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In February 2007, the SMU Dedman School of Law hosted a historic summit to discuss issues relating to constitutional law and the rule of law. Participants included members of the European Court of Justice, the U.S. Supreme Court, the Texas Supreme Court as well as many leading academics from the SMU Dedman School of Law and other distinguished leaders.

The European Court of Justice is the highest court of the European Community. The Court has jurisdiction over 27 member states of the European Union with over 500 million citizens in an effort to reduce economic and social barriers separating the nations and to create economic development, balanced trade and fair competition opportunities among member states. One of the major challenges for the European Community is to establish a rule of law that would apply uniformly and prevail over member states.

To assist in achieving this goal, the Dedman School of Law was honored to host ten members of the European Court of Justice as part of a Supreme Court Summit between the United States and Europe.

“This was a tremendous opportunity for the Dedman School of Law,” said Dean John B. Attanasio. “For eight members of our faculty to be able to work with Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States and the European Court of Justice, really shows the level of prominence the SMU Dedman School of Law has achieved. In addition, this provided us a great opportunity to allow our students to meet the Justices of two of the most important legal institutions in the world.”

The first half of the trip began in Dallas, where the Justices engaged in discussions held at the SMU Dedman School of Law with members of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit; the Texas Supreme Court and SMU Dedman School of Law professors. During their visit to Dallas, the Justices also attended events hosted by the Dallas Bar Association, the Dallas Committee on Foreign Relations, and the Greater Dallas Chamber of Commerce. In addition, the Justices led a panel discussion on European law and the rule of law with SMU Dedman School of Law students on Feb. 19, 2007.

“President Vassilios Skouris from Greece and the other European Justices led a fascinating discussion about the
Photos clockwise, from top left. Chief Justice John Roberts of the Supreme Court of the United States and President Vassilios Skouris of the European Court of Justice.

Chief Justice John Roberts of the Supreme Court of the United States; Vassilios Skouris, President of the European Court of Justice; and Justice Stephen Breyer of the Supreme Court of the United States.

Nikolaos Zaimis, European Commission Delegation in Washington, DC; Dean John B. Attanasio, SMU Dedman School of Law; and Chief Justice John Roberts of the Supreme Court of the United States.

During their visit to the SMU Dedman School of Law, Justices from the European Court of Justice participated in a panel discussion about the ECJ with SMU law students and faculty at a lunch lecture in the Hillcrest Classroom. President Vassilios Skouris of the European Court of Justice gave an opening presentation and the panel took questions from students and faculty afterwards.
Photos clockwise, from top left. Justice Anthony M. Kennedy of the Supreme Court of the United States; Juliane Kokott, First Advocate General of the European Court of Justice; and Peter Jann, President of Chamber of the European Court of Justice.

Justice Antonin Scalia of the Supreme Court of the United States and Vassilios Skouris, President of the European Court of Justice.

Justice Stephen Breyer of the Supreme Court of the United States.

Justice Clarence Thomas of the Supreme Court of the United States speaks with Professor Xuan-Thao Nguyen, SMU Dedman School of Law; Professor Jeff Gaba, SMU Dedman School of Law; Dean John B. Attanasio, SMU Dedman School of Law; and Professor Jeff Kahn, SMU Dedman School of Law.

Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg of the Supreme Court of the United States with SMU Law Professor Jeff Gaba and SMU Law students Claire Wade and Jennifer Trousdale.

Ján Klucka, President of Chamber of the European Court of Justice; Justice Samuel Anthony Alito of the Supreme Court of the United States; and Professor Ndiva Kofele-Kale, Dedman School of Law.
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SMU law Professors Ndiva Kofele-Kale; Xuan-Thao Nguyen, Jeff Gaba, Lackland Bloom, and Dean John B. Attanasio.

Justice Paul W. Green, Supreme Court of Texas; Chief Justice Wallace B. Jefferson, Supreme Court of Texas; and Tom Phillips, Chief Justice (retired), Supreme Court of Texas.

Dean John B. Attanasio, Dorothy Thompson, and Jimmy Thompson.

Miguel Poiares Maduro, Advocate General of the European Court of Justice; Professor Jenia Iontcheva Turner, SMU Dedman School of Law; Nancy Dedman.

James Baker, Justice (retired) of the Texas Supreme Court; Koen Lenaerts, President of Chamber of the European Court of Justice; Barbara M.G. Lynn, Judge of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas; Peter Jann, President of Chamber of the European Court of Justice.
European Court of Justice and responded to several insightful questions from faculty and students who packed the Hillcrest Classroom,” Dean Attanasio said.

The second half of the trip was centered in Washington, D.C. with a series of discussions with seven members of the Supreme Court of the United States including: Chief Justice John Roberts and Justices Antonin Scalia, Anthony Kennedy, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Clarence Thomas, Stephen Breyer, and Samuel Alito and facilitated by a number of SMU Dedman School of Law faculty.

In addition, the ECJ held discussions with the Federal Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit and the Federal Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. The ECJ was also hosted for dinners by the Ambassador of the European Delegation, the European Institute and the esteemed Brookings Institute.

Several students from the SMU Dedman School of Law also participated in the Washington, D.C. portion of the trip by assisting in the coordination of the Summits as well as mingling with the justices and professors at various social functions.

“ We felt it was important to give our students an extraordinary experience with an opportunity to meet some of today’s brightest minds in constitutional law,” Dean Attanasio said.

“This was a once-in-a-lifetime experience,” said law student John O’Connor ’07, “and was a great example of the amazing opportunities attending SMU presented to me.”

“The biggest highlight of my law school experience was the trip to the Supreme Court,” said law student Elisabeth Wilson ’07, “There was no way I would have envisioned being able to interact with Supreme Court Justices. It was amazing to be able to talk to the justices.”

“We are deeply grateful to the Carrington Lecture Fund, the Lee Trust Fund, and the Murrah Lecture Fund for sponsoring this visit of the European Court of Justice to the United States, including their meetings with the Supreme Court of the United States,” Dean Attanasio said.

“We are indebted to both the European Court of Justice and the Supreme Court of the United States for affording the SMU Dedman School of Law the honor of organizing this Summit,” Dean Attanasio said.

Several papers from the ECJ Summit will be published as a symposium in a forthcoming issue of The International Lawyer.

The delegation with Justices from the Supreme Court of Texas, Judges from the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit and Professors from the SMU Dedman School of Law.

Ján Klucka, President of Chamber of the European Court of Justice; Peter Jann, President of Chamber of the European Court of Justice; Alan Feld, Partner of Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld and Chairman of the SMU Dedman School of Law Executive Board; and Vassilios Skouris, President of the European Court of Justice.

Some SMU Dedman School of Law students were invited to the reception and dinner at the Supreme Court. (Pictured L-R): Curt Covington, Tim Curren, Frederick Day, Manuel Diaz, Jeff Prudhomme, Brannon Latimer, Emmanuel Oki, Claire Wade, Teresa Harrold, Amy Mendez, John O’Connor, Elizabeth Wilson, and Matthew Brysacz. (Not Pictured: Valerie Lu and Jennifer Trousdale.)
Although an independent judiciary has long been considered a cornerstone of our system of government, one reads daily of escalating attacks on the courts, on individual judges, and on the principle of judicial independence itself. Recognizing that a dialogue with community leaders on this topic is essential, the SMU Dedman School of Law welcomed retired Associate Justice Sandra Day O’Connor and Associate Justice Stephen Breyer, as well as other nationally recognized leaders in law, government, and academia to address the independence of the nation’s court system.

Justice O’Connor and Justice Breyer chaired the conference, “Fair and Independent Courts: A Conference on Judicial Independence, Selection and Accountability” on April 4, 2007, at the SMU Dedman School of Law, which co-sponsored the event with the Carrington Lecture Fund. This was the third conference led by the Justices, with the first occurring in September 2006 at Georgetown University Law Center.

“We are honored to host such an important event,” said John B. Attanasio, Dean and William Hawley Arwell Professor of Constitutional Law at the SMU Dedman School of Law. “The Rule of Law and an independent judiciary work hand-in-hand. Protecting this independence is critical to our nation.”

Justice O’Connor said that she is troubled by the "increased number of attacks on judges that are coming out of the halls of Congress and out of state legislatures across the country." Some of these attacks include single-issue advocacy groups tagging judges with labels such as "activist judges" or "godless, secular humanists" to win passage of propositions or amendments to state constitutions.

"The founders of our country did not intend that Congress or the legislative branch dictate results in specific cases," Justice O’Connor said. "I think we’re hearing more criticisms about judges than I’ve heard in my very long lifetime." O’Connor acknowledged that some criticism of judges is warranted, particularly in states such as Texas where judges raise campaign funds and run for office (other states include Louisiana, West Virginia and Alabama). Such a system is bound to lead to charges of corruption, she said.

“Texas uses partisan elections to elect state court judges. Help!” O’Connor said. “You have the raising of huge campaign contributions from
the very people that appear before you. What kind of system is that?”

One of Justice O’Connor’s chief concerns is the American public’s lack of knowledge of the judiciary. She cited an American Bar Association survey that showed that more people could name the Three Stooges than the three branches of government. Public schools have de-emphasized civics and government classes to the point where students are no longer interested in the judicial system and have little understanding of it, she said.

Because of a schedule conflict, Justice Breyer participated by having a one-on-one session with Dean Attanasio, which was broadcast during the conference. During the session, Justice Breyer said he also feels there is a concern for the future of judicial independence.

“Judges aren’t supposed to be popular; they’re supposed to be unpopular. And that makes them an easy target,” Justice Breyer said. “Now with all that is going on and communicated quickly over television and on the internet, it creates an additional need for people to have an understanding of how our system works.”

“We need to ... make sure the process for selecting judges does not end up producing people that you don’t want on the bench at the end of the day,” Justice Breyer said.

Issues covered in this conference included the importance of an independent judiciary, judicial selection and removal, retention of the judiciary, and improving the judicial system. The conference also included two small group discussions where conference speakers and participants were able to discuss their concerns and share their ideas on how to move forward in protecting the judicial system.

Other speakers in the conference included: Professor Paul D. Carrington, Duke Law School; Professor William V. Dorsaneo, III, SMU Dedman School of Law; Thomas C. Goldstein, Partner, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer Feld LLP; Retired Justice Deborah G. Hankinson, Texas Supreme Court; Chief Justice Wallace B. Jefferson, Texas Supreme Court; Judge Carolyn Dineen King, United States Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit; Norman L. Greene, Partner, Schoeman, Updike & Kaufman, LLP; Judge Stephen Limbaugh, Missouri Supreme Court; Former Chief Justice Thomas R. Phillips, Texas Supreme Court; Judge Laura Denvir Stith, Missouri Supreme Court; Chief Justice Linda B. Thomas, Texas Court of Appeals, Fifth District; and Professor Rose Villazor, SMU Dedman School of Law.

Small group discussions were provided during the conference to allow participants to exchange ideas and work on new solutions to the problems the courts are facing.

While at the conference, Justice Sandra Day O’Connor spent some time with SMU Dedman School of law students.
Justice O’Connor Speaks at 2006 AJEI Annual Summit

The Appellate Judges Education Institute, which is headquartered at the SMU Dedman School of Law, held its annual Summit Nov. 9-11, 2006, in Dallas, Texas. More than 100 appellate judges and over 100 appellate lawyers attended the event.

The 2006 Summit featured retired U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O’Connor. Approximately 200 SMU Dedman School of Law students attended Justice O’Connor’s speech on the issues of judicial retention as well as safety of the judiciary.

“Every member of the Supreme Court received a wonderful package of home-baked cookies, and I don’t know why, the staff decided to analyze them,” Justice O’Connor said. “Each one contained enough poison to kill the entire membership of the court.”

She also observed that the Courts 2002 ruling in Minnesota v. White “produced a lot of very disturbing trends in state election of judges.” The 5-4 decision said states can’t bar candidates for the bench from offering views on legal and political issues. “The State’s claim that it needs to significantly restrict judges’ speech in order to protect judicial impartiality is particularly troubling,” she said. “If the State has a problem with judicial impartiality, it is largely one the State brought upon itself by continuing the practice of popularly electing judges.”

She specifically showed her concern for the way Texas elects its judges. “Dare I say it? I’ve never been a great admirer of the Texas scheme,” she said. “If I could wave a magic wand, it would be to enable the states that want to do it to work toward initial appointment and maybe a retention scheme.”

“In addition to being a preeminent jurist, Justice O’Connor has long been a leader in promoting conversations among judges all over the world and in protecting judicial independence,” said Dean John B. Attanasio. “It was a wonderful opportunity for so many faculty and students to be involved in this great event.”

“It was a great privilege to participate on a panel with Justice O’Connor at the Dedman School last year,” said Chief Justice Danny J. Boggs, U.S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit. “Her candid personal insights on such topics as the difference between constitutional law and statute law in affirmative action cases and her reaction to threats against judges were extremely enlightening.”

Other distinguished speakers included: Chief Justice Randall Shepard, Indiana Supreme Court; and Kenneth W. Starr, former U.S. Solicitor General and Dean of Pepperdine University School of Law.

“The Omni Hotel presented a perfect setting for a program highlighted by the presence of retired United States Supreme Court Justice Sandra O’Connor,” said Iowa Chief Judge Rosemary Shaw Sackett, Board Chair for the Appellate Judges Education Institute.

The next AJEI Summit will take place in Washington, D.C. on Sept. 27-30, 2007. Judges, staff attorneys and lawyers can expect an exciting array of education and events in Washington, including a reception at the Supreme Court of the United States and a reception at the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces.

“I believe that the combination of outstanding topics of interest to the appellate bench and bar, the top-notch speakers, and the social events available only in our nation’s capitol makes this year’s AJEI Appellate Judges Summit an unbeatable program,” said Judge Ron Gilman, U. S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit and Appellate Judges Conference Chair. “Well-deserved credit for the planning and execution of the Summit is due to 2007 Program Chair Judge Martha C. Warner and the staff at the SMU Dedman School of Law.”

Some of the 2007 distinguished speakers include: Kenneth W. Starr, former U.S. Solicitor General and Dean of Pepperdine University School of Law; General William K. Suter, Clerk of the U.S. Supreme Court; Scott Harris, Counsel to the U.S. Supreme Court; and Linda Greenhouse, U.S. Supreme Court Correspondent for the New York Times.
Dean John B. Attanasio moderated a forum on Judicial Independence with Kenneth W. Starr, Dean of Pepperdine University School of Law; Professor Drew Days, Yale Law School; and Professor Jesse Choper, Boalt Hall School of Law, University of California - Berkeley.

Former U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O’Connor with SMU Dedman School of Law students. Approximately 200 SMU Dedman School of Law students were able to attend Justice O’Connor’s speech on judicial independence.

Dean John B. Attanasio, SMU Dedman School of Law; Chief Justice Wallace Jefferson, Texas Supreme Court; Judith Boggs; Chief Judge Danny Boggs, U.S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit; and Justice Harry T. Lemmon (retired), Louisiana Supreme Court.

The Intellectual Property session with panelist Judge Pauline Newman, United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, Professor Shubha Ghosh, SMU Dedman School of Law; and Professor Xuan-Thu Nguyen, SMU Dedman School of Law.
More alumni have joined in taking advantage of the Dedman match as it goes into its second year. The Dedman family, through their foundation, designated $3 million of its $20 million commitment to the Dedman School of Law as a matching grant to attract additional gifts for scholarships and faculty positions. The $20 million commitment was made in February 2001 to endow and name the Dedman School of Law.

“It is our hope this challenge grant will encourage others to accelerate their support of the great progress the law school continues to make with attracting and retaining its outstanding faculty and most deserving student scholars,” said Robert H. Dedman Jr. Almost a third of the $3 million Dedman challenge grant has already been matched.

“This latest act of generosity from the Dedman family continues a heritage of support that has resulted in endowments for Dedman College of Humanities and Sciences, the Dedman Life Sciences Building, Dedman professorships in economics and history, scholarships for Dallas area high school students, and funds to support the Dedman Center for Lifetime Sports,” said SMU President R. Gerald Turner. “Additional funds for scholarships and faculty positions are essential in providing the highest-quality education to students who will become leaders in the legal profession.”

The Dedman Foundation will match gifts pledged by other donors.
donors over the next three years for specific projects. Qualifying gifts must be for scholarships (minimum gift of $100,000), faculty professorships (gift of $1 million), or faculty chairs (gift of $1.5 million, of which $1 million can be matched). The Dedman Foundation has agreed to match qualifying scholarship gifts on a dollar-for-dollar basis for up to a total of $2 million. It will match up to $1 million pledged for faculty professorships or chairs. To encourage new giving among several donors, the Dedman Foundation will match gifts of no more than $2 million from any single donor.

“The Dedman family’s tremendous generosity really provides other individuals an opportunity to maximize their individual gifts,” said Lynn Bozalis, Director of Development and External Affairs for the Dedman School of Law. “In addition, this opportunity enables SMU to reach out to donors and ask for funding in areas where we truly need it most, specifically in student scholarships and faculty chairs and professorships.”

Under the match system, if a donor pledges $1 million for a new scholarship, the Foundation provides the same amount, raising the scholarship’s funding to a total of $2 million, and the new gift is named in honor of the donor.

“The Dedman family’s gift of $20 million to name the School is helping propel the school into the ranks of the top law schools in the U.S.,” Dean John B. Attanasio said.

The Dedman Foundation was established by the late Robert H. Dedman Sr., the founder of ClubCorp, who earned a LL.M. degree from SMU, and his wife, Nancy, who received a bachelor’s degree in political science from SMU and was named an honorary alumna of the Dedman School of Law. The Foundation board includes their daughter, Patricia, who earned a master’s degree from SMU; and their son, Robert H. Dedman Jr., who received both J.D. and M.B.A. degrees from SMU and serves on the law school’s Executive Board. Robert Dedman Jr.’s wife, Rachel Redecker Dedman, holds a master’s degree from SMU.

In the last year, two more scholarships were formed using the Dedman Match. Marshall P. Cloyd contributed $100,000 to establish the Frances Spears Cloyd Endowed Scholarship in honor of his mother who, in 1931, was one of the first women to graduate from SMU School of Law.

And George Potts ’47 and Catherine Potts contributed $100,000 to create The Dean Charles Shirley Potts Scholarship and Endowment Fund in honor of their father who was Dean of the SMU School of Law from 1927 to 1947. With the Dedman Foundation challenge grant, a total of $200,000 will be contributed to each of these funds.

Prior to this time last year, the Dedman Foundation challenge grant encouraged the creation of five new scholarship-endowments.

