, P.C.
Sean Hamada was elected secretary-treasurer of the Dallas Bar Association.
Greg Hidalgo represented Odyssey HealthCare Inc. in its $1 billion sale by merger to Gentiva Health Services Inc., one of the largest acquisitions in the healthcare industry.
Wei Wei Jeang joined Andrews Kurth in Dallas as a partner in the intellectual property section.
Chris Joe formed Buether Joe & Carpenter, LLC.
M. Brenk Johnson was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of labor and employment law. Jed Lackman became Vice President, Business & Legal Affairs, at NBC Universal. Sally A. Longroy was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of environmental law. She also published her article “Help Clients Comply With the EPA Lead-Paint Rule” in the March 21, 2011 issue of Texas Lawyer. Linda M. Stimmel joined Wilson Elser as a partner. John A. Zervopoulos, Ph.D., J.D. addressed the 47th Annual Conference of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC) in Denver.

1994

Jeffrey O. Anderson was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of family law. Jeffrey Ansley joined Curran Tomko Tarski LLP in the white-collar and securities enforcement defense division.

Cynthia J. Bishop was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of environmental law.

Jeff Brooks became a partner at Armstrong Teasdale in the firm’s government relations practice.

Michael Cortez was added to the Dallas office of Phillips & Ritter.

Terry G. Freeman joined the business section of McClatchey Stafford in Dallas as Of Counsel.


Polly Reo O’Toole received certification by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization in Family Law.

Mark Platt was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of bankruptcy and creditor debtor rights/insolvency and reorganization law.

Robert Wiegard was elected to serve as a vice president on the Executive Committee for Godwin Ronquillo PC.

1995

Michael Alessio was elected to the Executive Committee of Winstead PC.

Jamal N. Aliabhai was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of intellectual property litigation.

Ronald W. Chapman Jr. was selected as a member of Law360’s 2011 Employment Editorial Advisory Board and was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of labor and employment law.

Anne L. Cook was named a shareholder at Cozen O’Connor.

Erin Nealy Cox was promoted to Executive Managing Director of Stroz Friedberg, and appointed to the firm’s Executive Committee.

Todd A. Fisher was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of information technology law.

Steven T. Holmes joined McClatchey Stafford in Dallas as Of Counsel in the commercial litigation section.

Charles Kennedy was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of elder law.

1996

Monica S. Blacker was elected partner at Andrews Kurth, and was named among the Texas Super Lawyers—Texas Rising Stars by Texas Monthly magazine and Law & Politics.

Jeffrey R. Erler was elected as a Fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation, and was named among the Texas Super Lawyers—Texas Rising Stars by Texas Monthly magazine and Law & Politics.

John G. Fischer joined Scheel & Stone L.L.P. in Dallas.

Lisa Haines retired after twelve years as a prosecutor in the Tarrant County District Attorney’s Office and opened her own practice in Fort Worth.

Kimberly Lafferty formed Lafferty & Slayton PLLC, specializing in commercial litigation and governmental law.

Jennifer Patterson joined Winstead’s Austin office as Of Counsel in the firm’s taxation, employee benefits, and private business practice group.

Jennifer Stephens was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of general litigation.

Tracey Wallace joined the firm of Jackson Walker as a partner in the labor and employment group, and spoke at the Lavender Law Conference in Miami, Florida. She was named a Lawyer of Style for the third annual Fashion Cited show in Dallas to raise funds for the Legal Hospice of Texas.

1997

Aaron Allred joined Jackson Walker’s Commercial & Securities group in Dallas, and was named partner. He also was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of mergers & acquisitions.

M. Scott Barnard was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Scott J. Becker was appointed as judge of the 219th District Court in Collin County.

Todd E. Betanzos was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business/corporate law.

Stephanie D. Clouston was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

J. Garth Fennegan was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business/corporate law.

Laura Benitez Geisler was elected to the Board of Directors for the Dallas Bar Association and was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of personal injury plaintiff: general.

Kelly D. Hine was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Jennifer L. Keefe was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Kyle C. Krpota was named to the Investment Dealers’ Digest annual “40 Under 40” list.

Rocky Lawderrmilk was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of personal injury plaintiff: general.

Todd Martin joined CoreLogic Inc. in Westlake as vice president and associate general counsel.

