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Dedman School of Law Becomes Among The Most Selective In U.S.

Twenty-one years of history have shown the SMU Dedman School of Law climbing up in entering student credentials and making giant leaps in the last few years.

"The outstanding reputation the law school enjoys is reflected in the entering student credentials," said John B. Attanasio, SMU Dedman School of Law Dean and William Hawley Atwell Professor of Constitutional Law. "I am pleased to announce that the entering student credentials for the Class of 2007 are among the highest in school history."

From 1983 to 1996, the Dedman School of Law's median GPA for incoming students for the full-time program had an average of 3.20. However since 1996 the median GPA for entering students has risen steadily from 3.15 in 1996 to a 3.35 in 2004.

In addition, the Dedman School of Law's median LSAT for incoming students for the full-time program had averaged in the 76.46 percentile from 1983 to 1996. Since 1996 it has progressively increased every year, with the exception of 1999, from the 73.7 percentile in 1996 to the 89.9 percentile (median LSAT of 163) in 2004.

The SMU Dedman School of Law has also contributed to receive the highest number of applications in its recorded history. The SMU Dedman School of Law received 2,720 applications for the fall 2003 entering class and 2,674 applications for the full-time fall 2004 entering class.

"Dedman applicants faced fierce competition for a seat in this year's entering class," said Virginia M. Keehan, Assistant Dean and Director of Admissions. "Of the 2,674 applicants received, only 15.1 percent of all applicants were admitted into the class."

Minority enrollment has also steadily increased in the past few years. Minority enrollment in the full-time, first-year class increased from 11.1 percent in 1997 to 26.9 percent this year. This year's entering class is 50.3 percent women.

The SMU Dedman School of Law enrolled undergraduates from many states and undergraduate institutions including Yale University, Columbia University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Spelman College, Harvard University, Brown University, Duke University, University of Pennsylvania, University of Chicago, University of Michigan, University of Virginia, New York University, Georgetown University, University of Texas, and University of California, and by now our school is ranked as one of the top law schools in the country by U.S. News & World Report.
Princeton University, Stanford University, University of Michigan, University of Notre Dame, New York University, Duke University, Brigham Young University, Wake Forest University, Washington & Lee University, Howard University, Vanderbilt University, University of Southern California, Northwestern University, Boston College, University of Colorado, University of Florida, University of Missouri, Iowa State University, Rhodes University, Syracuse University, University of Richmond, Wellesley College, Emory University, and all of the major schools in Texas.

Some factors for the increase in applications and outstanding entering student credentials may include the school's ranking in the top 50 of best American law schools by U.S. News & World Report and the downturn in the economy. Dean Attanasio attributes part of the school's growing appeal to the stature of its alumni.

"There is a widespread recognition that the people who get here do well in life," said Dean Attanasio. "Not only have we educated an amazing proportion of local leadership in business, government and law, but we have also educated such leaders around the world. Dedman law alumni hold positions as members of the U.S. Congress, state Supreme Court justices, managing partners in firms, and as CEOs and general counsels of major corporations."

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Combined LSAT / GPA: 1983 - 2004

Applications: 1983 - 2004
Graduate Degrees: 2002 - 2004

- Day Students
- Evening Students

Minority Students: 1993 - 2004

From 1993 – 1996, the percentage of enrolled minority students includes any students who designated themselves as "other."
The Life & Times of Robert H. Dedman '53
The legal, business, and academic world, in fact the entire community of Dallas, was saddened by the passing of Robert H. Dedman. Robert Dedman's life tells a rich and full story filled with triumph, generosity, learning, love and humor. Robert was an excellent businessman who revolutionized the golf and hospitality industry. Beyond that, he was a mentor and friend to countless numbers of people whose lives he touched. His impact reached far beyond the walls of his business and home.

“He was a unique individual,” Nancy Dedman said. “They threw away the mold when they made him. He was probably the smartest man I have ever known. He was very giving of his time and money and he was the most driven person I know.”

The Early Years

Robert was born in 1926 in south central Arkansas. He grew up as a “poor country boy” during the Depression. His family moved from place to place depending on where his father could get work. Ultimately, hard times forced his parents to send Robert and his younger brother to live with their aunt in Dallas.

Robert attended North Dallas High School and was a member of the varsity baseball team. He was valedictorian of his class and was named Most Outstanding Speaker in the Nation by the Senate of the National Student Congress of the National Forensic League.

Following high school, Robert enlisted in the Navy, which sent him to the University of Texas at Austin for higher education. Through hard work and planning, he received a Bachelor's of Arts in economics and a Bachelor's of Science in engineering degree followed by a law degree.

Robert met his wife Nancy in the fall of 1951 when they were both attending a wedding reception of some mutual friends in Dallas. They were married in 1952 in Oklahoma. Nancy McMillan Dedman was born in Bristow, Oklahoma, a little oil town of 5,000 people. She was the salutatorian of her high school class. Upon graduation, she attended Randolph-Macon Woman's College in Lynchburg, Virginia. She transferred to Southern Methodist University where she received her Bachelor's of Arts in political science.

Planning The Future

Robert was a big believer in planning. In fact, he developed a life plan to work 80 hours a week from the time he was 20 until age 35, then taper off to 60-hour weeks from 35 to age 50, 40-hour weeks from 50 to age 65, and 20-hour weeks from 65 on. He believed that if you enjoy your work, you could work an 80-hour week.

“Robert was an interesting individual,” said his son Bob Dedman. “He placed a lot of importance on the value of planning, particularly for time budgeting and management. It certainly had a positive impact on me and hopefully our kids as well someday.”

“In business he was a visionary who thoroughly enjoyed life. He had a zest for life like nobody I have ever known,” Bob said. “You learned more from Robert just by being around him. He always tried to develop win-win relationships because, if you don’t have a win-win relationship, then sooner or later someone is going to want out of it.”

By the time Robert was 23, he was a partner in his own law firm, Shank, Dedman, and Payne, which represented H.L. Hunt and Hunt Oil. While practicing during the day, he attended SMU’s evening law program to earn a master’s degree in law. Quickly, H.L. Hunt saw the benefits of having someone like Dedman on his team and hired him as his general counsel.

Building A Family And A Business

While working for Hunt, Robert saw a business opportunity in golf. In the 1950s, most country clubs were stand-alone, member-operated enterprises that targeted the top 1 percent of income earners. Most country clubs made money on golf and real estate and lost money on the clubhouse. In 1957, he bought 40 acres of rural land north of Dallas for a clubhouse and signed a long-term lease on adjacent land for Brookhaven Country Club, now part of Farmers Branch. Brookhaven broke the mold by clustering three 18-hole courses so the clubhouse’s fixed costs could be spread over more golfers. It changed the economics of country club management, expanding the market to those in the top 10 percent income bracket.

Since then, Dallas-based ClubCorp (then called Country Clubs Inc.) has grown to hold $1.6 billion in assets and own or operate more than 200 national and international golf courses, country clubs, private business and sports clubs and resorts. Dedman was once described by an industry executive as “the Henry Ford of the club management business.” With the conviction that most clubs were built and managed like they were “nobody’s
business,” Dedman set out to build a private club company that would be “somebody’s business.” In the process, he became the “King of Clubs.”

He not only had a plan for work but also a plan for all the other aspects of his life. Robert said that life has to have balance and that you cannot just spend all your time at work. Robert not only planned to spend hours at work but also hours with family and friends and hours for personal and spiritual growth.

“Robert had an incredible amount of energy. When he got up he was going all day long, all the way until evening,” Bob said. “His analogy was always to break the day into eight hours for sleeping, eight hours for business, and eight hours for family and friends, and he pretty much stuck to that throughout his life.”

Whenever travel opportunities arose, Robert and his family took advantage of them. Every year they would make sure to take a long vacation, usually a vacation that would allow for personal growth.

“They took us traveling just to expose us to different cultures and to give us a worldly view,” Bob said. “At the same time, the more you travel the more you are thankful for what you have.”

When Bob was young, Robert would take him to the office on the weekends. Robert would work and Bob would end up playing under his desk.

“One time he asked me what I wanted to do when I got older,” Bob said. “And I responded that I wanted a chair with four wheels on it like you have and I want to grow up and play business with you.”

Bob’s wish was granted as he ended up working with his father at ClubCorp, Inc. and is now the chairman and former chief executive officer. Bob received a Bachelor of Arts degree in economics from the University of Texas at Austin, and a J.D. and a M.B.A. from Southern Methodist University. He currently serves on the SMU Dedman School of Law Executive Board, the SMU Board of Directors and chairs SMU’s 21st Century Council as well as serving on various other boards and organizations. He is married to Rachael Redeker and has two children: Catherine and Nancy.

Robert’s daughter Patty Dietz is a director of ClubCorp, Inc. She earned a bachelor’s in history/art history from the University of Texas and a master’s in clinical counseling psychology at SMU. She has spent 15 years in private practice as a psychologist and has taught a course at Southern Methodist University titled “Managing Stress Through Lifetime Goal Planning.”

She is married to Mark Dietz and has three children: Jonathan, Christina, and Jeffrey.

“He really enjoyed being a grandfather,” Nancy said. “He would take them fishing in the back yard. Robert used to joke that the reason grandparents and grandkids get along so well is that they have a common enemy.”

“He spent a lot of time with his grandchildren. He used to love to come over to my house and take our daughter outside to look at the moon,” Bob said. “One of my last memories of Robert is of his sitting on the sofa at my house holding baby Nancy and she would smile at him and he said how this restored his faith in mankind.”

A Builder And A Giver

Robert’s circle of influence was much more than his work and family. He was also an avid philanthropist making contributions to SMU and the Dedman School of Law.

“Art was a joy of his,” Robert said. “We have a philanthropy plan, but it was always the family and that will to give. Robert was a generous person.”

His daughter, Patty Dietz, is a leader at SMU and a dedicated philanthropist. She has served on various boards and organizations, and her contributions to the university have been significant.

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Robert gave generously of his time, talents and financial resources to SMU and played a major role in SMU's advancement as a leading private university. His generosity is evident throughout the SMU campus in the Dedman School of Law, Dedman College of Humanities and Sciences, Dedman Life Sciences Building, Dedman Professors in Economics and History, and Dedman Center for Lifetime Sports. Sixteen graduates from North Dallas High School are Dedman Scholars at SMU. Dedman's gifts and his life are exemplified in the biblical injunction he often quoted, "Of those to whom much is given, from them much is expected."

"My parents have this love for mankind and the spirit of public giving. They have opened their hands to SMU in particular over the last 25 years," Patty said. "To have a great city, Dallas must have a great University, which is why, as a family, we are so committed to philanthropic efforts here at SMU."

At the law school alone, the Dedman family gave $20 million for endowments to the SMU School of Law. To thank them for this generosity the SMU School of Law was named the Dedman School of Law in 2001. At the ceremony announcing the naming, Robert declared, "Nearly all of the major business centers of America have one of the top 10 law schools in the country ... So we need to really work as hard as we can to get SMU, not into the top 25, but into the top 10."

"All of us in the law school community owe Mr. Dedman a debt of gratitude that can never be repaid for his tremendous generosity toward us and toward his alma mater," said SMU Dedman School of Law Dean John B. Attanasio. "He was one of the most distinguished graduates this great law school has ever produced."

In addition to generous contributions, Robert gave generously of his time to SMU. He became a member of the SMU Board of Trustees in 1976 and served as chair of the board from 1992 to 1996. He served as one of five co-chairs of SMU's five-year capital campaign, which surpassed its $400 million goal and raised more than $541 million. He served on the President's Leadership Council, the Law School's Executive Board, the Dedman College Executive Board, Meadows School of the Arts Executive Board, and the Foundation for Business in the Edwin L. Cox School of Business.

"We at SMU have lost a vital and beloved member of our university family," said SMU President R. Gerald Turner. "Through philanthropy and leadership, Robert H.
Dedman has made history for SMU and set the standard for generosity in support of education. But Robert Dedman's genius was that he combined generosity with active involvement. Mr. Dedman often talked about the joy of giving while living, of seeing one's gifts in action. He did indeed take great joy in seeing his generosity shape the progress of SMU. His continuing legacy will be the achievements of countless students, alumni, faculty and others forever transformed by his grand vision, good humor and genuine interest in education. We will miss him dearly. Our prayers and thoughts are with the entire Dedman family as we collectively give thanks for his life and honor his memory.

SMU was not the only beneficiary of the Dedman family's generosity. Countless other institutions received generous contributions from the family including the University of Texas, Florida State University, UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, RHD Hospital, University of North Texas, and North Dallas High School among others. Dedman also served as a member and chairman of the Texas State Highway and Public Transportation Commission in addition to being a director for Wal-Mart, the Horatio Alger Association and an advisory director for Stewart Information Systems.

"There are talkers and there are givers, and he was a giver," Nancy said. "Humility is his deepest trait. He always made time to talk to people and to treat people right." Robert often said, "To give while you live provides you with the joy of seeing your gift in action, of seeing it change lives."

A Recognized Leader

Robert received many honors from his alma mater. SMU recognized him with its Distinguished Alumni Award in 1980, and the 1976 Entrepreneur of the Year Award from the Cox School of Business. In 1995, Robert and Nancy were among the first recipients of the Mustang Award for longtime service and philanthropy to SMU. In 2000, he was honored by the School of Law with its annual Robert G. Storley Award for Distinguished Achievement. Upon receiving the award Robert said, "I have received many awards in my life but none has been more meaningful to me than this one."

Robert also received
numerous other honors throughout his career, including Texas Entrepreneur of the Year in 1976, Dallas Humanitarian of the Year in 1980, the Outstanding National Business Leader Award in 1985, Marketer of the Year Award in Dallas in 1986, Texas Business Hall of Fame in 1987, Horatio Alger Award in 1989, and the Number One Philanthropist Award from the Dallas Historical Society in 1997. He was the first inductee into the Dallas Business Hall of Fame in 1999. Robert is a member of the Hospitality Industry Hall of Honor at the University of Houston, the McCombs School of Business Hall of Fame at The University of Texas, and the Arkansas Golf Hall of Fame. He also is a recipient of the Tom Landry Medal from California Lutheran University and the Flora Award from the Dallas Horticulture Center.

With so much success, Robert decided to chronicle his philosophies and advice in his 1999 book, King of Clubs: Guys Rich In More Than Money. In it, he said golf was a metaphor for life. "You don't have to be a golfer," he wrote, "to understand that the game involves keeping score, hoping to win and learning to lose."

Of course being a developer of golf courses, Robert had a true love for the game. He spent much of his time on the golf course and he would always help those who were with him.

"Most people who played golf with Robert were, in one way shape or form, his students. Robert was a born teacher. On the golf course or the tennis court, really anywhere, he loved to teach," Dean Attanasio said. "The truth is that Robert taught me about much more than golf. He taught me about a variety of subjects from law to deal making to education to politics to flora and fauna. He was a man for all seasons, conversant with a wide variety of subjects from high finance to buffalo ducks. While he knew a lot about so many things, Robert was humble about his knowledge and would admit when he didn't know the answer."

"He was a person who always did the right thing," Nancy said. "I look back on our life and it seems like we were always laughing. He always loved telling jokes, and he always said that short jokes are important. He also loved poetry, particularly Rudyard Kipling's poem If. He felt that poem was a great reminder for him."

In an interview with her father, Patty asked him "How would you like people to remember you?" He said, "I want to be remembered as a giver—a philanthropist; loving and kind hearted; and a decent role model who has a sense of humor."

"It was easy to see that Dad was a giver and very loving to all kinds of people," Patty said. "My dad made an indelible impression upon all of us, and because of that, he will live on in our hearts forever."

Robert wrote in his book, "I suspect this life is not a dress rehearsal. It's probably the real thing. We must enjoy it and get all we can out of it because it may be the only chance we get."

Bob's eulogy for Robert said it best, "In the end, Robert was more than just a man, he was an entrepreneur, a founder, a lawyer, a business leader, a coach, a community leader, and a philanthropist. But the references he loved the most were husband, father, and granddaddy."

We will miss him greatly.

If
by Rudyard Kipling

If you can keep your head when all about you
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you,
If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,
But make allowance for their doubting too;
If you can wait and not be tired waiting,
Or being lied about, don't deal in lies,
Or being hated, don't give way to hating,
And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise;
If you can dream—and not make dreams your master;
If you can think—and not make thoughts your aim;
If you can meet with Triumph and Disaster
And treat those two imposters just the same;
If you can bear to hear the truth you've spoken
Twisted by knaves to make a trap for fools,
Or watch the things you gave your life for, broken,
And stoop and build 'em up with worn-out tools:
If you can make one heap of all your winnings
And risk it all on one turn of pitch-and-toss,
And lose, and start again at your beginning,
And never brag about your wins;
If you can force your heart and nerve and soul
To serve your turn long after they are gone,
And so hold on when there is nothing in you
Except the Will which says to them: 'Hold on!'
If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue,
Or walk with kings—nor lose the common touch;
If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you:
If all men count with you, but none too much,
If you can fill the unforgiving minute
With sixty seconds worth of distance run,
Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it,
And—which is more—yours is a future that's in it.
By day, they are administrators, corporate executives, teachers, journalists and physicians. As the sun sets, they become future lawyers, working to develop their knowledge in the laws that govern our lives.

Starting this fall, the SMU Dedman School of Law is reinstituting the Evening Law Program, allowing those who work full-time jobs to pursue a law degree at SMU.

“We know that there is an amazing talent pool of students in the Dallas-Fort Worth area who, but for a more flexible schedule, would pursue a law degree,” said John Attanasio, Dean of the SMU Dedman School of Law.

The school has enrolled 94 students for the evening program. Students in the evening program must complete the same hours of course work as those in the day program, but will finish in four years rather than the usual three years.

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As the program is phased in, the school is hiring a number of new faculty members. At the same time, the school is decreasing daytime enrollment from approximately 250 students to approximately 164.

“A lot of work has gone into the program to make sure the community is ready for it and to make sure it offers the same high quality of legal education that has been available to our full-time students for many years,” said Christine Szaj, the Associate Dean of Administration for the SMU Dedman School of Law.

To examine whether the program should be developed, an Ad Hoc Part Time Program Committee was appointed, which was co-chaired by SMU law professors William Dorsaneo, Chief Justice John and Lena Hickman Distinguished Faculty Fellow and Professor of Law, and Linda Eads, Associate Professor of Law.

“The school found very substantial support across the community from the legal, business, minority, and public and private sectors -- a very high level of interest in a high quality program, the only kind we were interested in,” Professor Dorsaneo said. The school consulted law firm partners and potential student candidates to make sure the school would be producing graduates the firms were interested in, and that the program is something those interested would pursue.

“The school contacted alumni and successful graduates of the old evening program to test the depth of support including TXU Corp. chairman Erle Nye, family law attorney Louise Raggio, business executive and community

“SMU is rendering a great community service by offering an evening law school. I know from personal experience that many people would not otherwise be able to attend law school. The education I received in SMU’s evening law program prepared me in every way to become an attorney.”

Tom Luce ’66 J.D.
SMU Evening Law Program
Founding Partner, Hughes & Luce, L.L.P.

“I would never have been able to attend law school were it not for SMU. My attendance at and graduation from the SMU Evening Law School had a profound impact on my life.”

Walter J. Humann ’67 J.D.
SMU Evening Law Program
Hunt Consolidated Executive
leader Walter Humann, civic leader and lawyer Adelfa Callejo and the late Robert Dedman Sr. "We knew there was a high quality of graduates from the previous evening program that was on a par with the day program, and that's what we want in the new program."

The school also hired a market research company to study the community's interest. More than 1,700 people replied to the survey. Of the respondents, 88 percent had four-year degrees, 43 percent had a master's degree and 6 percent had doctorate degrees. In addition, 71 percent of the respondents said they would definitely or probably apply for admission to an evening law school program.

"We discovered a tremendous opportunity if we reinstitute the evening law program," Dean Attanasio said. "Not only does this help educate those who have to work full-time jobs, but it provides opportunity to those who would otherwise lack access to legal education."

Since the decision to reinstitute the evening law program, countless hours have been spent preparing the community and developing the program. A Transition Committee was appointed to implement the evening law program, which is based on Georgetown Law Center's outstanding part-time program. The SMU Dedman School of Law held two information sessions last summer drawing over 700 interested attendees with a wide variety of professional backgrounds. There are also plans to meet with potential applicants from specific professional groups such as teachers, healthcare professionals, law enforcement and the financial services industry.

The Dean and several senior administrators met with leaders of Dallas area minority bar associations to discuss the new program. A number of partners of area law firms have voiced strong interest and support for this program. The Student Bar Association provided an open forum for full-time students to talk about the new evening program. Several third-year students took time out of their busy schedules to develop a resource handbook to help the incoming part-time students. The handbook reviews the extracurricular activities the law school offers as well as a general "How to Survive Law School" discussion.

"We strived to develop a program that allowed the students to balance their lives with their employers, families and school," Dean Szaj said. "We had an impressive number of interested candidates for the first evening class starting this fall including engineers, medical doctors and business people."

"A lot of our time has been spent working with those interested in the evening law program," said Virginia Keenan, Assistant Dean and Director of Admissions. "We have been very impressed with the quality of candidates we have met."

For more information on the Evening Law Program, visit the law school's web site at http://www.law.smu.edu/ or contact us at (214) 768-2550.
Common Questions

Is the Program approved by the American Bar Association?

Yes, in August 2003, the American Bar Association granted acquiescence in the establishment of the program.

Will you offer courses on Saturdays?

Students may have the option of taking a few upper-division elective courses on Saturdays. However, no required courses will be scheduled on Saturdays.

What about Library Hours?

Library hours will be expanded on weekends. The library is already open late on weekdays and will continue the same hours.

Will the evening students have the opportunity to participate in law reviews?

Yes. Students will grade-on and participate in the write-on competition along with full-time students.

If their schedule permits, can evening students also take classes during the day?

Yes, after all first-year required courses are completed and if space permits.

What will the curriculum include?

Students in the Evening Program will take the same required courses as the day students. They also will be offered a wide array of electives in such areas as tax and commercial law, intellectual property, oil and gas, estate planning, corporate law, health law, environmental law, insurance law, bankruptcy law, public and private international law, and dispute resolution including litigation.
Court Is Now In Session

New School Courtroom Named In Honor Of Godwin Gruber, LLP Gift

What was once an old administrative hearing room on the second floor of the law school’s 79-year-old Florence Hall is now the Godwin Gruber Trial Courtroom thanks to a $200,000 gift from the law firm of Godwin Gruber, LLP.

The new courtroom will be used for courses in trial advocacy and mock and moot court competitions. Among its many new features are a wood-paneled jury box, judge’s bench, witness stand and spectator seating as well as the latest in audio-visual capability, including a document camera, overhead projector, touch screen controls at the counsel table and judge’s bench, and electronic hook-ups for laptop and Internet access. In addition, video cameras positioned around the room will allow for taping of student trials and may be played back for instructional purposes.

“It is always gratifying when our alumni come forward to fund improvements that are important to the quality of education for our current students,” said SMU President R. Gerald Turner. “The firm of Godwin Gruber is actively helping to ensure that today’s law students at SMU have the tools they will need to succeed in the practice of law and the profession. We are thankful for their generous support.”

Among those present at the Godwin-Gruber Trial Courtroom dedication on Feb. 4 in Dallas 2003 at the law school were (Pictured above, l to r): SMU President R. Gerald Turner, Dean Alice Gruber, Michael Gruber ’81, Carole Godwin, Donald E. Godwin ’73, and Del
John B. Attanasio.

"Today's courtrooms have considerable amounts of technology. Our students will live and work in a technologically advanced world, and the same should be expected in their courses of study here," said Dean Attanasio. "We are very grateful that Godwin Gruber has recognized the need for state-of-the-art facilities such as this and that they have generously funded this room."

"An onsite courtroom is a very valuable resource for the SMU Dedman School of Law because it enables students to get comfortable in a courtroom setting," said Grant Walsh '04, a recent law graduate at SMU. "A courtroom is where attorneys should feel confident, and the Godwin Gruber Courtroom helps build that confidence by exposing us to the look, feel and layout of a courtroom."

Students were given the opportunity to observe a real trial in the courtroom in November 2003. Barbara Houser, bankruptcy judge for the Dallas division of the Northern District of Texas and visiting professor at the SMU Dedman School of Law, tried a contested matter in the courtroom for two days, with students observing throughout.

"There is nothing like seeing real world problems and actual court resolutions of those problems," Judge Houser said. "It's one thing to read about it in the casebooks, but it's another thing to watch the drama unfold in front of you. As a former law student at SMU, albeit from a long time ago, I would have loved to have had this opportunity made available to me. I hope the current students agree."
Callejo Family Establishes Professorship, Comanlates Dedman Family Match

The SMU Dedman School of Law is pleased to announce the establishment of the Adelfa Botello Callejo Professorship of Leadership and Latino Studies. The contribution of $1 million by Adelfa and Bill Callejo also completed the $5 million challenge grant made by the Dedman family as part of their $20 million contribution to the law school in 2001.

"In order to train the next generation of leaders, the law school is striving to become more diverse and sensitive to the needs of the growing Latino Community," Dean John B. Attanasio said. "The establishment of the Adelfa Botello Callejo Professor of Leadership and Latino Studies represents a major step forward in enabling us to train the next generation of Dallas leadership."

Adelfa Callejo is one of Texas's most eminent lawyers. She has championed countless causes for the Latino community.

"Leaders are not just born. They have to be created; they have to be trained. My husband and I wanted to do something that would assist in the creation of Latino leaders," Callejo said. "If this state is going to prepare for the future it's going to have to prepare its future leaders. We felt this was a tremendous opportunity to do that through this professorship."

Working full-time during the day, Adelfa Callejo attended night school at SMU, studying simultaneously for her B.A. and J.D. degrees. After ten years of school, she received both degrees in 1961.

"I felt that I was very fortunate that the evening law program at SMU afforded me the opportunity to become a lawyer," Adelfa Callejo said. Since then, Adelfa Callejo has been in private practice in Dallas for 43 years.

Bill Callejo was already a licensed professional architect, engineer and real estate broker when he received his law degree from SMU in 1966. Following his graduation, Adelfa and he formed Callejo and Callejo, where they have practiced for the last 38 years.

Both Bill and Adelfa Callejo have pursued community causes in their life. Adelfa has won many awards for her years of service in the community and the legal profession, including the SMU Dedman School of Law Distinguished Alumni Award in 1996, the Ohtli Reconocimiento recognition award from the Mexican government, the Texas Peace Officers Association 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, the Fellows of the Dallas Bar Foundation honored her at their 13th Annual Fellows Luncheon.

"My husband and I feel very strongly that the most important legacy we can leave behind is this professorship," Adelfa Callejo said. "The Latino population is the fastest growing group in the nation and that is very significant. So in order to train Latino leaders, they are going to have to have the opportunity to develop their skills. And that is why we are very excited about making this pledge and helping complete the Dedman match."

"We are very grateful to Adelfa and Bill Callejo for their generous gift of $1 million to establish the Callejo Professorship and allow us to complete the Dedman Match," said Dean Attanasio. "The total law school community truly appreciates the Dedman family and the Callejo family for their tremendous generosity to the SMU Dedman School of Law. Adelfa and Bill Callejo have contributed so much to this community and the nation. They are an inspiration to us all."
Karen C. Sargent '79 has been named the new Assistant Dean and Director of the Office of Career Services at the SMU Dedman School of Law.

"We are very fortunate to have a star like Karen Sargent succeed another star - Kelly Noblin who brought the placement office to a new level," said Dean John B. Attanasio. "Karen is ideally suited to convince employers to go deeper into our classes as we attract more and more talented groups of day and evening students."

From 1985 to 2000 Sargent served as a part-time faculty member at the law school teaching courses in Lawyering and Legal Research & Writing. In 2003, she returned to the Dedman School of Law to work as an Assistant Director of Admissions, where she reviewed the applications for the 2004-2005 day and evening classes.

Sargent earned her Bachelor of Business Administration degree with high honors from SMU in 1977 and her J.D. from SMU in 1979. She served on the Board of Editors of the Southwestern Law Journal. After graduating, she practiced in the Houston office of Andrews Kurth LLP.

Sargent is taking over after Kelly Noblin, the former Assistant Dean and Director of the Office of Career Services, left to join an executive search firm.

"Kelly did a wonderful job," Sargent said. "It will be difficult to follow her many achievements, but she established a solid Career Services organization that I am looking forward to building upon."

During Noblin's tenure, the SMU Dedman School of Law had some of the highest hiring rates in its history. Six to nine months after graduation, 93.49 percent of the Law School's class of 2003 was employed, compared to a national percentage of 89 percent, according to the placement statistics compiled by the SMU Dedman School of Law Office of Career Services and the National Association of Law Placement (NALP) Summary Report.