Martin Samuelsohn ’41 presented a generous gift of $450,000 to establish the The Martin Samuelsohn Scholarship Fund at the SMU Dedman School of Law.

Anthony Atwell pledged an additional $200,000 to the Webster Atwell Scholarship Endowment Fund honoring his father, esteemed Dallas lawyer Webster Atwell.

William Noel ’82, and his siblings James L. Noel III, Edmund O. Noel, Carol Noel King, and Robert C. Noel, added an additional $100,000 to the James Noel, Jr. Endowed Scholarship honoring their father James Noel, Jr. who served as a United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas in Houston from 1961 until his death in 1997.

Dean M. Gandy ’50, who was a United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Texas from 1970 to 1983, gave $100,000, which was matched by the Dedman Foundation to establish the Judge Dean Gandy Endowed Scholarship Fund.

The Class of 1986 also took advantage of the Dedman challenge grant by holding a class fundraiser during their 2006 class reunion. Members of the 20th Reunion Class of 1986, with the leadership of Ted Anderson ’86 and David Haley ’86, pledged $120,950 to endow the Teresa Jenkins Carson Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund in memory of their classmate Teresa Jenkins who died of cancer in 1993.

“This Dedman matching gift is yet another example of the Dedmans’ foresight in supporting the law school’s rise into the ranks of the top law schools in the United States,” Dean Attanasio said. “Joining the name of one of the nation’s leading families in educational philanthropy with the School of Law has reshaped the horizon of what we can accomplish in legal education at SMU.”
Marc Steinberg Appointed Senior Associate Dean For Research

Marc I. Steinberg, Rupert and Lillian Radford Professor of Law, was named the Dedman School of Law’s first Senior Associate Dean for Research. Professor Steinberg has been at the SMU Dedman School of Law for 20 years. He is also the Director of SMU’s Corporate Directors’ Institute.

“I’m honored that I was asked to be the first Senior Associate Dean for Research,” Steinberg said. “My responsibilities are to work with the junior faculty, to help mentor them, to be available for any questions they have, to provide comments on their scholarship, to provide insights with respect to possible topics and placement of their articles, and to be a general sounding board for their scholarly ideas.”

In addition to his time at SMU, Professor Steinberg has lectured and taught extensively both in the United States and abroad. He taught at the University of Maryland School of Law, the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania, the National Law Center at George Washington University, and the Georgetown University Law Center. He was appointed a Visiting Professor, Scholar and Fellow at law schools in Argentina, Australia, China, England, Finland, Germany, Japan, New Zealand, Scotland, South Africa and Sweden.

Professor Steinberg received his undergraduate degree at the University of Michigan, his J.D. at the University of California at Los Angeles and his LL.M. at Yale University. Following law school, Professor Steinberg served as law clerk to Judge Stanley N. Barnes of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and as legislative counsel to U.S. Senator Robert P. Griffin. He subsequently served as special projects counsel and confidential legal adviser to the general counsel at the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

“As one of the top scholars in corporate law in the country, Marc is well-qualified to guide the scholarly projects of the law school,” said Dean John B. Attanasio.

Professor Steinberg is the author of more than 125 law review articles as well as 20 books. He has served on the Board of International Scholars at the University of London, is editor-in-chief of The International Lawyer and the Securities Regulation Law Journal, and is an advisor to The Journal of Corporation Law and Law and Business Review of the Americas. He is a member of the American Law Institute.

“We have a very productive faculty,” he said. “Our faculty writes scholarly law journal articles, treatises, and casebooks. Many of our faculty are nationally known, and with respect to our junior faculty, I think they’re outstanding. This is the very best group of junior faculty that we’ve had since I’ve been here. They’ve had wonderful placement of articles—one has published an article in the University of Michigan Law Review, another is publishing an article in the University of California Berkeley Law Review, and others are also placing articles in very fine journals.”

“My hope is that we can emerge as a Top 25 law school in the country,” Steinberg said, “and with our young scholars and our senior faculty, I think it’s a good opportunity for us to do that. I’m glad to have the opportunity to help make that dream a reality.”
Professor Daniel Shuman Named M.D. Anderson Professorship

SMU Dedman School of Law faculty member Daniel Shuman was honored with the M.D. Anderson Foundation Endowed Professorship of Health Law. In addition to his 30 years of teaching at the Dedman School of Law, Shuman is an Adjunct Professor of Psychiatry at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School and an Adjunct Professor of Psychology at the University of North Texas. He also spent a year as a Visiting Scholar at McGill University in Montreal, Quebec.

“Dan Shuman is one of the preeminent scholars in his field,” said Dean John B. Attanasio. “We are privileged to have him on our faculty.”

“I was stunned and delighted to receive this honor,” Shuman said. “We are all so busy that we don’t tend to spend much time clapping for each other. So it was nice to get that sort of recognition.” He says that the professorship hasn’t affected his research on an everyday basis. “It’s more of an affirmation,” he said. “A sense that what you’re doing is right, keep it up, it’s being heard and recognized.”

Shuman is the author of three editions of *Psychiatric and Psychological Evidence*, which won the 1988 American Psychiatric Association Manfred S. Guttmacher Award. He also authored *Justice and the Prosecution of Old Crimes: Balancing Legal, Psychological, and Moral Considerations*; two editions of *Conducting Insanity Defense Evaluations; Law, Mental Health, and Mental Disorder*; three editions of *Law and Mental Health Professionals: Texas; Doing Legal Research: A Guide for Social Scientists and Mental Health Professionals; The Psychotherapist Patient Privilege; Predicting the Past: The Retrospective Assessment of Mental States in Civil and Criminal Litigation,* and *Experts in Court: Accommodating Law, Science and Expert Knowledge* — as well as more than 60 articles and book chapters. When asked what he loves most about his job, Shuman replied that it changes throughout the year.

“Come April and May, I look forward to the summer and the opportunity to focus on my research,” Shuman said. “I set the alarm at 5:00 a.m. to get up and come in and spend six, seven, eight hours a day writing, thinking, researching, and attacking new problems. I’m reluctant to have summer end and interrupt my work. However, about a week or two into the semester, I remember why I love to do this. I love the interaction with students, particularly first-year students. I love their enthusiasm; I love their idealism, and I love to show them how to think like a lawyer, how to apply their idealism and their excitement in ways that will benefit their clients and their causes. It is that combination of the teaching and the research that I love.”

Shuman is member of the American Law Institute and former chair of the Association of American Law Schools sections on Law and Mental Disability, and Law and Medicine. Prior to joining the faculty of the SMU Dedman School of Law, he served as an Assistant Attorney General for the State of Arizona and a Legal Services attorney in Tucson, Arizona.

“I came here 30 years ago thinking I would spend a year or two and move on,” Shuman said. “Not only was it a comfortable place to be, but it was one that nurtured my intellectual interests.” Shuman received his B.S. from the University of Arizona and his J.D. from the University of Arizona College of Law in 1972.
Law Alumnus Lynn Bozalis Selected As New Director of Development For SMU Dedman School of Law

Lynn Switzer Bozalis ’90 has been named the SMU Dedman School of Law’s new Director of Development and External Affairs. Bozalis is responsible for all fundraising activities for the school.

No stranger to the law school, Bozalis not only received her J.D. from SMU, she spent more than six years as the law school’s Assistant Dean and Director of Admissions and Financial Aid, and two semesters teaching Disability Law as an adjunct professor. Before that, she spent six years in practice, first as a Labor and Employment Associate with Haynes and Boone, LLP, and then with Baker Botts L.L.P. as a Trial Associate. As a law student, Bozalis graduated Order of the Coif. She was also elected President of the Student Bar Association, served on law review, was a member of the Barristers and received a Hatton Sumners Scholarship.

Bozalis has a strong track record when it comes to attracting high-quality students. In the six years she spent as Assistant Dean of Admissions at the law school, the median entering student GPA rose from 3.17 to 3.60, and the median LSAT score jumped four points. In 2003, she left the Dedman School of Law to work as Director of Admissions at Greenhill School, her old high school. After three years, however, she was ready to come back to SMU.

“There are so many fabulous opportunities at the law school. We have one of the most prestigious and connected alumni in the country. I also like the idea of working as a team with development, external affairs, communications, and alumni affairs,” she said. “I think the team is absolutely fantastic. I’ve worked with the Dean before, and I thought it would be a great personal growth opportunity to work with him in a whole new area.”

“Her experience as an admissions director gives her the ability to look beyond the immediate circumstances and see the future opportunities and long-term goals, which is crucial in development,” said Dean John B. Attanasio.

Bozalis only sees the Dedman School of Law excelling. “Over the past nine years,” she said, “the law school has made tremendous upward movement in the areas of admissions, faculty hiring, and financial aid; the school is well-poised to rise to the next level, and it’s showing all signs of truly growing to Mr. Dedman’s vision of being at least a top 25—if not a top 10—law school, over time. However, no school gets there without support from its alumni and friends.”

“We are lucky to have a beautiful physical facility that has been updated tremendously in recent years,” she said, “but the measure of a good school isn’t just the buildings or a beautiful quad—it’s the caliber of the student body and the caliber of the faculty, both of which are on the rise.”

“I think we’re at a wonderful point where we have many individuals who are connected to the law school, who are really excited about the path the law school’s on and want to see it get to the next level,” Bozalis said.

Bozalis and her husband, John, have two children, Rachel (7) and Thomas (3).
The SMU Dedman School of Law is proud to announce the addition of two new Assistant Professors of Law: Nathan Cortez and Anthony Colangelo. Cortez specializes in health law, FDA law, administrative law, and the legislative process; Colangelo's scholarly and teaching interests are in the areas of international law and theory, conflicts of laws and civil procedure.

John B. Attanasio, Dean and William Hawley Atwell Professor of Constitutional Law, said they were both highly sought after by several prominent law schools. "We're proud to have them here" Dean Attanasio said. "They've already published a handful of top-notch articles between them, and I think we're going to see some really impressive work from them in the years to come."

Nathan Cortez, Assistant Professor of Law

Cortez comes to SMU after practicing for five years with the Washington, D.C. law firm Arnold & Porter, where he counseled health care, pharmaceutical, and biotech companies in matters before federal agencies and Congress. In Washington, he specialized in health care fraud and abuse, FDA law and regulation, health privacy, and Medicare and Medicaid matters. Last Fall, he was a Visiting Assistant Professor at Rutgers University School of Law in Camden, New Jersey. His first article was published in the *Food & Drug Law Journal*, and his second article is forthcoming in the *Indiana Law Journal*. He is also publishing a chapter in a book discussing the FDA's regulation of biopharmaceuticals.

“Nathan will make a valuable addition to our already noteworthy health law faculty, joining Professors Mayo and Shuman, who just received the M.D. Anderson Foundation Endowed Professorship of Health Law this past year," Dean Attanasio said.

“Working in Washington, you're working at the forefront of health policy, but as a lawyer you're responsible for pursuing your clients' interests,” Cortez said. “Going into teaching gives you greater latitude to pursue other problems with the health care system.”

Cortez received his J.D. from Stanford Law School in 2002 and his B.A., with distinction, in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics from the University of Pennsylvania.

“Being a health law scholar right now is fascinating,” Cortez said. “There's so much to write about, so many pressing issues, so many problems, that there's never
a lack of something interesting or troubling to write about, and I thought it was important to start engaging and start thinking full-time about what we should do about it.”

“The Dedman School of Law has a great national and international reputation,” he said, when asked what brought him to SMU. “I saw how the Dean supports other faculty in their international interests, and that was attractive to me, given my interests in international and comparative health law. I think he’s also a big supporter of bolstering the health law curriculum. Tom Mayo and Dan Shuman have created a great foundation, and I think my interests supplement theirs well. It was an attractive teaching package, and it just seemed like a good fit. I’m excited to be here, looking forward to starting the semester.”

Anthony Colangelo, Assistant Professor of Law

Prior to coming to SMU, Colangelo held a two-year Associate in Law position at Columbia Law School, where he taught legal analysis and writing and participated in various law school colloquia. He received his LL.M. from Columbia in 2006, where he is also presently a S.J.D. candidate. Before taking his position at Columbia, he was a litigation associate with Cleary Gottlieb Steen and Hamilton, LLP in New York.

Immediately following his graduation from law school, he clerked for the Honorable Ralph K. Winter on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. Colangelo received his J.D., magna cum laude, from Northwestern University School of Law in 2003, where he was a senior editor of the Northwestern University Law Review and was inducted into the Order of the Coif. He received his B.A. summa cum laude from Middlebury College in 2000 and is a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

“I became a professor because I loved learning and thinking about the law,” Colangelo said. “It has such a unique and powerful potential to bridge theory and practice and to motivate important change. I honestly cannot think of anything I would rather be doing with my life.”

“Anthony has already written a number of articles and has been published in the Iowa Law Review, Georgetown Journal of International Law, the Virginia Journal of International Law and the Harvard International Law Journal,” Dean Attanasio said. “He lectured at Harvard and he has given papers at both Harvard and Columbia.”

“I was particularly struck by how happy people are here at SMU,” he said. “Everybody I talk to, whether student or faculty member, has this strong and genuine love for the school. That, to me, was really telling. And it creates a very deep sense of community that I could see right away, and that I am really excited to be a part of.”

Dean Attanasio expressed excitement about these new hires and said, “We’re lucky to continue to attract such promising young scholars; their enthusiasm for the law is contagious to the students and the faculty alike.”
Professor Jack Mylan Retires
After a 26-Year Tenure at SMU

After 26 years as a teacher and scholar at the SMU Dedman School of Law, Jack Mylan is retiring. “It was our fortune to have Jack accept an offer to join this faculty in the fall of 1982,” said Dean John B. Attanasio. “Since that time, he has continued to illuminate the minds of his J.D. and LL.M. students.”

Mylan is a native New Yorker and graduate of Fordham University with a degree in mathematics. Upon graduation, he enrolled at Stanford Law School. He gave no thought to becoming a tax lawyer until he took the basic income tax course from Professor Joseph T. Sneed, a masterful tax teacher. He graduated from Stanford in 1964 and returned to New York for a year to earn a graduate degree in taxation from New York University. After graduation from NYU, he moved to California and joined a large law firm, where he specialized in tax and business planning, estate planning and other tax matters. During his five years of tax practice in Southern California, he also taught professional groups in the evenings and on weekends in the University of California system. Realizing these teaching experiences were the high points of his work life, he decided to try full-time teaching.

Mylan began his teaching career at Willamette Law School in Oregon where he taught for 11 years. While he was there, he was a visiting associate professor in the NYU Graduate Tax program and a visiting professor on the University of Florida graduate tax faculty.

Finally, he came to Dallas for a year as a visiting professor so he could teach in SMU’s J.D. and LL.M. tax programs, which were built by Charles O. Galvin in his years as Dean at the SMU School of Law. Fortunately, he decided to accept an offer to join the full-time faculty.

While at SMU, Mylan was invited numerous times to serve as a lecturer for the Academy of International Taxation, which is part of the Ministry of Finance of the Republic of China (Taiwan). He also taught as a guest professor at the University of Konstanz in Germany.

Mylan has published numerous tax articles. In 1990, he co-authored, with his good friend Ed Hood of the University of Missouri at Kansas City, a multi-volume treatise entitled Federal Taxation of Close Corporations, which he supplements twice a year. He also co-authored a treatise entitled Closely Held Businesses in Estate Planning, which is supplemented annually.

As his career at SMU comes to a close, Mylan says, “In my 37 years of law teaching, there has rarely been a day that I have not looked forward to being in the classroom. I feel fortunate to have come upon the perfect career for me.”
Reed Appointed Director of Clinics

Roark Reed, Professor of Law, has been appointed Director of Clinics for the Dedman School of Law, a position he has held twice before.

“Roark is an outstanding clinician who can lead an already preeminent clinical program to new heights,” said Dean John B. Attanasio.

“I feel great that Dean Attanasio felt highly enough of me to appoint me as Director of Clinics,” Reed said.

Reed teaches primarily in the area of criminal procedure and litigation. He also teaches evidence, a course on expert testimony offered jointly with the University of Texas Southwestern Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, and a course on the Japanese legal system. He is the co-author of Amerika No Keiji Tetsuzuki (American Criminal Procedure) and Expert Testimony, A Series of Simulations. He was on the board of advisers for the Bureau of National Affairs Criminal Practice Manual and is a lifetime member of Nihon Keiho Kyoko. In 1982, Professor Reed was awarded a Fulbright Lectureship to Japan where he taught at Tokyo University Law School and Rikyo Law School. He returned to Japan in 1989 on a second Fulbright Lectureship. Before joining the faculty of SMU, he served as a staff attorney for the Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia and as director of the Criminal Justice Clinic at Georgetown University Law Center.

Reed expressed excitement on taking the clinical reins once more and being able to do what he loves most about his job: “interviewing with students, evaluating their casework, seeing what kind of creative theories they come up with, getting them to think about what they’re doing and how to help the clients,” Reed said.

“SMU is in an ideal position to administer clinical programs in law school,” Reed said. “We’ve got the only law school in town to get cases out of courts, and the courts are a real resource for SMU. That is the greatest thing about SMU and Dallas: it’s a great union, it’s got opportunities for both sides, and it’s really contributed to the growth of the law school.”
Tonight we celebrate the achievements of some very distinguished individuals who reflect brilliantly the caliber of alumni who come from one of the greatest law schools in the country.
ADELFA BOTELLO CALLEJO ‘61
The Robert G. Storey Award
for Distinguished Achievement

Adelfa Botello Callejo is one of Texas’s most eminent lawyers who has championed countless causes for the Latino community. In addition, she is known throughout Dallas and Texas as a community and civic leader.

In presenting the award, SMU President R. Gerald Turner said of Callejo that “she’s among the most distinguished and accomplished alumni in the history of the Dedman School of Law. She’s a pioneer, a leader, and we’re proud of her many historic and significant accomplishments, which continue to reflect great honor upon the university, the school of law, the Dallas legal community, and the legal community around the nation and the world.”

Working full-time during the day, Callejo attended night school at SMU, studying simultaneously for her B.A. and J.D. degrees. She was the first Hispanic woman to graduate from the SMU School of Law, and the first to practice law in Dallas. Since then, Callejo has been in private practice in Dallas for 45 years with her husband Bill, who received his law degree from SMU in 1966.

Both Bill and Adelfa Callejo have pursued community causes throughout their lives. Adelfa has won numerous awards for her years of service in the community and the legal profession, including the Ohtli Reconocimiento recognition award from the Mexican government, the Texas Peace Officers Association’s Humanitarian Award, the Hispanic National Bar Association’s Lincoln-Juarez Award, the American Bar Association’s Spirit of Excellence Award, and the Martin Luther King, Jr. Justice Award from the Dallas Bar Foundation. Most recently, she received the SMU Profile in Leadership Award, the Texas Center for Legal Ethics and Professionalism Sandra Day O’Connor Award, and the Greater Dallas Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Leadership Award.