Debbie Robinowitz was elected a partner in the finance group of Jackson Walker.

Lee H. Shidlofsky opened the Shidlofsky Law Firm PLLC and published “Insurance Law” in the January 2011 issue of the Texas Bar Journal. He also was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of construction law and insurance law.

Laura P. Sims joined the firm Crouch & Ramey, L.L.P. and published her article “Guideposts on Commercial Lease Defaults” in the April 2011 Headnotes.

Suzanne Swanson joined Bowman and Brooke LLP in Dallas as a partner, and was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of personal injury defense: products.

Angela Zambrano was elected a Fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation, and was named one of Five Outstanding Young Dallasites (FOYD) by the Dallas Junior Chamber of Commerce. She also was named among the Texas Super Lawyers—Texas Rising Stars by Texas Monthly magazine and Law & Politics, and was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

1998

Zahara Alarakhia was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of mergers & acquisitions.

Melinda Y. Balli was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of general litigation.

Ronald Roy Cresswell was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the fields of non-profit/charities law and transportation law.

Amy Curtis was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of mergers & acquisitions.

Daniel M. Deaton was elected as a partner at Nixon Peabody.

David J. Drez, II joined Wick Phillips & Martin, LLP in Fort Worth as a partner.

Aimee Perilloux Fagan was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Ryan K. Higgins was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Elaine T. Lenoohan was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of professional liability: defense.

Jason T. Mackey was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of general litigation.

Bradley C. Mall was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Jeffrey K. Malonson was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of securities & corporate finance.

Alan J. Marcuis was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of securities & corporate finance.

Tonya Parker was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.
Carrie Johnson Phaneuf was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of professional liability: defense.

Paul A. Pilbosian became a partner in Hoover Slovacek LLP.

Kevin Robinowitz was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of employment & labor.

Lori Lustberg Smith was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of real estate.

Derek Sparks joined Gordon & Rees in Dallas as an associate.

William R. Weinberg became a shareholder in Quilling, Selander, Lownds, Winslett & Moser, P.C. and was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of real estate.

1999

Chad J. Arnette was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Kristopher S. Barber was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of personal injury plaintiff: general.

C. Shawn Cleveland was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of securities litigation.

Patrick J. Conroy was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of intellectual property litigation.

Tricia R. DeLeon was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Stephen Mark Dollar was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of securities litigation.

Lowell W. Harrison was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of banking.

Phillip Hayes was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of criminal defense.

Amanda Inabnett joined Looper Reed & McGraw as an attorney in the Dallas office and was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of employment & labor law.

Jonathan C. Leatherberry was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Jenny Martinez was elected to serve as a vice president on the Executive Committee for Godwin Ronquillo.

Douglas McCullough joined Phillips & Reiter in Houston as an attorney.

Jennifer Evans Morris published "Becoming the Go-To Lawyer" in the July 2010 issue of the Texas Bar Journal.

Deno DeNooyer Stroh was named partner of Gruber Hurst Johansen Hall Shink LLP and was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Matt R. Pickelman was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of professional liability: defense.

Jason P. Shanks was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

The Honorable Gena Slaughter discussed her preference on how attorneys file motions at a roundtable discussion with four other judges that was published in the May 30, 2011 issue of Texas Lawyer.

Deno DeNooyer Stroh was named partner of Gruber Hurst Johansen Hall Shink LLP and was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of insurance coverage.

Aimee Williams joined Godwin Ronquillo as a shareholder and was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

2000

Michael S. Alfred was named and was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Jeffrey Brown became a partner at Bell Nunnally & Martin LLP in Dallas.

Hilaree A. Casado was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business appellate law.

Stewart Clancy was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Aimee Minick Furness was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Jack A. Walters III was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of consumer litigation.

Jennifer Balch Grace was named partner at Curran Tomko Tarksi LLP and was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business/corporate law.

Ryan M. Grant was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of criminal defense.

Gwendolyn B. Hawk became the Community Relationship Developer for Kaplan Test Prep & Admissions in the Kansas City area.

John Howie Jr. was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of personal injury plaintiff: general.

Eric W. Kimball was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of securities & corporate finance.

Jason T. Little joined McLinchesy Stafford in Dallas as an associate in the consumer financial services section.

Jeffrey M. McPhaul was promoted to partner of Munck Carter and was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of securities & corporate finance.