The law school's 2003 graduates are earning more in these positions than their counterparts are nationally. The law school's 2003 graduates earn a median starting salary of $73,500 in private practice.

"With last year's economy, we are very pleased with the hiring rate of our graduates," Sargent said. "Of course, much of this could not have happened without the tremendous support of the Dallas legal community."

The practice choices of the law school's 2003 graduates are diverse, with 69.5 percent of the graduates entering private practice, 7.6 percent of the graduates entering the business world, 9.6 percent working for the government, 2 percent choosing public interest positions and 3 percent pursuing advanced degrees. Additionally, 7.1 percent of the graduates have judicial clerkships. Although 86.5 percent of the Law School's 2003 graduates work in Texas, graduates found employment in 15 other states across the country, including California, New York, Washington, D.C. and Colorado.
After five years of service, Marc I. Steinberg, Rupert and Lillian Radford Professor of Law, is passing the torch as Senior Associate Dean for Academics for the SMU Dedman School of Law to Roy Anderson, Vinson & Elkins Distinguished Teaching Fellow and Professor of Law.

The Senior Associate Dean for Academics is a "supporter of the Dean but also an independent voice for the faculty," Professor Steinberg said. "It requires that person to take on certain leadership roles with respect to a number of significant issues such as legal scholarship." Accepting the position of Senior Associate Dean for Academics requires plenty of dedication.

"Significant responsibilities I had with this position were working with the faculty and adjunct faculty, and working on academic issues," Professor Steinberg said. "It was a good experience and I hope I helped the law school and the Dean both internally and externally as well as the outside constituents of the law school."

Professor Steinberg has been at the SMU Dedman School of Law for 15 years. He is the Director of SMU's Corporate Directors' Institute and is also a Visiting Professional Fellow for the Centre for Commercial Law Studies at the University of London.

"I am grateful to Marc for his commitment and dedication as Dean for Academics," said John B. Attanasio, Dean and William Hawley Atwell Professor of Constitutional Law for the SMU Dedman School of Law. "He has done an outstanding job in his administration and in his teaching and research."

In addition to his time at SMU, Professor Steinberg has lectured and taught extensively both in the United States and abroad. Professor Steinberg taught at the University of Maryland School of Law, the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania, the National Law Center at the George Washington University, and the Georgetown University Law Center. He was appointed a Visiting Professor, Scholar and Fellow at law schools outside of the United States, including universities 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.

Professor Steinberg is the author of more than 100 law review articles as well as 17 books. He serves 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. Professor Steinberg is a member of the American Law Institute.

"We have a very collegial faculty and hopefully I played a small role in achieving that," Professor Steinberg said. "It was a pleasure working with the Dean and the faculty; they were very supportive of me, which made my job relatively easy."
SMU Dedman School of Law Names Anderson Senior Associate Dean For Academics

Following Marc Steinberg, Rupert and Lillian Radford Professor of Law, Roy Anderson, Vinson & Elkins Distinguished Teaching Fellow and Professor of Law, has been appointed the Senior Associate Dean for Academics for the SMU Dedman School of Law.

"I am delighted and grateful for Roy Anderson's decision to take on this position," said John B. Attanasio, Dean and William Hawley Atwell Professor of Constitutional Law for the SMU Dedman School of Law. "It requires a lot of time and dedication and I am sure that he will do an excellent job."

"I would really like to thank Marc Steinberg for doing such a great job over the last five years," Professor Anderson said. "I never truly appreciated the great job he has done until I spent a semester in his shoes." Professor Anderson received his bachelor of arts degree in 1966 from Texas Christian University, his doctorate of jurisprudence in 1969 from Southern Methodist University and his LL.M. in 1975 from Yale University.

Professor Anderson served at the SMU Dedman School of Law as executive director of the criminal justice program and as assistant dean and associate dean. A former notes and comments editor of the *Journal of Air Law and Commerce*, he teaches in the areas of contracts, commercial law, damages and commercial remedies. He served for many years as the adviser for the *SMU Law Review* and for the moot court program.


Professor Anderson's article, "The Wolf at the Campfire: Understanding Confidential Relationships," won the Texas Bar Foundation's award for the outstanding law review article for 2000. He is also co-author of the three volumes of the *Texas Litigation Guide* dealing with commercial litigation.

Professor Anderson is a member of the State Bar of Texas, the American Bar Association, the American Law Institute and a life fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation. From 1990-2000 he was a commentator for the ABA Task Force of advisors to the UCC Article 2 Drafting Committee and a member of the ALI Consultative Group for the UCC Article 2 Drafting Committee.

"When you agree to take on the position your colleagues will come by and congratulate you and say good luck and that is the last time you get everyone's full support," Professor Anderson said with a laugh. "But the one thing I really cherish about this position is that you are placed in a position where you can see a much bigger picture of what is going on, and if you really care about the school and you see all that is being accomplished, it is very rewarding."
Pryor Receives Mitchell Professorship

SMU Dedman School of Law faculty member Ellen Pryor recently received the Homer R. Mitchell Professorship. A professorship helps support research and teaching in a related topic and is given to someone once they have a demonstrated record of teaching and writing in the areas represented by the professorship.

"This is a tremendous honor for Professor Pryor as it is a symbol of the quality of education and research she provides," said John B. Atanasio, Dean and William Hawley Atwell Professor of Constitutional Law for the SMU Dedman School of Law. "She has been an outstanding member of the faculty and she truly deserves this professorship."

The professorship is named in honor of Homer R. Mitchell, who was instrumental in the market for workers' compensation insurance. The professorship's area of specialty is in insurance and commercial law.

"I especially appreciate being connected with this professorship because Homer R. Mitchell was important in the development of workers' compensation," Professor Pryor said. "I've devoted many years to researching and writing about how our society compensates people affected by illness and injury, and workers' compensation is one of the major links in the social compensation fabric. In addition, I've long engaged in pro bono work relating to some workers' compensation programs, as well as other compensation and disability programs. I've been so pleased to have a chance to publish and present papers relating to the ways in which compensation programs could be structured to improve compensation and rehabilitation."

Professor Pryor graduated from Rice University in 1978 and from The University of Texas School of Law in 1982. At The University of Texas School of Law, Professor Pryor served as Editor-in-Chief of the Texas Law Review and received the "Aum Jur" award for highest grades in the first year courses Torts, Property, Contracts, and Civil Procedure. She was also a member of the honor societies Chancellors and Order of the Gulf. She received awards for outstanding student, student most likely to contribute to legal scholarship, and best student law review note.

Following graduation, she served as judicial clerk for the Honorable Carl McGowan of the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. She then returned to Dallas and worked for a civil litigation firm for four years. During that time, she received the Dallas Bar Association's Pro Bono Award of the Year, and the State Bar of Texas' Frank Scurlock Award for Delivery of Legal Services to the Poor.

She now teaches first-year tort law, upper level advanced torts courses, seminars in professional responsibility, and insurance law.

She is the co-author of a torts casebook and has been published in numerous law journals including the Harvard Law Review, George Washington Law Review, Maryland Law Review, Texas Law Review, Tulane Law Review, Virginia Law Review, Georgetown Law Journal, and the University of Chicago Press. She is a member of the American Law Institute, and is currently serving as an Advisor for the drafting of the Restatement (Third) of Torts: General Principles.

In 2000 she received SMU's United Methodist Award for Scholar-Teacher of the Year; in 2001 she was named one of four inaugural members of SMU's Academy of Distinguished Teachers, and in 2002 the graduating class selected her to receive the Dr. Don M. Smart Award for Excellence in Teaching.

"After 17 years of teaching and writing in the tort and compensation area, I am still passionate about the importance of these subjects in theory and in practice," Professor Pryor said. "I hope to keep passing along that commitment in teaching and writing."
Recent Hires

The SMU Dedman School of Law is proud to announce the addition of one new professor for fall 2004 and two new professors for fall 2003. Assistant Professor Jenia Iontcheva Turner (specializing in international criminal law, comparative and constitutional criminal procedure) is beginning this fall, and Professor David Epstein (specializing in bankruptcy and commercial law) and Associate Professor Xuan-Thao N. Nguyen (specializing in intellectual property, Internet and e-commerce law) began fall 2003.

John B. Attanasio, Dean and William Hawley Atwell Professor of Constitutional Law, is very excited about the addition of these new professors.

"Professor Iontcheva Turner turned down University of Minnesota Law School and was being heavily recruited by the University of Michigan Law School when she accepted her offer at SMU," Dean Attanasio said. "I have rarely heard of a young scholar who published their first article in the University of Virginia Law Review before becoming a tenured track faculty member."

Professor Iontcheva Turner received a J.D. from Yale Law School in 2002 after acquiring her B.A. at Goucher College in 1999. At Yale, she was a Coker Fellow and articles editor for both the Yale Law Journal and the Yale Journal of International Law. She also received the Schell Fellowship in International Human Rights.

Prior to coming to SMU, she was a Bigelow Fellow and Lecturer in Law at the University of Chicago Law School. And she has already published an article titled "Jury Sentencing as Democratic Practice" in the University of Virginia Law Review.

"I am honored to join such a distinguished faculty," Iontcheva Turner said. "I am especially excited to be part of the international law program and the global outreach initiatives that are among the school's unique strengths."

In the summer of 2001, she interned at the Office of the Federal Public Defender in Houston and worked as a summer associate at Debevoise & Plimpton, New York, NY, and Paris, France, where, among other things, she worked on various pro bono projects, including an expropriation case brought by Eritrean refugees in the U.S. against the Ethiopian government. The previous summer, she was an intern in The Hague, at the Appeals Chamber of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia. She also worked in the Civil Society Development Foundation in Sofia, Bulgaria and in the Office of Carole Tongue, European Parliament, in Brussels, Belgium during the summers of 1998 and 1997.

She currently has two works in progress titled "Nationalizing International Criminal Law" and "Judicial Management of Plea Bargaining: Comparative Insights."

"Professor Epstein is among the top bankruptcy professors and..."
commercial law professors in the country," Dean Attanasio said. "With the addition of Professor Epstein and Professor Nguyen to the law school's two giants in commercial law -- Professor Descanso and Professor Winship -- the SMU Dedman School of Law becomes one of the preeminent commercial law faculties in the county."

He most recently held the Charles E. Tweedy Jr. chair of law at the University of Alabama, has taught at the University of Texas and has served as dean at Emory.

Professor Epstein received his undergraduate and law degrees from The University of Texas in 1964 and 1966, and received a graduate degree in law from Harvard University in 1969. During spring 2003, he was a visiting professor at Georgetown University School of Law and the Robert Zinman Visiting Scholar at the American Bankruptcy Institute. During fall 2002, he was a visiting professor at New York University School of Law. For the first half of 2002, he was the Bruce W. Nichols Visiting Professor of Law at Harvard University.

"From my teaching and practice experiences, I knew that SMU had good people," Professor Epstein said. "The pleasant surprise has been how uncommonly nice the students are."

Previously, Professor Epstein was a dean at the University of Arkansas Law School and the Emory University Law School; a professor at the University of Alabama Law School, the University of North Carolina Law School, and the University of Texas Law School; a visiting professor at University of Michigan, the University of Chicago, the University of Illinois, Washington University, Brigham Young University, the University of Houston and Georgia State University; and a partner for nine years in the law firm of King & Spalding.

He has written a best-selling student text on bankruptcy and has co-authored a multivolume treatise on bankruptcy as well as national casebooks on bankruptcy, commercial law, contracts, and corporations. Professor Epstein also lectures on contracts in bar review courses around the country, and each year more than two-thirds of the people taking the bar in the United States have heard his contract lectures live or on tape.

"Professor Nguyen is a brilliant young scholar who has written 15 articles and two books relating to intellectual property and e-commerce," Dean Attanasio said. "Her articles have been cited by courts of appeal in three recent cases, and she has co-authored the first casebook and treatise on the interdisciplinary field of intellectual property taxation."


Her articles have been cited by the courts in Intercraster Starship Services, Ltd. v. Epix, Inc., 304 F.3d 936 (9th Cir. 2002); Times Mirror Magazines, Inc. v. Las Vegas Sports News, 212 F.3d 167 (3d Cir. 1999); Pharmacia Corp. v. Alcon Lab., Inc., 201 F.Supp.2d 335 (D.N.J. 2002).

She co-authored the first casebook in an interdisciplinary field of intellectual property taxation (published by Carolina Academic Press). She also co-authored a treatise...
Professor Nguyen received her J.D. from Northeastern University School of Law and her B.A. from Oberlin College.

Professor Nguyen became the first American law professor to lecture at the Vietnam National University Faculty of Law in Hanoi. She frequently provides her expertise to various governmental offices in Vietnam.

Prior to entering academia, she was an intellectual property associate with the New York firms of Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson and Pryor, Cashman, Sherman & Flynn.

Professor Nguyen is registered to practice in the United States Patent and Trademark Office. She chaired the IP/E-Commerce Conference in 2002 and 2004 and has served as a planning committee member for the International Trademark Association annual conferences for the last six years.


The SMU Dedman School of Law also recruited Patricia S. Heard as a Lecturer in Law starting Fall 2004.

Heard was an adjunct professor for the SMU Dedman School of Law where she taught Legal Research, Writing and Advocacy for two of the last three years.

“I love teaching and I saw this as an incredible opportunity to combine my passion for the classroom with my legal education and skills,” Heard said.

Prior to coming to the SMU Dedman School of Law, she worked as a teacher at a private school in Dallas. She received her J.D. from The University of Texas in 1983 where she was a member of the Texas Law Review.

on intellectual property taxation which was published by BNA. Her latest piece on “Taxing the New Intellectual Property Rights (Domain Names)” will be published as lead article in the Hastings Law Journal later this year. Her current scholarship is on licensing intellectual property and bankruptcy, Internet privacy and securitization of intangible assets, and trademark issues in international trade.

“SMU Dedman School of Law is an exciting place for me to develop my scholarship and to train the best lawyers for the 21st Century,” Professor Nguyen said. “I am looking forward to collaborating with my colleagues both at the Dedman School of Law and the University on numerous projects relating to intellectual property and commerce.”

Professor Nguyen received her
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Dean John Attanasio
2002-2003 Distinguished Alumni

The Robert G. Storey Award for Distinguished Achievement
GERALD J. FORD '69

Gerald Ford is the former Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer and a principal shareholder of Golden State Bancorp Inc. and its wholly owned subsidiary, California Federal Bank. California Federal Bank (CalFed), a California-based Federal Savings Bank, was the second largest thrift in the nation, with some 360 branches in California and Nevada, and approximately $56 billion in assets. In November 2002, it merged with Citigroup. Previously, Mr. Ford was the founder and principal shareholder of First United Bank Group, which consisted of 23 banks, 80 branches and $4 billion in assets, located in West Texas and New Mexico. It was acquired by Wells Fargo in 1996.

Ford is Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer and the principal shareholder of Liberte' Investors Inc., a New York Stock Exchange listed company. Mr. Ford is President and owner of Diamond A - Ford Corporation and Diamond A Racing Corp. He also serves as a director of McMoRan Exploration Company and Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc.

He serves as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Southern Methodist University, and as a Trustee of Southwestern Medical Foundation and Children's Medical Foundation. He is on the Executive Board of the SMU Dedman School of Law, and is a Director of Dallas Boys & Girls Clubs Inc. He is a past member of the Board of Regents of Texas Tech University and Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in Lubbock, Texas and Texas A&M University System in College Station, Texas.

Born in Pampa, Texas, Ford received his B.A. degree from Southern Methodist University in 1966 and his J.D. from the SMU School of Law in 1969. In 1995, he was named a Distinguished Alumnus of Southern Methodist University, and in 1997 he received SMU's Mustang Award honoring those whose longtime service and philanthropy have had a lasting impact on the university. Ford provided the lead gift for the new campus football stadium, which is named in his honor. In addition, he recently established a research fellowship program that will help SMU attract and retain outstanding faculty members.

In accepting the highest award the law school bestows on one of its alumni, Ford said, "To be honored by one's university is one of the most special honors that one can receive—particularly for me—from this institution which means so much to me. Considering for whom the award is named and considering the past recipients, I am truly humbled. I am proud to be a graduate of SMU's Dedman School of Law, I am proud to be a member of this past and present group of recipients, and I am most proud and most honored to receive this very distinguished award."

Dean John B. Attanasio, Gerald J. Ford, and SMU President R. Gerald Turner
Albon Head concluded his remarks accepting the award by lauding the value of service to the law school. He said that "Mr. Dedman believed - and I heard him say - that one of the top 10 business centers in the world, like Dallas-Fort Worth, ought to have one of the top 10 law schools. He, of course, did everything that he could to bring us there - and I think we're there. If we're not there, we're almost there and we're going to be there" with continued support from our alumni.

Albon Head is partner-in-charge of the Fort Worth office of Jackson Walker L.L.P., and serves on Jackson Walker's management committee. A native of Fort Worth, he attended SMU on a football scholarship. He entered law school as a fifth-year redshirt senior and co-captain of SMU's 1968 Bluebonnet Bowl Champions. He completed law school as a graduate assistant, coaching the freshmen and scout team defensive backs under Hayden Fry's legendary freshman coach Herman "Sleepy" Morgan.

He is a director of the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce, a member of its executive committee, and chairman of its governmental affairs committee, and also serves as a director of the Texas Guaranteed Student Loan Corporation. He is past chairman of YMCA Camp Carter, former director of Big Brothers and Big Sisters, and past president of the Fort Worth Opera.

Head is past president of the SMU Alumni Association and served as an ex-officio member of the SMU Board of Trustees. He is a long-time director of the SMU Athletic Forum and the Doak Walker National Running Back Award, and is a member of the SMU Athletic Council. He is a former member of the SMU Dedman School of Law board of visitors, now the executive board. He has served in many volunteer positions for the law school, and was chairman of the Distinguished Alumni Award committee for 15 years. He has been instrumental in Jackson Walker's continued sponsorship of one of the law school's moot court competitions, and has been active in numerous other fund raising activities for the law school.

He has been board certified in Civil Trial Law since 1981, is a founding Master of the Eldon B. Mahon Inn of Court, and past president of the Fort Worth Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates, southwest vice-president of the National Association of Railroad Trial Counsel, a member of the College of the State Bar of Texas, and a Charter Fellow of the Tarrant Country Bar Foundation. He practices in the area of general commercial and complex litigation.

Judge Sharon Keller was first elected to the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals in 1994. In 2000, she was elected Presiding Judge. She was the first woman to serve on the Court. A native of Texas, she earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in philosophy from Rice University in 1975 and her Juris Doctor degree from Southern Methodist University School of Law in 1978. She currently serves as a member of the Executive Board of the SMU Dedman School of Law.

Judge Keller began her legal career in the private practice of law in Dallas. Subsequently, she worked for...
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Webber W. Beall Jr. '59

Webber Beall accepted the award, in his words, "with a lot of gratitude, a lot of appreciation, and a lot of pride for the law school and SMU, and what they have meant to the city of Dallas, the state of Texas, our country, and other parts of the world."

Webber Beall was born and raised in Mt. Pleasant, Texas. He received his Bachelor of Business Administration in accounting from Southern Methodist University in 1954, and matriculated at SMU Law School in September 1954. He took time out for two years service in the United States Air Force, and graduated from the SMU law school in June 1959.

On June 1, 1959, he started work with the five lawyer firm of Touchstone, Bernays & Johnston. He became a partner in the firm in 1966, and last year became "Of Counsel" to the firm, now known as Touchstone, Bernays, Johnston, Beall, Smith & Stollenwerck, which currently employs over 50 lawyers. During his more than 40 years of private practice, he has represented clients in the full range of business, commercial and tort litigation.

Beall is a life fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation and member of the Federation of Insurance and Corporate Counsel, the Texas Association of Defense Counsel, and the Dallas Association of Defense Counsel. He is former chairman of the Town of Highland Park Board of Adjustment and former director of the First National Bank of Park Cities.
in energy, hotels, financial services and consumer retailing. Among the subsidiary companies which he built were Tana Oil and Gas Corporation (subsequently merged with Texaco in a $500 million transaction) and Teco Pipeline Company (subsequently merged with Pacific Gas and Electric in a $380 million transaction). Rowling and associates purchased the Corpus Christi National Bank, operated it for three years, and subsequently merged it with Bank of America.

He currently serves as chairman of TRT's wholly owned hotel division, Omni Hotels. Omni was purchased by Rowling in 1996 and is comprised of 40 hotels and resorts in the United States, Canada and Mexico. It was ranked “Highest in Guest Satisfaction Among Upscale Hotel Chains” by J.D. Power and Associates 2000 Hotel Guest Satisfaction Study and rated among the top three upscale hotel chains for business travel in Business Travel News Magazine for the past three years. He also currently oversees TRT’s active exploration program in the Gulf of Mexico and South Texas.

Rowling attended the U.S. Air Force Academy and graduated with honors from the University of Texas at Austin in 1976 with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree. In 1979 Rowling received his Juris Doctor degree with honors from the Southern Methodist University School of Law. After graduating from law school, he practiced tax law with Andrews and Kurth in Houston and, after a short time, left the legal practice to pursue a career in the energy business with his father.

He has served on the boards of NationsBank of Texas, the J.G. Boswell Company, M.D. Anderson Hospital and the University of Texas College of Business Administration Foundation. He is past chairman of the Corpus Christi Area Economic Development Corporation and currently serves on the boards of St. Paul and Zale Lipshy University Hospital in Dallas and the Southern Methodist University Tare Lecture Series.

After receiving the Award, Rowling observed that “often I am asked if I had to do it over again, since I practiced law such a short period of time, would I go back and get a law degree or would I get an M.B.A. I can tell you that I would not trade my J.D. from SMU for any M.B.A in the country. I got a tremendous background at SMU in corporate law, corporate tax and partnership tax – the professors were just unbelievable. They gave me a background for business that I don’t think I could have gotten any place else. Today, if you need to find a great commercial law school to go to — you couldn’t beat SMU.”

The Distinguished Global Alumni Award
THE HONORABLE LINCOLN MAGALHÃES DA ROCHA ’63

Judge Lincoln Magalhães Da Rocha has served on the Supreme Court of Accounts of Brazil since September 1978, when he was appointed by President João Goulart. This 12 judge court reviews and passes judgment on all expenditures of the federal government of Brazil. He may serve in this position until he reaches 70 years of age.

Born in 1936 in Belo Horizonte, Brazil, he comes from a family of ten brothers, including engineers, doctors, a pharmacologist, a sociologist, lawyers and teachers. After graduating in law in 1960 from the University of Minas Gerais in Belo Horizonte and briefly serving as a District Attorney, Judge da Rocha came to Dallas and enrolled in the SMU School of Law in 1962.

He received his Master’s of Laws degree in comparative international law from SMU in 1963 and returned to Brazil to take a position as a District Attorney for the Federal
In 1965 he was named professor at the University of Brasilia Law School, where he has been teaching for 40 years. He is the faculty's leading teacher of jurisprudence, criminal and administrative law. Judge da Rocha has lectured in all of the major cities in Brazil. He has published several books on comparative law, focusing on American and Brazilian law.

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

The Distinguished Alumni Award for Public Interest

THE HONORABLE RALPH M. HALL '51

Congressman Ralph M. Hall has represented the 4th Congressional District in Texas since first elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1980. Congressman Hall is the Ranking Democrat on the full Committee on Science and is a former chairman of the Space Subcommittee. He is a senior member of the Energy and Commerce Committee, where he serves on the Energy and Air Quality Subcommittee and Health Subcommittee. He previously served as Ranking Democrat of the Energy and Power Subcommittee.

Between 1950 and 1962, he served as County Judge of Rockwall County, Texas and he served as President of the State Judges and Commissioners Association in 1958-1959. Representative Hall served in the Texas Senate from 1962-1972 and was President Pro Tempore of the Senate in 1968-1969.

He was born in Fate (Rockwall County), Texas, on May 3, 1923, and attended public schools in Rockwall, Texas. Hall joined the U.S. Navy on December 10, 1942, and served as a lieutenant (senior grade) aircraft carrier pilot during World War II. He attended the University of Texas and Texas Christian University, and received his LL.B. from Southern Methodist University School of Law in 1951.

Congressman Hall is a former member of a law firm in Rockwall, Texas. He served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Texas Aluminum Corporation from 1967-1968; Special Council to Howmet Corporation from 1970-1974; and was founding member and Chairman of Lakeside National Bank, Rockwall, Texas.

In accepting the award, Congressman Hall entertained the crowd with vignettes from his law school days, including a description of the time that Professor Roy Ray came into class and said "I know you guys have the questions, but that won't help you a dang bit - I've changed the answers!" After several anecdotes about his service in Washington, he closed his remarks with praise for SMU and an expression of gratitude for the honor that the award represents.

The Honorary Alumnus Award

VESTER T. HUGHES JR.

The Honorary Alumnus Award recognizes outstanding achievement, public service and contribution to the community by a non-alumnus who has been supportive of the Dedman School of Law. This year's award winner, Vester T. Hughes, accepted the award and "the honor of being a part of the SMU tradition." He reminded the audience that the SMU tradition was "not known in the Hughes family, as the Hughes-Trigg Center [on campus] was given by my cousin Kathryn Hughes Trigg, and her husband Charlie Trigg" and added that he was "happy and proud to be another 'Hughes' part of the SMU tradition."
Hughes received his undergraduate degree, with distinction, from Rice Institute in 1949, and his law degree, cum laude, from Harvard Law School in 1952. While in law school, he was an editor of the Harvard Law Review. Following graduation, he was a law clerk for U.S. Supreme Court Justice Tom C. Clark.

A partner in the firm of Hughes & Luce, his many years of private practice have spanned all aspects of federal taxation – income, estate, gift and excise – individual and corporate. He is the author of many publications relating to federal taxation, and has lectured at numerous tax institutes and estate council meetings. Hughes is a member of the Boards of Directors of LX Cattle Company, Exell Cattle Company, Austin Industries Inc. and Sammons Enterprises Inc., and previously has served on the boards of several other New York Stock Exchange, semi-private and private companies.

Hughes has been a member of the Council of the American Law Institute longer than any other active member. Throughout his career, he has served the local, state and national legal community as a member and officer of numerous organizations, including service as Chairman of the State Bar of Texas Section of Taxation, Chairman of the State Bar of Texas Section on Specialization of Tax Practice, and Chairman of the American Bar Association Taxation Section Committee on Affiliated and Related Corporations, as well as service as a Council member of the Tax Section.

Since 1959, he has served as Tax Counsel for the Communities Foundation of Texas Inc. and has been a member of the Board of Directors of the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation since 1982. Hughes began his service as a Trustee of Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children in 1967, and currently also serves as a Vice President and member of the Executive Committee of the hospital.
2003-2004 Distinguished Alumni

The Robert G. Storey Award for Distinguished Achievement
WALTER J. HUMANN '67

Walter J. "Walt" Humann is a business and civic leader. He holds or has held top management positions as well as serving on numerous corporate and non-profit boards, including Hunt Consolidated, ITV Corporation and Memorex-Telex Corporation.

He has a B.S. in Physics from M.I.T., a M.B.A. from Harvard, and a J.D. from SMU's law school, where he attended the Evening Law Program. In accepting the award, Humann spoke at length about the Evening Law Program.

"I'm proud of SMU, and I'm proud of the SMU Evening Law Program. One of the reasons it is so prominent is because of the faculty," he said. At SMU he was the winner of the law school's moot court competition and elected to the Student Bar Association where he represented the Evening Law School students. He served as an officer in the U.S. Army from 1961 to 1962.

Very active in public service, Humann is on the SMU Dedman School of Law Executive Board and was the President of the SMU Alumni Association in 1979. He chairs the Jubilee Project, which is helping revitalize an inner city, 62-block neighborhood near Fair Park, and has adopted two grade schools in the area. He is known as the "Father" of DART. He has chaired the North Central Task Force, Dallas Alliance and The Science Place.

"I feel unqualified to receive this award for two reasons," he said. "The first is that in the case of community affairs, nothing is ever done by a single individual. In fact the more significant it is, the more individuals are on the team. The second reason is that in these kinds of activities, it is very hard to measure achievement. I have been involved in race relations, education, transportation and other areas and it is very hard to measure success in each of these fields."

Humann has received numerous civic awards, including the prestigious Linz Award in 1997 for his leadership in expanding the Science Place and bringing the North Central Expressway improvements and DART to fruition. He was selected as one of the Ten Outstanding Young Men of America, primarily for his leadership in helping create the U.S. Postal Service in the 1970s. At that time, it was the largest federal government reorganization in U.S. history, replacing the old, deficit ridden, politically driven Post Office Department.