Callejo regards her commitment to public service as nothing less than a moral obligation. “Our challenge as attorneys is to advocate against discrimination and injustices,” she said. “We must be the agents for change in the public and private sectors. If not us, then who?”

Reflections of her commitment include co-founding the Mexican-American Bar Association of Texas and the Mexican-American Bar Association of Dallas, and acting as past regional president of the Hispanic National Bar Association. She is a past director of the State Bar of Texas, and past president of the Dallas County Criminal Bar Association. She is a member of the SMU Dedman School of Law Executive Board. She also served as a director on the DFW International Airport Board, the Dallas Area Rapid Transit Board and Kaiser Permanente Board, in addition to numerous other board and committee positions.

Callejo accepted the award in the memory of her mother and her father, who immigrated to the United States when he was 22.

MARTIN SAMUELSOHN ‘41
The Charles O. Galvin Award for Service to the SMU Dedman School of Law

Martin Samuelsohn is a long-time volunteer for the law school and the Dallas Volunteer Attorney Program, winning several awards for his 16 years of pro bono service.

Samuelsohn received his Bachelor of Arts degree from City College of New York in 1936. He started his legal education at St. John’s Law School in Brooklyn, New York, but health reasons forced him to move to Dallas in 1939 where he graduated from SMU in 1941.

Following graduation, Samuelsohn served in the United States Marine Corp. After the War, he returned to Dallas where he opened the iconic Marty’s Liquor Store on Oak Lawn. In 1947, he sold the store and went into the whole-
sale liquor business until his retirement in 1972.

“I never practiced law because it never worked out for me,” Samuelsohn said, “but I think my degree from SMU helped me in business immeasurably and contributed largely to my success.”

The one thing his life exhibits is a constant theme of service: to his family, to his country, to his beliefs, to scouting, to his school, and to the less fortunate. He served as a volunteer for the Service Corps of Retired Executives (a branch of the United States Small Business Administration) from 1972 to 1990. In 1990, Samuelsohn began his volunteer efforts with the Dallas Volunteer Attorney Program.

In 1990, he established a scholarship fund at the Jewish Welfare Federation to assist SMU law students, and most recently he has established a very generous scholarship, which was named in his honor, at the SMU Dedman School of Law.

Charles O. Galvin, unable to present the award himself, wrote to Samuelsohn instead. “I could not be more pleased with your selection and recognition. You have had an admirable career of service and philanthropy.”

Now fully retired, he volunteers four days a week including two days a week for the SMU Dedman School of Law.

“To be a member of such an illustrious group of distinguished alumni is mind-boggling,” Samuelsohn said. “I never in my wildest imagination believed that I could ever be up here, standing where I am right now.”

THE HONORABLE STEPHEN LIMBAUGH JR. ’77
The Distinguished Alumni Award for Judicial Service

In 2006, Judge Stephen N. Limbaugh, Jr., completed almost 15 years of service on the Supreme Court of Missouri, including two years as Chief Justice. He earned a B.A. in history from SMU in 1974, a J.D. from SMU in 1977, and a LL.M. in Judicial Process from the University of Virginia in 1998.

Of the Dedman School of Law faculty, Limbaugh said that they were, without exception, “of the highest caliber; they were so bright—and often downright brilliant. They were scholarly, they were engaged, they were accessible, and they were fully committed to their calling.”

After law school at SMU, he returned to his hometown of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, and entered private practice with his family’s law firm. A year later, in 1978, he was elected prosecuting attorney of Cape Girardeau County, and after completing a four-year term, he returned to private practice with the family firm. In 1987, he was appointed circuit judge of the 32nd Judicial Circuit of Missouri and subsequently was elected to that office without opposition. Judge Limbaugh was appointed to the Missouri Supreme Court in 1992 under the Missouri Non-Partisan Court Plan and subsequently was elected to that office without opposition. Judge Limbaugh was appointed to the Missouri Supreme Court in 1992 under the Missouri Non-Partisan Court Plan and retained in office in the 1994 general election for a 12-year term that expired Dec. 31, 2006. In the November 2006 general election, Judge Limbaugh was retained for a second 12-year term expiring Dec. 31, 2018.

“My degrees from SMU travel well,” Limbaugh said. “There are four law schools in Missouri, and my law degree
from SMU is second to none, and that’s been one of the reasons for my success there.” He also credited his achievements to the examples set by his father and grandfather and the lessons he learned from them.

Judge Limbaugh is a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation and the Missouri Bar Foundation and has chaired a number of commissions and committees of the Missouri Bar and the Missouri Supreme Court. He also has served as an officer or director on the governing boards of the State Historical Society of Missouri, Friends of the Missouri State Archives, Missouri Division of Youth Services Advisory Board, William Woods University, Southeast Missouri Hospital, and local chapters of the Boy Scouts, United Way, Rotary Club, Jaycees and many other organizations. In addition, he is a life-long member of the United Methodist Church. Judge Limbaugh is the recipient of numerous awards and honors and is listed in The Lawdragon’s “500 Leading Judges in America”.

JOHN H. MCELHANEY ’58
The Distinguished Alumni Award for Private Practice

John H. McElhaney is an attorney with Locke Liddell & Sapp LLP. His practice includes civil trial and appellate business and tort litigation and professional responsibility. He has been board certified in Civil Trial Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization since 1978.

McElhaney has vast trial experience defending major companies against complex litigation including airplane crashes, antitrust and class action lawsuits in state and federal courts. He has had a substantial impact at the appellate level as well, helping shape precedents in cases involving tortious interference, Texas usury rules, medical malpractice liability, admissibility of flight data recorder evidence in air crash cases, and issues involving universities, including his alma mater.

“The opportunity to represent the university in litigation has been one of the most important, crowning items of my career, in my judgement,” he said. “I’m very, very proud of that fact.”

McElhaney has served as an Adjunct Faculty member at the SMU Dedman School of Law where he taught products liability, Texas civil procedure and aviation law. In addition, he has written articles appearing in the SMU Law Review, the Journal of Air Law and Commerce and the Texas Bar Journal.

McElhaney has served as national chairman of the Legal Ethics Committee of the American College of Trial Lawyers, president of the Dallas Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates and past chairman of the Rules and Procedure Committee of the Tort & Insurance Practice Section of the ABA. He is the current chair of the Professionalism Committee of the Dallas Bar Association, past-chairman of the Dallas Association of Defense Counsel, and a Fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation. In addition, he is a former member of the executive committee of the Board of Trustees for St. Mark’s School of Texas and past president of the SMU Law Alumni Association.

McElhaney graduated from SMU with his B.B.A in 1956 and his J.D. in 1958. While in law school, he was the managing editor of the Southwestern Law Journal.

“I really appreciate joining the ranks of the distinguished alumni,” he said. “SMU is a wonderful university, and the Dedman School of Law is a terrific law school.”

THE HONORABLE BAGIR MANAN ’81
The Distinguished Alumni Award

Throughout his career, Bagir Manan has served as a legal scholar and a civic leader. He is currently the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Indonesia and chairman of the Human Rights Society at the Faculty of Law at Padjadjaran University. Manan grew up in Lampung, Indonesia. He received his law degree at the University of Padjadjaran with honors and his LL.M. in Comparative and International Law at SMU in 1981. In 1990, he received his Doctor of Law from Padjadjaran University.
In 1967, Manan became a full-time professor of Law teaching at the Faculty of Law in Padjadjaran University. Since then, he has been a Professor of Constitutional Law for Padjadjaran University, the Rector of Bandung Islamic University, the Director of Legislation and the Director General of Law and Legislation for the Indonesian Department of Justice, and he has been a member of the National Ombudsman Commission. He has written extensively and published numerous articles and books.

In 2001, Manan joined the Supreme Court of Indonesia. That same year, he was appointed Chief Justice for a five year term until 2006 when he was re-appointed to another term.

Dean Attanasio presented the award to Chief Justice Manan at an impressive ceremony held at the Supreme Court of Indonesia on July 23, 2007. Many justices and of the highest courts of Indonesia and other dignitaries attended the ceremony where Manan spoke eloquently and about his student days at SMU.

RAYMOND D. NOAH ’66
The Distinguished Alumni Award for Public Service

Raymond D. Noah has been in active law practice in Richardson and in the Dallas area for more than 40 years. He is currently an attorney with Raymond D. Noah and Associates, as well as presiding municipal judge for the City of Richardson. In addition, he has served on numerous boards and in various capacities for the City of Richardson and the region.

Introducing Noah, Dawn E. Moore ’81 told the audience, “The literally dozens of recommendations we received for Raymond Noah came from leaders of leaders, all who called Raymond Noah their mentor—leaders such as U.S. congressmen, mayors of prominent cities, deans of universities, CEOs, and other outstanding community leaders.”

In the late 70s, as a board member and president of the North Central Texas Council of Governments, Noah pushed for the creation of a regional transit authority encompassing Dallas and Fort Worth. When the measure failed at the ballot box, he remained undaunted and helped lead in the creation of the Dallas Area Rapid Transit in 1983. Today, he represents Addison, Highland Park, Richardson and University Park, on the Dallas Area Rapid Transit Board of Directors, which he has served on for 24 years.

In addition, he served for 15 years as Mayor of the City of Richardson as well as several years as a city council member. During this time, he helped in the creation of the University of Texas at Dallas and the President George Bush Turnpike. Noah was chair of the North Central Council of Governments, as well as President of the Texas Association of Mayors, Councilmen and Commissioners.

Noah’s activities in the community show his genuine passion for serving others. He has been a member of the advisory boards for the YMCA and YWCA. He was president of the Richardson Symphony, and chair of the Richardson Chamber of Commerce. He is on the Advisory Board for the School of Arts and Humanities for the University of Texas at Dallas and was a member of the Texas A&M University MSC Development Board.

“We owe it, as lawyers, as professional people, to our
community and to those people that we serve, to be leaders,” Noah said, “and it’s been my fortune to be a part of many teams who’ve made many great things happen in this region.”

Noah received his B.B.A. from the University of Texas at El Paso and his J.D. from SMU in 1966.

SMU President R. Gerald Turner, Alberto R. Gonzales and Dean John B. Attanasio.

THE HONORABLE ALBERTO R. GONZALES
SMU Dedman School of Law Honorary Alumnus Award

Alberto R. Gonzales was sworn in as the 80th Attorney General of the United States on February 3, 2005. His personal life and background have brought unique perspective to his professional priorities as Attorney General.


After graduation, Gonzales joined the firm of Vinson & Elkins in 1982, and taught law as an adjunct professor at the University of Houston Law Center. In 1994, Gonzales was hired by George W. Bush to serve as General Counsel to the Governor. Gonzales was appointed Texas’s Secretary of State in 1997, and served until 1999 when he was appointed a Justice of the Texas Supreme Court. He was commissioned in 2001 as Counsel to President George W. Bush, a position he held until 2005 when he became the Attorney General of the United States.

Among his many professional and civic activities, Gonzales was elected to the American Law Institute in 1999. He was a director of the State Bar of Texas from 1991 to 1994, and President of the Houston Hispanic Bar Association from 1990 to 1991. He served as a director of the United Way of the Texas Gulf Coast and President of Leadership Houston.

“It’s so important to try to make a difference in your community–to give back, and as I talk to students around the country, I always tell them that giving back through some kind of public service always makes you a better lawyer and will always make you a better person,” Gonzales said.

He is a long-time friend of the SMU Dedman School of Law and has worked with SMU on several Rule of Law Forums and a Supreme Court Summit.

“I’m delighted to be recognized for the small part that I’ve done in trying to make this state, this community, this wonderful country—the greatest country on the face of the Earth—just a little bit better,” Gonzales said.

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The Future of the Jury System

The Dedman School of Law hosted the ABA’s National Symposium on the American Jury System on Oct. 26-27, 2006. The two-day symposium examined the jury system, recent reforms and improvements to jury practice, and tactics to enhance the effectiveness of juror participation.

“We are proud to offer this forum for the exchange of ideas and information on cutting-edge topics relevant to judges, professors, and trial practitioners alike,” said Dean John B. Attanasio. “Together with the right to speak and the right to vote, jury service ranks among the three most fundamental powers held by an American citizen. Perhaps no society in human history has so embraced the jury system, and an individual’s right to a jury trial, as much as the United States.”

The symposium featured dynamic panels with national experts, including many prominent judges, focusing on the implementation of jury innovations since the ABA’s efforts on improving the jury system began in 2004. The ABA Principles for Juries and Jury Trial represent a significant body of work including general principles on the right to jury trial, jury selection, conducting a jury trial, deliberations and decision-making, post-verdict activity and other principles and practices relating to jury management. The preamble of the ABA Principles provides that “The American jury is a living institution that has played a crucial part in our democracy for more than two hundred years. The ABA recognizes the legal community’s ongoing need to refine and improve jury practice so that the right to jury trial is preserved and juror participation enhanced.”

As part of the Jury Symposium, the United States Postal Service unveiled a new stamp commemorating the American jury system.
The conference looked to new developments, the Principles and how they have been implemented around the country, and what has worked or not worked. Judges and practitioners from across the country discussed different ways jurisdictions have evaluated and adopted jury innovations.

Dennis J. Drasco, the chair of the Commission on the American Jury Project, spoke about the background of the interest for jury reform and the commissions created by past ABA president Robert J. Grey, Jr. during his term. He began his speech by saying, “I suggest to you that the two most important words in American civic life are ‘jury service.’” Drasco noted that over a million citizens are empanelled on over 80,000 jury trials yearly.

During the conference, H. Thomas Wells, Jr., former Chair of the House of Delegates of the American Bar Association and ABA President-Elect said that one of the reasons for the commissions and this conference was to “make jury service not only meaningful to the parties, but to make it meaningful to the jurors, who really have not had a voice in this process.”

Panel presentations were made on the ABA Jury Principles, the current state of jury reform, the need for additional jury innovations, new issues on the horizon, and the judicial perspective on jury reform.

The second day of the Symposium included the unveiling of the Jury Service stamp by the United States Postal Service. The stamp will be issued to the public in September 2007.

The Symposium was co-sponsored by the SMU Dedman School of Law Alfred P. Murrah Lecture Series and Vinson & Elkins. Additional support came from the Law Offices of Frank L. Branson, Godwin Pappas Ronquillo LLP, The State Bar of Texas, and Winstead PC.
Dedman School of Law Increases Its Focus on IP and Technology Law

With the continued rise of legal issues relating to intellectual property, computers and other technology, Dean John B. Attanasio has made a priority of strengthening the intellectual property curriculum at the SMU Dedman School of Law.

“Dallas is such a national leader in the field of technology that it is a natural fit,” Dean Attanasio said. In addition to building the law school’s curriculum, two symposiums relating to IP and technology law were offered this spring.

The SMU Dedman School of Law hosted its fourth “Emerging Intellectual Property and Information Symposium” on Feb. 26, 2007. During five panel discussions, the symposium brought nationally-known leaders in the field to discuss the latest theories and practices important to the development of intellectual property law.

“One common praise that we hear from attendees is the broad scope of the conference,” said Professor Xuan-Thao Nguyen, who was also the Chair of this symposium. “We touch on a lot of topics. The conference is not just the typical, traditional IP type of conference. We focus on a higher level of IP and internet law. It’s so broad that they all can find something useful to their practice.” It was sponsored by Baker Botts LLP, Haynes and Boone LLP, and Monts & Ware LLP.

Also this spring, the SMU Dedman School of Law held a symposium on “Current Topics in Computer and Technology Law,” which met on April 13, 2007. Topics covered during the half day symposium were trademark law and search terms, cybersecurity, and the WIPO Broadcast Treaty.

“The conference was well-received by the attendees and provided a forum for a discussion of current legal issues in intellectual property and computer law,” said Professor Shubha Ghosh.

In addition to the Dedman School of Law, it was also sponsored by the Dallas Bar Association Computer Law Section, the Computer Law Review and Technology Journal at SMU, and Sonnenschein, Nash, & Rosenthal.
2006 Corporate Counsel Symposium


Marc Steinberg, Senior Associate Dean for Research and Rupert and Lillian Radford Professor of Law at the Dedman School of Law, and Norman Veasey, former Chief Justice of the Delaware Supreme Court

41st Annual Air Law Symposium


2006 Child Welfare Symposium

The W.W. Caruth, Jr. Child Advocacy Clinic at the SMU Dedman School of Law hosted its second Child Welfare Symposium on Nov. 16-17, 2006. The symposium focused on the disproportionate number of African-American children in the child welfare system. The Keynote address was presented by Dorothy Roberts (pictured below), who is the Kirkland & Ellis Professor of Law at Northwestern University School of Law.

“Ideas about solutions were shared, and attendees left with tools to plow forward on the issue of disproportionality,” said Jessica Dixon, Lecturer in Law and Director of the W.W. Caruth, Jr. Child Advocacy Clinic. “I ran into a symposium presenter at another conference later in the year, and she told me that she used the Texas legislative model from Senate Bill 6 to secure similar legislation in Washington State regarding research and mandated state agency policy changes to address disproportionality. This success story is exactly the reason why our symposium is important to the national child welfare agenda.”
A delegation of 14 distinguished Pakistani leaders met at SMU Dedman School of Law as part of the Rule of Law Forum on Sept. 11, 2006. During lunch, the delegation spoke to SMU Dedman School of Law students detailing various challenges, problems, and successes they have encountered in implementing Rule of Law concepts in the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

The delegation included: Major Asif Shah, Commandant of the National Police Academy; Ahmer Soofi, Advocate Supreme Court of Pakistan; Hafiz Owaisi, Collector of Customs and Sales Tax; Azhar Nadeem, Inspector General of Police in Punjab; Rana Sher, Deputy Inspector General of Police, Special Branch; Judge Fakhrunnisa Khokhar, Justice and Advocate Supreme Court of Pakistan; Huma Fakhar, Advocate Supreme Court of Pakistan specializing in International Trade; Judge Khalida Khan, Judge, United Nations International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda; Mushahid Sayed Hussain, Senator and Secretary General; Haroon Qaiser, Member of the National Assembly and Parliamentary Secretary of Minority Affairs; Syed Gulzar Sibtain, Member of National Assembly and Parliamentary Secretary for Narcotics Control; Shaikh Wagas Akram, Parliamentary Secretary for Economic Affairs; Justice Chaudhry Khan, Prosecutor General for Government of Punjab; and Muhammad Aslam, Director General of Anti-Corruption Establishment for the Government of Punjab.