David Minches formed Mize, Minches & Clark PC with David G. Clark ‘03 and Katherine Mize.

James F. Parker III was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Robert K. Radcliff joined Langley Weinstein LLP as a partner and was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Jenifer Balch Grace was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

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Robert K. Radcliff joined Langley Weinstein LLP as a partner and was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Rebecca Raper was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of insurance coverage.

David D. Rapp became a partner in Barlow Garsek & Simon.

C. Shawn Cleveland named a Texas Rising Star in the field of securities litigation.

Franklin D. Davis was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Rebecca Raper was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

David D. Rapp was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of securities litigation.

Derek D. Rollins was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

J. Quitman Stephens joined Cantey Hanger in Fort Worth as a partner.

Aaron Z. Tobin was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Noelle Garske relocated to the Fort Worth office of Winstead, and was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of real estate.

Zachary M. Garske became a partner in Barlow Garske & Simon.

Greta E. Golsbey was elected shareholder at Winstead PC.

John A. Harper III was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of employment & labor.

Michelle Hartmann was named a partner at Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP and was named among the Texas Super Lawyers-Texas Rising Stars by Texas Monthly magazine and Law & Politics.

Melissa M. Hicks was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of securities & corporate finance.

Barrett R. Howell was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of criminal defense: white-collar.

Kathleen M. Kennedy was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of personal injury defense: general.

Nancy Kennedy was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of criminal defense.

Chad A. Key was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of real estate and was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of real estate law.

Gary S. Kitchen was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of intellectual property litigation.

Brian P. Lauten was recognized by the Dallas Trial Lawyers Association for the John Howie Award for "Courage in the Face of Adversity," along with Charla Aldous ’85. He also was inducted into the Dallas Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates. He published "Commercial Litigation" in the January 2011 issue of the Texas Bar Journal and was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of general litigation.

Shaun N. Lyons joined Gordon & Rees in the Austin office as an associate.

Barbara Nicholas published her article "Five Deadlines Every Lawyer Should Calendar." in the Austin Journal.
JENNIFER TOBIN ’01 NAMED OUTSTANDING YOUNG LAWYER OF 2010

Jennifer Tobin was named Outstanding Young Lawyer of 2010 by the Dallas Association of Young Lawyers. According to selection guidelines, nominees must be under the age of 37, exemplify professional proficiency, and serve the profession and the community.

Tobin earned her undergraduate degree from SMU and J.D. from SMU Dedman School of Law. While at SMU, she spent two summers working on international studies at University College in Oxford. She is currently a shareholder at Geary, Porter & Donovan, P.C.

Tobin’s numerous leadership roles include president and board of directors for Junior League of Dallas and the Elan Circle of the Dallas Symphony Orchestra; board of directors for the Lee Park Conservancy and The Family Place Partners; and chair positions for Dallas Museum of Art Junior Associates Circle, Community Partners of Dallas Partnership, and Heroes for Children. Her professional memberships include the American Bar Association, State Bar of Texas, Dallas Bar Association, Texas Young Lawyers Association, State Bar of Texas Property Tax Committee, Commercial Real Estate Women—Dallas, and SMU Real Estate Society. She served on the Foundation Board of Directors for the Dallas Association of Young Lawyers and was president of the board of directors for North Texas Association of Assessing Officers.

Rising Star in the field of business litigation.
Andrew J. Passons was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of family law.

Robert Ramirez was appointed as Judge of County Court at Law No. 2 in Denton County.

Thomas H. Reeger II was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of intellectual property litigation.

Jennifer M. Rynell was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of intellectual property litigation.

Michael L. Schneiderman was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business/corporate law.

Jamey L. Voge was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of construction litigation.

Luke A. Weedon was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of banking and was selected for inclusion in Texas’ Best Lawyers 2011 in the field of project finance law.

Eric S. Williams was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of mergers & acquisitions.

Luis G. Zambrano was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

2002
William J. Akins was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business/corporate law.

Michael D. Anderson was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Janet Sobey Bubert became a shareholder in Brackett & Ellis and was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of schools & education.

Neil R. Burger was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Lark A. Campbell joined Gordon & Rees in the new Austin office as an associate.

Robert M. Chance was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of employment & labor.

Vishal Chandler was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of immigration.