Earlier he was selected by the President of the United States to be the first White House Fellow from the State of Texas. He received the Dallasite of the Year award, is past recipient of the SMU Distinguished Alumni Award and was inducted into the Texas Transportation Hall of Fame this spring.

Humann closed by saying, "I do feel blessed and I am willing and health permitting, I hope my life is as full in the future as it has been in the past."
The Charles O. Galvin Award for Service to the Dedman School of Law

JUDITH K. JOHNSON '75

Judith K. Johnson graciously accepted her award by saying, "It's such an honor to join those of you who hold a Distinguished Law Alumni Award from Dedman School of Law at SMU."

Johnson is senior counsel at the Dallas office of Hunton & Williams LLP, formerly Worsham, Forsythe & Woodrige LLLP, where she has represented clients in all areas of employee benefits for nearly 30 years. Johnson has emerged as an expert in benefits law, teaching a seminar on Title I of ERISA and serving as a speaker on topics such as pension policy and deferred compensation. She has been listed in Who's Who of American Women, Who's Who in American Law, and Who's Who in America.

After earning her master's and law degrees from Southern Methodist University, Johnson has remained active at the school. She has been a member of the Dedman School of Law's Executive Board since 1989 and has served as President of the SMU Law Alumni Association and as Annual Fund Chair. In addition, she teaches a course on employee benefits at the law school. She was also a member of the Board of Trustees of Butler University from 1989 to 2003, serving on the Executive Committee of the Board, the Board's Academic/Student Affairs Committee, the Trusteeship Committee, and the Commission on Undergraduate Residential Life.

Speaking about her alma mater, Johnson said, "It's been so exciting to watch the SMU law school, through the years, move into the top tier of nationally recognized institutions."

In the practice of law, Johnson has distinguished herself through her work on behalf of several non-profit organizations such as Southwestern Medical Foundation, which she has represented as general counsel for more than 25 years. In addition, she was President of Mortar Board Alumni of Greater Dallas from 1982 to 1983.

She served on the Non-Profit Corporation Law Committee for the State Bar of Texas from 1993 to 1994; was an original council member of the Employee Benefits Section of the Dallas Bar Association; and has served on the Employee Benefits and Executive Compensation Committee of the Section of Business Law of the American Bar Association since 1983.

The Distinguished Alumni Award for Judicial Service

THE HONORABLE FRED BIERY '73

Judge Fred Biery has over 25 years of judicial service and is currently a United States Judge for the Western District of Texas, San Antonio Division.

Biery received his B.A. from Texas Lutheran University in 1970 and his J.D. from SMU in 1973, where he was a Hatton W. Summers Scholar and Order of the Coif.

Following his law school graduation, Biery went into private practice for five years. In 1979 he was elected Judge of the Bexar County Court of Law, where he served until 1983, when he was elected Judge of the 150th District Court. In 1989 he was elected to the Texas Fourth Court of
Appeals in San Antonio, and in 1994, he was appointed to his current judgeship. Over 150 of his Federal District Court opinions have been published.

Biery is on the Executive Board of the SMU Dedman School of Law. He has also served for 33 years on the Board of Regents and the Corporation Board of Texas Lutheran University.

"Even though you honor us this evening," Biery said in accepting his award, "a larger imperative of tonight is to honor and give thanks for the honor and the serendipitous grace bestowed upon all of us by those who are not here and on whose shoulders we stand."

Biery served as President of the San Antonio Bar Association in 1988 and President of the William Sessions Chapter of the American Inns of Court from 1990 to 1992. He is a Life Fellow member of the Texas Bar Foundation and a Charter Member of the Texas Center for Legal Ethics and Professionalism.

He has been honored as Outstanding Young Lawyer of San Antonio and Outstanding Young Democrat of Bexar County. Biery also has an undying love for basketball and is a six-time State of Texas gold medalist in Senior Olympic Basketball.

The Distinguished Alumni Award for Private Practice
DONALD E. GODWIN ’73

Don Godwin is Chairman and CEO of Godwin Gruber, LLP, a large trial firm which represents clients in Texas and throughout the United States.

Godwin received his B.S. in Accounting in 1969 from the University of North Carolina, Wilmington, and then attained his M.S. in Accounting in 1970 from Memphis State University. He received his J.D. from SMU in 1973.

"If it weren't for SMU," Godwin said, "I wouldn't be up here tonight. And I thank you."

Godwin specializes in commercial and mass tort litigation. Recently, he was lead counsel on the multi-billion dollar Halliburton settlement of its asbestos and silica claims. Among the many clients Godwin has represented through his career are Ray Hunt and Hunt Oil Company, Halliburton, H. Ross Perot and Perot Systems Corporation, Jerry Jones and The Dallas Cowboys, Tenneco, Clayton Williams, Pavestone Company, and Norman Brinker and Brinker International.

Godwin currently serves on the Executive Board of the SMU Dedman School of Law and is on the Board of Directors of Haggar Clothing Co. He is outside counsel to the Dallas Symphony Association as well as the Episcopal School of Dallas. Godwin is very active on many charitable and civic boards. He is a Master Member of the William "Mac" Taylor, Jr. American Inn of Court and a member of the American Board of Trial Advocates. Godwin is board certified in Civil Trial Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization.

In the last year, Godwin was selected as a Texas Super Lawyer by Texas Monthly and Law & Politics Magazine (listed in the top 100 Texas Super Lawyers & top 100 Dallas/Fort Worth Region Super Lawyers) in 2003. He was selected as one of the best lawyers in Dallas by D Magazine as well as being named in the Dallas Business Journal's list of

“Whatever success I have attained has been as a result of what others have done for me,” he said. “I’ve found that, if you have a strong foundation, you can reach your goals.”

**The Distinguished Global Alumni Award**

**THE HONORABLE REYNATO S. PUNO '67**

Justice Reynato S. Puno is currently an Associate Justice of the Philippine Supreme Court. That 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 youngestever 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 earned his Master’s of Comparative Laws from Southern Methodist University in 1967, a Master’s 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.

Prior to his appointment to the Supreme Court, Puno served as an Associate Justice of the Philippine Court of Appeals. He has also served as Deputy Solicitor General in the Department of Justice and occupied other high government offices. Currently he is the Chairman of the Raffle Committee (*en banc* cases), Co-chairman of the Court Systems Journal of the Supreme Court, and Chairman of the Committee on Revision of the Rules of Court in addition to other positions.

Justice Puno has garnered the most prestigious awards in the Philippines. Among these are: Ten Outstanding Young Men Award, Araw ng Maynila Award as Outstanding Jurist, the University of the Philippines’ Most Outstanding Law Alumnus, Grand Cross of Rizal from the Order of the Knights of Rizal, Grand Lodge Gold Medal from the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the Philippines, and Centennial Award in the field of law given by the United Methodist Church on its 100th anniversary. He was granted honorary citizenship by the State of Texas in 1966.

Justice Puno will receive his award in the Philippines.

**The Distinguished Alumni Award for Public Service**

**RHONDA HUNTER ‘80**

Rhonda Hunter, a board certified Family Law Specialist, has her own practice and is the 95th president of the Dallas Bar Association. She is also the Dallas Bar Association’s first African-American President and the first family lawyer to serve as President. Hunter also serves as a visiting Associate Judge for the Dallas County Juvenile Courts, an honor she has held since 1991. She received her B.A. from the University of Texas and her J.D. from SMU.

Hunter has served on the Dallas Bar Association board of directors since 1991 in every executive capacity from Secretary-Treasurer in 1993 to Chair of the Board in 1999, to President in 2004. She served as President of the Dallas Bar Association’s Community Service Fund in 2002, and
she is one of the co-founders of the Dallas Bar Association's Minority Attorney Business Development Initiative (MABDI). Hunter is the choreographer, a position she has held for 18 years, and Assistant Director of the Dallas Bar Association's Bar None musical variety show, which is the principal sponsor of the Sarah T. Hughes Diversity Law Fellowship for the SMU Dedman School of Law.

"We must strive to change attitudes, to create environments and to foster images of a diverse society filled with intellectual wisdom and creativity," Hunter said.

She is a fellow of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers. She has served as President of the J.L. Turner Legal Association and of the Dallas Association of Black Women Attorneys. She is a former member of the State Bar of Texas Family Law Council and of the Supreme Court of Texas Board of Disciplinary Appeals. She currently sits on the Board of Directors of Dispute Mediation Service Inc.

In 2003, Hunter was named a Texas Super Lawyer by Texas Monthly magazine and one of the Best Lawyers in Dallas by D Magazine. She also received, during that year, the Trailblazer Award from the J. L. Turner Legal Association, a Trailblazer Award from the South Dallas Business and Professional Women's Club Inc., and a Presidential Citation from the Dallas Bar Association. She is a frequent recipient of pro bono service awards from the Dallas Volunteer Attorney Program.

"It's a huge honor and the list of recipients tonight is indicative of the reputation that the Distinguished Alumni Awards has," Hunter said. "It is a huge honor and I'm very honored to be among these recipients. I wish to thank those of you who are responsible for my receiving this award. I am very grateful, and I will be very proud to be a distinguished alumnus of the Dedman School of Law."

The Honorary Alumnus Award

THE HONORABLE KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON

Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison was elected in 1993 as the first woman to represent Texas in the U.S. Senate. Seven years later, more than four million Texans re-elected her to a second full term – the largest number of votes ever garnered in the state. In 2000, she was elected Vice Chairman of the Senate Republican Conference, becoming one of the top five leaders of Senate Republicans and the only woman.

Hutchison graduated from the University of Texas and UT Law School. She was twice elected to the Texas House of Representatives. In 1990, she was elected Texas State Treasurer, where she spearheaded the successful fight against a state income tax and to put a cap on the state debt.

Hutchison is a leading voice on foreign policy and national security issues and serves as a U.S. delegate to the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe, commonly known as the Helsinki Commission. She is a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee and is Chairman of the Military Construction Subcommittee and a member of the Defense Subcommittee. Hutchison is also a member of the U.S. Senate Committee on Rules and Administration, Veterans' Affairs Committee, and of the Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee where she serves on its Subcommittee on Aviation and as Chair of the Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine Subcommittee.
Senator Hutchison was the chief Senate sponsor of the marriage penalty tax relief bill, a key provision of the tax reform package signed into law in 2001.

She is the author of the Homemaker IRA legislation, which significantly expanded retirement opportunities for stay-at-home spouses, and she wrote and passed the federal anti-stalking statute, which makes stalking across state lines a crime.

In receiving the award, Hutchinson said, "I think SMU has the greatest leadership right now than it has ever had in my memory," and went on to praise President R. Gerald Turner and Dean John B. Attanasio for his work to help foreign countries with aspirations for democracy establish the rule of law.

"I can honestly tell you that I have never asked anyone in the entire history of my term in the Senate to ask for federal funds except for John Attanasio," Hutchison said. "When I saw some of the meetings he was putting together with judges and justices in foreign countries, I thought that this is something that we should be doing in the State Department. So we went to the State Department and we got the money to bring leaders of emerging democracies so they can see what is an independent judiciary, what is the rule of law, and what does it mean to have a judicial system that people trust. And John Attanasio is leading the way and I am going to be a very good follower."

Six alumni and a honorary alumna were honored at the Distinguished Alumni Awards Dinner Feb. 21, 2001. (Pictured 1-8): Alton O. Hood Jr. '71, SMU Dedman School of Law Dean John Attanasio, Judge Fred Biery '53, Rosalind Homer '86, Judith Johnson '75, Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison, Don Godwin '73, William Houston '67, SMU President R. Gerald Turner, and Alvin Feld '57.
SMU Dedman School of Law
Selects New Editor For The Quad

The SMU Dedman School of Law is pleased to announce the appointment of Michael Blachly as Communications Coordinator and Editor for The Quad.

Blachly brings to the Dedman School of Law a strong background in marketing, graphic design, and public relations. He has produced numerous award-winning magazines and has been instrumental in managing many successful marketing campaigns around Dallas and the state of Texas.

"I came to the SMU Dedman School of Law because I was excited by the vast size of its audience," Blachly said. "With the increasing number of alumni, there is an even greater opportunity to expose readers to a publication that is both serious and appealing. My vision is pretty simple: I want to enhance The Quad's design and to continue to make it even more interesting and useful to the greatest possible number of people."

Some of his responsibilities include overseeing the writing, design, photography and development of The Quad; coordinating the marketing for the law school and its various programs; and assisting SMU's public affairs department in working with the media.

"Michael has a wealth of experience, especially in the areas of communications, production and design" said SMU Dedman School of Law Dean John B. Attanasio. "We are confident his appointment will help build on the continued success of the Dedman School of Law."

Prior to becoming the Communications Coordinator for the Dedman School of Law, Blachly was a political and advertising consultant for the Dallas firm Hamby & Blachly. He was responsible for message development and political and public affairs consulting for Dallas area candidates and political parties. He also oversaw marketing campaigns for statewide trade associations and local corporations.

Before starting his own firm, Blachly was the marketing and communications director at the Texas Credit Union League where he managed the communications, website and grass roots coordination for the legislative and lobbying branch of this state-wide trade association.

While at the Texas Credit Union League, two publications were initiated and designed by Blachly. These publications are still used today and still crucial to the legislative and grassroots branch of this trade association.

"I am really looking forward to this great opportunity," Blachly said. "I am proud to be a part of The SMU Dedman School of Law's history. My father received his J.D. at SMU and my grandfather was an adjunct law professor here. I am looking forward to being a part of this prestigious leading academic institution."

Blachly received his Bachelor of Science in journalism-public relations from Texas A&M University at College Station, Texas.
The SMU Dedman School of Law Welcomes Its Visiting Faculty

THE HONORABLE PIUS LANGA
Distinguished Visiting Professor

Pius Nkonza Langa obtained his B. Litt. in 1973 and his LL.B. in 1976 from the University of South Africa. He was admitted as an Advocate of the Supreme Court of South Africa in Natal in June 1977 and practiced at the Durban Bar, attaining the rank of Senior Counsel in January 1994. He was appointed as Justice of the Constitutional Court of South Africa in October 1994, became Deputy President of that Court in August 1997 and was appointed Deputy Chief Justice of South Africa in November 2001. In 2000 he was appointed the Commonwealth’s Special Envoy to assist the Fiji Islands’ return to democracy. He has participated in the work of constitutional review commissions in Sri Lanka, Zimbabwe, Rwanda and Tanzania and has been involved as a participant in conferences and workshops in a number of countries. He is also a member of the Judicial Integrity Group responsible for the drafting of the Bangalore Principles for Judicial Ethics. Justice Langa has received the Doctor of Laws (LL.D.) (honoris causa) from the University of Zululand, the University of the Western Cape, and the University of Cape Town. He taught International Protection of Human Rights.

THE HONORABLE PATRICK E. HIGGINBOTHAM
Distinguished Visiting Professor

Judge Patrick E. Higginbotham was appointed to the United States District Court, Northern District of Texas, in 1975 and to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit in 1982. Judge Higginbotham received his B.A. and L.L.B. degrees from the University of Alabama and an honorary Doctorate of Laws from Southern Methodist University. He is a member of the American Law Institute and advisor to its project on Complex Litigation and Chairman of the Board of Trustees of The Center for American and International Law (formerly The Southwestern Legal Foundation). Judge Higginbotham is President of the American Inns of Court Foundation; Fellow, American Bar Foundation; and member of the Committee on Ethics 2000, ABA. He has previously taught as a visiting law professor at Southern Methodist University, The University of Alabama, The University of Texas, and Texas Tech University. He taught Constitutional Structure & Federalism.

WERNER F. EBKE
Distinguished Visiting Professor

Professor Werner Ebke holds the Business and Tax Law Chair at the University of Konstanz School of Law in Germany, and is Global Professor of Law at the New York University School of Law. He received his S.J.D. from the University of Münster School of Law in Münster, Germany and received his LL.M. from the University of California at Berkeley. He has published widely in the areas of corporate and securities laws, accounting and auditing, European and American business law, and conflicts of laws. From 1983 until 1988, he was an assistant professor of law at Southern Methodist University. He was admitted to the New York Bar and is a member of the American Law Institute. He taught Comparative Law II: European Union and Comparative Law II: Corporate Governance.
THE HONORABLE BARBARA J. HOUSER  
U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Texas  
Judge Barbara J. Houser is a United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Texas. She received her undergraduate degree from the University of Nebraska, and J.D. from SMU School of Law in 1978 where she was editor of the SMU Law Review. Upon graduation from law school, Judge 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. Judge 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 to 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 his 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, Judge Lynn was counsel with Stutzman & Bromberg. He is co-author of 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.

ADAM HIRSCH  
David M. Hoffman Professor of Law  
Florida State University College of Law  
Professor Adam Hirsch is the David M. Hoffman Professor of Law at Florida State University College of Law. He earned his A.B. from Vassar College in 1976 and his J.D. from Yale Law School in 1982. Professor Hirsch also earned an M.A. in History from Yale in 1979, an M. Phil, in History from Yale in 1982, and a Ph.D, in History from Yale in 1987. He is a leading authority on wills and trusts, and has served as the Roger Traynor Fellow at Hastings College of Law. In addition to his legal training, Professor Hirsch’s doctoral dissertation received the George Washington Egleson Prize for the best dissertation in American history. He expanded this work into a book, The Rise of the Penitentiary: Prisons & Punishment in Early America (Yale University Press, 1992). He taught Wills & Trusts and Estate Planning & Practice.

SHIAO-MING SHEN  
International Legal Consultant to Mackenzie & Albritton  
Professor Shiao-Ming Shen is International Legal Consultant to the San Francisco Law firm of Mackenzie & Albritton where she advises American companies in China. Professor Shen received her B.A. in Law from the Peking Institute of Political Science and Law, her M.C.L from SMU’s law school, her L.L.M from Harvard Law School, and her S.J.D. from the University of California-Berkley. Professor Shen has previously taught as a visiting professor at SMU and Washington and Lee. She taught Comparative Law II: Doing Business in China.
The executive committee of the Appellate Judges Conference of the Judicial Division of the American Bar Association (AJC) has selected Southern Methodist University's Dedman School of Law to house its new Appellate Judges Education Institute, a nonprofit organization that will administer the AJC's nationally offered continuing education programs for both state and federal judges and appellate lawyers.

Since 1968, the AJC, a network of more than 800 state and federal judges, has sponsored forums enabling appellate judges and attorneys to learn not only about issues affecting their profession and the day-to-day administration of the nation's courts, but also developments in the law.

"Providing future educational programs through the AJEI in affiliation with the Dedman School of Law at SMU represents a bold venture designed to impart the benefits of professional legal academia into the provision of educational programs for our modern appellate judiciary," said James A. Wynn Jr., Chair of the ABA's Appellate Judges Conference and North Carolina Court of Appeals Judge.

Craig Enoch, President of the AJEI and retired Justice of the Texas Supreme Court, said the Appellate Judges Conference visited a number of top law schools to determine who would host the new headquarters for the Appellate Judges Education Institute.

"After reviewing schools across the country, SMU was selected for its national academic reputation, its central geographic location and its strong support from SMU Dedman alumni for judicial education," Justice Enoch said.

The Appellate Judges Education Institute at SMU will administer the educational programs for the conference's three national councils: the Council of Chief Judges of Courts of Appeal, the Council of Appellate Staff Attorneys and the Council of Appellate Lawyers. The institute also will provide administrative support to the oldest and most frequent of the conference's educational programs, the Spencer-Grimes Seminar Series, which is held at various cities across the nation. The institute will continue the tradition of using prominent legal scholars to teach the judges in various American cities. SMU will be a part of this programming and the site of the institute board's periodic meetings.

In addition, the AJC co-sponsors, with the UVA School of Law, a master's degree program (J.L.M.) in Judicial Process. The accredited 12-week residential program is split between two summers and students must complete a final examination and a thesis for graduation.

"We are indeed honored to host the nation's premier institute on appellate judicial education," said John B. Attanasio, Dean and William Hawley Atwell Professor of Constitutional Law for the SMU Dedman School of Law. Dean Attanasio has conducted many conferences for justices of the Supreme Court of the United States and other appellate judges both in this country and around the world.

"The SMU Dedman School of Law has always been an innovator in legal education, and we will be happy to continue this tradition by helping the AJEI meet and exceed its lofty goals. Already William Dorsanco, one of the leading professors on appellate practice in the country, is helping to prepare a major educational program this fall."

"It's a privilege to be of assistance to the judiciary in providing pedagogical expertise in developing the best program for presentation to the participants whether they are appellate judges, appellate lawyers or academic professionals," said Professor Dorsanco, Chief Justice John and Lena Hickman Distinguished Faculty Fellow and
The SMU Dedman School of Law has continued to maintain itself as a top-tiered school. Of course, much of this success could not happen without commitments from SMU, our alumni, and our community," Dean Attanasio said. "We hope to keep this same quality of commitment with the AJEI so that they may offer the best quality education to appellate judges across the country."

Illustrating the opportunities that Dedman law students will have to meet and learn from appellate specialists when the law school becomes home to the Institute, the executive committee members took time off from their meetings on Jan. 23, to present a panel discussion for students and the public on "Judicial Independence vs. Accountability."

Panelists included (l-r): Chairman, Justice Craig T. Enoch of the Texas Supreme Court (now retired and President of the AJEI Board), and members Judge Tommy J. Boggs of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, Judge Harris L. Hartz of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit, Justice Ming W. Chen of the California Supreme Court, Justice Harry submarine of the Louisiana Supreme Court (not pictured), Judge James A. Wynn Jr. of the North Carolina Court of Appeals, Chief Judge Rosemary S. Sackett of the Iowa Court of Appeals, Judge William Arent of the Iowa Court of Appeals, and ABA Board Liaison William T. Robinson, III.

This fall's conference is designed to meet the challenges facing appellate judges, appellate court personnel and lawyers specializing in appellate practice. Some of the topics include standard of review of fact-findings and summary judgments; standard of review of judicial discretion, including Daubert challenges; international law; styles of judicial reasoning; the future of appeals in America; and a review of recent Supreme Court decisions.

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"I think people have been waiting for a program like this for a long time, and it wouldn't surprise me to see 150 to 200 appellate judges attend," Enoch said. "The Appellate Judges Conference has produced some great programs in the past, and we think this trend will continue through the AJEI."

"Dean Attanasio and the Dedman School of Law have been wonderfully supportive. Not only have they done everything we have asked, but they have volunteered for things we haven't even thought to ask," said Harris Hartz, Chair-Elect of the Appellate Judges Conference and Judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 10th Circuit. "I am very optimistic about the Institute because of the support we have had and because of the enthusiasm of the appellate judges as they have learned what is planned."

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The SMU Dedman School of Law hosted a joint meeting on Nov. 7, 2003, between representatives of the Executive Committee of the Appellate Judges Conference of the Judicial Division of the American Bar Association, the AJA Board of Directors, the Council of Chief Judges of Courts of Appeals, the Council of Appellate Staff Association, and the Council of Appellate Lawyers. (Photo: L-R: Team Head: Sandy Kean, Ed Smith of the Minnesota Supreme Court; Mary Slade of the firm Molinik, Berman & Broun: James Laskin of the Missouri Attorney General's Office; Justice Denise Johnson of the Minnesota Supreme Court, Judge Rosemary Sackett of the Iowa Court of Appeals; Justice Thomas of the Iowa Court of Appeals, 2nd District, Plaia First-Phrase of the Louisiana Court of Appeals; Judge Henry Lennon of the Louisiana Supreme Court; General Counsel Judge John Michael Sanders of the Department of Labor; Judge Joseph Patulski of the Kentucky Court of Appeals; Justice Chris Blood, President of the AJA, and retired Justice of the Iowa Supreme Court; Charles Cole of firm Squire & Stallman LLP; Judge David Page of the U.S. Court of Appeals, 5th Cir. William T. Robinson, III of the firm Greenhowe Doll & McDonald P.C.; William V. Dawson III, Chief Justice John and Laura Skelton Distinguished Faculty Fellow and Professor of Law at the SMU Dedman School of Law; Dean John Atkinson, University of Tulsa; 4th Cir. Judge Harris Peace of the U.S. Court of Appeals, 4th Cir.; Judge James Wynn of the North Carolina Court of Appeals; Judge John Lauer of the Nebraska Court of Appeals; Judge Steve McVeyh of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court; Joe Meade of the U.S. Court of Appeals, 6th Cir.; Judge William Aron of the Texas Court of Appeals.

During a meeting on April 2, 2005, the Executive Committee of the Council of Chief Judges of Courts of Appeals of the Appellate Judges Conference of the Judicial Division of the American Bar Association met at SMU Dedman School of Law to speak with students in a panel discussion titled, "Theories of the Jury System: A Judicial Perspective.

(Pictured L-R: Dean John B. Atkinson, Revised Judge 3rd Phrase of the North Carolina Court of Appeals; Judge Stephen I. McVey, 8th of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court; Judge M. P. Read of the Missouri Court of Appeals; Judge Thomas Crow of the Vermont Court of Appeals; Judge Thomas D. Redgate of the Wisconsin Court of Appeals; Judge William V. Dawson III, Chief Justice John and Laura Skelton Distinguished Faculty Fellow and Professor of Law at the SMU Dedman School of Law.)
The SMU Dedman School of Law and the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) Foundation launched a Corporate Directors' Institute aimed at directors of publicly held companies. The institute will offer an ongoing series of conferences that will focus on current corporate governance issues. These conferences will help corporate directors understand their legal, fiduciary and ethical oversight responsibilities.

With the support of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), Texas State Securities Board, and the Texas General Counsel Forum, the Dedman School of Law is the only school in the Southwest selected for such a program, and only a few elite universities in the nation are offering similar types of institutes. In the last few years, for example, institutes have been established at Harvard University, the University of Pennsylvania, Duke University, the University of Chicago and Stanford University.

"We are very pleased that the NYSE has recognized the national caliber of our faculty and our long-standing strength in corporate law and specifically corporate governance," said John Attanasio, Dean of the Dedman School of Law and the William Hawley Arwely Professor of Constitutional Law. "We are delighted to contribute to the discussion of these timely issues."

Marc I. Steinberg, Rupert and Lillian Radford Professor of Law (in the corporate and securities law areas) at the SMU Dedman School of Law was instrumental in bringing the institute to SMU. A prolific author in the securities area and former enforcement attorney at the SEC, Steinberg is the institute’s director. "We are very pleased and honored to
be selected as one of the few sites in the nation for these conferences supported by the NYSE. We are confident that the institute will be preeminent in the Southwest as well as nationally,” Steinberg said.

Also playing vital roles in launching and guiding the institute are alumni Michael M. Boone ’67, Partner at Haynes & Boone, LLP; Alan D. Feld ’60, Senior Executive Partner at Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld, LLP; and Linda W. Hart ’65, Vice Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Hart Group, Inc., all of whom serve on the Institute Advisory Board. Also serving on the board are Dedman faculty members John B. Attanasio, Dean and William Hawley Atwell Professor of Law; Alan R. Bromberg, SMU University Distinguished Professor; and Joann Hubbard, Lecturer in Law and Assistant Director of the Institute.

Rounding out the Board are Peter C. Clapman, Senior Vice President & Chief Counsel for Corporate Governance at TIAA-CREF; Bonnie G. Hill, President of B. Hill Enterprises, LLC; and Marvin L. Mann, Chairman Emeritus of Lexmark International Inc.

The first institute conference was held at the Four Seasons Resort and Club in March, 2003, and focused on the new federal reform legislation, the Sarbanes-Oxley Act; changing standards of conduct in the boardroom, including new duties for audit and compensation committees; and ways directors can minimize their liability to lawsuits.

The conference began on Thursday evening, March 27, with dinner followed by keynote speaker Dick Grasso, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the New York Stock Exchange since June 1, 1995. He has since left the exchange. He reviewed the history of regulation of capital markets, the recent corporate debacles, and the steps that have been taken to restore investor confidence.

In conclusion, he reminded the audience that despite the recent problems with selected companies, “the New York Stock Exchange is the centerpiece of a capital markets system that the whole world admires. I know that, because a week does not go by that someone from some distant part of the world does not come to visit and try to understand what we’ve done and ask the question: “Dick, how can we do this in our country?”

On Friday the Institute opened with a presentation on the “new” corporate governance by Linda C. Quinn, Partner in the firm of Shearman & Sterling and former Director of the SEC Division of Corporation Finance; moderated by James L. Cochrane, Senior Vice President, Strategy and Planning, New York Stock Exchange. It focused on Congress’ perception of the problems behind recent corporate debacles, including an overview of the regulatory responses (Sarbanes-Oxley Act and NYSE reforms). In addition, the roles and functions of the audit, compensation, and governance committees; codes of conduct; and the significance of the term “Independent Director” were discussed.