The Rule of Law Forum program is organized by the SMU Dedman School of Law, U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison and the U.S. Department of State. Its primary purpose is to broaden understanding of the rule of law among emerging democracies and those nations moving in that direction and improve relationships between the visiting countries and the United States.
Karen Mathis
American Bar Association President

Each year, the American Bar Association President has the privilege of identifying issues he or she wishes to address during their term. 2007 ABA President Karen Mathis (pictured between Dean John B. Attanasio and Jessica Dixon, Director of the W.W. Caruth, Jr. Child Advocacy Clinic) made it a priority of her term in office to find ways that the legal community could better identify and support America’s at-risk young people by holding roundtables across the country. During a trip to Dallas, President Mathis commented that the Dallas Youth at Risk Roundtable was one of the best she has attended out of sixteen other roundtables she had co-sponsored.

“Jessica Dixon is a real treasure,” President Mathis said. “She is someone I sought out to help us put on this program.”

Dixon said the Child Advocacy Clinic plans to host additional roundtable discussions throughout the next academic school year.

Robert Hart ’87, C.O.O. for Mark Cuban Companies / Dallas Mavericks

On Oct. 26, 2006, the Sports Law Association and the Student Bar Association sponsored Robert Hart ’87 to discuss his job and experiences since receiving his J.D. and M.B.A. from SMU. While in law school at SMU, Hart met a young internet entrepreneur named Mark Cuban. He maintained contact with Cuban and helped him with various legal issues. Eventually, in 1999, Hart became personal legal counsel for Cuban and then a year later General Counsel for Mark Cuban Companies. Hart explained that during law school, students will often complain, “This is not what I thought I would be doing when I started law school.” Hart, for example, applied for an internship that he thought would involve international contracts, but the experience turned out to be mostly immigration law. At the time, he felt the immigration work was a bothersome diversion from his real interests in international law. Today, this immigration experience has turned to gold in his current duties with Cuban and the Mavericks’ numerous international players. Hart cautioned students not to become so narrowly focused that they may miss hidden gems that might inadvertently lead them where they want to go.

Alberto Gonzales
United States Attorney General

United States Attorney General Alberto Gonzales spoke to a capacity crowd at the SMU Dedman School of Law on Feb. 2, 2007. Gonzales discussed the proper role of the judiciary, “First, the Judiciary must be strong and independent. Second, for the rule of law in America to remain an example for the world, judges must understand and perform their proper role in our democratic society, as the Framers intended. And third, the very best people must fill these important judgeships—people who believe in the rule of law.” He explained the constitutional and statutory nature of the Habeas Corpus and its origins in common law.
Some methods of conducting foreign policy are well known. One example is the negotiation and ratification of formal treaties. Another is working through established international institutions, such as the United Nations and the World Trade Organization. Another is personal contact between world leaders, exemplified by the periodic summit meetings that attract national and global attention.

Another, less acknowledged arena of foreign policy is informal coordination between mid-level governmental officials across borders. Over the last few decades, legislators, judges, prosecutors, and other government officials have increasingly begun making policy directly, through informal transnational networks. Such coordination has often occurred without formal legal sanction. It has been especially prominent in areas of cross-border regulation, including banking, antitrust, environmental protection, and securities law. It has also occurred in more politically charged areas, such as national security and human rights.

Some scholars see the rise of transnational networks as representative of a new international order. They have argued that, compared to international organizations and state-to-state diplomacy, transnational networks provide more efficient solutions to global problems. Informal networks already play a large role in foreign policy today, and their contribution to international cooperation appears to be increasing.

The Origins of Transnational Networks

Political scientists Robert Keohane at Princeton University and Joseph Nye at Harvard University first pointed to the rise of “transgovernmental” networks in the 1970s. They argued that foreign policy was increasingly shaped by “direct interactions among sub-units of different governments that are not controlled or closely guided by the policies of the cabinets or chief executives of those governments.” As the complexity of foreign policy increased, lower-level officials began acting more frequently without close supervision from their superiors.

With economic globalization and the expansion of the administrative state, networks of government actors have proliferated. Today, government actors are increasingly working with their peers across the world to create and enforce international rules. Because mid-level officials ordinarily have a certain amount of discretion in implementing policy, they can participate in transgovernmental networks without involving central authorities such as the State Department or a foreign affairs ministry.

One of the main advantages of such cross-border interaction is the access it provides to specialized knowledge. For this reason, networks are most likely to form in areas where good policy depends on having the best technical expertise. Fields of regulation that fit this profile, to a greater or lesser degree, include banking, securities, telecommunications, and antitrust. By contrast, subjects that are more heavily dependent on purely political judgments, such as human rights and national security, have been slower to give rise to informal networks. This does not mean that networks in these fields do not exist. Transgovernmental networks have begun to develop even in politically sensitive areas such as national security and international criminal justice. But interactions on these subjects is more likely to revert back to high-level intergovernmental politics.

Networks are also more likely to arise when some of the participating states stand to benefit from modeling their laws on those of other states. Benefits may include attracting foreign investment, receiving trade concessions, or being admitted to an international organization. In these cases, lower-level officials may be given greater latitude to interact with their counterparts from the donor or investor state’s agencies. An example of this is the rise of networks in the antitrust area, where lower-level officials in many less-devel-
oped countries openly cooperate with their counterparts from the European Union or the United States to shape rules and policies intended to help attract investment from these more developed partners.

Where government officials have already begun interacting with one another in international organizations, this cooperation may also encourage the creation of transgovernmental alliances. International organizations provide a forum for regular interaction among state and agency officials, which in turn increases trust and understanding. In this way, they offer a starting point for subsequent, less formal exchanges in transgovernmental networks.

Non-governmental organizations (NGO) can also help propel transnational networks. They gather information, raise awareness of global problems, lobby governments and international organizations to respond to these situations, and even become directly involved in managing the response. In countries emerging from conflict, for example, NGOs are involved side-by-side with the United Nations and the World Bank in assisting local authorities with the transition to peace and stability. In a number of areas, including human rights, environmental law, and public health, non-governmental organizations have spearheaded initiatives that have later been taken over by networks of governmental officials.3

What Transnational Networks Do

Informal networks often exercise functions that have traditionally been the task of international organizations. Such networks may, for example, work to harmonize international rules. Examples of the effort to create common standards are the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision and the International Organization of Securities Commissions (IOSCO), which have issued codes of “best practices” for regulating banking and securities and for combating money laundering.4 Transgovernmental networks may also provide sites for longer-term dialogue on issues of global concern. Intelligence agencies exchange ideas on the fight against terrorism;5 legislators from different countries discuss strategies to address common environmental and health threats;6 and judges debate the best interpretation of trade rules or human rights through legal opinions and at international conferences. In this way, networks help develop international rules through a decentralized, deliberative process.

Networks also help strengthen domestic compliance with international law. They do so in two principal ways. First, they serve as a conduit for the exchange of valuable information, as their participants share successes and failures in enforcing the law, create “best practices” guidelines, and help develop alternative solutions to common problems. Second, networks provide technical assistance where needed to help individual states realize shared objectives. Environmental law has been an area in which networks have been successful in promoting domestic compliance with international rules. For example, working groups, joint training sessions, and dispute resolution mechanisms created under NAFTA allowed regulators from the U.S., Mexico and Canada to pool efforts in enforcing already existing national and international environmental rules.7 Other networks, sponsored by the UN, have relied heavily on technical assistance and regular exchanges of information to promote domestic compliance with environmental law.8

Whether they work to harmonize rules or to promote compliance with existing rules, networks are successful in large part because they establish ongoing relationships among government agencies or officials. The repeated interactions build trust and produce stable patterns of cooperation. At the same time, transgovernmental networks are looser, more flexible formations than traditional international organizations. They do not set rules through formal treaty negotiations, but instead rely primarily on more flexible mechanisms—standards, guidelines, and memoranda of understanding. Their organization consists largely of peer-to-peer ties among people who work for their respective national governments, but are not part of a separate international bureaucracy. Because networks typically lack an overarching bureaucratic structure, they often adapt and respond more quickly to changes in the environment. Their flexibility also allows them to provide context-sensitive solutions to global problems.

To convey the practical significance of networks, it is helpful to review a few examples of existing transgovernmental networks.

Networks of Regulators

Some of the most prominent networks of regulators have arisen in the areas of finance and competition regulation. Examples include the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision, in which representatives of central banks cooperate in setting standards on banking supervision;9 the International Organization of Securities Commissions, in which members of securities commissions coordinate standards on monitoring international securities transactions...
and provide mutual assistance in enforcing these standards; and the International Competition Network, in which officials from competition agencies work together to promote convergence in antitrust standards.

These networks are based on peer-to-peer ties among governmental officials and have little coercive power. They depend primarily on informal sanctions to achieve their goals. For example, the International Competition Network (ICN) expressly states that it does not have rulemaking authority. Instead, it describes itself as a “project-oriented” initiative, “flexibly organized around working groups, the members of which work together largely by Internet, telephone, fax machine and videoconference.” Members discuss projects during annual meetings and focus on recommendations, while leaving implementation of the recommendations to their respective antitrust agencies. Although the ICN is in its early days of operation, it has already been credited with helping to create a consensus about principles of competition law.

**Networks of Judges**

Although networks of regulators are most common, judges have also begun interacting informally across borders. So far, the most developed judicial networks have arisen in the European Union. The European Court of Justice (ECJ) has relied on a transnational network of judges to help enforce EU law throughout the member states. Article 234 of the Treaty Establishing the European Community provides for “preliminary ruling proceedings” through which national courts can, or in some cases must, refer a case to the ECJ when they have doubts as to the interpretation of EU law. The procedure might have been used only sparingly if the ECJ had not deliberately set out to engage national courts directly and build a network that would make broad implementation of this provision more likely. To that end, European Court judges have actively cultivated relationships with their national counterparts and have encouraged them to refer cases to the ECJ. This has in turn enhanced the Court’s legitimacy and power base. Even outside the European Union, interactions among judges across borders on constitutional and human rights questions have been growing. The Rule of Law Forum at the SMU Dedman School of Law, as well as the summits of U.S. Supreme Court and Supreme Courts of Europe in which the law school has been involved, are examples of such exchanges.
**Networks of Investigators and Prosecutors**

As crime has become more transnational, cross-border networks have developed to combat it more effectively. Investigators and prosecutors in different countries have begun sharing information and strategies to address transnational crimes such as terrorism, drug trafficking, and money laundering. Increasingly, networks are also forming to address international crimes, including war crimes and crimes against humanity. In Europe, special prosecutors’ offices have been created to address both transnational and international crimes, and these offices interact with one another, as well as with prosecutors at the international criminal tribunals.

One of the best-known global law enforcement networks is Interpol, which facilitates the exchange of information among national police forces dealing with transnational and international crimes. Interpol helps track down suspects and coordinate the activities of national police forces investigating international crimes. It relies on National Central Bureaus to serve as contact points for the network in each member state. For example, it has hosted meetings to identify the needs of national units in fighting international crimes and has committed to assisting these units through the “increased use of Interpol databases, the preparation of a best practice manual, and identification of points of contact in member countries.”

Investigators and prosecutors at the international war crimes tribunals are also cooperating with one another in prosecuting international crimes. Moreover, they have started sharing their expertise with national authorities pursuing similar investigations. Just as Interpol has committed to greater cooperation with national units investigating war crimes, the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court has called for cooperation between the ICC and authorities dealing with both international and transnational crimes.

**Contributions by Networks to International Cooperation**

Advocates of networks argue that networks are relatively fast and flexible in addressing global problems. By pooling the information and expertise of their members, networks give national governments access to more information, and potentially achieve better results than governments acting unilaterally. Another positive is that networks do not involve a central coercive authority that might be perceived as a threat to state sovereignty. Their primary political authority remains at the national level, and they are more sensitive to the needs of domestic constituencies. Finally, networks strengthen enforcement of the law by gathering information about best practices, disseminating it to all network participants, and then providing technical assistance to implement these approaches. On balance, a strong case can be made for the positive contributions of informal networks to international relations.

Still, there are several important challenges to the work of transgovernmental networks, which may hinder their effectiveness.

One challenge for networks is to maintain accountability. On the one hand, a key advantage of networks over traditional international organizations is their accountability to domestic constituencies. Even as they interact with their partners across borders, network participants remain national representatives. But transnational networks of government officials do not answer as directly to the citizens of their respective nations as, for example, national legislatures do. A consensus among network members may not reflect a consensus in the electorates of the participating nations.

To maintain a level of accountability, the actions of network participants—whether these participants are courts interpreting statutes or regulators promulgating new standards—can be overseen by domestic legislatures. This would require, first of all, transparency of the decision-making of networks. When the decisions are made in a more transparent fashion, legislators can reject those network policies and rules that significantly interfere with domestic political preferences. Such scrutiny has already occurred in some contexts. For example, Congress has taken steps to monitor the work of the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision. It has received regular testimony on the progress of the Basel Accord revisions and has called for banking agencies to report on all proposed recommendations of the Basel Committee before agreeing to them. Similarly, the European Parliament and national legislatures have begun to review the actions of transnational criminal justice networks such as Europol and Eurojust.

Another way in which networks can be held accountable is by other networks. For example, a global network of legislators dealing with securities laws may monitor the networks of regulators active in the same area. In international criminal law, alliances of human rights NGOs and international criminal defense attorneys can oversee the work of networks of international prosecutors. International defense attorneys’ associations have already begun doing so by filing amicus briefs in domestic courts on international criminal law ques-
tions, developing their own model codes of international criminal law and procedure, and getting involved in the work of other emerging networks in international criminal law.18

Another challenge to the work of networks is that their actions may come to reflect the priorities of their most powerful participants. Instead of encouraging the free exchange of ideas, networks may produce a one-way export of ideas from more powerful countries. This has already happened in the areas of antitrust and securities regulation, and to some degree, in judicial exchanges on human rights questions.

This does not necessarily mean that these rules are imposed on unwilling states. Countries in transition may wish to import rules from more developed countries to show their commitment to a particular legal regime, a break with the past, and a new credibility as an international partner. And while it is possible that networks will replicate disparities in the international system, it is not clear that the problem is any greater when networks are involved than it is in traditional international institutions.

Again in this context, transparency is crucial. It enhances the ability of legislatures, NGOs, and networks themselves to monitor the decisions of other networks. The increased oversight in turn can compel networks to act with greater integrity and fairness. For example, as part of a commitment to transparency, networks can institute “notice and comment” procedures before agreeing on common standards. Both the Basel Committee and IOSCO have already done so. When the Basel Committee decided to revise its Capital Accord, which contains a set of standards for implementing a credit risk measurement framework for banks, it published the Accord’s draft and opened it to public comment. It received hundreds of comments from banks, regulators, and networks of regulators, and after considering them, the Committee disclosed on the Internet its progress in reaching a new consensus on the Accord. Although these procedural innovations may at some point interfere with the efficiency and informality of networks, some such procedures are crucial to the legitimacy of networks. They increase transparency and reduce the possibility that decision-making will be unduly dominated by a few powerful participants.

Conclusion

Transnational coalitions of governmental officials increasingly influence law and policymaking at the international and domestic levels. They help solve global problems by exchanging information and expertise, issuing policy guidelines, and coordinating standards. They are more flexible and accountable than international organizations and are able to draw upon a wide variety of resources in a manner that traditional state-to-state contacts cannot always achieve. But networks are still a recent phenomenon and face several important challenges. They must find the proper balance between respecting local preferences and pursuing uniformity; between cooperation at the transnational level and accountability at home; and between fairness and efficiency. Finding the proper balance is the key to the continued development and success of this new venue for international coordination.

Notes

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Linda Eads Receives State Bar of Texas President’s Award

Linda Eads, Associate Professor at the Dedman School of Law, was named the recipient of the 2006-2007 President’s Award, presented by the State Bar of Texas. The award is given annually to a member of the state bar who is deemed to have rendered outstanding service to that organization. She was recognized for her work on the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct Committee.

“I am very honored to receive this award,” Eads said. “I think it is very important that the legal academy and law professors be involved in reforming and improving law, rather than only commenting on it.”

From 1999 to 2000, she served as the Deputy Attorney General for the State of Texas. While in that position, she participated in the appeal to the 5th Circuit of the decision in Hopwood v. Texas, as well as in the landmark agreement between Aetna and Texas regarding HMO practices in the state.

She received her B.A. from American University in 1971 and her law degree from The University of Texas at Austin in 1975.

Eads teaches in the areas of professional responsibility, evidence, trial advocacy, constitutional law, criminal tax fraud, and women and the law.

Professors Awarded Don M. Smart Award for Excellence in Teaching

This year, the SMU Dedman School of Law’s graduating class recognized two professors for their teaching acumen and classroom savvy by presenting Professors Christopher H. Hanna and William J. Bridge with the 2007 Dr. Don M. Smart Award for Excellence in Teaching.

Professor Hanna is Altshuler Distinguished Teaching Professor and Professor of Law. He has been a visiting professor at the University of Texas School of Law, the University of Florida College of Law, the University of Tokyo School of Law and a visiting scholar at the Harvard Law School and the Japanese Ministry of Finance.

Hanna received his undergraduate degree in accounting at the University of Florida and his law degrees at the University of Florida College of Law (J.D., 1988) and New York University School of Law (LL.M. in Taxation, 1989).

He has authored numerous articles in various areas of taxation including international taxation, corporate taxation, partnership taxation, and tax accounting. His first book, entitled Comparative Income Tax Deferral: The United States and Japan, was released in July 2000. This is his seventh time receiving the award.

Professor Bridge is an Associate Professor of Law. Various positions he has held in this 30 years at the Dedman School of Law include president of the Faculty Senate, a member of the Faculty Advisory Committee of the Cary M. Maguire Center for Ethics and Public Responsibility, director of the SMU Law School in Oxford Program and advisor to the Barristers.

Bridge received his undergraduate degree in foreign service at Georgetown University and returned to his alma mater to earn his law degree (J.D., 1974). Bridge was assistant dean and adjunct professor at Georgetown University Law Center before accepting the Jervey Fellowship in Foreign Law from Columbia University.

Fluent in French, he studied at the Faculties of Letters and of Law at the University of Caen, France, in 1970-1971, and at the French Court of Cassation, the French Council of State, and the French Center for Comparative Law in 1977-1978. In 1984 and 1986, he was a visiting professor at Georgetown University Law Center.