Craig Crafton was named a member of Cozen O’Connor’s Global Insurance Group in Dallas, and published his article “SoundExchange” in the December 2010 issue of Headnotes.

Anthony P. Daddino was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of tax law.

Richard D. Deutsch was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of international law.

Joseph Dirk was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of construction litigation.

James J. Doyle III was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Jason F. Franklin was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of personal injury plaintiff: general.

M. Scott Fuller became a partner of the intellectual property group at Locke Lord Bissell & Liddell LLP in Dallas.

David Patrick Good was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of tax law.

Robert L. Guerra Jr. was elected a partner of Royston, Rayzor, Vickery & Williams, L.L.P.

Erin Hendricks became an associate of Parker-McDonald, P.C.


Dyan M. House was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of insurance coverage.

Brent T. Huddleston was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of immigration.

Justin B. Kimble became a partner at Shore Chan Bragalone DePumps LLP and was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of intellectual property litigation.

Michael J. Lang was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Deborah L. Lively was elected partner at Thompson & Knight and was selected as a Texas Rising Star in the field of intellectual property.

Ross S. Martin was elected partner at Kelly Hart & Hallman.

Paige Holden Montgomery was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

C. Jeffrey Novell was elected a Director at Kane Russell Coleman & Logan and named a Texas Rising Star in business litigation.

Kristina M. Oropeza was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Joseph P. Regan was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Bevan Rhine joined Cobb Martine Woodward PLLC and was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of personal injury defense: general.

Chad E. Robinson was named a Texas Rising Star in business litigation.

Alan J. Rosenberg was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of insurance coverage.

Nancy A. Sarmiento was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of mergers & acquisitions.

David C. Schultz was elected partner at Thompson & Knight and was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Evan P. Singer was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of securities litigation.

Stephanie M. Smith joined Cooley LLP.

M. Seth Sosolik became a shareholder at Kromey Morse Lan P.C. and was
named a Texas Rising Star in the field of tax law.
Amanda Sotak was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.
Cory M. Sutker was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of personal injury defense: medical malpractice.

Todd J. Thorson became a partner of the corporate and international groups of Locke Lord Bisell & Liddell LLP in Dallas.

Kelly C. Walker was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business/corporate law.

Raymond E. Walker was named a Texas Rising Star in business litigation.

Jason Alan West was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Jessica Brown Wilson was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of employment & labor.

2003
Ashley E. Altick was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Spencer P. Browne was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of personal injury plaintiff: general.

Alan Bush was recently honored by the Houston CPA Society as Speaker of the Year for 2010–2011, for his contribution to the organization.

Jesse Bush Butler was promoted to partner at Thompson, Coe, Cousins & Irons, LLP, and was named among the Texas Super Lawyers- Texas Rising Stars in the field of business litigation by Texas Monthly magazine and Law & Politics.

David G. Clark formed Mize, Mincos & Clark PC with David Mincos ‘00 and Katherine Mize.

Patrick Clerkin joined Javitch, Block & Rathbone as partner and manager of the Richardson office.

Lauren Gaydos Duffer was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of family law.

Susan E. Eggeland was promoted to partner of Hawkins Parnell Thackston & Young LLP.

Holly E. Engelmann was named a Texas Rising Star in business litigation.

Robin Kirschbaum Eubanks joined Whataburger Restaurants LP in San Antonio, Texas as Corporate Counsel.

Jeanette Fedele was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of employment litigation: plaintiff.

Daylen K. Gallman was named a Texas Rising Star in business/corporate law.

Habeeb I. Gnaim was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of tax law.

Kendall Kelly Hayden was named a member of Cozen O’Connor’s Global Insurance Group in Dallas and was elected to membership in the Fellows of the Texas Bar Foundation. She published her article “Social Media Users: R Insurable?” in the Client Page section of the Texas Bar Journal.

John Inabnett became an associate of Kane Russell Forer & Field.

Jay Jackson was hired as Associate General Counsel of RBC Global Asset Management (U.S.) Inc. in Minneapolis.

Lacy L. Leonard joined Martens, Seyd & Todd as a trial attorney.

John C. McGowan was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of mergers & acquisitions.

Stephen A. Melendi was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of insurance coverage.

Kim Rives Miers was made a shareholder at Littleton Mendelson and was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of employment & labor law.