In the next session, Alan R. Bromberg, SMU University Distinguished Professor of Law, moderated a panel discussion of new expectations for audit committee effectiveness. Panelists were: James R. Doty, Partner in the firm of Baker Botts, LLP and former SEC General Counsel; Claudio X. González, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Kimberly-Clark de México, S.A. de C.V; James W. Keys, President and Chief Executive Officer, 7-Eleven, Inc.; and Larry F. Worthy, Director of Internal Audit, Clear Channel Worldwide. Topics discussed included the criteria for audit committee membership and the preparation, contents and objectives of audit committee meetings. Also covered were new responsibilities for financial disclosure, internal controls, internal audit function, risk management and legal compliance.

Alan D. Feld, Senior Executive Partner in the firm of Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld, LLP; then moderated a panel consisting of Michael M. Boone, Partner with the firm of Haynes and Boone, LLP; Peter C. Clapman, Senior Vice President & Chief Counsel, Corporate Governance, TIAA-CREF; Bonnie G. Hill, President, B. Hill Enterprises, LLC; and Charles R. Lotter, Executive Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel J.C. Penney Company, Inc. discussing new expectations for corporate governance effectiveness. The role of senior management versus the role of the board and
new expectations for the independent director were discussed. The panel also focused on establishing a code of conduct; selecting a presiding director; and the relationship between the compensation committee and the CEO.

The final discussion of the morning was titled “Director Protection Mechanisms Revisited” and covered indemnification by statute versus indemnification pursuant to contract; the availability of D&O insurance policies and coverage issues; and other protective measures. Gregory S. Crespi, SMU Dedman School of Law Professor, moderated the discussion with panelists Anne H. McNamara, Senior Vice President and General Counsel of American Airlines, Inc. and Douglas M. Schwab, Partner in the firm of Heller, Ehrman, White & McAuliffe, LLP.

After lunch, the keynote speaker was Roel C. Campos, Commissioner of the SEC. He reviewed some of the highlights of the “Sarbanes-Oxley world” of regulation, focusing on the roles of independent directors, audit committees, nominating committees, compensation committees and qualified legal compliance committees. He predicted that the new roles of the committees would change the traditional model of corporate governance in America for the better. The previously existing “imperial executive model” – where essentially the CEO was also the chairman and had the most to do with selecting the directors will have to be different – and I don’t think that’s a bad thing.” He concluded by advocating a new culture in board rooms: “I believe that boards of directors should make honesty and integrity the number one attribute in choosing business leaders – in choosing the CEOs. It’s like real estate – for value it’s location, location, location; for CEOs it’s honesty, honesty, honesty. That kind of person will then lead the company where the shareholders need it to be.”

The first session after the commissioner’s remarks was led by Denise Voigt Crawford, Securities Commissioner, Texas State Securities Board, who moderated a discussion of “best practices” for the director among panelists Harold F. Degenhardt, District Administrator, SEC; Linda W. Hart, Vice Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Hart Group, Inc.; Martin Lipton, Partner in the firm of Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz; and John W. Slocum, Jr., SMU Cooley Professor of Management & Operations. Topics covered included due diligence procedures, exercise of independent judgment, law compliance mechanisms, retention of independent advisors, and conduct at board meetings. An overview of applicable general principles, including the business judgment rule, was provided.

In the next session Norman J. Blears, Partner in the firm of Heller, Ehrman, White & McAuliffe, LLP moderated a discussion of interested party and similar transactions. Panelists were Judge Jack B. Jacobs, Vice Chancellor, Delaware Court of Chancery and Marc I. Steinberg, SMU Dedman School of Law Rupert and Lillian Radford Professor of Law and Founding Director of the SMU Dedman School of Law Corporate Directors’ Institute. The panel concentrated on related party transactions, including interested director transactions and parent-subsidiary dealings, and the function of a “Special Committee.”

The conference concluded with a discussion of common “hot grounders” in the boardroom moderated by Michael M. Boone, Partner in the firm of Haynes and Boone, LLP. Panelists Bonnie G. Hill, President, B. Hill Enterprises, LLC; Bruce S. Mendelsohn, Partner in the firm of Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld, LLP; Stanley Sporkin, Partner in the firm of Weil, Gotshal & Manges, LLP; former United States Federal District Court Judge, and former Director of the SEC Division of Enforcement focused on problematic scenarios confronting boards of directors, including “Whistle-Blowing” procedures and oversight; the problem CEO; dissident director/split board dilemmas; restatement of financials; and crisis management situations.
SMU Hosts National Conference
On The Future Of Legal Education

The first national conference on the future of legal education in over ten years was presented at the SMU Dedman School of Law on April 15-17, 2004. Over 20 speakers, including university chancellors, presidents, deans, and professors as well as leading attorneys and education experts, provided their insight at this conference.

The conference discussed what is happening in legal education today, and what changes are - or ought to be - in store for those entering law schools and the legal profession in the future. The event was organized by the Out-of-the-Box Committee of the American Bar Association Section for Legal Education & Admissions to the Bar, and co-sponsored by the SMU Dedman School of Law, the Professional Development Consortium, and the Dallas Institute of Humanities and Culture.

"This conference marks the beginning of a process to think discursively about the future of legal education - where we fit in, what we can do," said John Attanasio, Dean of SMU's Dedman School of Law and co-chair of the ABA Out-of-the-Box Committee.

Dean Attanasio and Randy Gordon, Partner at Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP and President of the Dallas Institute's Board of Directors, worked closely with the Dallas Institute of Humanities and Culture to create a program of presentations, panels, and open discussion sessions featuring prominent jurists, educators and practitioners from across the nation.

"We hope that this will be one of the most important discussions on legal education that has been organized in some time," Dean Attanasio said in his opening remarks.

The conference began with a discussion of "What's the View from the Top?" by a panel of university chancellors and presidents and facilitated by Geoffrey Stone, Harry Kalven, Jr. Distinguished Service Professor of Law, and former Provost of the University of Chicago and Dean at the University of Chicago School of Law.

The panel discussed the role of the law school, the relationship between legal education and university education, and the ways in which legal education contributes to the larger university community and how the larger university community contributes to legal education. Jeffrey Lehman, President of Cornell University and former Dean of the University of Michigan Law School, described his ideal law school.

"So what do I devoutly wish from my own law school," President Lehman said. "As much membership in the larger intellectual community of the university as is reasonable; willingness to contribute to the community's intellectual life; some sensitivity to the emotional conflicts felt by other members of the community as they deal with the school; and some care not to reinforce others perceptions that law professors are excessively self-satisfied or inappropriately superior to their colleagues."

Russell Clogg, President of Grinnell College, identified
four major problems with the current arrangement between law schools and their universities and explained how law schools could resolve these problems. "Law schools should more carefully and stably define their mission. The regulatory and internal review processes should focus on whether the mission was established and whether it was being achieved. And a lot of the detail of the current regulatory structure should be eliminated and replaced with language of standards about certain foundational professional qualifications and a reasonable outcomes measurement process," President Osgood said.

Mark G. Yudof, Chancellor of the University of Texas System and former Dean of the University of Texas School of Law, said the fundamental problem is that law schools are relatively inaccessible to the wider university community.

"If law is a discipline there ought to be degrees for people who are interested in studying the discipline," Chancellor Yudof said. "It ought to be possible for a history Ph.D. to get a master's degree in law. It seems to me that law as a discipline is gravely undernourished, because in most places if you want to learn anything substantial about law you have to sign up for the full professional program. So what I think would help is if the law school were as accessible to the university as the university is to law students."

John Sexton, President of New York University and former Dean of New York University Law School who also chairs the Federal Reserve Board in New York, identified U.S. priorities in the coming decade as the deficit and trade imbalance, defense, security, medicine and K-12 education.

"This is going to require, within the University, attention to synergy; it is going to require attention to undergraduate education, which is the economic fuel of many of our universities; and it is going to require conceptualizing legal education," President Sexton said. "When I traveled the country as a law dean, I would describe the coming century as the century of law. I would now add that it is clearly going to be the life sciences century and it is going to be the century of knowledge as well."

In the discussion of "Lessons From Professional Education Outside of Law: The Case Method Elaborated and Extended" David A. Garvin, the C. Roland Christensen Professor of Business Administration at Harvard Business School, discussed the uses of the case method in its various forms in business, medical and legal education. His discussion included how the case method came to be, how it has been adapted for use in different professional environments and how it is changing in business and medical education, with implications for legal education.

Chief Judge Deanel Recchi Tachau, U.S. Court of Appeals for the 10th Circuit, gave the keynote presentation. "I urge you to look outside the confines of the university and ask yourself what is the duty of the law school to the greater society," Judge Tachau said. "Law schools function as much more than professional training grounds for future attorneys. From the beginning of American legal education, the law school has stood as the pillar of our democratic way of life. As Paul Carington said, 'Early law teachers were prophets of democracy.' Law schools are called to promote democracy in two ways - through civic education and preparing their students for service."

"The Impact of Legal Education's Inflexible Time, Place, and Manner Practices" was examined by a panel facilitated by Peter Martin, Jane M.G. Foster Chair at Cornell Law School and co-director of the Legal Information Institute, and former Dean of Cornell Law School and former vice-chair of the MacCracken Task Force. The panel explored the costs of U.S. law schools' insistence that those pursuing a J.D. degree spend the better part of three years (full-time) or four years (part-time) in residence attending classes at a central facility while other fields of graduate professional
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education offer options that are more flexible in schedule, location, and methods of learning. Furthermore, the rapid growth of America's only online law school indicates a large demand for legal education that is not so constrained.

The conference also discussed the merits of diversifying the law school experience in the session titled "Law School Conventions," which was facilitated by Cruz Reynoso, Booschever & Bird Chair at the University of California's Davis School of Law, and Vice Chair of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights. He is a former Justice of the California Supreme Court.

"About two years ago, I heard about an experimental program of teaching native Canadians way up in the north," Professor Reynoso said. "It was principally an Internet type of teaching, because they were very far away and they had very few lawyers. And the professor that was telling us about it indicated it was quite successful even though there was a very limited number of students. So there are different ways of providing education."

In the discussion "Law Schools Today: What Do They Give, What Do They Take Away?", Bryant Garth, Director and Research Fellow for the American Bar Foundation and former Dean of the Indiana University School of Law, and Professor Joyce Sterling from the University of Denver Law School, concluded that while law schools provide new skills and education in addition to generating contacts, the student's decision to go to law school is a decision to forego some earnings while typically accumulating substantial debt.

The final panel dealt with the question: "Are law schools the only institution capable of delivering a legal education?" and was facilitated by Mary Daly, James H. Quinn Professor of Law and Director of the Stein Institute of Law and Ethics at Fordham University School of Law and former Reporter to the Commission on Multidisciplinary Practice.

The panel explored issues such as, "What are we educating students for?" and "Can other institutions accomplish these goals just as well as law schools?"

The panel brought together representatives of diverse groups with different perspectives on legal education.

"I think the thing that most new associates realize is that the one thing that they haven't had enough of is writing," said Randy Gordon. "I think they ought to be writing more regularly and across the curriculum."

Other participants at the conference included: Cory Amron, Partner of Vorys, Sater, Seymour & Pease LLP, former member of the MacCrate Task Force; Judge Patrick E. Higginbotham, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit; W.H. "Joe" Knight, Dean for the University of Washington School of Law; Justice Elizabeth Lacy of the Supreme Court of Virginia; Burton N. Lipshie, Esq., Stroock & Stroock & Lavan, LLP; Carl C. Monk, Executive Director for the AALS; Harvey Rishikof, Professor at the National War College, and former Administrative Assistant to Chief Justice Rehnquist; Leo M. Romero, Professor and former Dean for the University of New Mexico School of Law; John Seibert, American Bar Association Consultant; SMU President R. Gerald Turner; and Professor James P. White, Indiana University School of Law-Indianapolis and former Consultant on Legal Education for the ABA.

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(Pictured left to right: Professor James P. White, Indiana University School of Law-Indianapolis and former Consultant on Legal Education for the ABA; Harvey Rishikof, Professor at the National War College, former Dean at Roger Williams School of Law and former Administrative Assistant to Chief Justice Rehnquist; Carl C. Monk, Executive Director for the Association Of American Law Schools; Burton N. Lipshie, Esq., Stroock & Stroock & Lavan, LLP; Randy Gordon, Partner at Gordon, Wesner, Senell LLP and President of the Dallas Institute's Board of Directors; and Mary Daly, James H. Quinn Professor of Law and Director of the Stein Institute of Law and Ethics at Fordham University School of Law and former Reporter to the Commission on Multidisciplinary Practice.)
SMU Dedman School of Law Hosts IP Law Symposium

The SMU Dedman School of Law hosted a conference discussing emerging issues in the area of intellectual property on March 19, 2004. The symposium, co-sponsored by the SMU Dedman School of Law and Monts & Ware, LLP, was organized by Professor Xuan-Thao Nguyen, a recent addition to the Law School faculty, who specializes in the area of IP law. In opening the conference, Dean John Attanasio recalled the symposium's inception.

"About six months ago," Attanasio said, "Les Ware '92 came to me and said that he really wanted to sponsor a first rate conference — a nationally recognized conference — in intellectual property. I replied, 'I have exactly the person for you: Professor Xuan-Thao Nguyen of our faculty,' and putting them together was like putting together nitro and glycerine." The Dean also expressed his hopes for the future of a strong IP program at SMU. "This we hope will be the first in a series of conferences on emerging issues in intellectual property," he said.

Professor Nguyen, in her introductory remarks, echoed his sentiments: "One of my dreams is that we will have a conference every year that brings both academics and practitioners in the IP field together to address emerging issues and issues that concern not only the law itself, but many issues that are outside of the field."

The program explored the interpretation of various provisions and emerging issues of intellectual property law through discussions with over 15 distinguished academics and leaders in the industry. The symposium also included a special presentation by the Honorable Q. Todd Dickinson, Former Under Secretary of Commerce and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

"When I was in law school, 25 years ago, intellectual property was, then, and for some years after that, pretty much of a backwater in legal education, as it was in legal services as well," Dickinson said. "That's changed, though, I think very dramatically in a lot of ways. The importance of intellectual property continues to grow. There really is no turning back in that regard."
The Future of Air Travel and Aviation Law

On Sept. 11, 2003, two years after the attacks on the World Trade Center, The Journal of Air Law and Commerce and the SMU Dedman School of Law co-sponsored a panel at the law school discussing the future of the aviation industry with regard to the events of that infamous and tragic day. The panel was made up of some of the most important people in the industry today. On the panel, moderated by Dean John B. Attanasio, and John Nance '69, author and ABC News and Good Morning America aviation correspondent, were William Coleman, Jr., former Secretary of Transportation; and Don Carty, former CEO of AMR/American Airlines.

In opening the panel, Dean Attanasio recalled the moment he first received news that the first tower had been hit. “And a few minutes later, a large plane crashed into the other tower of the World Trade Center, and the whole world changed,” Attanasio said. Following a brief moment of silence honoring those who died in the attacks, he introduced the other members of the panel before handing the podium over to Nance.

“Arguably the greatest technological achievement of mankind is aviation, and commercial aviation in particular,” Nance said. “What I want to do is focus on the future of aviation, the next three to five years, as well as further down the road.” He then began the discussion by asking both of the panelists to give a short state of the industry speech. Coleman responded by emphasizing the importance of the airline industry to the American economy.

“The airline industry is an extremely important industry. In fact, I think that at least three million people get their jobs directly or indirectly from the airline industry,” he said. “Somewhere between 12 or 13 percent of the American economy depends directly or indirectly upon the airline industry.”

Coleman also indicated that he perceived that the industry now faced several specific problems. Some of these problems, which he enumerated later, included the possibility of foreign competition in the form of a hypothetical united European airline, the growing presence in many markets of the low-cost airline business model and its effect on the large network carriers, and the pending suits against airlines by families of victims of the Sept. 11 attacks.

“The entire industry is in rough shape,” Carty said. “The industry is terribly damaged financially. The balance sheets of these companies are in the worst shape they have been in many, many years. A number of the major carriers are bankrupt, and others are teetering on the brink. So, it’s a tough time.” Responding to these expressed concerns, Nance asked the two panelists what the response should be. In answering, Coleman highlighted yet another major problem with the industry: strikes.

“I think the airline industry is the worst industry in the world with respect to the theory of how you carry out a labor dispute,” he said. “When they walk off, that’s the end of the service. In the airline industry, once you lose that passenger today or tomorrow, that passenger’s gone forever. I think that you’re going to have to reorganize that industry.”

“Too often, airline management has used the cost of labor as an excuse for not transforming the parts of the business that management can control,” Carty said, touching upon the difficulty himself. He suggested that the government needs to reevaluate its role in the airline industry, saying that it should take care of its concerns (traveler safety, airspace regulation, etc.), and hinted that the airlines should be left free to deal with their concerns.

When asked about the importance of airlines in the future, Carty expressed that, while in the past, advances in telecommunications and technology have aided airline growth, they may soon begin to have an adverse effect on levels of business travel, though leisure travel will still be in high demand. He again mentioned the necessity for large carriers to reform their business plan, but said that “the market takes care of itself,” and that the airline industry would not die, even if the network carriers went under.
SMU Dedman School of Law Hosts Bankruptcy Judges Conference

Over 35 federal bankruptcy judges came to SMU between Sept. 8 and 10 for a conference hosted by the Dedman School of Law in conjunction with The Federal Judicial Center.

"I thought it was a wonderful opportunity for bankruptcy judges from around the country to see what a strong faculty we have here at SMU," said SMU Dedman School of Law Professor David Epstein, who organized the event. "Virtually all the presentations to the judges were made by SMU faculty. And I also thought it was a wonderful opportunity for bankruptcy judges around the country to get to know SMU students. We created the lunch opportunities for students to meet and eat with the bankruptcy judges."

Topics discussed at the program included intellectual property such as domain names, trademarks and intellectual property licenses in bankruptcy cases; bankruptcy appeals; overlap of tort and insurance law; recent developments in corporate and securities law; consumer credit; the effect of new cases on old evidence concepts; and the new changes to Article 2 of the Uniform Commercial Code, among others.

"I think it was a quality program," Epstein said. "I think the presentations by the law school faculty were very strong and the hospitality of SMU is what you would expect it to be."
The SMU Dedman School of Law Hosts Its 11th Annual Corporate Counsel Symposium

Over 120 attendees attended the SMU Law Review Association's 11th Annual Corporate Counsel Symposium in Dallas on Oct. 24, 2003. Distinguished speakers from across the country discussed a wide variety of corporate issues, including the role of lawyers in counseling audit committees, Enron, litigation and enforcement issues, SEC attorney standards, and overtime exemptions.

The featured speaker was Securities and Exchange Commissioner Harvey J. Goldschmid. His presentation, "A Revitalized SEC and the Future of Investor Protection," discussed the issues and goals the SEC and the investment and business market would soon be facing.

Speakers included: Professor Marc I. Steinberg, Rupert and Lillian Radford Professor of Law at SMU Dedman School of Law; Gil Friedlander, General Counsel, Electronic Data Systems Corp.; Ann Marie Cowdrey, Corporate Counsel, Belo Corporation; Charles Lotter, General Counsel, JC Penney Company; Thomas W. Oliver, Executive Vice President and General Counsel, CEC Entertainment, Inc.; James Doty, Partner, Baker Botts L.L.P., Washington, District of Columbia; Christopher H. Hanna, Professor of Law, SMU Dedman School of Law; The Honorable Stephen P. Lamb, Delaware Chancery Court; Richard M. Kobdish, Partner, Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P.; Linda J. Newman, Associate General Counsel, Bank of America; Hollan O'Neil, Partner, Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP; Stuart M. Pape, Managing Partner, Patton Boggs L.L.P; Clay G. Small, Senior Vice President & General Counsel, Frito-Lay, Inc.; Roger Thomson, Executive Vice President, Chief Administrative Officer, General Counsel and Secretary, Brinker International, Inc.; Charles R. McConachie, Lecturer in Law, SMU Dedman School of Law; Mark J. Loewenstein, Professor of Law, University of Colorado School of Law.

SMU Holds 38th Annual Air Law Symposium

The Dedman School of Law's Journal of Air Law and Commerce's 38th Annual SMU Air Law Symposium was held Feb. 26-27, 2004 at the Hotel Intercontinental in Dallas.

Industry leaders and attorneys discussed recent developments in aviation law, the application of maritime law and jurisdiction to aviation torts, insurance issues, the American civil legal system's answer to international terror, insight into jury decisions in aviation cases, the Columbia investigation from a lawyer's perspective.

Over 20 speakers participated in the symposium including David G. Leitch, deputy counsel to the president; Steven J. Riegel from the U.S. Department of Justice; and Steven B. Wallace from the Federal Aviation Administration.

The symposium concluded Saturday morning with a tour of the Southwest Airlines flight simulator center.
The ‘Outing’ of ‘Grand’ Corruption:
A Decade Of International Law-Making To Combat A
Threat To Economic And Social Progress

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The problem of 'Grand' Corruption, the misuse of public power by high-ranking state officials for private gain, has finally been "outed." The veil that once shrouded this subject from public view, particularly the probing view of multilateral institutions and national legislatures, is now lifted. It has taken almost ten years to get here but the journey is far from over. Grand Corruption has yet to be contained and much ground remains to be covered. In this short piece I will briefly describe this changing international legal landscape and draw attention to a few uncharted areas that continue to pose some difficulties in the global war against Grand Corruption.

The mobilization of a global effort in the fight against corruption was motivated by two factors. First, the grudging acceptance that the corruption of public officials is a practice that is not confined to the Third World but occurs everywhere, even in some of the most economically developed regions of the world. More especially, the increasing realization that corruption flourishes in countries where a transparent and accountable culture is lacking; central institutions are weak; legal rules are simply not enforced or non-existent; and weak market participants do not operate under an internationally accepted set of principles or standards. Second, the widespread recognition that corruption is a threat to the stability of societies and retards the progress (social, economic or political) of countries, particularly developing countries and those with economies in transition. According to the Nyanga Declaration on the Recovery and Repatriation of Africa’s Wealth: "An estimated U.S. $20-40 billion has over the decades been illegally and corruptly appropriated from some of the world’s poorest countries, most of them in Africa, by politicians, soldiers, businesspersons and other leaders, and kept abroad in the form of cash, stocks, real estate and other assets."

I. The International Legal Environment

Concrete expression of this international commitment to combat the problem highlighted in the Nyanga Declaration began in the mid 1990s with the 1995 European Union Convention on the Protection of the European Communities' Financial Interests and its two additional Protocols. It was followed by the 1996 Inter-American Convention Against Corruption, the 1997 OECD Convention on Combating Bribery of Foreign Public Officials in International Business Transactions, and finally, the 1999 Council of Europe Criminal Law Convention on Corruption. In addition to these regional instruments, the dawn of the new millennium also saw the birth of the first sub-regional anti-corruption treaty in Africa as well as two conventions: the United Nations Convention against Corruption and the African Union Convention on Preventing and Combating Corruption of July 2003. When finally ratified, both conventions will likely cause a major sea change in the global war against corruption upon entry into force. The former, with its clearly articulated and hopefully enforceable provisions for the recovery and repatriation of looted assets, holds out the promise of a comprehensive international legal instrument to combat corruption. The latter speaks to the needs of a continent whose modern history of statehood is littered with unimaginable acts of indigenous spoliation: a continent that has watched helplessly over the last four decades or so as an estimated $400 billion or more of its scarce development resources have been looted by its own leaders, elected as well as appointed, and stashed away in foreign countries.

Although this decade of intense law-making has produced an impressive body of binding treaty law, it has not gone far enough in dealing with the international ramifications of Grand Corruption. The main problem common to existing multilateral legal instruments can be found in their narrow definitions of the offense of corruption and their failure to accord it the status of a crime under international law. In almost all of these conventions corruption is defined in terms of the side that took the initiative which ultimately led to bribery. As a result, the main focus is on two varieties of corruption: "supply-side" or active bribery on the one hand, meaning the offense was committed by the person who promised or offered the bribes; and "demand-side" or passive bribery on the other, meaning the offense was committed by the public official who asked for or received bribes. There are already two problems with restricting the definition of corruption to either supply or demand-side bribery or both. In the first place, it creates the impression that corruption exists only between an "active bribe giver" and a "passive bribe taker." This
Manichaean world excludes a whole class of individuals who engage in outrageous acts of corruption that conveniently fall outside the supply/demand-side framework.

When a head of state loots the national treasury of billions of dollars, he unquestionably engages in corruption, the misuse of public office for private gain. But who is the “bribe giver” and who the “bribe taker”? This outrageous act of predation does not quite fit into either category and this lack of fit remains one of the major flaws in the conventional definition of corruption. Furthermore, restricting the definition of corruption to acts of “passive bribery” operates to target low-level, underpaid public functionaries pursuing rent-seeking opportunities while leaving out of the dragnet the corrupt head of state who is in a position to divert vast sums of national wealth to his private offshore bank accounts. In some cases, the looted assets are enough to pay off the country’s external debts!

A second weakness with the treaty-based definition of corruption is its treatment of this phenomenon as essentially a binary relationship based on the principle of reciprocity. That is, for every case of bribery or corruption there is both a “corruptor” and an official; a quid in return for a quo. This view of corruption as involving a bribe giver and bribe taker is somewhat simplistic as it fails to account for the entire range of corrupt behavior. It does not, for example, include acts of predation where there is only a “taker,” a corrupted individual, but no giver or corruptor. The case of the corrupt head of state who loots the national treasury is instructive: “vans owned by Nigeria’s Central Bank were reported to have delivered cash directly from the bank to the homes of General Abacha and his associates.” This looting did not require someone on the giving end as it was done on the instructions of the head of state.

Thirdly, the preoccupation with “active bribery” in some of these international instruments, notably the OECD Anti-Bribery Convention and the European Union Convention on the Protection of Financial Interests, which makes the offering of a bribe a punishable offense, may convey the wrong message to an international community struggling to come to terms with the problem of corruption. The focus on “active bribery” is intended to create a level playing field by eliminating the competitive disadvantage that European companies may be experiencing in those regions of the world where bribe giving is the price of doing business. The international campaign against corruption should not be seen as an attempt by the powerful nations to protect Western business interests by reducing any restraints that adversely affect their national companies doing business abroad.

II. Some Unresolved Issues

1. Grand Corruption as an International Crime

Existent treaty law has failed to produce any consensus on whether corruption should be treated as an international crime or not. The United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime is one of the few international anti-corruption instruments that criminalizes the act of corruption but leaves to each State Party the responsibility of adopting such legislative and other measures as may be necessary to establish the corruption of public officials as a criminal offense.

I have argued elsewhere that the most effective way to combat corruption involving high-ranking state officials is by elevating it to the status of a crime of universal interest, i.e., a crime under international law that: (a) entails individual responsibility and punishment, and (b) is subject to universal jurisdiction. The appeal of Grand Corruption as a crime that shocks the conscience of humankind lies in the essential attributes of a universal crime. Drawing from the jurisprudence of the Nuremberg Tribunal, a crime of universal interest exhibits three crucial basics. First, jurisdiction over this crime is universal and any “state may participate in [its] repression even though [it] was not committed in its territory, [was] not committed by one of its nationals, or [was] not otherwise within its jurisdiction to prescribe and enforce.” The ubiquity of jurisdiction guarantees that those who divert national assets into their private bank accounts can run but will find no place to hide.

A second engaging attribute of a universal crime is the requirement that it must satisfy the principle of as dicere aut judicare, which obligates any state to extradite or prosecute an allegedly corrupt high-ranking public official who is taking refuge in its territory. The inclusion of such a provision in a multilateral instrument can provide the legal basis for extradition in the absence of a bilateral treaty. Where the first attribute of a universal crime is absent in existent anti-bribery conventions, the second is present in almost all. Its fundamental purpose is to “ensure that individuals who are responsible for particularly serious crimes are brought to justice by providing for the effective prosecution and punishment of such individuals by a competent jurisdiction.” The obligation of the custodial state to prosecute or extradite a fleeing felon is a major deterrent to high-ranking heads of state who loot with impunity while in office, and hope that when thrown out they can seek asylum in safe haven states without ever having to answer for their outrageous conduct. However, this denial of safe haven is good only for states that are
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He joined the faculty at SMU in 1989 teaching courses on international law (public and private) and business associations.

Prior to teaching at SMU, he was a visiting associate professor at the University of Tennessee College of Law. He also served as an attorney in the law firm of Lord, Bissell & Brook.

Previously, Professor Kofele-Kale taught international relations at the Governors State University in University Park, Ill., and political science at Lake Forest College in Lake Forest, Ill., Webster College in St. Louis, Mo., and Northwestern University.