This is the second time Bridge has received the Don M. Smart Award.
ROY RYDEN ANDERSON
Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Vinson & Elkins Distinguished Teaching Fellow and Professor of Law


LACKLAND BLOOM, JR.
Professor of Law

Presentations: Delivered speech on the current status of the Religion Clauses, Dallas Chapter of the Anti-Defamation League, Dallas, TX (February, 2006); “Comments on the Draft Constitution for Kyrgyzstan, Rule of Law Forum, Dallas, TX (February, 2006); Discussant, Judicial Summit between Justices from the European Court of Justice and the United States Supreme Court, Dallas, TX and Washington, D.C. (February, 2007).

WILLIAM J. BRIDGE
Associate Professor of Law

Presentations: Delivered speeches to the Dallas Gay and Lesbian Bar Association (October, 2006); Dallas Bar Litigation Section, Ethics Program (December, 2006); “Recent Developments in Federal Evidence,” Dallas Chapter-Federal Bar Association (February, 2006).

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

Presentations: “Hiding in the Zone of Ignorance: Prison Litigation and Institutional Accountability,” Clinical Writers' Workshop, Clinical Law Review, New York, NY (April, 2006); “Speaking Truth to Power: The Role of Law Schools and Law Faculty as Constitutional Litigants,” Clinical Legal Education Association National Conference, New York, NY (May, 2006); “The Anti-Contact Rule and Former Employees,” Dallas Bar Association’s Business Litigation Section, Dallas, TX (December, 2006); Speaker, Texas Bar Litigation Section’s Ethics Program, Dallas, TX (February, 2007).

JOHN B. ATTANASIO
Dean and William Hawley Atwell Professor of Constitutional Law


ALAN R. BROMBERG
University Distinguished Professor of Law

Publications: 2006-1 and 2006-2 Supplements to BROMBERG & LOWENFELS ON SECURITIES FRAUD AND COMMODITIES FRAUD (with Lowenfels); 2006-1 and 2006-2 Supplements to BROMBERG & LOWENFELS ON PARTNERSHIP (with Lowenfels); 2006 and 2007 Editions of BROMBERG & RIBSTEIN...
Faculty Forum


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

Presentations: Delivered speech on IMLS to the SMU Town and Gown (January, 2007).

REGIS W. CAMPFIELD
Marilyn Jeanne Johnson Distinguished Law Faculty Fellow & Professor of Law


JESSICA DIXON
Director - W.W. Caruth, Jr. Child Advocacy Clinic and Lecturer In Law

Appointments: Chair, Juvenile Justice Committee of the Dallas Bar Association.

WILLIAM DORSANEO, III
Chief Justice John and Lena Hickman Distinguished Faculty Fellow & Professor of Law


LINDA S. EADS
Associate Professor of Law

Presentations: Spoke on the changes in the Texas Rules of Professional Conduct to the Dallas Bar Association; moderated a forum with Senator John Cornyn sponsored by the Women’s Initiative.

DAVID EPSTEIN
Professor of Law


Dallas, TX and Washington, D.C. (February, 2007).

**SHUBHA GHOSH**
Professor of Law


Appointments: Fellow, Centre for Competition, Investment & Economic Regulation, Consumer Unity & Trust Society, Jaipur, India (January 2007-Present); Visiting Fellow, AHRC Research Centre for Studies in Intellectual Property and Technology Law, University of Edinburgh Faculty of Law (April, 2006).

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

Presentations: Visiting Professor Series, University of Miami Graduate Tax Program (April, 2006); “Magic in Tax Law” to the Dallas Bar Association Section of Taxation (May, 2006).


**JEFFREY D. KAHN**
Assistant Professor of Law

Presentations: “Federalism in Comparative Perspective” to Members of Parliament of Afghanistan, Rule of Law Forum, SMU Dedman School of Law (July, 2006); Discussant, Judicial Summit between Justices from the European Court of Justice and the United States Supreme Court, Dallas, TX and Washington, D.C. (February, 2007).


**NDIVA KOFELE-KALE**
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Presentations: “Federalism in Comparative Perspective” to Members of Parliament of Afghanistan, Rule of Law Forum, SMU Dedman School of Law (March, 2006); “Combating Official Corruption” to the Pakistani Rule of Law Forum, SMU Dedman School of Law (September, 2006); Moderator; Discussant, Judicial Summit between Justices from the European Court of Justice and the United States Supreme Court, Dallas, TX and Washington, D.C. (February, 2007).

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

Publications: 9th & 10th editions of TEXAS MATRIMONIAL PROPERTY LAW (Postal Express, 2006, 2007) (with William A. Reppy, Jr.);

FREDERICK C. MOSS
Associate Professor of Law


Presentations: “The Art of Cross-Examination at the Trial of Lizzie Borden” to the Dallas Bar’s Litigation Section (January, 2007); “Proposed Amendments to the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct” to the Texas Association of Bank Counsel annual meeting, Dallas (October, 2006); “The Lawyer-Client Privilege and In-House Investigations,” DBA Ethics Committee Annual Ethics Seminar, Dallas (April, 2006); “Top Ten Hearsay Myths” to the Collin County Bar Ass’n (March, 2006).

JOHN J. MYLAN
Professor of Law

Publications: (2006-1) and (2006-2) semi-annual supplements to FEDERAL TAXATION OF CLOSELY HELD CORPORATIONS; 2007 supplement to CLOSELY HELD BUSINESSES IN ESTATE PLANNING (with Edwin T. Hood & Timothy P. O’Sullivan).


XUAN-THAO NGUYEN
Professor of Law


**JOSEPH J. NORTON**

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

**Publications:**

**Corporate Governance Post-Enron: Comparative and International Perspectives,** vol. 7 of Studies Series in Int’l Financial, Econ. and Technology Law (British Institute of International and Comparative Law, 2006); *A Suggested First Step for Moving Toward a “New Generation” of Viable and Effective Long-term Financial Sector Legal Reform: Taking Stock of the “First Generation” of Reform*, Monograph in (LVP) Series on Legal and Judicial Reform (2007); *An Interim Filling the Gap in Multilateral, Regional and Domestic Hard Law Deficiencies Respecting Financial Services in the Americas*, 12 LBRA 153 (2006); *Law, Culture and Economic Development: The Provision of Banking and Financial Services in the FTA Area: Rationalizing the Divergent “Cultures of Negotiation,”* EUR. BUS. L.REV. 47 (2006); *The DeFacto and “Soft Law” Financial Services Integration Processes Within the Western Hemisphere*, in Festschrift Fur Professor Dr Norbert Horn (ed., Prof. Dr. KP. Berger) (Verlag, 2006).

**Presentations:** “A Next Generation of Financial Sector Legal Reform?” Conference on “Development, Law and Culture,” SMU Dedman School of Law (April, 2006).

**ELLEN SMITH PRYOR**

Associate Provost for Honors and International Programs and Homer R. Mitchell Professor of Law and University Distinguished Teaching Professor


**Presentations:** Presented paper on remedies and compensation, AALS Annual Conference Workshop on Remedies (January, 2007); Presenter on teaching a course on Law, Faith, and Morality, Sixth Conference of Religiously Affiliated Law Schools, Baylor Law School (March, 2006); “Update on Tort Reform” to the 19th Anniversary meeting of the Asian Pacific Interest Section of the State Bar of Texas, Dallas (March, 2006); “Update on Tort Reform” to the 19th Anniversary meeting of the Asian Pacific Interest Section of the State Bar of Texas, Dallas (April, 2006); Moderator, Session on the Development Processes in Perspective, 2006 ILRA Colloquium on “Law, Culture and Economic Development,” Dallas (March, 2006); “Do the Antitrust Laws Sack the Bowl Championship Series?,” Southern University Law Center (Spring 2006).

**C. PAUL ROGERS, III**

Professor of Law and Former Dean of the Law School

**Presentations:** “2005-2006 and 2006-2007 Supreme Court Antitrust Terms” to the Antitrust and Business Litigation Section of the State Bar of Texas, Dallas (November, 2006); “NCAA Eligibility Rules” to the Sports and Entertainment Law Section of the Dallas Bar Association (October, 2006); Moderator, Session on the Development Processes in Perspective, 2006 ILRA Colloquium on “Law, Culture and Economic Development,” Dallas (March, 2006); “Do the Antitrust Laws Sack the Bowl Championship Series?,” Southern University Law Center (Spring 2006).

**DANIEL W. SHUMAN**

M.D. Anderson Foundation Endowed Professor of Health Law

**Publications:** PSYCHIATRY AND LAW FOR CLINICIANS (American Psychiatric Publishing 2007) (with Robert Simon); Supplement to PSYCHIATRIC AND PSYCHOLOGICAL EVIDENCE (3rd ed. West); Consent, Disclosure and Waiver for the


MARY SPECTOR
Associate Professor of Law and Co-Director of Civil Clinic and the Consumer Law Project


JOSHUA C. TATE
Assistant Professor of Law

Publications: 2006 Supplement to ATTORNEY LIABILITY AFTER SARBANES-OXLEY; 2006 Supplement to INSIDER TRADING (2d ed.) (2 vols.) (co-authored); 2006 Supplement to SECURITIES REGULATION; Releases 41 & 42 to SECURITIES REGULATION: LIABILITIES AND REMEDIES; 2006 Supplement to SECURITIES PRACTICE: FEDERAL AND STATE ENFORCEMENT (2d ed.) (co-authored); Attorney Liability Under the State Securities Laws: Landscapes and Minefields, 3 U. CAL. (Berkeley) BUS. L. J. 1 (2005); The Corporate / Securities Attorney as a “Moving Target” – Client Fraud Dilemmas, 46 WASHBURN L. J. _____ (2006) (delivered as the Foulston Siefkin Distinguished Lecturer); Enhancing Corporate Governance in the Mergers and Acquisitions Context – The Lawyer’s Independence, published in CORPORATE GOVERNANCE POST-ENRON-COMPARATIVE AND INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVES 151 (SMU & The British Institute of International and Comparative Law 2006).

Presentations: Panelist, “How Boards of Directors Can Oversee Strategic Decisions and Get Investigations Right,” Directors’ Roundtable (February, 2007); Spoke to Securities Section of the Dallas Bar (January, 2007); Spoke to Texas State Securities Board Training Program (December, 2006); Moderator, SMU Dedman School of Law Corporate Counsel Symposium (October, 2006).

ELIZABETH G. THORNBURG
Professor of Law


Presentations: Invited participant, Clifford Symposium on Law and Social Policy, DePaul University School of Law, Chicago, IL (April, 2006).
JENIA IONTCHEVA
TURNER
Assistant Professor of Law


ROSE CUISON VILLAZOR
Assistant Professor of Law


PETER WINSHIP
James Cleo Thompson, Sr. Trustee Professor of Law


SMU Visiting Faculty

PROFESSOR RUDOLF DOLZER
Professor & Director, Institute for International Law, Univ. of Bonn
The Charles & Inez Wright Murray Distinguished Visiting Professor Rudolf Dolzer is Professor at the Institute for International Law at the University of Bonn in Bonn, Germany, where he serves as Director. He 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. He taught International Commercial Arbitration and Foreign Investment.

PROFESSOR BERNHARD GROSSFELD
Professor of Law at the Muenster Univ. in Muenster, Germany
Distinguished Visiting Professor Grossfeld is Professor of Law at the Muenster University in Muenster, Germany. At Muenster, he also serves as the Director of the Institute for International Business Law as well as the Director of the Institute for Cooperative Research. Professor Grossfeld received his J.D. from Muenster University and his LL.M. from Yale University. He is recognized as one of the leading European law scholars in comparative and international business law. He has previously taught as a visiting professor at SMU, Michigan, Texas, Chicago, and NYU (where he is a permanent member of its Global Law School Faculty). Professor Grossfeld taught Comparative Law I and Comparative Law II.

PROFESSOR 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 Market. He has been a guest lecturer at several universities in Denmark, Finland, Norway, Germany, and England. He 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 in Denmark, Finland, Norway, and Sweden. He is also widely published in several European law journals. Professor Dotevall taught Comparative Law II.

THE HONORABLE LINDA THOMAS
Chief Justice of Texas’s Fifth District Court of Appeals
The Honorable Linda Thomas is Chief Justice of the Fifth District Court of Appeals, the state’s largest intermediate appellate court. She received her B.A. from the University of Texas at Arlington and her J.D. from SMU in 1973. She served eight years as a family court judge and has been on the appellate court since 1987. She is board certified in family law and was awarded the prestigious Sam Emison Award by the Texas Academy of Family Law Specialists. In 2005, the Fellows of the Dallas Bar Foundation honored her for her legal and civic contributions. A member of the faculty at the National Judicial College, Thomas is a nationally-recognized leader in legal and judicial education. She taught Family Law.
THE HONORABLE DAVID C. GODBEY  
U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Texas  
The Honorable David C. Godbey was appointed U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Texas in 2002. He earned his B.S. *magna cum laude* from SMU and his J.D. *magna cum laude* from Harvard Law School in 1982. Following law school, Judge Godbey clerked for the Honorable Irving L. Goldberg of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. He then worked as a commercial litigator at Hughes & Luce, L.L.P. until 1994, when he took the bench and served as a district court judge in Dallas County until his appointment in 2002. He taught Ethical Dilemmas in Legal Practice.

THE HONORABLE BARBARA J. HOUSER  
Chief Judge, U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas  
Judge Barbara J. Houser is Chief Judge for the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas. She received her undergraduate degree from the University of Nebraska and J.D. from SMU in 1978, where she was editor of the *SMU Law Review*. After law school, Houser joined Locke, Purnell, Boren, Laney & Neely in Dallas and later practiced with Sheinfeld, Maley & Kay, P.C. until she was sworn in as United States Bankruptcy Judge in January 2000. Houser lectures and publishes frequently on corporate restructuring and insolvency law. She is a past chairman of the Dallas Bar Association Committee on Bankruptcy and Corporate Reorganization. She is a contributing author of *Collier on Bankruptcy* (15th Ed) and the *Collier Bankruptcy Manual* (3rd Ed). She taught Creditors’ Rights.

THE HONORABLE D. MICHAEL LYNN  
U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Texas  
Judge D. Michael Lynn is a United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Texas. He received a B.A. *cum laude* from Lawrence University and his J.D. from Columbia Law School where he was a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar. Prior to his appointment to the bench, Lynn was of counsel with Stutzman & Bromberg. He co-authored *Collier Handbook for Trustees and Debtors in Possession* and *Creditors’ Rights Handbook* (1995). He is a contributing author of *Collier on Bankruptcy* and *Collier Bankruptcy Practice Guide*. He taught Advanced Bankruptcy and Ethical Dilemmas in Legal Practice.

THE HONORABLE DON BUSH  
U.S. Magistrate Judge for the Eastern District of Texas  
Major Donor Reception

Bill Callejo ’66, Adelfa Botello Callejo ’61, and Dean John B. Attanasio.

Karen Sargent ’79 and Vester Hughes (honorary alumnus ’03).

Jack Kinnebrew ’67, Mary Campfield and Professor Regis Campfield.

Doug Yeager, Judy Johnson ’75 and Sam Burford ’67.

James Griffin ’86 and Ted Anderson ’86.

Judge Ralph Taite ’66, Marianne Gwinn and Bob Gwinn ’54.
Law Students Show Appreciation For Hughes Diversity Law Scholarships

Since 1981, the Dallas Bar Foundation has provided scholarships to minority law students through the Sarah T. Hughes Diversity Law Scholarships, which provide full tuition for the first year of law school and are renewed annually with satisfactory academic performance. Since 1986, the annual Bar None variety show, sponsored by the Dallas Bar Foundation and the Dallas Bar Association, has raised well over $1 million to fund the Hughes Scholarships. The cast of the fundraising production is composed entirely of members of the Dallas legal community, and, true to its name, no one—no matter how tone-deaf they are or how many left feet they have—is turned away at the door.

“I cast everybody who auditions,” said Martha Hardwick Hofmeister, who has directed every Bar None show since its inception—this year’s performance was her 22nd.

The goal of the Scholarship is to increase minority involvement in the legal profession and to attract minority law students to Dallas in the hope that they will remain in Dallas to practice law and become leaders in the community. It is in this capacity that the Bar None show truly shines.

“It’s been amazing,” said Hughes scholar Elisabeth Wilson ’07. “It’s not only money to go to school, but, because of the events we have, the different luncheons and especially Bar None, you don’t just get your education, you get to know people and you get to know that your presence is appreciated in the community. I have experienced such an outpouring of kindness and support from the members of Bar None, the Dallas Bar Association, and the Dallas Bar Foundation.”

Another Hughes scholar, Gabrielle Loveless Smith ’07, said, “Knowing that so much effort goes into Bar None and that so many attorneys have invested in the future of the Hughes Scholars made me give my all in law school and work as hard as I could to reach my goals.”

“Although I’m as green as a 1L can be,” said first-year Hughes scholar Jeff Ghouse, “I’ve felt the sense of camaraderie among Hughes scholars all the way from the incoming students to the already successful graduates. I’ve never encountered such a successful and driven group of people, and it is truly inspiring to see the fruits of hard work and dedication. Personally, I feel blessed to have such a wonderful opportunity and to be in the company of distinguished members of the Dallas legal community.”

“The Sarah T. Hughes scholarship has affected me in more ways than one,” said Hughes scholar Fatima Shah, currently in her second year at the Dedman School of Law. “Apart from the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity it provided me, the Dallas Bar Foundation, as well as the fellow Hughes Scholars, have provided me with a sense of kinship and community that I, as an immigrant from Pakistan, value greater than anything else.”

The Scholarship’s namesake, Judge Sarah T. Hughes, was the first woman to serve as a state district judge in Texas, and in 1961, she became the first woman federal district judge when John F. Kennedy appointed her to the Northern District of Texas.
1941
Martin Samuelsohn was awarded the Charles O. Galvin Award for Service to the SMU Dedman School of Law.

1954
Charles W. Hall received the State Bar of Texas, Taxation Section’s Outstanding Texas Tax Lawyer Award.

1955
Walter P. Zivley was named Distinguished Texas Probate Attorney, presented by the Real Estate, Probate and Trust Law Section of the State Bar of Texas.

1956
Claude R. Wilson Jr. joined the Dallas office of Looper Reed and McGraw.

1957
Bob Thomas received the Outstanding 50-year Lawyer Award presented by the Texas Bar Foundation. The award is presented to an attorney who has shown the highest standards of professional ethics and for outstanding public service in advancing and enhancing legal ethics.

1958
John H. McElhaney was awarded the Distinguished Alumni Award for Private Practice by the SMU Dedman School of Law.

1961
Adelfa Botello Callejo was awarded the Robert G. Storey Award for Distinguished Achievement by the SMU Dedman School of Law.