Shanna L. Nugent was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business/corporate law.

RB Ramsey was named among the Texas Super Lawyers-Texas Rising Stars by Texas Monthly magazine and Law & Politics.

Grant Rodolph became a shareholder at Conley Rose.

Heather H. Sauter was appointed partner at Thompson, Coe, Cousins & Irons, LLP.

Jennifer T. Shuff was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of personal injury defense: medical malpractice.

Renee S. Strickland was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

K. Nicole Voyles was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of family law.

Todd Andrew Worrich was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of insurance coverage.

Wendell E. Washington was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of employment & labor.

P. Matt Zmigrosky II was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of mergers & acquisitions.

2004
Russ Baker became an associate at Luke Nordhaus & Walpole, PLLC.

Katharine E. Battaia was named to the 2011 Board of Directors for the Dallas-Fort Worth Network of the International Women’s Insolvency & Restructuring Confederation (WIRC).

Gene Ross Besen was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of criminal defense: white-collar.

Jason P. Bloom was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of intellectual property litigation.

Heather Drake Bocell was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of personal injury defense.

Eugene A. “Chip” Brooker Jr. was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

S. Wesley Butler was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Jason D. Cassidy was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of personal injury defense: general.

Christopher Michael Farish was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of family law.

Michael Freeman joined the Corporate, Securities, and Mergers and Acquisitions Group at Winstead PC.

Chad E. Hardgrave was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of banking.

Brian T. Hunt joined Fletcher, Farley, Shipman & Salinas, LLP as an associate.

Kate Jett co-authored an article, “Sex, Drugs and Wheaties Boxes: Player Endorsements,” that was published in the December 2010 issue of Headnotes.

Roshanak Khosravi was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of professional liability: defense.

Matthew J. Morrison was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of personal injury plaintiff: products.

Sean E. O’Rourke was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of personal injury plaintiff: general.

Kristy Sims Piazzo was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of family law.

Brent J. Rodine was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Karyl S. Rodine was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of general litigation.

Stephen J. Romero was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of employment & labor.

Katherine H. Stepp was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business/corporate law.

Aimee L. Stone became an associate of Shannon, Gracey, Ratliff & Miller, LLP, and was named a Texas Rising Star in estate planning & probate law.

Selim H. Taherzadeh was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of real estate.

Scott C. Thomas was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Todd M. Tippett was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of insurance coverage.

Brandon M. Waddell was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of construction litigation.

Brent R. Walker was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of personal injury plaintiff: general.

Joshua M. Weaver was named a Texas Rising Star in general litigation.

Gregory M. Wilkes was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of bankruptcy & creditor/debtor rights.

2005
Jason Babb was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of criminal defense.

Brian A. Bolton was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of criminal defense: DUI/DWI.

Yesenia E. Cardenas joined Bowman and Brooke LLP in Dallas as an associate.

Ryan K. Carney was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of tax law.

Jonathan R. Childers was named a Texas Rising Star in business litigation.

Ryan R. Cox was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of securities & corporate finance.

Drew Cowan won second place in the Texas Bar Journal 2011 Short Story Fiction Writing Contest. His story was published in the June 2011 issue of the jour-
nal and can be found online at texasbar.com/tbj.

Eric P. Haas was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Melissa S. Hayward was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of bankruptcy & creditor/debtor rights.

Ryan C. Kaiser was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of family law.

Amanda Koch was named Secretary of the Dallas Summer Musicals Associate Producers.

Shawn Long was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Robert J. McEwan opened the law offices of Robert J. McEwan, P.C.

Leslye E. Moseley was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business/corporate law.

Thuy-Hang Thi Nguyen was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of personal injury plaintiff: general.

J. Ryan Nordhaus was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of family law.

James G. Rea was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of bankruptcy & creditor/debtor rights.

Seth M. Roberts was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

Clifton A. Squibb became board certified in Oil, Gas and Mineral law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization.

Brooks W. Taylor was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of insurance coverage.

J. Brian Vanderwoude was named a Texas Rising Star in business litigation.

Craig Woods was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of business litigation.

2006

Clint C. Brown was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of family law.

Johnathan E. Collins was named a Texas Rising Star in business litigation.

Philip A. Dunlap joined BoyarMiller in Houston as an associate with the business group.