Professor Kofele-Kale has appeared before various international tribunals to defend the human rights of indigenous minority peoples.

He is the co-managing editor for Kluwer International Publishers' International Economic Development Law series and served as associate editor of The International Lawyer.

Professor Kofele-Kale has authored and co-authored many books and publications on international law as well as political science economic policy and governance including: Legislative Power in Cameroon's Second Republic: Its Nature and Limits and International Law of Responsibility For Economic Crimes: Holding Heads of States and Other High-Ranking State Officials Individually Liable for Acts of Fraudulent Enrichment.

Various law journals have published Kofele-Kale including The International Lawyer, the Vanderbilt Journal of Transnational Law, the Law & Policy in International Business, the Securities Regulation Law Journal, the North Carolina Journal of International Law & Commerce Regulation, the University of Toledo Law Review, the California Western International Law Journal, the Oklahoma City University Law Review, and the Northwestern Journal of International Law and Business.

signatories to the multilateral treaty.

Finally, criminal culpability in all universal crimes is individual: "crimes against international law are committed by men, not by abstract entities, and only by punishing individuals who commit such crimes can the provisions of international law be enforced." This principle of individual responsibility and punishment is the cornerstone of international criminal law, reaffirmed most recently in the Statutes of the International Criminal Tribunals for the former Yugoslavia (article 7, paragraph 1 and article 23, paragraph 1) and Rwanda (article 6, paragraph 1 and article 22, paragraph 1). The principle of individual culpability allows a court to peel away the patina of sovereign immunity under which most Third World dictators rush to take cover. This bedrock principle of international law ought to be reflected in every multilateral treaty dedicated to combating corruption.

2. Recovery and Repatriation of Looted Assets

For victim states the social and economic costs of the exporting of funds from corrupt activities are immeasurable. A recent United Nations study reveals that this financial hemorrhage "undermines foreign aid, drains currency reserves, reduces the tax base, harms competition, undermines free trade and increases poverty levels." Add to these the social and economic distortions and inefficiencies created by capital scarcity. Concrete measures for recovery and repatriation of looted assets must therefore
be entrenched in any comprehensive multilateral anti-corruption convention. Several obstacles still have to be overcome in order to make such recovery provisions truly effective. One recurrent problem is that of tracing illicit wealth since it tends to cover its tracks. This can easily be resolved through greater transparency policies and the willingness of banks and other financial institutions to adopt and apply far-reaching information-sharing measures such as "sunlight" policies, which would obligate these institutions to file suspicious activity reports to a central clearinghouse, and "know-your-customer" guidelines that require financial institutions to perform due diligence in obtaining and maintaining account information on their customers.

Another obstacle that must be overcome is the lack of a uniform system of laws which complicates the international investigations to recover pilfered sovereign assets. This multiplicity of laws applied to both substantive as well as procedural law, jurisdic- tional differences between civil and common law join in to further complicate the picture. The answer to this quandrum is greater international cooperation in the short term and elaboration in the long run of a comprehensive anti-corruption convention that treats Grand Corruption as an international crime.

This brief commentary ends precisely where it began: Grand Corruption should not be confused with the common, garden-variety bribery involving the underpaid court clerk or customs official. It must be seen for what it truly is, a crime that undermines the very foundations of societies that fall victim to it. The plundering of staggering sums of national wealth in an open and brazen manner by high-ranking public officials, who bear a fiduciary responsibility to the people they serve, qualifies as the kind of conduct that shocks the conscience of humankind. Those who engage in it should, like the pirates of yore, be treated as enemies of humanity!

Notes
1. I prefer the term "indigenous speculation" or "patriarcismide" to underscore the exceptional gravity and magnitude of the severity of high-ranking state officials. Let us take the example of the brother of former President Carlos Salinas of Mexico who is reputed to have wrongfully amassed a $1.26 million fortune its manna that, according to World Bank estimates, would cover the health costs of approximately 6,000,000 of his fellow Mexican citizens. This level of corruption cannot and should not be accounted the same moral weight as the newly-adopted corrupt activities of low-level public officials. See WORLD BANK, WORLD DEVELOPMENT INDICATORS 2001, 29 (2002). See generally NDEA KOBELE-KALE, INTERNATIONAL LAW OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR ECONOMIC CRIMES HOLDING HEADS OF STATE AND OTHER HIGH RANKING STATE OFFICIALS INDIVIDUALLY LIABLE FOR ACTS OF FRAUDULENT ENRICHMENT (2001). See also Nde A. Kobele-Kale, "The New Accountability: An Interdisciplinary Framework on Inter-American Economic Crimes of Indigenous Speculation," 28 VAND. J. TRANSNAT'L L. 1 (1999).
3. When INTERNATIONAL LAW OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR ECONOMIC CRIMES, supra note 1, was first published in 1995 there was only a solitary multilateral convention against corruption by public officials or private individuals. Now we can count at least seven, with several still in the draft stage. This is clearly progress! My colleague and good friend, Professor Joe Norton, was among the first group of public officials to grasp the significance of this emerging field of international economic law and was instrumental in the publication of my treatise. My debt to him is immense!
5. The Nyanga Declaration was signed on March 4, 2001 by representatives of Transparency International and the Governments of Botswana, Cameroon, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Nigeria, South Africa, Uganda, Zambia, and Zimbabwe (for the full text, see http://www.transparency.org).
7. Global Transfer of Funds, supra note 5.
11. SADC Protocol, supra note 4, 5.
13. See Kobele-Kale, supra note 9 at 166-174.
15. See JOSPEH KODESTE SWEENY ET AL., CASES AND MATERIALS ON THE INTERNATIONAL LEGAL SYSTEM 118 (3d ed. 1988). See also Nuremberg Principles, supra note 13 (principle 6 recognizes the doctrine of the supremacy of international law over national law. Principle 6 makes it explicit that the fact that national law does not impose a penalty for an act which constitutes a crime under international law does not preclude the penalty which the crime committed under international law was committed at the time it was committed).
17. See Nuremberg Principles, supra note 13.
18. Global Transfer of Funds, supra note 4, ¶ 10.
19. Id., ¶ 14-16.
20. Id. ¶ 24-25.
Prominent Visitors
SMU Dedman School of Law

Alberto Gonzales, White House Counsel and former Justice of the Texas Supreme Court spoke to students on "A Day in the Life of a White House Counsel" on Friday, Sept. 27, 2002.

Harriet Miers '70, Assistant to the President and Staff Secretary for President George W. Bush, spoke to a standing-room only crowd of students at the Dedman School of Law on Oct. 17, 2003. She discussed her career as a lawyer and how she ended up working in the White House. Since her remarks, she was named Assistant to the President and Deputy Chief of Staff for Policy.


E. Donald Elliot, a partner and head of the environmental practice division of Willkie Farr & Gallagher and former Cornell Professor of Law at Yale University, spoke to students on "Reforming Environmental Regulation: From Art to Science" Oct. 9, 2003.


The Honorable Pius Langa, Deputy Chief Justice of the Constitutional Court of South Africa and SMU Dedman School of Law Distinguished Visiting Professor, discussed "The Changing Face of Africa" at the law school Feb. 10, 2004. Justice Langa is also a member of the Constitutional Committee of the African National Congress. (Pictured L-R): Joseph Norton, James L. Walsh Distinguished Faculty Fellow in Financial Institutions Law and Professor of Law; Ndya Kofele-Kale, Professor of Law; Justice Pius Langa; and Dean John B. Anunsiado.
On Sept. 17, 2002, Richard Tu, the Benn Law Fellow at Oriel College, Oxford since 1979, spoke to students at the SMU Dedman School of Law. Author of many articles and books on a variety of legal and philosophical topics, Tu spoke on "Death with Dignity and the Criminal Law of England and Wales."

Following the 2003 Howie Sweeney Moot Court Competition, Judge Danny Boggs spoke to students on "Judicial Decision-Making: An Inside Look." A frequent visitor to the SMU Dedman School of Law, Judge Boggs sits on the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit.


George Rupp, President of the International Rescue Committee, discussed with students "The Global Challenge of Displaced People" at the SMU Dedman School of Law on April 2, 2004. The IRC provides relief and rehabilitation operations in 25 countries and its refugee resettlement and assistance programs throughout the United States. (Pictured L-R: Dean John Attanasio and George Rupp.)
Gerald J. Ford '69, highly successful businessman and banker, and Chairman of the Board of Trustees of SMU, spoke to students on Jan. 14, 2003, on "The Impact that Individual Lawyers Have Had on My Career." Ford was also recognized as one of the Law school's Distinguished Alumni in 2003, receiving The Robert G. Storey Award for Distinguished Achievement.

As Senior Vice President and General Counsel for AMR/American Airlines on Sept. 11, 2001, Anne McNamara became an expert on managing crises. That incident was the basis of her lecture as she speaks to SMU Dedman School of Law students on "Corporate Counsel: Managing Crises" Oct. 31, 2002.

William Grumbles, former President of Worldwide Distribution for Turner Broadcasting Systems, Inc (TBS Inc.), spoke to Dedman Law students on Feb. 21, 2003 on "Leadership." Grumbles also served as the SMU Alumni Association President and Ex-officio member of the SMU Board of Trustees.

The Hispanic Law Student Association invited Adelfa Callejo ’61 to speak to students on April 1, 2003. Callejo, a long-time advocate for the Hispanic community of Dallas, discussed attending SMU’s evening law program, her role with family and community, and the importance of being an advocate for others. (Pictured L-R): Dean John B. Attanasio, Christina Herrera, Cynthia Rodriguez, Adelfa Callejo, Desiree Garcia and Hector Garza.

The Honorable Lincoln Magalhães da Rocha ’67 from the Supreme Court of Accounts of Brazil and recipient of the 2003 Dedman School of Law Distinguished Global Alumni Award spoke to students on “The State Finance Control and the Court of Accounts” March 4, 2003. (Pictured L-R): Dean John B. Attanasio; Lincoln Magalhães da Rocha; LL.M. student and Ugandan Chief Magistrate Catherine B.K. Bamugemereire; and Brazilian LL.M. student Marcos Aurelio P. Valadao.

The Honorable John C. Creuzot ’82, judge for the 4th Criminal District Court and recipient of the 1999 Dedman School of Law Distinguished Alumni Award, spoke to students March 23, 2004, about new programs designed to reduce the “revolving door” prison problem and to help those with additions. (Pictured L-R): Judge John Creuzot and Dean John B. Attanasio.
John Nance '68 organized a private conference on legal issues hospitals and the medical industry face at the SMU Dedman School of Law Oct. 27-29, 2003. Conference participants included (Pictured L-R): Marry Hadle, President for the Partnership for Patient Safety; Brent Garland from the American Association for the Advancement of Science; Marge Keyes, Senior Advisor to the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality Director; Patricia Davenport from John Nance Productions; Bryan A. Liang, John & Rebecca Moores University Professor and Director Pro Tempore at the Health Law & Policy Institute; Lucian Leape from the Harvard School of Public Health; Nancy Wilson, Vice President and Medical Director for the Clinical Services Division of VHA Inc; Larry Patton, Senior Advisor to the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality Director; Josie Williams, Director at the Texas A&M System Health Science Rural and Community Health Institutes; Thomas Win, Mayo. Associate Professor at the SMU Dedman School of Law; John J. Nance, author and ABC News and Good Morning America aviation correspondent; Charles Denham, President and CEO for Health Care Concepts, Inc; Frank Baramon '69, Senior Partner at the Law Offices of Frank L. Branson, P.C.; Michael J. Foley from the Foley Law Firm.

Antonio de Mora Borges spoke March 24, 2004, on "The Brazilian Perspective on the Free Trade Area of the Americas" to students at an International Law Society luncheon at the SMU Dedman School of Law. Dr. Borges is an international expert on tax and economics, former adviser to the Brazilian president, and former lawyer for the National Treasury.

Bill Hill '64, Dallas County District Attorney and Jane Boyle '81, U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Texas spoke to law students during the 2002 Public Interest Law Week. (Pictured L-R): Dean John B. Attanasio; Kelly Noblin '92, former Assistant Dean for Career Services; Bill Hill; Jane Boyle; and Rebecca Garza Greenan, Director of the SMU Dedman School of Law Public Service Program.
Dean Ariel Bendor from the University of Haifa Law School in Israel spoke to students on "Dealing with Terrorism in a Democracy" at the SMU Dedman School of Law Feb. 5, 2004.

Betsy Whitaker '80, president of the State Bar of Texas and partner with Bracewell & Patterson, L.L.P., spoke to students about getting involved with the State Bar of Texas. Monica Latin, board of director for the Young Lawyers Association and partner with Carrington, Coleman, Sloman & Blumenthal, L.L.P., gave a follow up speech on the Young Lawyers Association. (Pictured L-R): Dean John B. Attanasio; Betsy Whitaker; and Monica Latin.

Robert S. Hart spoke at the SMU Dedman School of Law on his experiences working for Mark Cuban and the Dallas Mavericks as General Counsel on Oct. 14, 2003.

Dallas city attorney Madeleine Johnson spoke to students about the City of Dallas' public service placement in the city attorney's community advocacy division on Nov. 13, 2003. Students learned how community advocacy attorneys proactively use the law to solve community-based problems, involve citizens in developing legal strategies, and mobilize law enforcement and city services.

On Sept. 18, 2003, Edward Smith '63, a partner at Graham and Smith, autographed a book during a book signing and spoke to students at the SMU Dedman School of Law for his new book titled The Senate's Golden Armour, which he wrote under the pseudonym Hawthorne Vance.

INTERNATIONAL DELEGATIONS
SMU Dedman School of Law

Throughout the year, delegations from various countries visited the SMU Dedman School of Law. Below are some of those delegations that visited in the 2003-2004 year.

Russian Delegation

African Delegation

Moroccan Delegation

Rumanian Delegation
Skits and Musicals Raise Money For Sarah T. Hughes Diversity Law Scholarship

by Yvette Ramos Wade, 2004 SMU Dedman School of Law Graduate and Sarah T. Hughes Scholar

Imagine being the recipient of a prestigious law school scholarship funded entirely through the efforts of the Dallas Bar Foundation. Imagine knowing that for the last 17 years local attorneys and other members of the legal profession have banded together to create, produce, and star in an incredibly entertaining compilation of skits and musicals known as Bar None, all for your benefit. How do you feel? Honored? Absolutely. Humbled? Without a question. But along with these feelings lies a deep-seated sense of responsibility along with an unrelenting desire to become the type of attorney and member of the community that makes the Bar Foundation proud they selected you as a Sarah T. Hughes Scholar for the SMU Dedman School of Law.

Since 1981, the Dallas Bar Foundation has provided scholarships to minority law students through the Sarah T. Hughes Diversity Law Scholarships. Judge Hughes was the first woman to serve as a state district judge in Texas. In 1961, she became the first woman federal district judge when President John F. Kennedy appointed her to the Northern District of Texas. Throughout her career Judge Hughes worked tirelessly to elevate the status of women and minorities in public life. The scholarships that bear her name are a testament to the values that guided her and the tremendous legacy she left behind.

The value of being a Hughes Scholar can be summed up in a single word: opportunity. The scholarships provide minority law students with the opportunity to study law at an esteemed private university. Hughes Scholars are also able, through events sponsored by the Bar Foundation, to meet and network with leaders of the Dallas Bar Association and other prominent members of the Dallas legal community.

Being selected as a Hughes Scholar not only provides the opportunity for a great education, but involvement by the Foundation and the DBA creates the environment for law students to mature into conscientious, engaged members of the profession.

The current Hughes Scholars at the SMU Dedman School of Law recognize how fortunate they are. Kimberly Jessie of the Class of 2005 described how the scholarship has impacted her life by making her hopes and aspirations a reality.

"There are many minorities who probably had thoughts of being an attorney but did not have the means to transform those thoughts into something real," she said. "Being a Hughes Scholar reminds me that I owe it to the Bar Foundation and the community to do my best because, in a sense, I represent many people who might have aspired to be where I am but have not yet achieved their goals."

Dwayne Norton is also a class of 2005 Hughes Scholar. He said being selected to receive the scholarship enabled him to attend the SMU Dedman School of Law when he...
had concerns about how to finance a legal education. Dwayne decided to pursue law school after working full-time.

"The Hughes Scholarship afforded me the opportunity to achieve my goal of going back to school, and my hope is that obtaining a law degree from SMU will lead to opportunities that were previously not available to me," he said. "The Hughes Scholarship will have a large impact on what I do in the future. Regardless of where I go in the profession, I know I have a duty to do my best to represent the name Sarah Hughes."

Carolyn Attes, a member of the Class of 2004, graduated this year. She says the Hughes Scholarship allowed her to fulfill her dream of attending law school in the Dallas community, where she spent 20 years as an educator.

"Here, I am able to stay in contact with family, friends, and former students. And for my former students, I hope I can model what can happen if you are determined to reach your goal," she said. "If I help them in any small way, it is due in large part to the Hughes Scholarship, which demonstrates that if you are determined, there are those just as determined to help."

With the next Bar None on the horizon, it is important to see the end result of all the hard work put in by everyone involved with the production. The Hughes Scholars are selected by the Bar Foundation, but the financial backing for the scholarships derives from the proceeds of Bar None, to whom the recipients also owe tremendous gratitude. Without the ongoing commitment of the cast to reinvent Bar None every year and produce such a wonderful show, the Hughes Scholarships would not exist.

Yvette Ramos Wade is a Hughes Scholar and member of SMU Dedman School of Law Class of 2004. This article is reprinted from the Dallas Bar Headnotes with permission.

### Sarah T. Hughes Scholars

- Henry Gilmore 1984
- Diana Orozco 1985
- Juan Boada 1986
- George Parker 1987
- John Lora 1988
- Dianne Jones 1989
- T.J. Johnson 1990
- Irma Ramirez 1991
- Rey Rodriguez 1993
- Rickey Walton 1993
- Scan Cordobes 1994
- Juan Walker 1995
- Laura Hernandez 1996
- Cesar A. Fruitos 1997
- Melissa Rodriguez 1998
- Ayoka A. Campbell 1999
- Temesha Evans Davis 2000
- Darlene Woodson 2001
- Gabriel V. Vazquez 2002
- Rogelio Jeronimo Valdez 2003
- Carolyn Ates 2004
- Jennifer Hunter 2004
- Yvette Ramos 2004
- Christopher Graham 2005
- Kimberly Jessie 2005
- Dwayne Norton 2005
- Abril Aberasturi 2006
- Syeda Amin 2006
- Daphne Walker 2006
Faculty Accomplishments

A Sampling of the Accomplishments The Law School Faculty Have Achieved

ROY RYDEN ANDERSON
Visiting & Elkins Distinguished Teaching Fellow and Professor of Law


Presentations: Moderator, panel on judicial accountability and judicial independence at the Appellate Judges Conference, Dallas (January, 2003); Panelist, "Back to the Future: Changing Our Thinking About the Legal Profession of Tomorrow" for the NAFL Foundation for Law Career Research and Education, Dallas (January, 2003); Panelist, "Evolution of Role of Corporate Counsel in the Post-Euron Union Environment" for the Texas Center for Legal Ethics and Professionalism - Corporate Counsel Symposium, Plano, TX (January, 2003); Presented a 6-hour course on "State and Democratic Regime" at Vietnam National University, Hanoi, Vietnam (December, 2002); "National Security" to the Preston Hollow Presbyterian Church Men's Breakfast and the First Fellowship at the Highland Park Presbyterian Church, Dallas (October, 2002); Interview on constitutional law issues with the Voice of America, broadcast in China (September, 2002); Interview on the ramifications of the Patriot Act with the Paul Coggin Radio Show - KRLD, Dallas (July, 2002); Guest, 54th Plenary Session of the European Commission for Democracy through Law, Venice, Italy (March, 2003); Panelist, "Educating the Transnational Lawyer: The Ideal Curriculum," Washington, DC (May, 2003); "First Themes of American Constitutional Law" to the Academy of American and International Law of the Center for American and International Law, Dallas (June, 2002 & 2003); "Five Themes of American Constitutional Law" to Chinese University of Political Science & Law, China (December, 2003); "Multilateralism, Unilateralism and Leadership" to Yonsei University, Seoul, Korea (February, 2004).

Appointments: ABA Section of International Law & Practice Liaison to the Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar Section; Appellate Judicial Committee; Advisory Committee, Corporate Director's Institute; Texas Supreme Court Advisory Committee for the Annually Conducted Summer Judicial Conduct Subc ommittee for Canon 5; Member, Texas Young Lawyers Board.

LACKLAND BLOOM JR.
Professor of Law


Presentations: "Grutter and Gratz: A Critical Analysis" presented to a faculty forum and a student forum at SMU Dedman School of Law (October, 2003); "Copyright Under Siege: The First Amendment Front" (with Xiun-Chao Nguyen) at a conference on Digital Legal Issues, SMU Dedman School of Law (March, 2004).

WILLIAM BRIDGE
Associate Professor of Law


Presentations: Speaker, Conference for Bankruptcy Judges at SMU Dedman School of Law (September, 2003); Speaker, meeting of Texas Association of State University Attorneys (September, 2003); Speaker on "Preservation of Error" to the Dallas Association of Young Lawyers, Criminal Court Practice Seminar (October, 2003); Speaker, dinner for President's Scholars, SMU (October, 2003); Speaker on "Professional Responsibility for Legal Services of North West Texas" (October, 2003). Panelist, Amnesty International National Hearings on
Racial Profiling (November, 2003); Presenter, SMU Perkins School of Theology Faculty Forum (December, 2003).

ALAN BROMBERG

University Distinguished Professor of Law


Presentations: Participant, "Entity Rationalization Conference" of The Business Lawyer, University of Maryland Law School, Baltimore, MD.

Appointments: State Bar Ad Hoc Committee on Codification of Business Organization Law; Co-chair, Legislative Committee, Texas Business Law Foundation; State Bar Partnership and Unincorporated Organizations Committee.

REGIS W. CAMPFIELD

Marilyn Jeanne Johnson Distinguished Law Faculty Fellow & Professor of Law


Presentations: Presented Estate Planning Briefing (with Jonathan G. Blumachr and Elizabth Crewson Paris), Dallas, (November 7-8, 2002).

Appointments: Chair, 29th Annual Notre Dame Tax and Estate Planning Institutes; Chair/Coordinating, Joint SMU Dedman School of Law/ Communities Foundation of Texas Estate Planning & Charitable Giving Program Initiative.

GREGORY CRESPI

Professor of Law


GAIL DALY

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

Presentations: Helped to plan and organize "Bricks, Bytes and Continuous Renovation" Conference sponsored by the ABA's Law School Education and Admissions Committee to the Bar, March 19-22, 2003, Suffolk University Law School, Boston, MA.

JANE DOLKART

Associate Professor of Law

Presentations: Speaker at two events for the Dallas office of Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund.

WILLIAM V. DORSEY, III

Chief Justice John and Lena Hickman Distinguished Faculty Fellow and Professor of Law


Presentations: Chairman/reporter for Texas Supreme Court's Task Force on Reconciliation of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure.

MAURICE DYSON

Asst. Professor of Law


LINDA EADS

Associate Professor of Law

Presentations: "School Funding and Educational Ulteriorums: A Look at School Funding Implications for Public School Accountability" at the Conference on The Educational Funding Debate sponsored by the University of Connecticut Public Interest Law Journal at the University of Connecticut Law School, Hartford, CT (April, 2002); "The Segregation of Southern Schools: A Crucial Moment in the History (and the Future) of Public Schooling in America" at a conference sponsored by the Harvard Civil Rights Project, University of North Carolina, UNC Center for Civil Rights and Thurgood Marshall School of Law (August, 2002); "Race, Corporate Law and Economic Development" at St. John's Ron Brown Center for Civil Rights and Economic Development, St. John's University, N.Y., N.Y. (2003); "Have 60's Civil Rights Policies Kept Pace?" at a Critical Race Theory Workshop, American University Washington College of Law, Washington, D.C. (April, 2003).


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TEXAS LAWYERS on legal ethics.

Presentations: Delivered the Magna Public Scholar Lecture on Law and Business Ethics, "Corporate America and its Ethical Choices," Dallas, Texas (February, 2003); Organized and served as moderator of the Dallas Young Lawyers' yearly forum on important legal issues; speaker at the National Association of Securities Law Administrators yearly meeting in New Orleans on the "Ethical Considerations in Corporate Governance"; Moderator, debate between various Texas Supreme Court Candidates.

Appointments: Chair, John Connally's Dallas County Senate Campaign Co-Vice Chair, State Bar of Texas Standing Committee on Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct.

DAVID EPSTEIN
Professor of Law


Presentations: "Enron: A Case Study in How to Use the Code to Cheat" at SMU Dedman School of Law-sponsored by the Center for Teaching Excellence (March, 2003); Co-sponsored with Ellen S. Pryor a CITE Academy Forum on "The Socratic Method as a Way of Teaching" (October 2003).


JULIE P. FORRESTER
Associate Professor of Law


JEFFREY M. GABA
Professor of Law


DEAN CHARLES O. GALVIN
Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Law

Awards: Received the Outstanding Fifty Year Lawyer Award from the Fellows of the Texas Bar Foundation at the 2004 Annual Meeting in San Antonio.

CHRISTOPHER HANNA
Professor of Law


Presentations: "Enron: A Case Study in How to Report Profits and Pay no Taxes" at SMU Dedman School of Law-sponsored by the Center for Teaching Excellence (March, 2003); Co-sponsored with Ellen S. Pryor a CITE Academy Forum on "The Socratic Method as a Way of Teaching" (October 2003).


LARRY JONES
Director, Tax Clinic

Publications: Let the Audits Begin- National Research Program and Exam Re-Engineering Project Will Produce More Audits, CCH J. OF TAX PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE (Aug.-Sept., 2002); Fourth Down and Incher- Do You Go for It? and Step-by-Step Procedure for Defending Against the Trust Fund Recovery Penalty (with Jim Stanford), CCH J. OF TAX PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE (Oct.-Nov. 2002); Counterpoint Riddle Solves: Code Sec. 6672 (d) for Those Who Don't Read, CCH J. OF TAX PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE (April-May 2003); Tax controversy update (monthly e-mail newsletter for Townsend and Jones)

Presentations: "Tax Issues in Marriage and Divorce" to the Family Law Practice Seminar sponsored by the University of Houston Law Foundation, Dallas (June, 2002) and Houston (June, 2002); "Defending Clients Against the Trust Fund Recovery Penalty" to the Texas Society of Enrolled Agents TXSEA convention, Austin, TX (October, 2002); "Smorgasbord of Tax Info (Same Interesting, Some Not, But All Useful)" to the Tax Alliance Conference, Dallas (June, 2002); "Dealing with IRS Appeals" to the Tax Controversy College sponsored by the State Bar of Texas Tax Section (September, 2002); "Update on IRS Audit and Collection Issues" to the TSCPA's Austin Chapter 2002 Tax Conference, Austin, TX (December, 2002); "Defending Clients Against the Trust Fund Recovery Penalty" (June, 2002), "Obtaining an Installment Agreement for Your Clients (July, 2002), "Representing Clients in Innocent Spouse Cases" (August, 2002), and "Negotiating With the IRS" (September, 2002) to the Tax and Business Forum, Dallas.

Appointments: Monthly Columnist and Member Advisory Board- CCH Journal of Tax Practice and Procedures-Chair- State Bar of Texas Taxation Section CLE Committee (2001-2002); Course Director, State Bar of Texas Advanced Tax Law Course, Houston, TX (2003); Member, IRS Appeals Practitioner Liaison Committee (2003-2004); Chair and Member, North Texas IRS Practitioners Council (2002-2003); Member, State Bar of Texas Sections Taxation Council (2002-2005).

NDIVA KOFELLE-KALE
Professor of Law

Publications: Held brief for victims of elections fraud before the Cameron Constitutional Court; "An Inquiry into the Legitimacy of Global Community Response to Domestic Violations of the Right to Freedom of Choice" at the Lunchtime Lecture Series on

HENRY J. LISCHER JR.
Professor of Law


Appointments: Visiting Distinguished Chairholder, University of Alabama, spring semester, 2003; Guest professor, University of Konstanz, Germany.

JOHN S. LOWE
George W. Hutchinsom Professor of Energy Law

Publications: Oil and Gas Law in a Nutshell, 6th ed. 2003) (West Publishing Co); Cases and
GEORGE A. MARTINEZ
Professor of Law


Presentations: Presented "Race, Immigration Law and the State of Nature" at the UCLA Law Review Symposium, "Law and the Border: Examining the Frontier Between the United States and Mexico", Los Angeles, CA (June, 2003); Participated, Symposium on "Multijurisdictional and Cross-Border Class Actions" at Michigan State University College of Law (April, 2004); Participant, Symposium on "The 50th Anniversary of Brown v. Board of Education" at Seattle University School of Law (April, 2004).