1962
Kenneth D. Fuller received the Hall of Legends Award presented by the State Bar of Texas.

1963
Richard S. Geiger was recognized in the 2006 edition of Chambers USA: America’s Leading Lawyers for Business for his law expertise in insurance.

Robert H. Thomas ‘57 was named 2007 Trial Lawyer of the Year by the Dallas Bar Association for his significant contributions to the legal profession.

Thomas is a Partner at Strasburger & Price LLP, where he has worked for over 45 years. He spent 31 of those years as lead counsel representing the Dallas ISD in *Tasby v. Estes*, the federal school desegregation case. He is a past president of the DBA, a former Director of the State Bar of Texas, former Chairman of the Dallas Bar Foundation, and a Fellow of both the Texas Bar Foundation and the American College of Probate Counsel. He was named a SMU Distinguished Alumnus in 1988 and a Dedman School of Law Distinguished Alumnus in 1995.
Edward V. Smith III was named the 2006 recipient of the Morris Harrell Professionalism Award by the Texas Center for Legal Ethics and Professionalism and the Dallas Bar Association.

Edward V. Smith III ‘63 was named the 2006 recipient of the Morris Harrell Professionalism Award by the Texas Center for Legal Ethics and Professionalism and the Dallas Bar Association. An estate planning and probate lawyer, Smith has held numerous positions of leadership in his field; he is a fellow of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel and a past chair of the DBA Probate, Trusts & Estates Section. He was named a Dedman School of Law Distinguished Alumnus for Private Practice in 2006. He has served on the Board of Regents for the University of North Texas, and as president of that school’s Alumni Association. He also served as chairman of the Board of Trustees at the University of the Ozarks.

Richard M. Hull was honored as the 2006 winner of the Distinguished Alumni Award at Jesuit College Preparatory School of Dallas.

Charles Cantu was named Interim Dean of St. Mary’s University School of Law.

Windle Turley received Oklahoma City University’s Distinguished Alumni Award.

Raymond D. Noah was awarded the Distinguished Alumni Award for Public Service by the SMU Dedman School of Law.

Mike Boone was voted Most Respected Lawyer in Dallas in the May 2007 issue of D Magazine.

Walt Humann was named Vice President of programs for the Dallas Assembly.

Old Friends Unite At C.S. Potts Society Luncheon

Over 60 alumni gathered on Dec. 6, 2006, for the annual C.S. Potts Society Luncheon. We received record attendance at the Luncheon thanks to the efforts of Martin Samuelsohn ‘41 who personally called each member of the Society. The C.S. Potts Society is made up of all the alumni who graduated more than 50 years ago.
Reynato S. Puno was appointed by the President of the Philippines to Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

1969

John D. Ellis Jr. is a Director of the State Bar of Texas and is an Ex-Officio director of the Houston Bar Association.

Thomas C. Railsback has established a new office in Plano.

Charles H. Robertson has established a new office in Plano.

1970

Harriet Miers was honored at the 2006 Spirit of Thanks-Giving Award Dinner in November and returned to Locke Liddell & Sapp as a partner in May.

Ronald Taylor was awarded the 2006 Robert H. Dedman Award for Ethics and Law by the Texas General Counsel Forum.

1972

William Frank Carroll was elected Chairman of the Dallas Bar Association's Anti-Trust Section for 2007. He was also appointed to the Civil Trial Law Examination Commission by

Albon O. Head Jr. was inducted into the American College of Trial Lawyers. He was also selected by peers for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America 2007, and was featured by Fort Worth, Texas: The City Magazine as one of Fort Worth's top attorneys.

Richard D. Pullman is now a partner at Colins & Basinger PC.

1971

Bob Begert accepted the Treasure Business Award on behalf of Burford & Ryburn. The award recognizes 100 years of service to the Texas business community.

Al Ellis received the Judith Sinclair Radman Award from the William 'Mac’ Taylor Inn of Court for the highest standards of public service and professionalism.

Dedman Law Alumnus Named Chief Justice of Philippine Supreme Court

Reynato S. Puno '67 was selected as Chief Justice of the Philippine Supreme Court. The Philippine Supreme Court has 15 members who have tenure in office until the age of 70, and always meet en banc. Puno holds the distinction of being the youngest ever to have been appointed to the highest court in the Philippines.

Puno received his undergraduate and law degrees from the University of the Philippines. He received his Masters of Comparative Laws from Southern Methodist University in 1967, a Masters of Laws from the University of California in 1968, and a Doctorate of Juridical Science from the University of Illinois in 1969. He received a Honorary Doctorate of Humanities from the Philippine Wesleyan University in 1994. In 2004, the Dedman School of Law named him a Distinguished Alumnus.

Prior to his appointment to the Supreme Court, Puno served as an Associate Justice in the Philippine Court of Appeals. Before that, he served as Deputy Solicitor General in the Department of Justice and occupied other high government offices.

George Coleman Selected For Justinian Award

George Coleman ‘63 received the 2007 Justinian Award. For 25 years, the Dallas Lawyers Auxiliary has presented the annual award to a Dallas lawyer who is or has been a practicing attorney making significant volunteer contributions to the Dallas community for the major portion of his/her professional life.

Coleman practiced corporate, securities, partnership, finance, and trust law at Jenkens & Gilchrist until late 2006, when he left the firm to open his own practice.
**D Magazine Names Law School Alumnus Mike Boone Most Respected Lawyer In Dallas**

Mike Boone ’67 was voted Most Respected Lawyer in Dallas in the May 2007 issue of *D Magazine*. The poll, conducted at dmagazine.com, asked Texas State Bar members to name the city’s most respected attorney. Boone also was the subject of a profile piece in that issue.

He is a member of the Board of Directors of Haynes and Boone, LLP and one of the co-founders of the firm. He has more than 30 years experience in mergers and acquisitions, corporate finance, securities transactions, and board of director representations.

This is not the first time Boone has received recognition from the press. He has been selected as the ”Go-To-Lawyer” in Texas in the field of corporate/business law by the *Texas Lawyer Magazine*, one of the top corporate finance/mergers and acquisitions lawyers in Dallas by *D Magazine*, and one of the Top 10 Super Lawyers by *Texas Monthly* and *Law and Politics Magazine*.

Boone has been named a distinguished alumnus of all three of his alma maters: the Dedman School of Law in 1990, SMU in 1996, and Highland Park High School in 1998. He received the Justinian Award for Public Service in 2004, and the Jack Lowe, Sr. Award for Community Leadership in 2006.

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**Ronald Taylor Receives Robert H. Dedman Award For Ethics And Law**

Ronald Taylor ’70 was awarded the 2006 Robert H. Dedman Award for Ethics and Law. The award honors a corporate attorney who has demonstrated the highest ethical standards during his or her career. It was presented by the Texas General Counsel Forum.

Taylor is Vice President and General Counsel for Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas, where he has worked since 1989. In addition to his role as leader of a staff of 16 legal professionals at Blue Cross, Taylor is active in the health insurance industry, serving on the Boards of Directors of the Texas Association of Life & Health Insurers, TriWest Healthcare Alliance, the Caring for Children Foundation and the Texas Association of Health Plans. Taylor is also a member of the Texas General Counsel Group and was instrumental in helping form the Texas General Counsel Forum, serving on both the Forum’s statewide and chapter boards.

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the Texas Board of Legal Specialization for a three-year term to expire in 2010.

**Bruce A. Cheatham** joined Bracewell & Giuliani in Dallas as a Partner.

**Paul D. Schoonover** joined Kleimen Lawrence Baskind Fitzgerald LLP as a Partner.

**Daniel F. Susie** joined Winstead PC as a Shareholder.

**Joe Whisler** was elected to the ABA House of Delegates representing Missouri.

**1973**

Rhett G. Campbell was elected a member of Thompson & Knight’s
Former Counsel to the President, Harriet Miers ‘70 gave the SMU Dedman School of Law’s commencement address on May 19, 2007.

In her speech, Miers tried to impress upon the graduating class the importance of their achievement.

“Receiving your degree and becoming part of the legal profession is not just an academic achievement,” she said. “It’s is a great honor and a continuation of traditions and teachings that have served ordered society well for centuries.” She also added a caveat: that this great honor comes with great responsibility.

“As you start your professional career, please do not forget this: you have unique training and unique abilities to impact where you work, your communities, your country, and, indeed, the world,” she said. “You can help improve the justice system in this country; you can help encourage systems of justice and their development in countries around the world.”

After graduating from law school in 1970, Miers clerked for U.S. District Judge Joe E. Estes. In 1972, she became the first woman hired as an attorney for Locke, Purnell, Rain & Harrell. Over the next 15 years, her reputation as a lawyer grew throughout the Dallas area, and Miers becoming the first woman president of the Dallas Bar Association in 1985. Seven years later, Miers was elected the first woman president of the State Bar of Texas. Miers was appointed chair of the Texas Lottery Commission in 1995, a post she would hold for the next five years.

Miers was also co-managing partner at Locke Liddell & Sapp, LLP from 1998 to 2000. Joining President Bush’s administration in 2001, she served as Assistant to the President and Deputy Chief of Staff, as well as Staff Secretary. In 2004, she was named to succeed Alberto Gonzales (honorary alumnus ‘07) as Counsel to the President, following Gonzales’ Senate confirmation as U.S. Attorney General. She held that position for three years. In October 2005, she was nominated for the Supreme Court of the United States.

She was named a Distinguished Alumna of the Dedman School of Law in 1997 and of SMU in 2003. In 2006, she received the Robert G. Storey Award for Distinguished Achievement, the highest honor the Dedman School of Law can bestow upon an alumnus.
Craig Enoch received a 2006 SMU Distinguished Alumni Award.

Jay Garrett is an Associate Professor teaching business law and criminal justice courses at Texas A&M University at Commerce.

David Keltner joined Kelly Hart & Hallman in Fort Worth as a Partner.

Richard G. Dafoe joined the recently formed Vincent & Moye PC as a Shareholder.

Dowen D. Gullatt joined Clark, Thomas, & Winters PC as Of Counsel.

Richard O. Faulk received the 2007 Martha Turner Award of Distinction as the Outstanding Gulf Coast Alumnus of the University of North Texas.

Jeff Hage was named Managing Shareholder of Winstead PC’s Dallas office.

Stephen B. Limbaugh Jr. was awarded the Distinguished Alumni Award for Judicial Service by SMU Dedman School of Law

Rob Roby is a Director of the Dallas Bar Association.

Hank Voegtle was named by Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott as Assistant Attorney General of the Year.

Barbara L. Walther was elected Chair of the Judicial Section of the State Bar of Texas for 2006-2007.

David Wellington Chew was appointed Chief Justice of the 8th Texas Court of Appeals by Governor Rick Perry.

1976

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Dowen D. Gullatt joined Clark, Thomas, & Winters PC as Of Counsel.

John Bernard Holden Jr. was selected by peers for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America and was elected Partner at Jackson Walker.

1977

Kathryn K. Lindauer joined Winstead PC as a Shareholder in Austin.

Barbara Lynn received the Sarah T. Hughes Award presented by the State Bar of Texas.

William B. Chaney was hired at the Dallas office of Looper Reed & McGraw PC.

1978

R. Brent Cooper received the Legends Award presented by the Insurance Law Section of the State Bar of Texas.

SMU Honors Law Alumnus

Craig T. Enoch ‘75 received the 2006 Distinguished Alumni Award from Southern Methodist University. This is the highest honor the University bestows upon its graduates.

Enoch served as Presiding Judge of the 101st District Court and Chief Justice of the 5th District Court of Appeals before his eleven-year tenure on the Texas Supreme Court. He retired in 2003.

In addition to this award from the University, Enoch is also a Distinguished Alumnus of the Dedman School of Law, an honor he received in 1999. He has served on the school’s Executive Board since 1993 and is President of the Appellate Judges’ Education Institute. He currently leads the appellate practice group at Winstead PC.

Vanderpool Elected Chair of State Bar

Travis Vanderpool ‘73 was elected chair of the State Bar of Texas Board of Directors. He assumed the position in June 2007.

Vanderpool is senior counsel at Hunton & Williams LLP. An experienced civil litigator, he specializes in mediation and alternative dispute resolution.

He served on the board of directors for the Dallas Bar Association, as co-chair of the DBA Judiciary Committee, and chair of the DBA Courthouse Committee.

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Mark S. McQuality joined Shackelford, Melton & McKinley LLP as Partner.

Susan Mead was selected by peers for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America 2007.

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is the first Asian-American Chief Justice of that court.

Lawrence J. Johnson has retired from Baker & McKenzie and joined Fogo de Chao as the new CEO.

James W. McKellar was elected a member of Thompson & Knight’s 2007 management committee for Texas and was included in the 2007 Chambers USA “Leaders in their Field” legal directory.

Rocky Robinson is a Director of the State Bar of Texas.

Barry Sorrels was elected to serve on the Board of Trustees for the Center of American and International Law and is the Chair of the Board of the Dallas Bar Association.

Les Weisbrod was elected Vice President of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America and has announced the formation of the firm Miller, Curtis & Weisbrod in Dallas.

1979

Brian Bates was recognized in Chambers USA, “America’s Leading Lawyers for Business.”

Mina Brees received a Presidential Citation Award presented by the State Bar of Texas.

Janet Chafin was named as a “Top Lawyer” for 2007 in the H Texas magazine of Houston.

1980

Charles G. Bell joined Stewart Stimmel LLP as a Partner.

Rhonda F. Hunter received the Louise Raggio Women’s Legal Advocate Award presented by Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas, and received the Dallas Bar Association’s Martin Luther King Jr. Justice Award. She serves as a Director of the State Bar of Texas.

Bob Retz is the Secretary of the Austin Bar Association.

Gordon M. Shapiro was selected by peers for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America 2007.

Rhonda Hunter Awarded Martin Luther King, Jr. Justice Award

Rhonda Hunter ’80 received the 2007 Martin Luther King, Jr. Justice Award. The award is presented annually by the Dallas Bar Association to a lawyer whose life and practice exemplifies the principles embodied by Dr. King’s leadership.

Hunter is a board-certified Family Law Specialist with her own practice. She is a past president of the DBA, and its first African-American president. Since 1991, she has served as visiting Associate Judge for the Dallas County Juvenile Courts. She is one of the co-founders of the DBA’s Minority Attorney Business Development Initiative. She has served for over 20 years as the choreographer for the DBA’s Bar None musical variety show, the principal sponsor of the Sarah T. Hughes Diversity Law Fellowship for the Dedman School of Law. In 2004, she was named a Distinguished Alumna of the SMU Dedman School of Law.

Law Alumni Sit As CEOs of Fortune 25 Companies

An article published in the Wall Street Journal in August 2006 cited that among the Fortune 25 companies, only three CEOs hold law degrees, two of whom are alumni of the Dedman School of Law. David B. Dillon ’76 and Edward B. Rust ’75 currently hold the top jobs at The Kroger Company and State Farm Insurance Companies, respectively. Dillon and Rust aren’t alone at the top, either; many Dedman School of Law graduates become CEOs, presidents, and leaders of numerous businesses, including: 7-Eleven, ClubCorp, the Dallas Cowboys, Mosbacher Energy Corp., Omni Hotels, Tupperware Corp., TXU Energy, WellPoint, and Fogo de Chao.
Emily G. Tobolowsky was elected to serve as Judge for the 298th District Court of Texas.


1981

Glenn A. Ballard Jr. is Immediate Past President of the Houston Bar Association and serves as a Director of the State Bar of Texas.

Theodore Daniel joined the Dallas office of Fulbright & Jaworski as Partner.

Patricia Driscoll joined the board of directors of Home Health Services of Texas Inc.

Peter J. Riley was named in Lawdragon 500 “Leading Lawyers in America” and was elected to his seventh term as Thompson & Knight’s Managing Partner.

Paul Sander was elected a Partner at Strasburger & Price LLP.

Mark Shank received the Judge Sam Williams Leadership Award from the State Bar of Texas.

Dwight “Ike” Shupe has transferred to the Fort Worth office of Hughes & Luce from the Dallas office.

Michael T. Tarski has formed Curran Tomko Tarski with G. Michael Curran, and Edwin J. Tomko.

Edward Walker was named a Knight First Class of the Order of the Lion of Finland by the President of Finland, and was presented with the Finnish-American Business Guild’s Outstanding Service Award.

1982

Christopher Barnet joined Scott & Scott LLP at their Dallas office.

Paulo Rogerio B. Couto is a Partner at Machado, Meyer, Sendacz e Opice Advogados in Rio de Janeiro.

Lynn Hunt joined David, Goodman and Madole in Dallas as a Partner.

1983

Chris Boswell is now the Mayor of Harlingen after nine years as a City Commissioner.

Lee Ann Breading opened the office Lee Ann Breading, Attorney at Law.

Russell D. Chapman joined Littler Mendelson PC as Of Counsel.

1984

G. Wade Caldwell joined Barton Schneider & East LLP.

Willi Joachim is Director and President of the Euro Business College and is a manager, mentor, and Professor at the International School of Management in Dortmund, Germany.

Kirte Kinser was selected as a member of the Million Dollar Advocates Forum (an award limited to attorneys who have won million and multi-million dollar verdicts, awards and settlements) and joined Brown McCarroll in Dallas as a Partner.

Angela Braly Promoted To CEO, Becomes Leading Female CEO on Fortune 500 List

In June 2007, Angela F. Braly ’85 took the reins as president and CEO of the nation’s largest health insurer, WellPoint. WellPoint is the largest processor of claims for Medicare, as well as the largest operator of managed care programs for Medicaid.

The promotion makes Braly the leading female CEO in the country: at 38th on the Fortune 500 list, WellPoint is the nation’s largest company with a female chief.

Braly had been serving as the firm’s general counsel and government affairs strategist, and was made an executive vice president in April 2005. Braly believes a woman was the natural choice for the position.

“About 70 percent of the health care decisions are made by women,” she said, and WellPoint, in particular, “is an incredibly great place for women.” The promotion was a natural one for Braly, who previously served as president and chief executive of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Missouri. There, she helped to create The Missouri Foundation for Health, a now-independent foundation that serves the health care needs of many uninsured and underinsured Missourians.
Neil Pask joined Fitzpatrick Hagood Smith & Uhl in Dallas as Partner.

Terry L. Simmons was named to Worth magazine’s 2nd annual list of “Top 100 Attorneys.” He is one of only four attorneys in Texas selected for this honor.

Steven R. Smith has become a Shareholder at Greenberg Traurig in the real estate practice area.

Chuck Winikates and Frances Fazio Winikates ’91 welcomed their new son Charles John Winikates on May 23, 2006.

1985

Charla Glass Aldous received Austin College’s Distinguished Alumni Award.