Hillary M. Kramer became an associate of Cobb Martinez Woodward PLLC.

Kelly M. Liebbe was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of personal injury plaintiff: medical malpractice.

Andrew Lombardi became asset management counsel to Crescent Real Estate Equities, L.L.C.

James N. Mueller was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of family law.

Carl Weston Pankratz III was selected by the State Bar of Texas for the 2010-11 class of Leadership SBOT.

Christopher J. Parvin was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of estate planning & probate.

Tatjana Paterno joined Bass, Berry & Sims PLC in Nashville.

Caroline A. Simone became a partner in Jackson & Hagen.

2007

Rebecca L. Armstrong joined the Plano office of Koons Fuller as an associate practicing family law.

P. Lindley Bain was named a Texas Rising Star in the field of family law.

Julie K. Biermacher was named a Texas Rising Star in business litigation.

Russell Booth joined Higlcers & Langham in Austin as an associate.

Trey Crawford joined Gruber Hurst Johansen Hail Shank LLP as an associate.

Manuel Diaz formed the new firm of Helms, Roberts & Diaz LLP.

Dan Hopper was hired as a finance and banking associ-
Dean Galvin began his academic career at SMU where he received his bachelor’s degree with highest honors in 1940. He also earned an M.B.A. with distinction and his Juris Doctor degree from Northwestern University. He later received his Doctor of Science of Law degree from Harvard University. He was named a Distinguished Alumnus by both schools and received numerous awards over the course of his lifetime in recognition of his extensive legal service.

John Riehm
Former Dean and Professor, SMU Dedman School of Law

The SMU Dedman Law School family lost one of its great former leaders this summer. John “Jack” Riehm, a former professor and dean of the law school, died of natural causes on August 26, 2011. He was ninety-one. Dean Riehm was born in 1920 in Peoria, Illinois. He received his Bachelor of Science from Bradley University. He enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Corp at the start of World War II. During his time in the military, he married the love of his life Doris Pancratz. Following the war, Riehm attended the University of Michigan Law School, where he received his Juris Doctorate. After a stint at Cravath, Swain and Moore as an associate, he joined SMU Dedman School of Law as an Associate Professor, eventually rising to the position of Dean. Riehm initiated programs creating the Doctor of Science of Law degree, Comparative Law for Latin American lawyers, and the creation of the Southwest Graduate School of Banking at SMU. He was responsible for the move of the Journal of Aviation Law and Commerce to SMU Dedman Law. In 1963, he moved back to his native New York as Executive Vice-President of Matthew Bender Law Publishing and then to Thomas J. Lipton as Secretary and General Counsel. Riehm was a voracious reader of daily newspapers and books. He spent more than forty summers at the Spear-O-Wigwam Ranch in the Big Horn Mountains of Wyoming. He is survived by his wife of seventy years, Doris Riehm, three daughters, five grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

Daniel Shuman
M.D. Anderson Foundation Endowed Professor of Health Law, SMU Dedman School of Law

M.D. Anderson Foundation Endowed Professor of Health Law Daniel Shuman died April 26, 2011, of multiple system atrophy, a rare neurological disorder.
He was a member of the faculty for more than thirty-three years and was the first to hold the title of M.D. Anderson Foundation Endowed Professor of Health Law. His legal scholarship consisted of two distinct phases during his career. First, he conducted “groundbreaking empirical research on the attitudes and behaviors of juries, and he followed that with the best research and writing on law and psychiatry anyone has ever done,” said colleague Professor Thomas Mayo. Shuman’s most recent scholastic efforts were rewarded with the 2011 Manfred S. Guttmacher Award from the American Psychiatric Association. He shares the award with psychiatrist Liza Gold for their book *Evaluating Mental Health Disability in the Workplace: Model, Process, and Analysis*. The award was presented to him posthumously at the APA’s annual meeting this May.

Shuman will be remembered for his work as a renowned health law scholar, but he was much more to his students. Students remember Shuman for his kindness and eagerness to provide help and advice; a few of his students even maintained contact with him until the last week of his life.

“The law school is deeply saddened by this loss,” said Dean Attanasio. “Dan was a fine teacher, an accomplished scholar, and a true friend. He will be missed by all.”