THOMAS WM. MAYO
Associate Professor of Law


Presentations: "Baby Doe in the NICU" to the Neonatal/Perinatal Conference sponsored by Parkland Memorial Hospital, UT Southwestern Medical School Dallas, (May, 2002); "Human Research Protection and Mixed: An Overview" at the Children's Medical Center Biobehavioral Forum, Dallas (Sept., 2002) (with Leah Hurley, Esq.); participant, ethics panel at a conference on Specialty Pediatrics for the Primary Care Physician, sponsored by Medical City Dallas Hospital and North Texas Hospital for Children, Dallas (October, 2002); chair, American Health Lawyers Association Public Interest Colloquim on "Parent Safety and Medical Error", Washington D.C. (Feb 28 - Mar. 1, 2003); presented Grand Rounds on "Ethics Consultation" at Parkland, Baylor, and Children's Medical Center, Dallas, (May, 2003) (with Robert Fine, M.D., and John Sadler, M .D.); "Medical Ethics & Literature" at an Ethics Discussion Forum at Children's Medical Center of Dallas (March, 2003); "Baby Doe in NICU" to the Pediatric Society of Greater Dallas (August 2003); "Issues in Critical Ethics" Cardiac Update Symposium 2003 "to the Cardiopulmonary Research Science & Technology Institute, Las Colinas, TX (September 2003); "End of Life Care: What Every Physician in Texas Needs to Know" to the Texas Academy of Family Physicians, Irving, TX (October, 2003); "Tobacco Dilemma in the NICU, Past, Present and Future: A Celebration of a Century of Neonatal Care" Dallas (October, 2003); "Bioethics" at the Fundamentals in Health Law Conference, American Health Lawyers Association, Chicago, Illinois (November, 2003); "End of Life Care: What Every Physician in Texas Needs to Know" to the Annual Medical Staff Meeting, Plaza Medical Center, Fort Worth, TX (December 2003); "Tobacco Dilemma in the NICU" to the North Texas Association of Neonatal Nurses, Dallas (December, 2003).

Appointments: Served on the 78th Texas Legislature's Task Force to Review the Advance Directive Law, which resulted in Senate Bill 1320.

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


CHARLES J. MORRIS
Professor Emeritus of Law


JOHN J. MYLAN
Associate Professor of Law


XUAN-THAO NGUYEN
Associate Professor of Law


Presentations: Speaker, Conference for Bankruptcy Judges at SMU Dedman School of Law (September 2003); "Collaterilizing Privacy" at the Intellectual Property Scholar Work-in-Progress Symposium, Tulane University School of Law, New Orleans, LA (October 2003); "Bankruptcy and Trademark Issues" at the International Trademark Association’s leadership meeting (November, 2003); "Payments and Secured Transactions Law" at Vietnam National University Faculty of Law, Vietnam (December 2003); "Intellectual Property Law and Practices to government officials from the Vietnamese Copyright Offices, Industrial Property Offices, Justice Department and Customs Office for the Intellectual Property Bar Association, Hanoi, Vietnam (December 2003); "Intellectual Property Protection and Enforcement" to government officials and industry leaders, Haiphong, Vietnam (December 2003); "Intellectual Property Law" at Vietnam National University, Dalat, South-Central Vietnam (December 2003).

Appointments: Selected to be the next President of the Patrick E. Higginbotham American Inn of Court.

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


ELLEN SMITH PRYOR
Homer R. Mitchell Professor in Insurance and Commercial Law


Presentations: "Rehabilitating Torts Compensation" at the Symposium on the New Negotiation held at Georgetown Law Center, Washington, D.C. (May, 2003); Mediator, planning committee of the AALS Torts Conference, New York, NY (June, 2003); Speaker, Conference of University Chaplains, SMU (October 2003); presented with Chris Hanna a colloquium on the Socratic Method to Center for Teaching Excellence at SMU (October 2003). Faculty colloquium, Vanderbilt University Law Faculty (April 2003).


G. PAUL ROGERS, III
Professor of Law


Appointments: Elected President of the Board of Directors for the Dispute Mediation Service in Dallas County; appointed to the NCAA Division 1 Academic/Eligibility/Compliance Cabinet for a four year term.

FREDERICK C. MOSS
Associate Professor of Law

Publications: Rethinking Texas Rules of Evidence, 103 BAYLOR L. REV.

Presentations: Taught at the National Institute for Trial Advocacy’s "Basic Trial Skills" CLE course (June 2002); Ethics expert in the nationally televised CLE program "The Art of Winning Before Trial" (October, 2002) (Program was televised to 20 State Bar associations and 213 U.S. Attorney and Dept. of Justice locations); "Can I Fire My Client-Plaintiff" at the Dallas Bar Association’s Annual Legal Ethics Seminar, Dallas (April, 2003); taught at the Kessler-Eisdon Program for Trial Techniques at the Emory University School of Law (May, 2003); directed the National Institute for Trial Advocacy’s Southern "Taking and Defending Deposits" CLE program at the Dedman School of Law, Dallas (May, 2003); "The Ethics of Witness Preparation: A Peek Inside the Woods" to the Trial Skills Section of the Dallas Bar Association, Dallas (October, 2003); "Former Client Conflicts of Interest" to the Paton Boggs law firm, Dallas (October, 2003).

Appointments: Served on planning committee for the Dispute Mediation Service in Dallas County; appointed to the NCAA Division 1 Academic/Eligibility/Compliance Cabinet for a four year term.
**SUSAN SCARFIDI**  
Associate Professor of Law  


Presentations: “Intellectual Property and Time” at the Intellectual Property Scholars’ Conference, co-sponsored by Duke Hall School of Law, University of California at Berkeley; Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, Yeshiva University, and De Paul School of Law; New York, NY (August, 2002); “Cultural Values and Intangible Property” at the Law and Society Conference, Vancouver, Canada (May, 2002).  

**DANIEL W. SHUMAN**  
Professor of Law  


Presentations: “Retrospective Assessments of Mental States in Litigation” to the American Psychiatric Association, Philadelphia, PA (May, 2002); “The Role of the Expert When Sexual Abuse Allegations Arise in Child Custody Litigation” to the American Psychological Association, Chicago, Illinois (August, 2002); “The Role of Psychology in the Legal Process to the Dallas Forensic Group, Dallas, TX (September, 2002); “When Time Does Not Heal: Understanding the Importance of Avoiding Unnecessary Delays in the Resolution of Tort Cases” to the Federal Bar Association (September, 2002); “Implications of the Differences in Clinical and Forensic Practice, Prevention 2002: Coping with Crisis” to the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas and the Suicide Crisis Center, Dallas, Sept., 2002; “Tort Law and the Standard of Care in Suicide Risk Assessment” to the American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law, Newport Beach, CA (October, 2002); “Incapacitated Defense Evaluations in a Post-Daubert World” to the American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law, Newport Beach, CA (October 2002); “Science, Law, and Mental Health Policy” at the Ohio Northern University 26th Annual Law Review Symposium, Ada, Ohio (March, 2003); “New Trends in Litigation of PTSD and the Impact of Daubert on Admissibility of Psychological Evidence” at the ABA Teleconference Litigating Posttraumatic Stress Disorders, Ada, Ohio (April, 2003); “Justice and the Prosecution of Old Crimes: The Case of Maurice Papin” to the European-American Association of Psychology and Law, Edinburgh, Scotland (July, 2003); “The Expertise of Clinicians under Daubert: From Mass Torts to Valuations” to the Federal Judicial Center Program for Bankruptcy Judges at the SMU Dedman School of Law (September, 2003); “Relevance and Reliability of Psychiatric Evidence About Impulsivity and Aggression” to the American Academy of Psychiatry and Law, San Antonio, Texas (October, 2003); “The American Law Institute’s Restatement of the Principles of the Law of Family Dissolution, Daubert, and Expert Testimony” to the American Academy of Psychiatry and Law, San Antonio, Texas (October, 2003); ”Ethical Considerations and Challenges Implementing Therapeutic Jurisprudence in High Conflict Divorces” to the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, Irving, Texas (October, 2003); “Avoiding Malpractice” to the Reunion Institute (Sallie Mae Club Youth & Family Centers, Inc) Dallas, TX (October, 2003); “Patients, Therapists, and Confidentiality” to The Reunion Institute, Dallas, Texas (January, 2004).  

**MARY SPECTOR**  
Associate Professor of Law  

Presentations: Speaker, conference for Bankruptcy Judges, SMU Dedman School of Law (September, 2003).  

**MARC I. STEINBERG**  
Senior and Lillian Rodsford Professor of Law  

Jeffrey Trexler
Assistant Professor of Law


Presentations: "UBIT and Community Development Nonprofits" to the Texas C-BAR, Dallas, Texas (July 2002)

Peter Winship
James Cloe Thompson Sr. Trustee Professor of Law


Appointments: Founding Director, SMU Dedman School of Law Corporate Directors’ Institute.

Elizabeth Thornburg
Professor of Law

Publications: Detailed Fact Pleading: The Lessons of Scottish Civil Procedure 36 Int'l. Lawyer 1185 (Winter 2003); Privatization and Power: Dispute Resolution for the Internet in CONSENT’S ACCESS TO JUSTICE: INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVES (Rickisis & Tiffo, eds.) (Cambridge University Press, 2003); CIVIL PROCEDURE QUESTIONS & ANSWERS (WITH DORSANEO) (LEXIS NEXIS 2003); 2003 Supplement to TEXAS CIVIL PROCEDURE PREDIAL LITIGATION.


Appointments: Visiting Fellow- AHRB Centre for Studies in Intellectual Property and Technology Law, University of Edinburgh (Feb, 2003); Volunteer attorney- Dallas Legal Hospice.

Peter Winship
James Cloe Thompson Sr. Trustee Professor of Law


Appointments: Visiting Fellow- AHRB Centre for Studies in Intellectual Property and Technology Law, University of Edinburgh (Feb, 2003); Volunteer attorney- Dallas Legal Hospice.

Jeffrey Trexler
Assistant Professor of Law


Presentations: "UBIT and Community Development Nonprofits" to the Texas C-BAR, Dallas, Texas (July 2002)
SMU Alum Serves As Chief Justice Of The Missouri Supreme Court

On June 30, 2003, Justice Stephen B. Limbaugh Jr. '76 completed almost 11 years of service on the Supreme Court of Missouri and two full years as its Chief Justice. The Chief Justice of the Missouri Supreme Court is selected by the sitting judges and serves a two-year term. Justice Limbaugh was appointed to the Supreme Court in 1992 by then-Governor John Ashcroft and retained in office in the 1994 general election for a 12-year term expiring Dec. 31, 2006. Immediately prior to his appointment to the Supreme Court, he spent five years as a trial judge for the 32nd Judicial Circuit of Missouri presiding over felony criminal cases and civil cases involving more than $15,000.

Justice Limbaugh began his undergraduate education at SMU on the advice of his father Stephen N. Limbaugh who is now a senior United States District Judge in St. Louis. Limbaugh Sr. participated as a panelist in a seminar held at the SMU Law School while his son was a senior in high school. His father liked what he saw at SMU and recommended the school to his son. Justice Limbaugh earned his Bachelor’s of Arts Degree in history at SMU in 1973, and received his Juris Doctorate from the SMU School of Law in 1976.

After a year in private practice, he became a prosecuting attorney for Cape Girardeau County, Mo., trying criminal jury cases for four years. In January 1983, he returned to private practice with the firm of Limbaugh, Limbaugh, Russell & Syler, P.C. in Cape Girardeau, Mo., where he engaged in a general practice until he was appointed a judge for the 32nd Judicial Circuit. In 1998, Justice Limbaugh earned his Master’s of Law in Judicial Process degree from the University of Virginia School of Law.

He is a Fellow of the Missouri Bar Foundation and the American Bar Foundation and has served on numerous committees of the Missouri Bar. He was the Presiding Officer of the Judicial Conference of Missouri and has served on several Missouri Supreme Court Committees. Justice Limbaugh has served as an officer or director on the governing boards of William Woods University, Missouri Division of Youth Services Advisory Board, Friends of the Missouri State Archives, Southeast Missouri Hospital, and local chapters of the Boy Scouts, United Way, Rotary Club, Jaycees and many other groups. In addition, he is a life-long, active member of the United Methodist Church.

Justice Limbaugh has received numerous awards, including the Merit of Recognition Award from the American College of Trial Lawyers in 2002, the Distinguished Eagle Scout Award in 1998, the Distinguished Non-Alumnus Award from the University of Missouri-Columbia School of Law in 1997, and the Outstanding Young Missourian Award in 1984 from the Missouri State Jaycees.

He and his wife, Marsha Moore Limbaugh, have a son at the University of Missouri-Kansas City Conservatory of Music and a son at SMU.
Q. What role did your education at SMU play in who you are today?

A. "Of course, it gave me the solid foundation necessary for a successful and fulfilling career and all the other advantages that a reasonably well-educated person enjoys. While at SMU, my professors, both in undergrad and in law school, were of the highest caliber — smart (and sometimes brilliant!), scholarly, engaging, accessible and fully committed to their calling. They are people for whom to this day I have the utmost respect and admiration. Indeed, I am deeply indebted to them."

Q. What advice would you give to lawyers who file briefs with appellate courts?

A. "Be brief, concise and user-friendly with the understanding that the reading load for appellate judges is sometimes overwhelming. After more than 1,400 cases, I have yet to come across a 100 page brief that would not have been better written at 50 or 75 pages."

Q. What advice would you give to lawyers who argue before appellate courts?

A. "Answer the judges' questions head on. Concede points that should be conceded. Don't be emotional or theoretical, as if the argument was being made to a jury. Use visual aids only if they can be clearly seen, and even then, supplement with a handout for each judge. Remember that the purpose is to allow the judges to ask questions of you about the difficult issues presented, not to allow you to give a speech."

Q. What advice would you give to law students who aspire to become judges?

A. "It is not enough simply to represent your clients in an ethical, competent and civil manner. You must devote yourself to the notion of the lawyer as "public citizen" — the notion that lawyers are obligated to use their special talents and training to give something back to their profession and to their community. It starts with pro bono publico service — the representation of those persons who are unable to pay — and extends to service to the organized bar and even to public service of every kind. It is this obligation, and the fulfillment of it, that differentiates the practice of law from a mere occupation or business and that makes our profession a noble calling. Those lawyers who meet that obligation in full have the best chance of taking the bench."

Q. What is the biggest difference between serving as a Justice and serving as Chief Justice?

A. "The administrative workload increases dramatically. Under the Missouri Constitution, the Supreme Court has general supervisory authority and responsibility over the entire judicial branch of government. The Court acts as a sort of seven person board of directors, and the CJ is, in a way, the chair. In Missouri, the judicial branch is comprised of some 3,600 employees, 400 of whom are state judges, with an annual budget of about $160 million. Although by tradition I still carried a full caseload, I spent about 75 percent of my time in an administrative role."

Q. What was your greatest challenge as Chief Justice?

A. "It was managing the budget: There is a budget crisis in Missouri state government (just as there is in Texas and most other states) that is the worst in more than a generation. All parts of state government were called upon to cut expenses and programs, and the judiciary was no exception. In fact, the judiciary was somewhat of a target, in part because the number of lawyer-legislators, on whom we ordinarily rely to protect the judiciary's budget, is dwindling. In any event, the cuts were severe, and if state revenues don't increase this year, future cuts will be drastic."

Q. What aspect of serving as a judge has given you the most personal satisfaction?

A. "It is the honor of being entrusted by the citizens to resolve their disputes, to pass judgment in criminal cases, to decide the difficult legal issues of the day, and in some cases, even to decide life or death."

Q. What do you see as your greatest accomplishment while serving as Chief Justice?

A. "In addition to the budget crisis, there also was a crisis in the juvenile justice system, due in large part to the tragic death of a child in state-sponsored foster care. To address this problem, and in particular, the call to action by legislators who were bound by their constituents, the Court sponsored a legislative symposium to educate the legislators about the system. The first part of the program consisted of lectures by the judges who serve as the family and juvenile law presenters at our annual judicial college, and then the legislators were assigned to regional break-out groups where their own local judges and juvenile offices fielded questions. The event was a wonderful success with 30 of 34 senators and about two-thirds of House members attending. In addition, in order to give the judiciary input in the legislative process, the Court created the 'Commission on Children's Justice,' composed of key legislators and judges, to review and make recommendations on proposed legislation related to the crisis. This was an equally successful measure."

Q. What was the highlight of your service as Chief Justice?

A. "One of the traditional functions of the office is to present the "state of the judiciary" addresses at the annual meeting of The Missouri Bar and later at a joint session of the Missouri legislature. There is some pomp and circumstance attending each event, and I felt very privileged to participate. I took the opportunity to preach to professionals and the honor of public service, drawing on the examples of many of my colleagues on the bench, and my father and grandfather, as well, who were consummate "lawyers as public citizens." This was a topic that seemed to hit just the right note with the audience. At the conclusion of the speech to the bar, the 790 or so lawyers in attendance all rose to their feet to repeat with me the oath of admission they took when they first were licensed to practice. It was a moving experience."
SMU Law School Alumni Selected To Lead State And Metropolitan Bars

Joe Whisler '72 To Lead The Missouri Bar

Joe Whisler will assume the presidency of The Missouri Bar at their Annual Meeting in October 2004. He is currently the vice-president of the bar and a shareholder in the Kansas City firm of Cooling & Herbers, PC. His principal area of practice is business and commercial litigation, with an emphasis on environmental and aviation matters.

Whisler grew up in Nevada, Mo., located in the rural southwest corner of the state. He says he will be "the fourth Missouri Bar President from Nevada in the 60 year history of the integrated bar. Not bad for a town of 8,000 folks!" He chose to attend law school at SMU over Georgetown because he loved the campus and SMU offered "great financial support with grants and loans."

After graduation from law school, Whisler moved to Kansas City and "found that SMU had a strong image as a fine national law school." He says "it opened a lot of doors for me to get that critical first job. As our reputation continues to grow under Dean Attanasio and the great Deans who went before him, I'm sure it will continue to open doors everywhere."

Whisler currently serves on the Board of Governors of the Missouri Bar, and on the Special Committee on Multijurisdictional Practice. He has previously served the Missouri Bar in numerous leadership capacities, including acting as Co-Chairman of The Missouri Bar Annual Meeting for 1984 and 1996. He is a member of the ABA, the Metropolitan Bar Association of St. Louis (BAMSL), and a Distinguished Fellow of the BAMSL Foundation.

Whisler says that one of the greatest satisfactions he has derived from the practice of law has been being active in the bar. "When people ask me why I do it, I always tell them it is the people I have met that otherwise I never would have known. There are literally hundreds of names I could say, but a great example is Steve Limbaugh, Jr. Steve was in the Class of 1976 at SMU and was the Chief Justice of the Missouri Supreme Court when I was elected Vice-President. Steve is from Cape Girardeau, which is as far as you can get from Kansas City and still be in Missouri, and I'm sure without bar activities we would have never met."

Dale Lee '74 To Serve as Hawaii Bar President

Dale Lee assumed the presidency of the Hawaii Bar Association Jan 1, 2004, for a one-year term. In the meantime, he serves as vice-president/president-elect of the association, while pursuing a litigation and dispute resolution practice as a partner with the Honolulu firm of Kobayashi Sugita & Goda.

Lee, whose father was a Methodist minister, found his way to SMU Law School with the aid of a clergymans tuition grant in 1971. As a minority moving to Dallas over 30 years ago, he remembers feeling a bit of anxiety which was quickly overcome. "The Law School and SMU communities, and all of my Dallas friends, gave day-to-day meaning to the Hawaiian saying, 'E malama i ke kala, i ke kama'ina (Take care of the Big Man and the Little Man)." I saw that in living example, during my three years living, studying and working, in Dallas."

After graduation from law school, Lee returned home and worked as a prosecutor in the office of the Prosecuting Attorney for the City and County of Honolulu for two years.
He then joined three friends to engage in a general practice until 1981, when he joined his current firm. In addition to civic activities surrounding his children, Lee’s community service includes involvement in cultural activities associated with Hawaii’s year-long celebration of the Centennial of Korean immigration into the United States. He is a member of the ABA, American Judicature Society of Hawaii, Korean American Bar Association of Hawaii, Hawaii Defense Lawyers and Judiciary History Center of Hawaii.

Lee says that “the challenge for all bar associations is to be ‘relevant’ and to provide tangible evidence of service to its membership. Too, the Bar needs to be constantly reminded that it exists to serve all sectors of its diverse membership, be they practitioners in large or small firms, or solo practitioners or government lawyers. And, the Bar needs to be reminded that the Judiciary is an important and integral sector of its membership, and to call upon it to voice its special needs and share its talents.” He looks forward to facing these challenges as leader of the Hawaii Bar Association, and invites all to “come out to beautiful Hawaii for the ABA Convention in 2006! Aloha nui loa.”

Dallas Bar Under Leadership of Rhonda Hunter ’80

Board Certified Family Law Specialist Rhonda Hunter ’80 took office as president of the Dallas Bar Association in January 2004. She is the first African-American and first family lawyer to serve as president in the 131 year history of the association. A solo practitioner, Hunter has served on the Dallas Bar’s board since 1991 in every executive capacity from secretary-treasurer in 1993, to chair of the board in 1999. The Dallas Bar Association is a volunteer organization of over 9,000 Dallas-area attorneys.

In 1986, Hunter joined a group of lawyers who wanted to raise scholarship funds by putting on a musical variety show. This production became known as the Dallas Bar Association Annual Bar None Show and is rewritten and staged each year by Dallas Bar members. Over the years the show has raised over $900,000 for the Sarah T. Hughes Diversity Scholarships at the SMU Dedman School of Law. Hunter is one of only two persons who have appeared in all 18 shows and she also serves as the choreographer of the production each year. Hunter served as president of the Dallas Association of Black Women Attorneys in 1986, president of the J.L. Turner Legal Association in 1991-92, and president of the Community Services Fund Board in 2002. She is a member of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, and a former member of the Supreme Court of Texas Board of Disciplinary Appeals, the State Bar Family Law Council, and the legislative subcommittee on Guardian Ad Litem legislation.

Houston Bar Elects Kent “Rocky” Robinson ’78 as Leader

Kent W. “Rocky” Robinson, a partner at Andrews & Kurth L.L.P., took office as the new president of the 11,200 member Houston Bar Association in May 2004. Robinson has served two terms as a director of the association, along with one term as treasurer. In addition, he has chaired the Houston Lawyer Referral Service Inc.

Robinson is board certified by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization in Civil Trial Law and is a member of the Fifth Circuit Bar Association and Defense Research Institute. His practice includes general litigation with an emphasis on complex commercial and business litigation.

A Life Fellow of the Houston Bar Foundation, Robinson has served on the Houston Bar Association Judicial Polls Committee, the Fee Dispute Committee and the Committee on Minority Opportunities in the Legal Profession. He also served on the State Bar of Texas District 4B Grievance Committee, the District 4G Grievance Committee, and the board of directors of The Gladney Fund Inc.
Major Donor Reception

Lawrence Glasgow '83, Robert H. Dedman Jr. '84, Nancy Dedman, and Dean John B. Attanasio.

Patty Clifford '91, Bonnie Winikates, Charles J. Winikates Jr. '50, and Glenn Pordman '75.

Dennis Lutes '72, Kay Lutes, Gull Turner, and SMU President R. Gerald Turner.

Dean John B. Attanasio, Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison (honorary alumnus '03), and E. Ray Hutchison '57.

Travis Vaudenpool '73, Peggy Galvin, Former Dean Charles Galvin, Darrel Jordan '69, and Mike Gruber '78.

Judith Johnson '75, Sherry Myer '01, Professor Julie Forrester, Professor Paul Rogers, and Virginia Keehan '00.
Martin Samuelsohn '41, Dorothy Todd, and Kathy Attanasio.

Professor Joseph McKnight, Libby Myers and Bob Myers '58.

Darrel Jordan '64, Ann Jordan, and Vester Hughes (honorary alumnus '02).

Dean John B. Attanasio, Ed Fjordbak '99, and Cheryl Mansour.

Kim Askew, Michael P. Lynn '75, Judge Nikki DeShazo '76, and Edward V. Smith III '63.

George Garrison Potts '47, Genie Fritz, Ned Fritz '40, Cappie Potts.
Erle Nye Receives Robert H. Dedman Award For Ethics And Law

The 2002 Robert H. Dedman Award for Ethics and Law was presented to Erle Nye '65 in Dallas by the Texas General Counsel Forum and the SMU Dedman School of Law Nov. 21, 2002. Established in November 2001, the Robert H. Dedman Award for Ethics and Law is presented in recognition of the outstanding example and leadership an individual exhibits over their life. The award was presented by Texas General Counsel Forum President Elaine Whitley, General Counsel for Alcon Laboratories Inc.

Erle Nye is chairman of the board and former chief executive of TXU Corp. (formerly Texas Utilities Company). He is also former chairman of TXU Energy, TXU Electric Delivery, TXU Gas, TXU Australia, TXU Europe, and other principal subsidiaries of TXU Corp.

A native of Fort Worth, Texas, Nye received his Bachelor’s of Science degree in Electrical Engineering from Texas A&M University and his Juris Doctor Degree from SMU. A registered professional engineer, Nye is recognized as a national expert on energy, electrical and nuclear power, and deregulation. Nye serves as chairman of the board for the Electric Power Research Institute and is a past chairman of the Edison Electric Institute, the North American Electric Reliability Council, the Electric Reliability Council of Texas and the Nuclear Energy Institute. Nye is a member of the President’s National Infrastructure Advisory Council.

Nye sits on the executive boards of the SMU Dedman School of Law, the SMU Cox School of Business, chairs the Board of Directors for the SMU Tane Lecture Series, and serves on the Executive Advisory Council of the SMU Maguire Center for Ethics and Public Responsibility. He was appointed to the Texas A&M University Board of Regents by Governor George W. Bush in 1997 and reappointed by Governor Rick Perry in 2003.

He serves on the boards of Boys & Girls Clubs of America, the Dallas Museum of Art, The State Fair of Texas and North Texas Public Broadcasting. He is also a member of the Dallas Committee on Foreign Relations, the Salvation Army’s Dallas County Advisory Board, and the YWCA Metropolitan Dallas Advisory Board.

Nye received the Robert C. Storey Distinguished Alumni Award from the SMU Dedman School of Law in 2002. He was named the 1999 Humanitarian of the Year by the American Jewish Committee, received the 1998 Distinguished Citizen Award from the Longhorn Council of Boy Scouts of America and was a 1998 Father of the Year Award Winner. He received the C.W. Cong Distinguished New Venture Leader Award from the Texas A&M University Mays College and Graduate School of Business in 2001 and the 2002 Texas Association of Business Distinguished Leader Award.
Louise Raggio was recognized as the recipient of the Morris Harrell Professionalism Award by the Dallas Bar Association and has been chosen by the Texas Center for Legal Ethics and Professionalism to receive the first Sandra Day O'Connor Award for Professional Excellence.

Robert A. Gwinn was elected a trustee of the US Supreme Court Historical Society at the 2002 annual meeting.

Chester Bell received the Blackstone Award from the Tarrant County Bar Association.

Justice James A. Baker, a former Texas Supreme Court Justice, joined Hughes & Luce as a partner in the Dallas Office.

Marshall Dole was elected to a three-year term on the ABA's five member Standing Committee on Audit.

James "Bladie" Holmes, chair of the Morris Harrell Professionalism Committee, was awarded the Jo Anna Moreland Outstanding Committee Chair Award by the Dallas Bar Association.

E. Ray Hutchison received the 2003 Jurisprudence Award from the North Texas-Oklahoma regional office of the Anti-Defamation League.

Judge Pat McDowell was named to the panel of Resolution Experts for JAMS.

Robert "Bob" L. Meyers III received the 2003 Chair Award from the State Bar of Texas Construction Law Section. He also received the College of the State Bar of Texas Professionalism Award. He designated the SMU Dedman School of Law to receive the donation which comes with the award.

Adella B. Callejo received the Dallas Bar Foundation's Fellows Award honoring her distinguished legal career and civic contributions.

Rice M. Tilley Jr. has been appointed by Gov. Rick Perry to the Board of Regents of the University of North Texas System.

Donald W. Cantwell was appointed Professor Emeritus of business law at the University of Texas at Arlington in October 2002.

Kenneth D. Fuller received the Merrill L. Harman Award for outstanding pro bono efforts in serving the legal needs of the poor from the Texas Equal Access to Justice Foundation.