Angela F. Braly took the reins as president and CEO of the nation’s largest health insurer, WellPoint, in June 2007.

Jenny Burg Dacis participated in the Macy’s Designers of Chicago promotion for her line of gourmet-themed kids clothes inspired by her children, Eleanor (4) and Charlotte (2). She still serves as an assistant managing editor at the ABA Journal and continues to freelance about food, wine and shopping for local and national media.

Bob O’Boyle is Secretary of the Austin Bar Association.

Bruce A. Stockard joined the Real Estate Finance practice group of Winstead PC in Dallas as a Shareholder.

1986

Val J. Albright joined Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP as Partner in the firm’s tax services section.

Sally Crawford is a Director of the Dallas Bar Association.

Roger K. Donaldson has merged his firm, The Donaldson Firm, with Orgain Bell & Tucker.

James Robert Griffin was selected by peers for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America 2007.

Regina Himelfarb has taken an in-house position with Quicksilver Resources in Fort Worth.

Ernest Metzger was appointed to the Douglas Chair of Civil Law at the University of Glasgow, Scotland.

DeMetris Sampson was selected by the University of Texas School of Law for induction into the Honorary Order of the Coif.

Chuck Serafini joined the recently formed Vincent & Moyer PC as a Shareholder.

Gary G. Short joined Jones Day in Dallas as a Partner in the Employee Benefits and Executive Compensation practice.

1987

John Chaussee was elected Chairman of the Air Transport Association Security Council and is Director of Federal Airporth Security for Southwest Airlines Co.

Susan E. Coleman was elected a member of Thompson & Knight’s 2007 management committee for Texas.

David N. Condon has formed Condon Thornton Harrell LLP with Steven M. Thornton and Daren S. Harrell.

William O. Flowers II has taken an Of Counsel position with Stoll Kenyon Ogden PLLC in the Real Estate and General Corporate area.

Lewis Kinard was appointed Chief Executive Officer and General Counsel for Practice Manager Group LLC.

Michael Ridulfo has become Of Counsel at Brown McCarroll in Houston.

Greg Rogers recently presented “Environmental Financial Reporting: Emerging Trends, Risks, and Opportunities” in New York City and Boston. He was a finalist at the EPA Region 6 Land Revitalization Summit in Austin.

Rose Romero received the President’s Counsel on Integrity and Efficiency Award.

S. David Smith was named Partner at McGlinchey Stafford’s Houston office.

Gregg D. Stevens has become a Partner at McGlinchey Stafford in Dallas, focusing on the financial services industry.

1988

Neil E. Andre de la Porte has worked at several international law firms with head offices in Amsterdam. He was based both in Amsterdam and New York City, where he practiced for approximately 10 years. He has recently joined the international law firm Greenberg Traurig in its Amsterdam offices.

Kevin Cox has accepted a position at American Airlines as their Vice President of State and Community Affairs.

John H. Karnes joined Mariner Energy, Inc. as its Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer.

J. Scott Sexton was named to Virginia’s Legal Elite by Virginia Business magazine.

Bradley L. Whitlock was selected by peers for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America 2007.

1989

Cheryl Coon will serve as the Chair of the Tarrant County Environmental Bar Section.

Paul W. Scarles received the Fellow Award, a top honor from the National Contract Management Association (NCMA).

Jason P. Shanks was elected Partner at Jackson Walker.

1990

Lori L. Dalton was named in Lawdragon 3000 “Leading Lawyers in America.”

Stanton P. Eigenbrodt joined Behringer Harvard Holdings in Dallas as Senior Vice President - legal and general counsel.

Margaret Kelher joined Locke Liddell & Sapp as Of Counsel in the public law section.

1991

Vicki Blanton is the President of the J.L. Turner Legal Association and a Director of the Dallas Bar Association.

LaDawn Horn Conway was appointed to the State Bar of Texas Committee on Pattern Jury Charges - business, consumer and employment.

Alejandro C. D’Onofrio joined the Argentine law firm of Cabanellas, Etchebarne, Kelly & Dell’Oro Maini as head of the Natural Resources department.

Pierre Espejo announced his engagement to Jennifer Hughes ’91 in October.

Pamela S. Evers has co-authored a Tax Management Portfolio for The Bureau of National Affairs, Inc. entitled Contingent Environmental Liabilities: Disclosures and Accounting.

Jennifer Hughes announced her engagement to Pierre Espejo ’91 in October.

Karen S. Precella is a Director of the Tarrant County Bar Association.
K. Mark Vincent joined the recently formed Vincent & Moye PC as a Shareholder.

R. Labry Welty joined the law firm Munsch Hardt Kopf & Harr PC as a Shareholder in its Tax section in their Dallas Office.

Frances Fazio Winikates and Chuck Winikates ’84 welcomed their new son Charles John Winikates on May 23, 2006.

William Jenkins was featured by Fort Worth, Texas: The City’s Magazine as one of Fort Worth’s top attorneys.

Howard “Skip” Pita was named Top Attorney for South Florida Legal Guide.

Denise Scofield was elected First Vice-President of the Houston Bar Association and she received the Emerging Leader Award from SMU at its 2006 Distinguished Alumni Awards dinner.

1992

1993

Bob Andreotti and his wife, Onorato, purchased Home and Ambiance (a luxury boutique featuring high-end linens and home accessories) in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

David Cabrales was appointed to the Texas Racing Commission.

Mark E. Courtney was made a Partner at Slater & Matsil LLP in Dallas.

Sal Espino was re-elected to serve a second term as the Fort Worth City Council District 2 Representative.

Ming-Hang Ho is the President and CEO of Gilsson Technologies in Hayward, California.

John C. Lindgren was named Senior Vice President Patent Licensing, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary of MOSAID Technologies Incorporated.

Bart Showalter was named Chairman of Baker Botts’ Intellectual Property Department.

Bill Wirskye joined Fitzpatrick Hagood Smith & Uhl in Dallas as Partner.

Robert J. Witte was named to the Texas Business Journal’s “Forty Under 40” for a third consecutive time and was selected by the Dallas Junior Chamber of Commerce as one of five Outstanding Dallasites.

1994

Melissa Drennan joined the legal department at Securus Technologies Inc, as its Assistant General Counsel.

Terry G. Freeman joined Jackson Walker LLP at the firm’s Dallas office.

Andrea L. McCormick was appointed to the judiciary in Philadelphia as a State Judge hearing workmen’s compensation cases.

Mark A. Platt was named Partner at Fulbright & Jaworski.

1995

Michael F. Alessio was elected a Shareholder in the Real Estate Section at Winstead PC.

Jamil N. Alibhai joined Munck Butrus in Dallas as a litigation Shareholder in Dallas.

Albert Y. Lin has become a Partner at Brown McCarroll in Austin.

James Maclntyre has become an Associate in Dallas for Looper Reed & McGraw.

Caroline F. Sanders is moving back to Dallas to continue as Corporate Counsel for DWC Commercial Properties.

Todd W. Shadle joined as a partner at Jackson Lewis in Dallas.

Erin Williams was named to the Defense Research Institute’s Women in the Courtroom Board.

1996

Clifford Murray joined Baker & McKenzie in Dallas as an Associate.

Ellen Bush Session joined the Dallas office of Fulbright & Jaworski as Partner.

Mark G. Valencia was named Director and Shareholder of the law firm Case Lombardi & Pettit in Honolulu, Hawaii.

G. Dean Watts became Board Certified in Criminal Law.

1997

John Ambler was elected Partner at Bell Nunnally & Martin LLP.

M. Scott Barnard was named Partner at Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld.
Laura Benitez Geisler is the President of the Dallas Association of Young Lawyers and a Director of the Dallas Bar Association.

Todd Betanzos was elected Partner at Sedgwick Detert Moran & Arnold LLP.

Faust Bowerman was promoted to Partner at McCall Parkhurst.

Kandice Bridges is an Assistant General Counsel for UGS Corp. in Plano. She and her husband, Stephen Bridges have 2 children, Matthew (4) and Katie (2).

Rod Cooper joined the law firm Nix, Patterson & Roach, LLP as Partner.

C. Alex Futros joined Jackson Walker LLP as Senior Counsel in its Dallas office.

Paul Goldean is Chief Administrative Officer of Scottish Re Group Limited.

L. Russell Hatch is now a Partner at Blaneys’ Insurance Litigation Group.

Eric Scott was named Partner at David, Goodman & Madole PC.

Lee H. Shidlofsky has Co-founded Visser Shidlofsky LLP in Austin, Texas.

Laura P. Sims joined the real estate development practice group as a Partner at Winstead PC’s Dallas office.

Todd Spickard was elected to the Board of Directors of the Dallas All Sports Association.

John L. Thompson was added as an Associate to Munsch Hardt Kopf & Harr.

Ryan K. Turner was promoted to Director of Education at the Texas Municipal Courts Education Center.

Peter Vermillion has become an energy law Partner at Kelly Hart & Hallman in Austin.

Kyle Volluz received the Rookie of the Year Best Corporate Counsel Award from the Dallas Business Journal.

Christopher Willis received the Rookie of the Year, honorable mention, from the Dallas Business Journal.

1998

Michael J.J. Brueck is a Professor of Civil and Commercial Law at Heilbronn Business School, School for Management, in Germany and will become the Dean of the Business Law Faculty.

Gemma L. Descoteaux was named Partner at Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld.

David J. Drez, III was named Partner in the Fort Worth office of Haynes & Boone.

Eugene Korniychuk was elected a Member of Parliament in Ukraine.

Jeffery K. Malonson was named Partner at Vinson & Elkins.

Yulanda L. McCarty-Harris was appointed the new Director of the Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity at Youngstown State University.

Tonya Parker is a Director of the Dallas Bar Association.

Carrie Johnson Phaneuf has become a Shareholder at Cowles & Thompson in Dallas.

Christopher R. Rowley was named Partner at Vinson & Elkins.

Timothy A. Schuerch was selected to serve as President and CEO of Kikiktagruk Inupiat Corporation.

Todd Stoller was appointed as Varsity Media Group Inc’s President and Chief Operating Officer.

Anne P. Terwilliger was elected Shareholder at Ogletree, Deakins, Nash, Smoak & Stewart PC.

Thi "Nina" A. Tran is a Partner at Hoover Slocavce in Houston.

Jeanette Vloitos was named Partner at Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP.

Bill Weinberg was named Shareholder at Winstead PC.

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Denise L. Campbell is a Staff Attorney for Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas in McKinney, Texas.

Steve Dollar joined the Dallas office of Fulbright & Jaworski as a Senior Associate.

Noah K. Hansford is a Shareholder at Stutzman, Bromberg, Esserman & Pilka in Dallas.

Marco A. Hazan-Cohen was promoted to Membership at Cozen O’Conner.

Chad A. Johnson was named Partner at Brown McCarroll LLP.

Jenny LaNell Martinez was named Partner at Godwin Pappas Ronquillo in the commercial litigation section.

Scott A. Meyer has become a litigation and business law Partner at Chalker Flores in Dallas.

Jennifer Evans Morris was presented the Texas Young Lawyer Association’s President’s Award of Merit.

Jeff Mosteller was named Shareholder at SettlePou.

Matt R. Pickelman was made equity Shareholder at Quilling Selander Cummiskey & Lownds PC.

James J. Savina joined TXU Legal as Counsel for Labor & Employment.

Jason P. Shanks is a Partner at Jackson Walker LLP.

Gena Slaughter was elected to serve as Judge for the 191st District Court of Texas.

Cliff Wade was named Shareholder at SettlePou.

Madalyn S. Wells had a son, Charles Barrett Wells, on April 5, 2006, and started a new position as an Assistant Attorney General with the Office of the Attorney General in the Consumer Protection Division in July 2006.

2000

Ted Eades joined ACE Cash Express as its General Counsel.

John R. Howie Jr. was elected to the Board of Directors of the Texas Trial Lawyers Association and the Dallas Trial Lawyers Association.

Roger C. Knapp was named Partner at Slater & Matsil LLP.

Eric D. Marchland was named Partner at Meadows, Collier, Reed, Cousins & Blau in Dallas.

Laura C. Mason received the Belva Lockwood Outstanding Young Lawyer Award from the Bexar County Women’s Bar Association at their 24th Annual Bench Brunch in 2006.

Jeffrey M. McPhaul joined Scheef & Stone LLP as an Associate in the corporate/securities section.

Suzanne C. Radcliff was promoted to Membership at Cozen O’Connor.

Elizabeth Raines was named a member of the
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Joeng-Woong Baik has returned to Korea with his wife and son and is a professor at Paichai University School of Law in Daejeon.

Benjamin R. Couture joined Waters & Kraus LLP.

Ashima Duggal joined Tindall & Foster in Houston.

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Jennifer S. Brownell joined Chaiken & Chaiken PC as a Trial Attorney.

Dana Casselli Fox joined Friedman & Feiger LLP and is practicing family law.

Christopher John Paris formed Van Stean & Paris with Austin Van Stean in February 2006, specializing in criminal defense and plaintiff’s personal injury practice in Houston, Texas.

Michael Schneiderman joined Brackett & Ellis in Fort Worth as an Associate.

Dondy Sentya is currently advising and assisting the Government of Indonesia in public procurement reform through international cooperation with multilateral development banks and donors.

Bill Weinberg of Winstead PC was named a Shareholder.

Nicola Hobieche joined ORIX USA Corp in Dallas as In-House Counsel in the litigation group.

Timothy M. Mueller was added as an Attorney at Hiersche Hayward Drakeley & Urbach.

Todd J. Thorson joined Locke Liddell & Sapp’s Dallas office as an Associate with the corporate section.

Kelly C. Walker joined the Dallas litigation firm of Godwin Pappas Ronquillo as an Associate.

2002

Joe Dirik joined the Dallas office of Fulbright & Jaworski as a Senior Associate.

Ashley E. Altick joined as an Associate Godwin Pappas Ronquillo LLP.

2003

Price W. Wilson joined the firm of Bass, Berry and Sims in Nashville, Tennessee.

Victoria M. Yarkho was named an Associate by Hiersche Hayward Drakeley & Urbach PC.

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Robert Alcorn joined Maris & Lanier PC as an Associate.

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Josh Botts joined Munsch Hardt Kopf and Harr.

Jonathan R. Childers joined Gruber Hurst Johansen & Hail LLP as an Associate.

Mona S. Dahr received her LLM in Taxation from New York University School of Law and has started working as a tax associate in Oklahoma City.

Courtney M. Davis joined Winstead PC.

Jessica D. Ehrlich is a Legislative Assistant to Congressman Stephen F. Lynch of Boston.

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John A. Greco joined the law firm of Touchstone Bernays.

Jeffrey D. Livingston joined Winstead PC in Dallas as an Associate.

Jessica Luparello joined Lloyd Gosselink Blevins Rochelle & Townsend as an Associate.

Clark Pulliam joined Jackson Walker LLP in Dallas as an Associate in the Business Transactions section.

Seth Roberths joined Locke Liddell & Sapp as an Associate.

Hope Shimabuku joined Munsch Hardt Kopf & Harr.

Glen David Webb was appointed by Governor Rick Perry to the Farm and Ranch Lands Conservation Council.

2006

Jason Adelstein joined Cox Smith Matthews as an Associate.

Matthew Beard has become an Associate with Bourland, Wall & Wenzel of Fort Worth.

Caroline L. Clore joined Fraley & Fraley as an Associate in Dallas.

Johnathan Collins joined Locke Liddell & Sapp as an Associate.

Ying G. Dubois is an Associate at Holland & Knight LLP specializing in real estate law, and has moved to Florida.

Philip A. Dunlap is now with Wick Phillips LLP.

Jeff Gulbas was added as an Associate at McCall Parkhurst.

Joseph Kidwell was hired as an Associate at Brown McCarroll.

Lloyd Lim joined Locke Liddell & Sapp as an Associate.

Andrew P. Lombardi joined the Fort Worth law firm of McDonald Sanders as an Attorney.

Sarah E. Moore joined Weil Gotshal & Manges LLP in their Dallas office.

Nisha Moreau joined the firm of Crowe & Dunlevy.

John C. Norman joined Cox Smith Matthews as an Associate.

Christopher J. Parvin joined Palmer Manuel in Dallas.

Jeffrey S. Reed was named an Associate at Lloyd, Gosselink, Blevins, Rochelle & Townsend.

Justin A. Shipley joined as an Associate in the Business Transactions section of the Dallas office of Jackson Walker LLP.

Rosa Shirley was hired at Baker & McKenzie.

Joe Theriot joined Brown McCarroll in Dallas as an Associate.

Soledad Valencian joined Cox Smith Matthews as an Associate.

Steven H. Washam joined Carstens & Cahoon in Dallas as an Associate practicing intellectual property law.

Dawn Whalen joined Winstead PC as an Associate in the litigation and dispute resolution section.

Stephanie White joined Winstead PC as an Associate.

Matthew Wolcott is now an Associate at Shore West Freeman in Longview, Texas.

Quad News entries provided after June 1, 2007, will be published in the next magazine issue.

The SMU Dedman School of Law held its first Black Law Alumni Reception at Brooklyn’s Jazz Cafe on April 19, 2007. Left: Dean John B. Attanasio and Clement Osimetha ’95. Right: Rhonda Hunter ’80 and Daphne Walker ’06.
Harry Shuford ’39  

Harry Shuford ’39 died May 16, 2007. In his legal career, Shuford served as Assistant Attorney General of Texas, general counsel for Dr. Pepper, and partner with the Dallas firm of Malone, Seay & Shuford. In addition, he served as counsel for the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas and spent four years as president of the Federal Reserve Bank in St. Louis. Shuford returned to Dallas as Chairman of the Trust Committee for First National Bank in 1966. Shuford held various positions at First National including Director, Chairman of the Board, and Chairman of the Executive Committee. He retired from First National in 1980 and served as Of Counsel at the law firm of Shuford & Dalton.

Harry Shuford received a B.S. degree from SMU in 1936 and an LL.B. degree from the Dedman School of Law in 1939. While an undergraduate, Shuford was a two-time All-American fullback and co-captain of SMU’s Rose Bowl team of 1936. His performance prompted Sports Illustrated magazine to elect him to its Silver Anniversary All-American Football Team. He was widely known to be the boyhood idol of SMU football legend Doak Walker, who wore the number 37 because it had been Shuford’s number. After receiving his undergraduate degree, Shuford was drafted by the Philadelphia Eagles, but instead chose to attend law school at SMU, where he graduated first in his class. In 1963, SMU honored Shuford with its Distinguished Alumnus Award, and in 1988, the Dedman School of Law honored him as a Distinguished Alumnus. He was inducted into the SMU Football Hall of Fame in 1981.
### In Memoriam

The SMU Dedman School of Law expresses sympathy to the families and friends of the following law school alumni:

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Alumni, faculty, law students, friends and families gathered before each of last season’s home football games to enjoy free food, drink and fellowship at the law school’s tent on the northern curve of Bishop Boulevard.