**LOUISE B. RAGGIO ’52**  
**Distinguished Alumnus and Women’s Rights Pioneer**

Louise Ballerstedt Raggio ’52 died January 23, 2011, of natural causes. She was ninety-one.

Raggio is remembered for her unwavering support of women’s rights. Her outstanding legal career began in 1952 when she was the only woman in her SMU Dedman Law graduating class. She went on to become the first female assistant district attorney in Dallas County and the first woman to prosecute a criminal case in Dallas. She also was a major influence in passing the Texas Marital Property Act of 1967.

Raggio’s legacy at SMU continues, thanks to the generosity of her family and friends. The Louise Ballerstedt Raggio Lecture Series, now hosted by SMU Dedman School of Law, brings innovative female leaders to campus. Raggio’s sons have established the Remember the Ladies! Campaign to endow an archivist position dedicated to supporting the Archives of Women of the Southwest Collection in SMU’s De Golyer Library, where Raggio’s own papers are located.

**EARL C. BORGESON**  
**Professor Emeritus, SMU Dedman School of Law**

Professor Emeritus Earl C. Borgeson died December 25, 2010. The esteemed law librarian was eighty-eight years old.

Borgeson was the first member of his family to attend college. He earned his undergraduate degree at the University of Minnesota, and then served in the Philippines with the United States Navy. Following his term with the armed forces, Borgeson returned to the University of Minnesota for his LL.B. and then earned a Master of Law Librarianship at the University of Washington.

Borgeson’s career as a law librarian took him all over the country. He began as a reference librarian at the Los Angeles County Law Library, and then became a Professor of Law and Librarian at Harvard Law School. Borgeson later returned to the west coast as an Associate Director of Libraries at Stanford University. He completed his career as Professor of Law and Librarian of the Underwood Law Library at SMU Dedman School of Law from 1978-1988.

“Earl focused his attention on teaching, supporting, and inspiring those with whom he worked, particularly the library staff. He left a legacy that encourages new law librarians,” says Dean Attanasio.

Borgeson was married for sixty-one years to Barbara Ann Jones; she passed away in 2005. He is survived by his son, Steven Borgeson, and daughter, Bobi McGarva, their spouses, nine grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.
The SMU Dedman School of Law expresses sympathy
to the families and friends of the following law school alumni:

Mr. Albert E. Aikman III ’48
12/8/2009

Mr. James O. Faires Sr. ’48
7/20/2010

Mr. Joseph A. Calamia ’49
2/20/2009

The Honorable Rodrick L. Shaw ’49
12/27/2010

Mr. William D. Lawrence Jr. ’50
1/25/2010

Mr. Paul M. Thorp ’50
2/5/2011

Mrs. Louise B. Raggio ’52
1/23/2011

Mr. Henry E. Wise ’52
3/23/2011

The Honorable
Hugh T. Snodgrass ’53
8/8/2011

Mr. Albert M. Belchic ’54
11/17/2010

Mr. Roscoe C. Elmore ’54
11/2/2010

Mr. John C. Thompson ’54
10/19/2010

Mr. William W. Ventress ’54
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Mr. Hugh O. Mussina ’55
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Mr. Kenneth R. Davey ’56
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Mr. Thomas G. Nash Jr. ’58 ’62
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Mr. S. Mark Lovell ’66
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9/27/2010

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12/27/2010

Mr. Bryan K. Ford ’73
11/20/2010

Mr. Richard D. Hawn ’73
11/22/2010

Mr. L. Paul Snell III ’74
9/18/2010

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1/5/2011

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11/9/2010

Mr. Lawrence D. Hanna ’78
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11/9/2010

Mr. Russell W. McAdams ’88
4/22/2011

Mr. David N. Evans ’91
9/13/2009

Dr. William R. Cole ’95
7/14/2010

Mr. Barrett M. Havran ’06
3/14/2011
Since 1928, alumni of SMU Dedman School of Law have distinguished themselves as global leaders in law, business, and government and as prominent members of the judiciary.

The Honorable Pius Nkonzo Langa

Chief Justice of the Constitutional Court of South Africa (2005-2009)

Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree from SMU (May 14, 2011)

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Congressman Lamar Smith ’75

21st District of Texas
Chair of the House Judiciary Committee

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2012
2012 Distinguished Alumni Awards Ceremony

SATURDAY, APRIL 21, 2012
Law School Alumni Reunions