Samuelsohn Honors Father With Photo Hanging in Dedman School of Law

Martin Samuelsohn '41 and his family donated a photograph of a Steinway piano to the law school. The piano, commissioned by President Franklin D. Roosevelt for the White House in 1934, featuring an ornately carved music stand and beautifully carved eagles on each leg all carved by Martin's father, Abraham Samuelsohn. The piano has been treasured by all occupants of the White House since Roosevelt, and a photograph of it was used by President George and Laura Bush as their Christmas card in 2002. In recognition of Mr. Samuelsohn's role in carving the piano, the Bush's signed an enlarged version of their Christmas card and presented it to Martin Samuelsohn. This photograph in turn was presented to the law school to honor Abraham Samuelsohn in perpetuity.
The award was presented by Marcos Ronquillo, her longtime friend and former law partner.

A strong advocate for university evening programs, Callejo attended night school at SMU, studying simultaneously for her B.A. and J.D. degrees. After ten years of school, she received both degrees in 1961.

The SMU Dedman School of Law honored her as a Distinguished Alumnus in 1996 and she has received numerous other awards and recognition from various institutions for her legal and community service.

Lawrence R. Maxwell Jr. is serving as the 2004-2005 President of the Association of Attorney Mediators.

Darrell E. Jordan has joined Godwin Garlas, LLP as a commercial litigation senior partner.

George Coleman was listed in The Best Lawyers in America.

Robert W. Minshew was named to the Austin College Board of Trustees.

Robert H. Minshew Jr. received the Trial Lawyer of the Year award from the Dallas Bar Association at the annual Bench Bar Conference and has been named a Fellows Chair for the Dallas Bar Foundation.

Edward V. Smith Jr. was elected to the Board of Regents of the American College of Trial and Estate Counsel.

Paul Murphy was named to the panel of Resolution Experts for JAMS.

C.S. Potts Luncheon Brings Old Friends Together

Rockney D. Fletcher was named Of Counsel at Brown McGarrell LLP in Dallas.

William B. Seed, was named president of The First Tee of Dallas.

James Wallen was elected Chair of the Board from Legal Aid of Northwest Texas for 2004-2005.

Judge Jay Patterson received the Distinguished Alumni Award from the Federation of State Medical Boards.

Joe B. Whisler was elected as President of the Minnesota Bar for 2004-2005.

Richard Anderson was named to the criminal defense section of the 2002-2003 edition of The Best Lawyers in America. Evelyn H. Biery was elected president of the SMU Dedman School of Law Alumni Harriet E. Miers '70, Assistant to the President and Staff Secretary to President George W. Bush, and ABC News air safety analyst John J. Nance '69 were honored as SMU's Distinguished Alumni at a formal presentation and dinner Oct. 17, 2003.

Miers earned a Bachelor of Science degree and a J.D. degree from SMU. After law school, Miers clerked for U. S. District Judge Joe E. Estes. In 1972 she joined the Dallas law firm of Locke, Purnell, Boren, Laney & Neely and built a successful career as a trial lawyer. The firm became Locke Purnell Rain Harrell in 1987 and merged in 1999 to become Locke Liddell & Sapp, L.L.P., with Miers as co-managing partner.

A former trial advocacy instructor for Dedman School of Law, Miers was elected the first woman president of the Dallas Bar Association in 1985 and became the first woman president of the State Bar of Texas in 1992.

Best known to television viewers as the aviation analyst for ABC News and aviation editor for "Good Morning America," John Nance also is a nationally known author, attorney, consultant, public speaker and pilot. Nance is the author of 13 fiction and nonfiction books, two of which were made into television miniseries.

Nance earned his Bachelor's degree at SMU in 1968, followed by a law degree in 1969. He served as a news anchor at WFAA-TV Channel 8 in Dallas from 1966 to 1970. He serves on the Dedman School of Law Executive Board.

The SMU Distinguished Alumni Award represents the highest honor the university can bestow upon its graduates who have rendered extraordinary service and achievement.
American College of Bankruptcy

Rhett Campbell was inducted as a fellow in the American College of Bankruptcy in the Great Hall of the U.S. Supreme Court.

B. Michael Chitty was appointed by Gov. Rick Perry to serve as judge of the 422nd District Court in Kaufman County.

Judge James Frasher retired as a district judge in Pueblo, Colorado.

William D. Elliott was named chairman of the State Bar of Texas Board of Directors.

Stephen Holley was named by Republic Title of Texas as residential counselor and branch manager for the Park Cities office.

Ralph C. "Red Dog" Jones was named grievance committee chairman for the Dallas Bar Foundation.

B. Michael Chitty was appointed by Gov. Rick Perry to serve as judge of the 422nd District Court in Kaufman County.

Gary Ingram received certification in labor and employment law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization.

William "Pat" Remington joined the office of Shannon, Gracey, Rodiff & Miller as partner in Arlington, Texas.

William Wilks has become a shareholder in Dallas' Hersche, Hayward, Drakeley & Urbach PC.

1974

Richard L. Arnold joined the Dallas office of Brown McCarroll as Of Counsel.

George F. Bowles became a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers.

Orin L. Harrison III was added to the firm of Andrews & Kurth LLP in Dallas as partner.

Michael M. Daniel received the annual Martin Luther King Jr. Justice Award from the Dallas Bar Association.

William Paul Bowers joined the law firm of Fulbright & Jaworski LLP in Dallas as partner.

Paul W. Brown moved to the law office of Paul W. Brown PC in Dallas.

Ron Brown joined the law firm of Andrews & Kurth LLP in Dallas as partner.

David E. Keltner received a Certificate of merit from the State Bar of Texas for Outstanding Professional Contributions.

Ted B. Lyon was elected vice president of the Dallas Trial Lawyers Association for 2003.

Judge John McClellan Marshall received the Honorary Title of Maria

Guy Harrison Honored With Crowley Award

Immediate Past President of the State Bar of Texas Guy Harrison '73 (pictured receiving the award from Betsy Whitaker '80 of Longview) has been named the recipient of the Crowley Award presented by the State Bar of Texas. He was presented the award by State Bar President Betsy Whitaker '80 during the State Bar of Texas Annual Meeting in Houston on June 12, 2003.

The Crowley Award recognizes meritorious services by a current or former member of the State Bar of Texas Board of Directors, Section Representatives, or Judicial Liaisons.
Michael Boone Receives Justinian Award

Michael Boone '67, co-founder and partner of Haynes and Boone LLP, was selected as the Dallas Lawyers Auxiliary 2004 Justinian Award recipient. (Pictured L-R): Michael Boone, Marla Boone, Dean Charles Galvin, Gail Turner, and SMU President R. Gerald Turner. The award is given annually 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.

He is a member of the SMU Board of Trustees, the Executive Committee of the SMU Dedman School of Law, and he is a former adjunct professor at the law school. He is a SMU Distinguished Alumnus and a Dedman School of Law Distinguished Alumnus.

1976

Don D. Bush was sworn in as the new US Magistrate Judge for the Eastern District of Texas in Sherman.

Judge Jeffrey V. Coen received the Equal Justice Award from Legal Aid of Northwest Texas for serving the legal needs of the poor with distinction.

Ned W. Graber was elected a Fellow in the American College of Mortgage Attorneys, a national honorary organization founded in 1974 of lawyers who have substantial experience as outside counsel or corporate counsel in the field of real estate mortgage lending.

Edward C. Herenstein has been appointed Partner with Roetsel & Andreas.

Joel A. Howard joined the Amaulio firm of Spouse Shaver Smith PC, as a shareholder in the Electric Power, Securities, and Business Entities sections.

Ken Molberg was elected to a two-year term as president of the Texas Employment Lawyers Association.

1977

Robert Carroll has joined Nixon Peabody LLP in San Francisco.

Catherine Crier has recently published The Case Against Lawyers.

Richard O. Faulk received a 2003 Burton Award for Legal Achievement.

Gary L. Fuller has become a shareholder in San Antonio’s Dunkert & Gibson.

Jeffrey A. Hage is a Trustee of the Dallas Bar Foundation.

J. Steven King was elected treasurer of the Texas Chapter of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers.

1978

David R. Cassidy was appointed Chair of the Committee on State and Local Taxes for the American Bar Association’s Section of Taxation.

Edwin W. Davis was appointed to the District 6A Grievance Committee of the State Bar of Texas.

Kant W. “Rocky” Robinson was elected President of the Houston Bar Association.

Foster Reese joined Rutten & Williams as an attorney in Dallas.

Robert R. Roby was elected 2002-2003 President of the Texas Association of Defense Counsel.

Barry Serrels was named to the criminal defense section of the 2003-2004 edition of The Best Lawyers in America.

Mark Werbner was named Texas Trial Lawyer of the Year by TEX-A.microsoft and the American Board of Trial Advocates.

Les Weiszbrod was elected president of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America, one of only six national offices elected by ATLA.

1979

J. Dennis Chambers was elected president for the 2003-2004 year of the Texas Association of Defense Counsel.
SMU Alumnus
Tony Garza
Appointed
Ambassador
To Mexico

President George W. Bush appointed Antonio O. "Tony" Garza Jr. '83 as Ambassador to Mexico, making him the youngest Ambassador to Mexico to take office.

Prior to his appointment Garza was the first Hispanic Republican in Texas history elected to the Texas Railroad Commission. He was then appointed as Texas Secretary of State and Senior Advisor by Governor-elect George W. Bush in 1994. In addition, Garza served as County Judge for Cameron County, and a lawyer in private practice for the law firm of Bracewell & Patterson. Garza received his Bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Texas at Austin in 1980 and his law degree from the SMU Dedman School of Law in 1983.

He received the SMU Dedman School of Law Distinguished Alumni Award in 2001.

Bush Appoints Teel Bivins as Ambassador to Sweden

President George W. Bush appointed Teel Bivins '74 as Ambassador to Sweden.

Ambassador Bivins served in the Texas Senate from 1989 to 2004. He most recently served as chairman of the Senate Finance Committee and held positions on the International Relations and Trade Committee and the Government Organization Committee. He was also a member of the Legislative Budget Board. In 1999, Ambassador Bivins served as President Pro Tempore of the Texas Senate.

A life-long resident of Amarillo, Texas, Ambassador Bivins graduated from Colorado Academy in 1966. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Tulane University in 1970 and J.D. degree from Southern Methodist University in 1974. From 1974 to present he has been self-employed in the cattle business and oil and gas business in Amarillo, Texas.

Richard S. Crowther has become a shareholder with Roberts Markel Guerry PC in Haunton.

Kevin Thomason was added to the firm and practice group at Thompson & Knight of Dallas.

1980

Eugene J. Myan was appointed to the Texas Board of Immigration and Nationality Law.

Rhonda F. Hunter was appointed as the 95th President for the Dallas Bar Association.

Brian D. Melton completed his year as the 94th President of the Dallas Bar Association in January.

Cynthia M. Holmfort received an "Outstanding Alumni Award" from the University of Dallas.

Timothy P. Powers was elected chairman of the World Services Group, a global non-profit network of professional service providers.

Craig W. Weinstein was named President of the Dallas Chapter of the Federal Bar Association by the Honorable Boudreaux Sanders.

Betsy Whiteside, past president of the State Bar of Texas, has joined Bracewell & Patterson LLP as a partner in the Dallas office.

1981

Jennifer Barr Altshug was selected by her peers to be included in the 2003-2004 edition of The Best Lawyers in America.

Kenneth W. Anderson Jr. is Director of Governmental Appointments for Governor Rick Perry.

Glenn A. Ballard Jr. was elected first vice president of the Houston Bar Association.

Judge Wanda McKeith Fowler, 14th Court of Appeals, was named Appellate Judge of the Year by the Texas Association of Civil Trial & Appellate Specialists.
John Gulick was elected Chairman of the Judicial Appointments Advisory Board for the City of Scottsdale, and serves as Vice President and General Counsel to H.E.R.C. Products reincorporated in Scottsdale, Arizona.


Barry McBee was appointed First Assistant Attorney General for the State of Texas.

Dawn Enoch Moore was elected to the SMU Alumni Association Board of Directors.

Pete Riley was elected to serve on Thompson & Knight’s management committee in Dallas.

Ralph Perry-Miller has joined Vial, Hamilton, Koch & Knut L.L.P. as a partner in Dallas.

Mark A. Shank was named endowed chair for the Dallas Bar Foundation’s 2004 Trustees.

Mark A. Todd has joined Dallas’ Stuckleford, Melvin & McKinley as a partner.

Steven Ladik was listed in The Best Lawyers in America.

Christopher J. Braun and his wife were presented with a Founder’s Award from Blessed Theodore Guerin High School.

Thomas M. Bullion III was named a member of the Product Liability Advisory Council Inc.

Dan Davison has become a board member of the North Dallas Chamber of Commerce.

Dawn E. Fowler co-authored “Characterization of Retirement Assets: Diversiture of Separate

Dallas Alumni Honor SMU Alumni Corporate Counsel

Dallas Alumni, under the leadership of Darwin Bruce ’95, hosted a reception in spring 2003 honoring alumni who are Corporate Counsel. The event brought together over 25 corporate counsel from the Dallas area. Alumni Counsel who attended included: (Pictured L-R; First Row) Darwin Bruce ’95, Mary Havakopra, Stephen Yeager ’93, Sally Stacy ’94, Vicki Blanton ’91, Sabrina Bramlett ’92, Lucy Johnson ’80, Jonathan Hustis ’80, Steve Solomon ’87, (Second Row) Larry Sewell ’65, Dawn Moore ’81, Frank Merlino ’89, James W. Massie III ’74, Rose Keagy ’94, Bettina Simon ’74, Donna Skeen ’95, David Sudbury ’70, (Third Row) David Abell ’94, Eric Allen ’91, Lee E. Beckman III ’79, Catherine Paulson ’00, Todd Martin ’97, David Haley ’86, Robert Hart ’87, Peter Huntress ’95.

Robert "Bob" D. Allen was listed in Euromoney Legal Media Group’s “Guide to the World’s Leading Insurance & Reinsurance Lawyers.”

Robert Foster authored "Characterization of Retirement Assets: Diversiture of Separate

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SMU Alum Wins Women's Advocacy Award

Sally Crawford ‘86, a partner in Jones Day in Dallas, was honored by the Legal Aid of North West Texas as the Pro-Bono Attorney of the Year at the 3rd Annual Women's Advocacy Awards in June 2003. The 2003 winners of the Women's Advocacy Awards are (L-R): Dr. Beverly Mitchel-Brooks, President & CEO for the Dallas Urban League; Norma L. Beasley, former Chairman, CEO and Chief Counsel for SafeCo Land Title Companies; and Sally Crawford.

Property is Alive and Well in Texas” for the July 2002 Texas Bar Journal.

Katherine A. Kaiser recently entered Pouzelli Kaiser in Dallas.

Randy Montgomery was elected to the Federation of Defense & Corporate Counsel.

Daniel P. Novakow joined Greenberg Traurig, LLP in Dallas.

Craig L. Stahl joined the litigation section of Andrews & Kurth as partner.

1983

Kay Elkins Elliott was appointed as a member of the board of directors of the Texas Mediator Credentialing Association.

Robert M. O’Boyle received the Scale of Justice Award from the NALS Foundation, a nonprofit education foundation that works with NALS, the association for legal professionals for his pro bono legal services in 2002.

Eric Peterson is the new executive vice president and general counsel at the Dallas-based energy company TEXASU Corp.

Brenda P. Serafino was named managing attorney for the Dallas office of Davis & Opper P.C.

Marian Spitzberg was elected as Secretary-Treasurer for 2003 for the Dallas Bar Foundation and has been named vice chairwoman for the Dallas Bar Foundation’s 2003 Trustees.

Carol A. Wilson has opened her firm in Kaufman, Texas and is Of Counsel at Siehman, Reynolds & Burg in Sherman, Texas.

1986

Sally Crawford, a partner in Jones Day in Dallas, was honored by Legal Aid of North West Texas as the Pro-Bono Attorney of the Year at the 3rd Annual Women's Advocacy Awards in June 2003.

Alex Law received an Outstanding Teaching Award from the Hong Kong Baptist University in March 2002 and became the Vice President of the Harvard Club of Hong Kong.

Jeff A. McDaniel was elected president of the Austin Intellectual Property Law Association for 2002-2003.

Michael Thimmig joined Greenberg Traurig, LLP in Dallas.

1987

Mark Blinn was promoted to CFO for Kinloch.

Bryan T. Forman recently retired as Chairman and CEO of First Financial Investment Securities, Inc., a Texas based broker/dealer, to focus his efforts on the private practice of law in the securities field, and is also serving nationally as a mediator and expert witness in securities industry and investment related matters. He continues to manage Austin Capital, LLC, a private equity investment and consulting firm for micro and small cap public companies.

Amy Gantel joined the Law Offices of Cowles and Thompson in Dallas.

Helen M. Hubbard recently joined the Office of Tax Policy as Tax Legislative Counsel.


D. Rainald "Randy" Montgomery was elected to the Federation of Defense & Corporate Counsel.

Stephen J. Livens formed the Wealth Planning Center, Inc providing medical consulting to the elderly, asset protection and off-shore tax planning.

Michael Shanessy founded Shanessy, Barnes & Greenberg Law Firm in Austin.

Edward Valdespino was appointed Partner-In-Charge of the San Antonio office of Straussburger & Price, LLP.

1988

William H. Church Jr. was added as a Partner and trial lawyer to Dallas’ Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld.

John H. Karne was named to the position of Senior Vice President and CFO of the Houston Exploration Company in Houston.

Troyce G. Wolf has become a partner with Waters & Kraus LLP in Dallas.

1989

Julie Dodd is Of Counsel in the Dallas office of Smith, Underwood & Pelti."s.

Shanema Karjecker is an assistant professor in the Department of Anesthesiology and Pain Management at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas.

Mike E. Pipkin was named partner in Dallas’ Seltzer, Deten, Moran & Arnold L.L.P.

Marc R. Romick Weissbarth has become a member of the law firm of Cooper Reed & McGraw in Dallas.
Bill Wilson has joined the Austin office of Haynes and Boone as Of Counsel in the firm’s corporate securities practice group.

Susan Wright was a director for the 2002-2003 term of the Rockwall County Bar Association.

1990

Billy McGill joined Fort Worth’s Brown, Herman, Dean, Wiseman, Eiser & Hart as an associate with the firm’s civil trial and appellate practice.

Mark J. Nastrito was promoted to shareholder in the Dallas office of Munsch Hardt Kopf & Harr.

Michael Ratcliffe has become an assistant U.S. attorney for the Eastern District of Texas.

Alan Ratliff joined Huron Consulting Group in Plano as the managing director of financial and economic consulting services in Texas and intellectual property law services nationwide.

Kay Roska was elected Chair of the Environmental Law Section of the Dallas Bar Association.

L. Kimberly Steele joined the Dallas office of Sedgwick, Deten, Moran & Arnold as special counsel.

1991

Martin M. Van Brauman moved to Lowlen Van Brauman LLP in Dallas.

Chrysa Castaneda joined the Dallas office of Locke Liddell & Sapp as a partner practicing products liability, consumer class actions, public law and intellectual property litigation.

Thomas D. Carole joined Mates & Shoffner, L.L.P. as Of Counsel in Dallas.

LaDawn H. Conway, of Munsch Hardt Kopf & Harr, has joined as a shareholder of the firm.

Yongjun “Charles” Fu, Esq. has become a member of the PacificNet Board of Directors.

Judge Karen Greene awarded the Macy’s Heart and Soul Award.

Judge Carla Lopez joined the Dallas office of Bacon & Budd, P.C. as Special Counsel.

Karen S. Precella was named a partner at Haynes and Boone, LLP in Dallas.

Barry “Chris” C. Rooher is now Vice President, Personal Trust Administration, in the trust division for the Bank of Oklahoma in Oklahoma City.

Irons Ramirez was appointed U.S. Magistrate for the Northern District of Texas.

Michael Sawicki formed a new Dallas partnership.

1992

David R. Tippetts joined the litigation team in the Houston office of Pillsbury Winthrop.

Scott Weber was transferred by Nared Networks to its Singapore office.

Gregory M. Weinstein was promoted to administrative partner in Gibson, Glower, LLP in Dallas.

Brown, Sawicki & Mitchell, LLP.

David M. Hundley has joined Chief Oil & Gas, LLP as general counsel.

Best Hunter joined the firm of Hargrove & Taylor, LLP in San Diego.

Diana E. McNeil joined Coranison, Bain & Lassen, L.C. as an associate.

Thomas R. Nelson, a corporate and securities partner, joined Patton Boggs in Dallas.

David M. O’Dell was named partner in the semiconductor, telecom, computer and biotechnology practice group of Haynes & Boone, LLP in Dallas.

Patrick J. Pacheco joined Husch, Blackwell, of Dallas.

John J. Pfister Jr. formed Pfister & Weaver, PLLC with Paul Weaver in Austin, Texas.

Denise Scofield received the Woodward R. Seals Outstanding Young Lawyer of Houston Award and the Outstanding Young Lawyer award given...
by the State Bar of Texas. She was also elected a director for the Houston Bar Association.

Bruce W. Steckler joined the firm of Silver Pearl & Sons as Of Counsel in Dallas.


Stephen J. Wyse was named Of Counsel for School & Stone L.L.P. in Dallas.

1993

Charles F. Carpenter was elected partner of Vinson & Elkins in New York.

Rey Chavez was appointed to serve the City of Dallas Municipal Court as Judge in the North Trinity Court.

R. Christopher Cowan opened the Cowan Law Firm in Dallas.

Kelly D. Hine was promoted to principal in the Dallas office of Fish & Richardson.

Richard D. Iannelli was named senior counsel in the tax section for Jackson Walker L.L.P. in Dallas.

Diane S. Jacobs joined Austin's Gresser & Lorenzo and will practice litigation and consumer protection law.

Wei Wei Jeang has joined the firm of Haynes and Boone in their Richardson office and has been named to the board of directors for the North Dallas Chamber of Commerce.

Christopher M. Joj was named an associate in the commercial litigation section of Godwin Gruber, LLP in Dallas.

M. Brent Johnson was elected a shareholder at Winstead, Sechrest & Minick in Dallas.

Jeffrey Winslow Kemp was named a partner of Fullbright & Jaworski in its Dallas office.

Jed Lackman was named Vice President, Business and Legal Affairs for Universal Studios Home Video.

Michael C. Lawrence has become an associate for Dallas' Godwin Gruber, LLP.

Matthew W. Ray was named a partner in the firm of Jones Day in Dallas.

Rusell Rippamonti has become a principal in Dallas' Fish & Richardson.

Oscar Rey Rodriguez joined Fullbright & Jaworski in Dallas as Of Counsel.

1994

Albert Tan was named a partner at Hayner and Boone L.L.P. in Dallas.

Alan W. Tompkins joined Unity Home, Inc. as Vice President and General Counsel in Dallas.

Jon Turinatto was named a partner at Chapman, Glueckman & Dean in Los Angeles.

Paul C. Webb was named a partner in Shackelford, Metcalfe & McKinney in Dallas.

M. Todd Welty was named to the executive board of the Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants.

Robert J. Witte was selected as the 2003 Dallas Outstanding Young Lawyer by the Dallas Bar Association of Young Lawyers. He has also been elected as Chairperson of the Board (2003-2004) of the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Craig J. Yudell formed a new firm Yudell & Yudell in Austin.

Christopher Howen was named a partner in Hermann & Egan, L.L.P. in Dallas.

Julie A. Herzog joined Osempa, Shuchat, Gillett & Herzog, L.L.C in Denver and will continue her corporate and securities practice.

Shari Keely was named a partner with the Dallas firm of Hermes Sargent Bates.

Vicki L. Martin was named partner in the tax, business and estate planning practice group at the Dallas office of Haynes & Boone L.L.P.

Mark Platt joined Fullbright & Jaworski L.L.P as an associate.

Bruce H. Rogers was named a partner in the firm of Brown McCarroll, LLP.
Anne L. Cook was named Attorney Coordinator of the year by the Dallas Volunteer Attorney Program.

Christi D. Feeney has become an associate for the Dallas office of Godwin Gruber, LLP.

Gene A. Hamm II has become a new partner with Godwin Gruber, LLP in Dallas.

Kelli M. Hinson has become a partner in the Dallas firm of Carrington, Coleman, Sloman & Blumenthal, LLP.

J. Robert Kalsu has become a shareholder with Crowe & Dunlevy's Oklahoma City office.

Christopher W. Kenney is a partner with Baker Botts in Dallas.


Michelle A. Morgan has become a partner in Dallas' Shackelford, Melton & McKinley.

Clement Osimetha was appointed by the Supreme Court of Texas as a member to the Board of Disciplinary Appeals for a term of three years.

Annie D. Richardson joined Thompson, Coe, Cousins & Irons LLP as an associate in Dallas.

Brandon J. Schneider joined CACI as a subcontractor for the Department of Justice in Washington, DC, after graduating with a MBA in International Management from Thunderbird, the American Graduate School of International Management.

Todd W. Shadle joined Godwin Gruber, LLP as an associate.

Chris Williams was elected a shareholder in Dallas' Winsused, Setharan & Minick.

1996

J. Paul Caver opened his new practice focusing on corporate/securities law and commercial transactions.

Marcie Flores was elected partner in the Dallas firm of Thompson & Knight LLP.

Brad M. LaMorgese joined Cooper & Scally, PC in Dallas.

Jeffrey M. Mitchell has become a partner in the banking and secured lending section of Higler, Furrman, Foxman & Owen, PC in Dallas.

James S. Seely was awarded the Karen Susan Outstanding Volunteer of the Year award for 2003 by the Texas Accountants & Lawyers for the Arts.

Ellen Sessions was promoted to income shareholder in the Dallas office of Jenkins & Gilchrist.

Misty Ventura was named a partner at Hughes & Jones LLP in Dallas.

Jason P. Wylie was elected a partner in Thompson & Knight's Fort Worth office.

1997

Eric L. Barrera joined Corpus Christi's Gary, Thomasson, Hall & Marks.

James W. Hamel joined Godwin Gruber, LLP as an associate.

DeWitt E. Hervey joined Hunton & Williams in Dallas as an associate.

Rocky M. Lawdermilk has become a partner with the Ferguson Firm in Beaumont, Texas.

1998

Grant E. Adamson was elected assistant general counsel for Temple-Inland Inc. in Diboll, Texas.

Nuri Al-Tabatabaie moved to the law firm of Latham & Watkins in Frankfurt, Germany.

Melinda Y. Balli joined Godwin Gruber, LLP as an associate.

Aimee P. Fagan joined Godwin Gruber, LLP as an associate in the securities section.

Patrick T. Farley joined Godwin Gruber, LLP as an associate with the intellectual property section in Dallas.

Samuel Jay Farlow is CEO of Innovate Group Inc.

Joshua M. O'Dwyer joined Thompson, Coe, Cousins & Irons LLP as an associate in Dallas.

Deborah Dall joined Lupton & Associates in Dallas.

Jennifer M. Grall joined McClain, Leppen & Markey, PC of Houston as an associate.

Benjamin Held joined Winstead Sechrest & Minick in Dallas as an associate with the real estate section.

Kathy H. Kang joined Ball & Wein in San Antonio as an associate.

Jennifer W. Knoet joined Dallas' Godwin Gruber, LLP as an associate.

Laura C. Mason joined the firm of Oppenheimer, Blend, Harrison, and Tann, Inc. in San Antonio.

Jennifer Murphy joined Bickel & Brewer's Dallas office.

Jennifer R. Perez joined the legal team at Michaels Stores Inc. as a corporate attorney.

Eric S. Tautfon joined the Dallas firm of Godwin Gruber, LLP as an associate in the commercial litigation section.

Joseph T. Trang joined Seyfarth Shaw, LLP as an associate in the Houston office.
Law School Alumnus Appointed Minister of Defense for Georgia

Gela Bzheshvili '97 was appointed the Minister of Defense for Georgia. He served as Director of the International Law Department at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in the Republic of Georgia from September 1997 to October 2000. He is the Expert-Member of the Committee On Struggle Against Corruption of European Council, Expert-Member of the Committee On International Law Advisors on Foreign Affairs of the European Council Member Countries, and Expert-Member of the Sub-Committee On National Minority Defense of the European Council. He received his LLM. from the SMU Dedman School of Law in 1997.

Raymond Walker was appointed to the board of directors of the Education for Tomorrow Alliance.

Natalie M. Brandt joined Winsead Seckler & Mink as an associate in the Litigation/Dispute resolution practice in Dallas.

Than Huggins joined Larson Dallan.

Ben Luci joined Wechet, Longest & Mayfield, PC in Waco, Texas.

Tanja Martini joined as an associate at Dallas, Texas.