Plan to join us at the same location this fall two hours before game time, every home game! The tailgates include a hot food buffet, with a different featured entree each game ranging from bratwurst to gumbo to hamburgers. Guests are always welcome. A good time will be had by all!

2007 HOME FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Monday, September 3, 2007
SMU vs. Texas Tech
Tailgate at 1:00 - 3:00
Kickoff at 3:00 p.m.

September 8, 2007
SMU vs. North Texas
Tailgate at 5:00 - 7:00
Kickoff at 7:00 p.m.

September 29, 2007 (Family Weekend)
SMU vs. UTEP
Tailgate at 1:30 - 3:30
Kickoff at 3:30 p.m.

October 20, 2007
SMU vs. Tulane
Tailgate at 12:00 - 2:00
Kickoff at 2:00 p.m.

November 10, 2007 (Homecoming)
SMU vs. Rice
Tailgate at 12:00 - 2:00
Kickoff at 2:00 p.m.

November 17, 2007
SMU vs. Central Florida
Tailgate at 12:00 - 2:00
Kickoff at 2:00 p.m.

* Times subject to change
REUNIONS
2007

Renewing Old Friendships
And Sharing New Memories
The Class of 1957 met at the Park Cities Hilton in Dallas, Texas, April 21, 2007.

Ivan Irwin ‘57, Bob Thomas ‘57 and Gail Thomas.

Peggy Galvin, Walter Steele ‘57 and Dean Charles O. Galvin.

The Class of 1962 reunion was held at the Park Cities Hilton in Dallas, Texas, April 21, 2007.


Don Kidd ‘62 and Larry Merriman ‘62.
The Class of 1967 reunited at Margaux’s in Dallas, Texas, April 21, 2007.

Gerald Livingston ’67, Jack Kinnebrew ’67 and A. Hardcastle ’67.

Chuck Sibley ’67 and Tom Jester ’67.

The Class of 1972 met at the home of Darrel and Jeff Rice in Dallas, Texas, April 21, 2007.

Dean John B. Attanasio, Darrel Rice ’72 and Jeff Rice.

William Frank Carroll ’72, Rick Wilhelm ’72 and Professor John Lowe.
The Class of 1977 held their reunion at The Belo Mansion in downtown Dallas, Texas, April 21, 2007.

Foster Reese ’77, Kay Reamey, Gerald Reamey ’77 and Steve Limbaugh ’77.

Katharine Deem, Jim Deem ’77, Susan Roby and Rob Roby ’77.

The Class of 1982 reunion was held at Sevy’s Grill in Dallas, Texas, April 21, 2007.

Cynthia Pladziewicz ’82 and Terry Abel ’82.

Richard Warfield ’82, Joe Ackels ’82, and Michael Rossetti ’82.
The Class of 1987 reunion was held at the SMU Meadows Museum, April 21, 2007.


The Class of 1992 met at the Metro Grill in Dallas, Texas, April 21, 2007.

Richard Johnson ’92, Tom Yoxall ’92 and Craig Simon ’92.

Courtney Sapire ’92 and Laurie Pierce ’92.
Class of 1997

The Class of 1997 met at Cuidad in Dallas, Texas, April 21, 2007.

Dennis Lynch ’97, Todd Betanzos ’97, Krysta Betanzos ’97.

Class of 2002

The Class of 2002 reunited at the Crescent Club in Dallas, Texas, April 21, 2007.

Nicola Hobeiche ’02, Jeff Novel ’02, Jacob Wilson ’02, Kristen Mistretta ’02.

Lauren Tiano ’02, Alisa Frame ’02, Joseph Regan ’02 and Erin Hendricks ’02.
The finals of the Second Year Moot Court Competition were held Oct. 18, 2006. Lincy George ’08 represented the Appellant by herself, and Sara Dugan ’08 and Robin Boyles ’08 represented the Appellee. The finalists were presided over by Judge Carolyn Dineen King, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit; Justice James A. Baker ’58 (retired), Texas Supreme Court; Judge Jane Boyle ’81, U.S. District Court, Northern District of Texas; and Judge Richard Schell, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Texas.

All four judges took the time to compliment the finalists on their command of the record and the case law on this issue. Lincy George won the competition and also received Best Oralist.

The 2007 Howie Sweeney Moot Court Competition was presided over by a distinguished list of SMU Dedman School of Law alumni judges: Judge Stephen Limbaugh ’77, Missouri Supreme Court; Judge Barbara Lynn ’76, U.S. District Court, Northern District of Texas; Justice James A. Baker ’58 (retired), Texas Supreme Court; and Justice Craig Enoch ’75 (retired), Texas Supreme Court.

The Petitioner was represented in the finals by Amber Billingsley ’08 and Susannah Chester ’07. The Respondent was represented in the finals by Dustin Appel ’09 and Lori King ’09.

The judges applauded the oral advocacy skills and the quality of preparation that each participant showed in reaching the finals of the competition. Amber Billingsley was awarded Best Oralist. Billingsley and Susannah Chester were declared the winner of the competition.
Inaugural APIL “Fools” Event:  
$40,000 in public interest stipends raised

On the evening of March 30, 2007, over 200 people attended the first annual Association of Public Interest Law (APIL) auction. The APIL “Fools” Auction raised money for summer stipends for SMU Dedman School of Law students interning at non-profit agencies. The auction raised just over $20,000, which was matched by the dean’s discretionary fund bringing the total to over $40,000.

“I think the APIL auction shows SMU’s and the Dean’s commitment to students who want to do public interest work,” said Professor Rose Villazor. APIL is a student organization at the law school dedicated to raising awareness of public interest and public sector jobs.

The event was held in SMU’s Karcher Auditorium and had both a silent and a live auction. The live auction was presided over by auctioneers SMU Dedman School of Law Professors Linda Eads and Frederick Moss.

Over 60 items were available, including tennis matches and meals with professors; vacations donated by professors at their homes in Cape Cod, New Mexico, and Montana; Texas Bar preparation classes; tickets to sporting and performance events; and numerous gift certificates.

“This was a very praiseworthy student initiated event,” Professor Fred Moss said. “It is something we should have been doing long ago and I trust that this is just the beginning of even more successful events in the future where we can involve the entire Dallas legal community.”

Overall, the auction was a good time for a good cause, and the live auction was an energetic and lively event. “I was surprised at how much fun I had. I didn’t know how pumped I would get and how much I would want to get the last penny from the crowd for the items,” said Professor Linda Eads.

“I thought that Dallas is a legal community with plenty of resources to support this kind of auction and decided it was crazy that we weren’t taking advantage of an opportunity that had worked so well at other schools across the country,” said law student Leah Bhimani.

As noted by Bhimani, the public interest stipends allowed students to “pursue the work that motivated them to come to law school, as well as gain experience, and provide public interest law organizations with much-needed help.” Often public interest law positions are unpaid or only provide a fraction of the amount one would earn working as a summer intern at a law firm. The auction, therefore, is “an opportunity for SMU Law and the greater Dallas legal community to come together to support public interest law.”

The event was a definite success and surpassed APIL’s goals in both attendance and money raised. “I was so excited with how well it went,” said Bhimani. “I was really happy with the turnout and how many people came because they wanted to support what we were doing. It crossed over from being students who were interested in public interest work, to people inviting family and friends.”

Professors Linda Eads and Fred Moss preside over the APIL auction on March 30, 2007.
Congratulations to the 207 J.D. graduates and the 42 LL.M. and S.J.D. graduates of the Class of 2007. A few of our graduates discuss their experiences, dreams and words of wisdom they took to heart during their law school days at SMU.

Ezequiel Martin Artola
Argentina

Ezequiel Martin Artola was the first in his family to attend a university. While working on his law degree in Argentina, he was also working 45 to 50 hours per week to help ease the economic pressures his parents were facing in order to pay for his studies and to help him get in touch with the practice of law.

He received a Bachelor of Law degree with a concentration in international, commercial and contracts law from the University of Buenos Aires in 2003, and graduated from its Oil and Gas Law Postgraduate Program in 2005.

While studying at the Dedman School of Law for his LL.M. in Comparative and International Law, Artola was elected LL.M. representative to the Student Bar Association and was a founding member and secretary of the school’s Energy Law Association. Last spring, he won a student scholarship to attend the Association of International Petroleum Negotiators Spring Conference in Austin.

“My experience at SMU was a life changing one,” he said. “I have visited different campuses during my stay in the U.S., and the SMU campus is one of the best and most beautiful. The faculty made a great impact on me, both personally and professionally, and the staff and the Deans are outstanding. I admire their genuine concern for the student body.” Artola is currently considering job offers from some of the best law firms and companies in Argentina.

Elisha Marie Enoksen
Dallas, Texas

“Ever since I was a little girl, I’ve wanted to be a lawyer,” said Elisha Enoksen. “It’s the first thing I remember actually wanting to be.” Those childhood dreams have a funny way of coming true. After receiving her B.A. at the University of Texas in Austin, she returned to Dallas to work in pharmaceutical marketing. After two years, however, she felt unchallenged by her work. That’s when she decided it was time for law school.

As a 1L at the Dedman School of Law, she resurrected the Women in Law Society, which had been defunct since the 1970s. “A group of ladies got together during our 1L year,” she said, “and we realized, although women made up over half of the law school population at that time, there was no organization that specifically addressed the needs of women law students here on campus. It’s actually something I’m really proud of accomplishing.”

Enoksen also spent two semesters working for the SMU Criminal Justice Defense Clinic, one as Chief Counsel. It was here that she ultimately discovered her passion in criminal law. Although she is considering starting her career at the DA’s office in order to hone her skills as a criminal trial lawyer, she says her heart is in criminal defense work. “Hopefully, that’s where I’ll end up,” she said.
“SMU turned out to be the best possible place for me. It’s the perfect environment. It’s given me a lot of opportunities to do things academically, socially, and professionally,” Amy Mendez said. I was, really pleased.”

In her time as a law student, Mendez spent two years as Treasurer of the Student Bar Association and two years on the Computer Law Review & Technology Journal. She also spent a summer working as a writer for The Quad magazine.

“The highlight of my law school experience,” she said, “was traveling to Washington, D.C. with the Dean to visit the Supreme Court and have dinner with some of the justices. That was an extraordinary experience. Most lawyers will never have such an opportunity, and so to be able to do that as a law student was incredible.”

Now, Mendez works as a Recruiter for the SMU Dedman School of Law Admissions Department.

“I am very, very excited,” she said. “I get to work for this great school that I have grown so fond of and attached to, and I get to tell everyone what a wonderful place it is and what opportunities it’s given me and my classmates.”

“The SMU Dedman School of Law has been such a supportive atmosphere, both personally and academically,” she said, “and that has meant a lot to me. This has been such a great place; it’s really helped me and I received an excellent legal education.”

Brannon Latimer got the idea of attending law school from his senior-year roommate at Texas A&M University. There, he received his B.S. in Electrical Engineering in 2003.

“I think the liberal arts nature of the law degree was appealing to me,” he said. “I’ve always enjoyed reading and writing, and I didn’t have the opportunity to do that much as an engineer. As a litigator, you’re constantly learning about new things and taking on new challenges because every case is different, and I think that sounded exciting and interesting.”

In addition to his two years as Editor-in-Chief of the SMU Law Review, Latimer was also a member of the Order of the Coif, the Barristers, and a finalist for several best casenote/comment awards. He graduated magna cum laude.

“Law school was an extremely intellectually rewarding experience, and there’s just a great sense of community there,” he said. “The Dedman School of Law helped make it an outstanding law school experience.” Latimer now works for Baker Botts L.L.P. as an Intellectual Property Associate, primarily practicing patent law.

“I really enjoyed my time at SMU,” he said. “I can’t emphasize that enough.”

“Being a lawyer is a privilege,” said Jieqing Lu, “because we are the ones people turn to when seeking justice. It’s probably also the profession by which I can most effectively discharge my civic duty. I believe those logic-driven, business-minded legal professionals will be the future leaders of China, and I would like to become one of them.”

She already has two law degrees: her Bachelor of Law, from Fudan University in China, and the LL.M. in Comparative and International Law she received this year from the Dedman School of Law. By July 2008, she expects to have another LL.M. from Fudan as well, and she’s already published five articles in authoritative academic journals.

“Having been granted the very coveted Dr. Helmut Sohmen Scholarship allowed me to experience an overwhelmingly enriching year in the States,” she said. “I have known many friends who went to different law schools in the United States, but I don’t believe anyone can speak as highly of their school as I can speak of the SMU Dedman School of Law.” Lu plans to finish her Master of Law degree at Fudan University, and then work for a law firm in Shanghai.
Emmanuel Obi  
Dallas, Texas

Emmanuel Obi graduated magna cum laude, was President of the Black Law Students’ Association, a member of the Order of the Coif, and Articles Editor for the International Law Review Association. In addition, he was honored by the Barristers with their 2007 A. J. Thomas Award and was awarded the Dean Charles O. Galvin Scholarship.

“I had a great experience at SMU,” he said. “The most memorable part of my experience at SMU is the relationships I made with my fellow students and professors. The faculty are amazing, not only for providing me with a truly beneficial and challenging academic experience, but also for demonstrating a genuine concern for me and my overall development into a young lawyer.”

In 2002, Obi graduated from the SMU Cox School of Business, where he received his B.B.A. in Finance. There, he was president of the Alpha Kappa Psi Professional Business Fraternity.

“After the completion of my undergraduate work, I knew I wanted and needed to continue with my academic career,” he said. “After careful consideration and research, I decided that a career in law would provide me with a tremendous amount of professional versatility.”

Obi has accepted a position at Weil Gotshal & Manges in Dallas, concentrating on corporate practice.

John O’Connor  
Lancaster, California

John O’Connor already had two degrees under his belt before he decided he wanted to be a lawyer. “I decided I wanted to go to law school when I was working on my masters degree,” he said. “I had a professor that was an attorney and taught his class based on legal ideas and theories. This class sparked my interest, and I decided that becoming an attorney would be the best way to turn my interests and talents into a career.”

O’Connor earned his B.S. at Loyola Marymount University in 2001. The law school revelation came while he was studying for his M.A. in Psychology at Pepperdine.

“Going to law school at SMU gave me the opportunity to do much more than just learn in the classroom setting,” he said. “These experiences allowed me to get a more practical education, one that allowed me to put ideas learned in the classroom to work in the real world.” While in law school, O’Connor was appointed President of the SMU Law Review Association.

“My term as president of the SMU Law Review Association was the defining experience of my law school experience,” he said. “I was fortunate to work with an amazing staff and be surrounded by people who were dedicated to making the journal the best publication possible.” After graduation, O’Connor will work for Weil, Gotshal & Manges.

Jeffrey Prudhomme  
Austin, Texas

“As my father watched me grow up, he often said, ‘You’re going to be a lawyer someday,’” said Jeffrey Prudhomme. “Having no lawyers in my family, I didn’t know much about the profession, but I was certain that I would surely grow up to be anything but a lawyer.” Dad turned out to be right.

Prudhomme graduated from Wake Forest University, cum laude, with a B.S. in Business in 2000. He spent the next three years in hardware and software sales. Changes in his personal life required that he return to Austin in spring 2003, and he found himself searching for another job.

That’s when law school entered the picture.

“The search process made me wish that I had a more marketable skill set than a bachelor’s degree in business,” he said. While in law school Prudhomme was President of the Student Bar Association, as well as Articles Editor for the SMU Law Review.

“I believe that my graduating class at SMU was truly a family,” he said, “and I was honored that they chose me to serve as their SBA President. I was also able to develop great relationships with the school’s staff and administration, who are enormously talented and show an overwhelming devotion to the academic growth of their students.” Prudhomme has accepted an offer from Patton Boggs LLP, as an associate in their litigation group.
Elisabeth Wilson
Colleyville, Texas

A first generation college graduate, Elisabeth Wilson graduated from the University of Southern California with a B.A. and a B.S and was a National Merit Scholar. She attended the Dedman School of Law on a Sarah T. Hughes Diversity Law Scholarship, which pays full tuition for three years.

“The Sarah T. Hughes Scholarship has been amazing,” Wilson said. “I feel like it’s not just money to go to school; it’s more than that. You get to know people, and you get to know that your presence is appreciated in the community. That’s one of the goals of the scholarship—to help people of a diverse background to graduate and join the legal community in Dallas.”

Wilson certainly took advantage of the opportunity to get more than just an education at SMU. Active in all manner of student programs, she was Editor-in-Chief of the Computer Law Review and Technology Journal, student attorney for the Consumer Advocacy Project in the legal clinic, Honor Council Member of the Student Bar Association, Librarian for the Hispanic Law Students Association, and a team member and finalist in several moot court and mock trial competitions.

Wilson is now a briefing attorney for the Texas Fifth District Court of Appeals in Dallas, working with Justice Douglas Lang.

Aaron J. Rigby
Richardson, Texas

2007 class valedictorian Aaron J. Rigby says that his experience at the Dedman School of Law was “exactly what I anticipated law school would be before I came here: it was challenging, thought provoking and hard—very hard.”

Rigby is no stranger to hard work, however. Perhaps he owes his success in part to the U.S. Navy, which prepared him for the challenges of law school. He graduated with merit from the Naval Academy in 1998, receiving a B.S. in Economics (he also spent four years as a linebacker for the Navy football team). After graduation, he spent five years in the Navy, where he was a member of the strategic planning team that developed and implemented plans in Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Kuwait that lead to the introduction of the first ground forces into Afghanistan. After completing his five-year commitment to the Navy, he decided it was time for graduate school.

As for his valedictory status, Rigby is remarkably humble. “I consider myself very, very lucky to be the valedictorian,” he said. “Obviously, I’m very proud—it’s one of my greatest accomplishments, but it wasn’t something I expected. I was very surprised, and glad that spending the number of hours in the library that I did over the last three years paid off.” Rigby will work for the Dallas office of Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP.

Congratulations Class of 2007!
A Day To Remember
Commencement 2007
LL.M. Class of 2007

The LL.M. Class of 2007 included 25 candidates for the Master of Laws degree in Comparative and International Law, 14 candidates for the Master of Laws degree in Taxation, and two candidates for the Master of Laws degree. Our international LL.M. students came from Argentina, Brazil, China, Denmark, Germany, India, Indonesia, Japan, Kenya, Korea, Mexico, Taiwan, Thailand, Uganda, Nigeria, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, and Zimbabwe.
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