Jesse Brian Schapira is in charge of the Legal Department of the American Jewish Distribution Committee in Arizona and is also working at the Legislative Office of the City of Phoenix as an Advisor to Senator Maricopa County of the Democratic Progressive Party.

K.D. Shuji joined Passman and Jones in Dallas.

Julia Zambra joined Angela Weadham '97 on Dec. 20, 2003 in Dallas.

Nathan Boucher joined the Dallas office of Horner Perry Wathen Kranz & Tread, P.L.L.C.

Jules Brenner joined Strasburger & Price in Dallas practicing in the areas of corporate securities and information technology.

Bryan Brooks is an associate in the Commercial Litigation and Antitrust Litigation Sections of Growlers & Thompson in their Dallas office.

Jonathan Buxton opened the law offices of Growers & Thompson in Dallas.

Michael Anderson joined the Dallas office of Briscoe & Patterson, LLP.

George Ambrosi opened the Law Offices of George Ambrosi in Dallas.

Samuel Borey joined Locke Liddell & Sapp LLP in Dallas practicing in the area of corporate securities.

Melinda Becker joined the 11.11. Law Firm in Dallas.

Elaine Berkeley joined Griffith & Griffith in Crockett, Texas.

Anthony Dallman joined Locke Liddell & Sapp LLP in Dallas practicing in the real estate section.

Joseph D'Afflitto joined Jenkins & Gilchrist in Dallas and focuses his practice on construction and government law.

James Doyle joined the Dallas office of Cooper & Scully.

Nathaniel Dunn joined the Houston office of Locke Liddell & Sapp LLP in their intellectual property practice.

Wendy "Trey" B. Dyer III joined Godwin Gente, LLP in the commercial Litigation section in Dallas.

Michael Enslin joined Smith & Carlson, PC in Dallas practicing in personal injury and medical malpractice.

Carla Hernandez joined Petro & Associates in Dallas.

Michael Field joined the Law Offices of James Storin in Dallas.

Jason Franklin joined the Dallas office of Jones Kank & Amin.

J. Christopher Fuller joined Bracken & Patterson in Dallas practicing in real estate energy and finance.

Eric Girard joined Growers & Thompson in Dallas.

Cynthia Casey joined the 11.1.1. Law Firm in Dallas.

Jennifer Harmon joined Thompson & Knight LLP in Dallas.

Melody Hawkins joined Sagarin, Frankman & Jones in Fresno, California.

Ryan Heyne joined Franklin, Cardwell & Jones PC in Houston.

Rebecca Henley joined Thompson & Knight LLP in the Dallas office.

Cisse Herrotington joined Hayes and insurance, LP in corporate securities, mergers and acquisitions in Dallas.

Douglas Heuer joined Thompson & Knight LLP in Dallas.

Brian Hilt joined Messerschalk, Kopfl & Barr, PC in Dallas as an associate.

Brent Huddleston joined the Law Offices of Richard A. Geppert, Jr., PC in Dallas.

Wade Johnson joined Judd & Jerson LLP in Houston.

Melissa Kates joined Shannon, Crain & Knight LLP in Dallas.

Kimberly Kendall joined the Dallas office of Thompson, Coons, Companies & Koons, LLP as an associate.

Justin Kimes joined Michael A. O'Neill, PC in Dallas.

Michael Lyons joined Godwin, Griffith, LLP in Dallas practicing corporate litigation, intellectual property and public law.

Judd Leach joined the Dallas office of Jones Day.
Sarah Lee joined Skadden Arps Slate Meagher & Flom in Chicago.

Greg Lindsey joined Waters & Kraus in Dallas.

Deborah Lively joined the Dallas office of Thompson & Knight and practices in the area of intellectual property.

Cynthia Lowery joined Socha, Perczak, Setser & Anderson, P.C., in Denver practicing in the area of personal injury defense and products liability.

Matthew Mahen joined Fossey & Proskoc, LLP in Fort Worth, practicing in bankruptcy and commercial litigation.

Paige H. Montgomery joined Wycliff, Goehl & Manges as an associate.

Michael S. Nelson joined Thompson & Knight in the firm's Dallas office as an associate.

Julie Nickols joined the office of Haynes and Boone, LLP, in Dallas and concentrates her practice in the area of intellectual property law, including the preparation and prosecution of patents and trademarks.

Travis Perry joined the Dallas office of Haynes and Boone, LLP and practices business litigation and intellectual property litigation.

Cara Foos Pierce joined Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld, LLP, as an associate in Dallas.

Amber Sterling joined Tidwell Swaim & Associates in Dallas.

Wesley Raff joined Dallas' Cooper & Scully practicing in insurance law, medical malpractice and personal injury defense.

Blake Riordan joined Dallas' Gerald, Singer & Levick.

Chad E. Robinson is an Associate in Winstead Sechrest & Minick's litigation/dispute resolution section.

Andrew Rosell joined Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld, LLP in Dallas.

Alan Rosenberg joined Houston's Thompson Coe as an associate in the insurance litigation & coverage group.

Jared Ross joined Baker Botts as a Dallas associate.

Nancy Sarmento joined Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld, LLP in Dallas.

David C. Schulte joined Thompson & Knight in Dallas as an associate.

Kristin Schroeder Simpson joined Weil, Gottshalk & Manges as an associate.

Evan Singer joined Jones Day in Dallas.

S. Talmadge Singer II joined Dallas' Thompson & Knight.

Dale Smith joined Ryley, Cakcloc & Applewhite in Phoenix, Arizona.

Stephanie Smith has become an associate in Baker Botts D.C. office.

M. Seth Sosolik joined Dallas' office of Bell Nunnally & Martin, LLP, as an attorney.

Amanda Sorak joined Dallas' Cooper & Scully; Davenport & Graves, LLP, in Dallas.

Cory Suitler joined Cooper & Scully in Dallas in health law and medical malpractice.

Todd Thorson joined Jones Day in Dallas.

David Tiffany is an associate in the health care section of Looper, Reed & McGraw of Dallas.

Brandy L. Treadway joined the Dallas office of Weil, Gottshalk & Manges LLP.

Ivan Tusingan joined Debevoise & Plimpton in Dallas.

Gabriel Vazquez joined Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP in Dallas.

William Venegoni joined the Law Office of James Stanton in Dallas.

Kelly Walker joined Dallas' Pyke & Associates practicing in probate and civil litigation.

William Wang joined Carsten, Yec & Cahoon, LLP, in Dallas.

Matthew Willcox joined Andrews & Kurth in Dallas.

David Hoffman joined Vial, Hamilton, Koch & Knox, LLP, as an associate in Dallas.

Robin B. Kirschbaum joined Thompson & Knight as an associate in Dallas.

Lauren Roemer Morgan joined Fullbright & Jaworski in Houston as an associate.

Jill Ninkirk joined Walsh, Anderson, Brown, Schulte & Aldridge, P.C., as an associate.

Shanna L. Ngent joined Akin Gump as an associate in Dallas.

PJ Putnam joined Thompson & Knight as an associate in Dallas.

Monica S. Raines joined Jenkins & Greenier in Dallas.

R.B. Ramsey joined Weil, Gotshal & Manges as an associate.

David E. Taylor joined Kelly, Hart & Hallman in Fort Worth as an associate with the firm's civil litigation practice.

Tobin D. Tewell joined Winstead Sechrest & Minick in Dallas as an associate.

Pamela Thompson joined The Girardi Law Firm as an associate.
In Memoriam

Frances Spears Cloyd '31

Frances Spears Cloyd, 93, died of cancer at her home in Houston on November 15, 2002. Spears earned her bachelor's degree from Southern Methodist University in 1929 and she became one of the first women to earn a law degree from SMU's law school in 1931. She also received a master's degree in law in 1959. Following her graduation, she pursued a career as a commercial real estate broker. She was an associate with Ebby Halliday's commercial real estate division and later became a vice president with Day Realty in Dallas. She continued to keep her ties to SMU through contributions and by serving on the SMU Alumni Association Board. Cloyd is survived by her sons Marshall P. Cloyd of Houston and Malcolm E. Cloyd of Los Angeles; her brother, Jackson E. Spears of New Canaan, Conn.; and three grandchildren. Marshall Cloyd, devoted son and SMU Dedman School of Law Executive Board member, with family and friends, established a scholarship fund in his mother's name to honor her foresight and determination in perpetuity at the school she so loved.

G. H. Kelsoe Jr. '48

G. H. Kelsoe Jr., age 78, passed away on Jan. 30, 2003 at his home in Dallas. He received his undergraduate degree at North Texas Agriculture College and his law degree at Southern Methodist University in 1948. For more than 50 years, he practiced law in Dallas and was both a skilled litigator and a compassionate counselor for his clients. Through the years, he also served as an officer, director and advisor to several insurance companies and banks and, at the time of his death, served as Chairman of the Board of Western Bank and Trust of Duncanville, Garland and Rowlett, Texas. He is survived by his wife, Mary; his sister and brother-in-law Martha and Wayne Long; his two sons and daughters-in-law, Garnett and Marcella Kelsoe and Robert and Laura Kelsoe; and five grandchildren, Camilla, Julia, Grace Allison, and Emily Kelsoe. Kelsoe has left a generous planned gift benefiting the SMU Dedman School of Law.
Bill E. Brice '54

Bill E. Brice, age 72, died at his home in Dallas April 4, 2003. Brice graduated from SMU's law school in 1954. Brice went on to revolutionize the telecommunications industry as he was the lead attorney in a case against AT&T that garnered the support of the Federal Communications Commission. The so-called Carterfone case was credited with opening the equipment side of the telecommunications industry to competition. He was Chairman and CEO of several companies, including Modern American Life Insurance Co., and of the North American division of Cable and Wireless PLC, which Carterfone merged. Brice was also an early adviser to two of his children Bill Brice Jr. and Julie Brice Beiersdorfer, founders of I Can't Believe It's Yogurt. Brice continued to support Southern Methodist University by serving on the SMU Dedman School of Law Executive Board. Brice is survived by his wife Barbara; his children: Bill Brice, Julie Beiersdorfer, Carol Brice, and Susan Brice; his sister Wanda Brice; and his brothers Charles Brice and Richard Caldwell. Brice financially supported many areas of the SMU Dedman School of Law.

John Sharpe '60

John Sharpe, age 67, died on Nov. 28, 2003. Sharpe attended Southern Methodist University and received his business degree in 1958 and his law degree in 1960. After graduating from law school, Sharpe spent 40 years in the life insurance business. In 1966, he founded the predecessor company to Transport Life Insurance Company, which was sold to the American Can Company. Some of his positions include CEO of American Can Company, Vice-Chairman of Southwestern Life, and Chairman of Banc One's Insurance Holdings. He served on the SMU Dedman School of Law Executive Board and the Willis M. Tate Distinguished Lecture Series Board. He taught an insurance law course for two semesters and was recognized as a distinguished alumnus by the SMU Dedman School of Law in 2003. He is survived by his wife of 44 years, Margaret; Margaret's mother, Virginia Bagwell; his brother Bob; Bob's wife Barbara; his children and their spouses: Mike and Jenny Sharpe, Jenny and Tim Shell, Debby and Brad Smith, Susan Sharpe, Tom and Catherine Sharpe; and his 10 grandchildren. Sharpe and his family were very generous to the SMU Dedman School of Law and established several endowment funds for the law school and SMU.

John Robert Howie '76

Renowned Dallas trial attorney John Robert Howie passed away on Dec. 31, 2002. Born in Paris, Texas on June 29, 1946, Howie graduated from the University of North Texas in 1968 with a business degree. He attended Southern Methodist University's law school where he graduated with honors in 1976. Howie limited his law practice to personal injury and wrongful death litigation involving aviation products liability and negligence cases. In 1995, he founded the law firm of Howie and Sweeney, L.L.P. with long-time law partner Paula Sweeney. The SMU Dedman School of Law recognized Howie as a distinguished alumnus in 2001. He served on the SMU Dedman School of Law Executive Board, Board of Advisors for the SMU Journal of Air Law and Commerce, and was a SMU parent. He was also past president of the Dallas Bar Association, which named Howie its 2002 Trial Lawyer of the Year. He is survived by his mother, Frances, his daughters Ashley and Lindsey, his son John, his daughter-in-law Kami, his grandson John Robert III, and sister-in-law Charlie Fay Yates. Howie financially supported many areas of the SMU Dedman School of Law with emphasis upon scholarships, legal clinic and moot court.
### 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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family gathered before each of the home football games to enjoy food, drink and fellowship at the law school's tent on the northern curve of Bishop Boulevard.
Dean's Reception

Cynthia Ann Stephens '83, and Professor Paul Rogers

Thomas W. Powell '73, Thomas B. Carter '79, and Mike Pasham '73

Mike Chaudhry, Sarah Paez Peche '93, Hubert J. Boykin '86, and Anson Christian '03

GiGi Steiner '88 and Risa Garcia Ransdell '88

Carl F. Mcclellan '53, Martha Mcclellan, Robert Cowan '59, and Peggy Cowan.

Burt Betty '53, Professor Alan Bremberg, and James K. Rushing '57
Law School alumni gathered on Friday and Saturday, April 11 and 12, 2003, to celebrate their affiliation with the SMU Dedman School of Law.

The 2003 reunion weekend began with a continuing legal education program presented by Christopher Hanna, Professor of Law at the SMU Dedman School of Law and Consultant to the Joint Committee on Taxation Investigation of Enron. He made his presentation, titled "Enron: A Case Study in How to Report Profits and Pay No Taxes" before a crowd of over 100 alumni in the Hillcrest Classroom of the Underwood Law Library.

Immediately following the CLE program, the dean and faculty of the law school hosted a reception for alumni from all graduating classes and their guests in Karcher Auditorium. The "Long Distance Award" went to Hideki Kojima '78, who traveled from his home in Tokyo, Japan, to attend the reception and his class party the following day.


The Class of 1953 reunited at the Crown Plaza Hotel in Addison, Texas, April 12, 2003.

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Class of 1953


Hughston Thomas '53 and Judge Max Osborn '53.
Class of 1958

The Class of 1958 reunited at the Dallas Petroleum Club in downtown Dallas, Texas, April 12, 2003.

George R. Alexander Jr. '58, Nan Alexander, Vera Zable, Norman Zable '58, Patsy Lefcowich, and James W. Lefcowich '58.

Dean Charles Galvin, Peggy Galvin, Pat Coggan, Jerry Lefcowich '58, Betty Jo Lefcowich, and Lee Coggan Jr. '58.

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Class of 1963

The Class of 1963 reunited at the Park City Club in Dallas, Texas, April 12, 2003. Pictured: Ed Smith '63, Judge Hildi DeAlba '76, Bill Sr., Boyd '63.

Barbara Priddy Clark '63 and John W. Clark Jr. '63.

W. Kevin Wyrick '63 and Jane Wyrick.
The Class of 1968 reunited at the home of Diane and Jim Burnham '68 in Dallas, Texas, April 12, 2003.

Dean John B. Attanasio and Jim Burnham '68.

Former Congressman James A. Mattox '68, Roland Bandy '68, and Joe Bailey Hyden '68.

The Class of 1973 reunited at the home of Ralph "Red Dog" Jones '73 in Dallas, Texas, April 12, 2003.

Carmen Godwin '73, Don Godwin '73, Ralph "Red Dog" Jones '73, Adrienne Rosen, and Thomas Rosen '73.

Howard A. Borg '73, Carole Borg, and Sally Jones.
Class of 1978

The Class of 1978 reunited in Karcher Auditorium in Storey Hall at the SMU Dedman School of Law, April 12, 2003.

Class of 1983

The Class of 1983 reunited at the home of Frank and Julie Clark Reedy '83 in Dallas, Texas, April 12, 2003.

Judge Lee Ann Dauphinot '78.

Judge Lee Ann Dauphinot '78, Carol E. Farguhar '78, R. Michael Farguhar, Beth Morgan '78, and Marc Sands Culp '78.

Julie Clark Reedy '83 and Anne Moody Taylor '83.

The Class of 1983 has dinner and shares memories in Frank and Julie Clark Reedy's '83 backyard.
Class of 1988

The Class of 1988 reunited at Gershwin's in Dallas, Texas, April 12, 2003.

Saundra Rae Steinberg '88 and Judge Vic Cunningham '88.

Heather H. Forward '88 and Rita Garcia Ransdell '88.

Class of 1991

The Class of 1991 reunited at Man's Rancho Martinez in Dallas, Texas, April 12, 2003.

Regina Montoya Menzanos '91, David Menzona, Frances Fuze Winikates '91, Keith Beasley, and Chuck Winikates '84

Sheri Groves and Curtis R. Groves '91
The Class of 1993 reunited at Martita's Café Mexicano in Addison, Texas, April 12, 2003.

Class of 1998

The Class of 1998 reunited at Sammy's Barbecue near downtown Dallas, Texas, April 12, 2003.

David Scott Glickler '93, Holly Glickler, Reinaldo Chavez '93, and Carrie Chavez.

Lisa K. Steele '98 and Patricia Lynn Zacharie '93

Christopher Rowley '98, Scott Kimpel '98, and Katrina Kimpel

Shorna Brown '98, Marie Briner '98, and Jennifer Dickey
Howie Sweeney Moot Court Competitions Provide Experience

A Texas Supreme Court Justice, a U.S. District Judge and a U.S. Attorney presided at the Howie Sweeney Moot Court Competition in the Hillcrest Room of the SMU Dedman School of Law March 30, 2004. Justice Harriet O’Neill of the Texas Supreme Court, Judge David Godbey of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas, and Jane Boyle ’81 of the U.S. Attorney’s office (now a Judge for the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas) heard the Final Round Arguments made by second-year students Ashley Stewart and Renee Chafitz on the respondent team and Keith Ozygun and Kara Grimes on the petitioner team.

The case was about an Arab American airline passenger who claimed to have been unreasonably searched in an airport terminal. The issue involved whether the questioning of the passenger constituted a legal “stop” and if so, whether the stop was unreasonable considering the circumstances. The FAA had received an anonymous tip describing an Arab American and the individual acted suspiciously in the airport. The case was filed by the individual, Suleyman Haddad against the head of the Federal Aviation Administration.

The justices declared Ashley Stewart and Renee Chafitz on the respondent team as the winners and Ashley Stewart as Best Oralist. Following the announcement of the winners the justices congratulated the teams and gave their opinions on how the teams could have done better.

Dedman School of Law Students Win NHBA Moot Court Competition

Stephen Romero, a third year law student, and Thuy Nguyen and Sandra Salas, both second year law students, won first place at the National Hispanic Bar Association International Moot Court Competition, March 26-27, 2004, in Albuquerque, New Mexico. In addition the team also won Best Petitioner’s Brief.

“The students who participated on this team were some of the finest law students I have worked with,” said David Schulte ’02, an associate at Thompson & Knight and team coach. “My involvement in moot court competitions during law school was quite instrumental in my total academic experience, and I promised that I would try and give something back.”

In moot court competitions, students make appellate law arguments. They are judged on oral advocacy and brief preparation. In order to win the championship, student teams advance through several rounds of competition.

The next National Hispanic Bar Association International Moot Court Competition will be held in Dallas in 2005.
Dedman School of Law School Hosts Domestic Violence Week

A survey by the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence found that in over 6,000 American families, 50 percent of the men who frequently assaulted their wives also frequently abused their children. These studies show that domestic violence is an ongoing cycle that usually begins in childhood and, if nothing is done to remedy the effects, the behavior moves into the victim's adult relationships.

"Domestic violence affects families at every income level, and it is important for community leaders to be familiar with the issues surrounding family violence," said Rebecca Greenan, Director of Public Service Program at the SMU Dedman School of Law, whose experience in poverty law and specifically domestic violence issues motivated her to initiate the Domestic Violence Prevention Week program.

The program, held in February, provides opportunities to educate students through a series of presentations by speakers who offer insight into this important issue and areas of need for battered women and their children. Topics in 2004 included: prosecuting domestic violence cases, holding batterers accountable, and the struggle to save a family violence victim from deportation, a subject involving both criminal and immigration law.

"We have always tried to expose the students to this problem from a variety of perspectives, including prosecution of perpetrators of family violence, learning about domestic violence shelters and working with battered intervention programs," Greenan said.

The program has been growing slowly since 1996, a year after Greenan arrived at SMU, and began with only two speakers that fall. In 2000, Greenan's efforts came to fruition with the first Domestic Violence Week. "It took a while to plant the seed," Greenan said. "It didn't just happen. It happened because there was support."

That support came in the form of sponsorship from groups such as the Association for Public Interest Law, the Asian American Law Students Association, the Black Law Students Association, the Hispanic Law Students Association, the Public Service Program, Women in Law, the Family Law Association, the Student Health Law Association, and the Christian Legal Society.

"I believe their sponsorship is indicative of the law student community's support for educating the student body about domestic violence," Greenan said.

The public service graduation requirement at the law school came into effect in 1996. In that year, 1189 public service hours were spent working on domestic violence issues; over 14 percent of the total hours worked. Greenan attributes this interest in large part to the two speakers who presented that year.

"If you get them there, they're learning," Greenan said, "I want them to have a broad-based understanding of all the different ways that they might, as future lawyers, make a difference in this area -- whether it is as judges, attorneys, legislators, or just general members of society."
SMU Dedman School of Law’s Public Service Program Helps Community, Gives Students Practical Experience

Starting with the graduating class of 1996, SMU Dedman School of Law students have performed more than 83,357 hours of public service for the community. The law school determined the benefit of public service to law students and started requiring in 1996 a minimum of 30 hours of law-related public service prior to graduation. Some law students are so committed that they have dedicated over 500 hours or have gone on to work in public service.

Two of the most popular placements are the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program and the Law-Related Education (LRE) program. VITA permits students to help low-income taxpayers complete their income tax returns, thus enabling the taxpayer to retain their full tax refund. LRE places law students in selected Dallas Independent School District elementary schools to teach fifth-grade children about our legal system. Both programs act as a bridge between SMU and the Dallas community.

One goal of the faculty in adopting this graduation requirement was to enhance the legal profession and the law school curriculum by exposing future attorneys to the importance of and the need for a life-long commitment to public service.

Students are able to select their public service placement from among a wide range of opportunities. Some students work with persons unable to afford legal representation through Legal Aid of North West Texas, the Dallas Legal Hospice, Catholic Charities, or the Housing Crisis Center. Other students spend their time helping attorneys by conducting legal research or offering litigation support through placements such as the Texas Attorney General’s Consumer Division or the EEOC.

Public Service Placements
Graduating Classes 1996-2004
2,158 Students Performed 83,357 Hours - Average 39 Hours Per Student
An Inside Look At The

SMU Dedman School of Law

Graduates

Of The Class Of 2003

Congratulations, to the 222 J.D. Graduates and the 56 LL.M. Graduates of the Class of 2003. A few of our graduates discuss their experiences, dreams and words of wisdom they took to heart during their law school days at SMU.

Catherine Betty K. Bamugemereire
Kampala, Uganda

Uganda’s Chief Magistrate Catherine Bamugemereire became interested in the law because her older brother was an ardent reader of Perry Mason mysteries. Intrigued by the fascinating plots of the Mason novels, she became an avid reader at an early age. She was admitted into the only law school in Uganda, Makerere University and graduated with a Bachelor of Laws Degree with honors. Upon her graduation, she hoped to pursue graduate studies, but only at a reputable university abroad. However, that opportunity only presented itself two years ago when her husband, George, got a foreign assignment to Mexico. George had been introduced to SMU while participating in the Southwestern Legal Foundations’ Academy of American and International Law approximately 10 years ago. Now that they were in the western hemisphere, SMU became a natural choice. “I am proud of the choice I made. I have since heard many say this school is a class apart. It is the Ivy league college of the south.”

Bamugemereire, who enjoys listening to classical music, reading poetry and classical novels, playing guitar and taking Salsa lessons, is grateful to all her SMU professors for being patient with the international students as they tried to communicate their ideas. She particularly enjoyed Dean Attanasio’s class in Constitutional Law. “A must take,” she said, “for anyone attempting to study the American legal system.”

Bamugemereire’s extracurricular activities included working with Professor Kofele-Kale as his research assistant and membership in the International Law Association, the Global Connection Program and the International Friendship Program. Professor Kofele-Kale offered her the opportunity to learn new research methods and presented timely fatherly advice that helped her when the year was tough.

In addition to her academic experiences, Bamugemereire will also take with her fond memories of law school camaraderie at tailgate parties on the Boulevard, the colorful lights at Christmas, and snow flakes “that fell like rain drops” in February when she and her children, Timothy and Sheila enjoyed their first snow experience.
Erwin E. Caban
San Antonio, TX

For Erwin Caban, a Puerto Rican born military dependent, becoming a lawyer was an opportunity to improve his professional life. "I was stagnant," he said. "I have always thrived on constant learning and being challenged, both of which are essential to an attorney's success. I had spent nine years working for a national restaurant corporation when I finally left it as a general manager." This was time for change - and change he did. Caban, with Monica, his wife of seven years, and their children Kaithlin and Ethan, sold their home in San Antonio and cashed in all their savings so he could attend law school. Monica and the children remained in San Antonio while Caban drove to Dallas each week - "memorizing every inch of Interstate 35."

Caban fell in love with the law school campus. "It was love at first sight. It was an honor to be invited into such a prestigious academic community." The memories he carries from law school are many - developing great friendships with truly brilliant peers whose accomplishments he plans to read about one day; listening to noon lectures by some of the most accomplished members of the legal profession; reaching the law to fifth graders as part of the Law Related Education program; and participating as a panelist in the Minority Pre-Law Symposium. "Graduating from the Marine Corps' Officer Candidate School was the toughest physical challenge of my life, but law school was by far the toughest overall challenge I have ever experienced."

In addition to maintaining an already challenging personal schedule by returning home to San Antonio each weekend, Caban followed a rigorous regimen of service to Dedman Law during the week in Dallas. He was Managing Editor of the SMU Law Review, a member of The Baristers, an SBA tutor for first year law students, the SMU liaison to the Dallas Association of Young Lawyers, and research assistant to Professor Joseph McKnight. He was both Best Casenote finalist and Best Comment finalist for the SMU Law Review Association's Journal of Air Law & Commerce with both articles designated for publication. After his first year, he received the BOA's Outstanding Service Award and during his first summer, he was an intern to U.S. District Judge Fred Biery, Western District of Texas.

Caban joined Fulbright & Jaworski LLP in San Antonio as a bond lawyer in the public finance section.

Wendy Jan Gerwick
Carmel, IN

Wendy Gerwick of Carmel, Ind., graduated summa cum laude and was class valedictorian.

After graduation, Gerwick became a federal court law clerk for the Honorable Barbara M. G. Lynn of the Northern District of Texas.

"I want to practice commercial litigation because I enjoy the complexity of the issues involved. It sounds exciting to face new, interesting problems every day," said Gerwick, who grew up in Clayton, Calif., and graduated from high school in Carmel.

While in law school, Gerwick was student director of the Academic Skills Assistance Program, a tutoring program for first-year students. She also served as editor of the SMU Law Review Association's Annual Survey of Texas Law, which surveys noteworthy developments in Texas law.

Gerwick graduated summa cum laude in 1998 from Duke University, where she majored in economics and French. She spent her junior year studying French language and culture in Grenoble, France.

Asked why she decided to become a lawyer, Gerwick said, "After receiving my undergraduate degree, I realized that, despite receiving an excellent liberal arts education, I did not have very much to offer to the community or to a potential employer. I was attracted to law school because I felt that, as a lawyer, I would possess meaningful skills that I could use to support myself and to contribute to the community."

Gerwick, whose father is a research chemist at DowAgrosciences, credits her parents for encouraging her and her brother, now a civil engineer, intellectually and creatively by fostering an atmosphere of lively conversation. "We did not own a television until I was in high school. Over the dinner table, we would debate different issues. That was exciting and stimulating. And we still do the same thing when we all get together at Thanksgiving," she said.
Kirk A. McKinnon
Atlanta, GA

Kirk Andrew McKinnon has taken advantage of many opportunities in his life. After graduating from Washington and Lee University with a B.A. in History, he spent a year working in Vail, Colorado, enabling him to ski at least six days a week. Forcing himself to leave the ski country, McKinnon joined Haynes and Boone in Dallas and worked as a legal assistant. Then for a short period before law school, he was a youth counselor at his church while pursuing a Master's of Christian Education Degree at Dallas Theological Seminary.

A corporate lawyer, McKinnon’s father had graduated from Emory University with a law degree. This fatherly influence shaped the final decision McKinnon made regarding his career to become a lawyer. "My father has always said that his law degree has been the most useful tool to him in opening doors business-wise, as well as laying the groundwork for learning how to approach business and legal issues on a daily basis." Since working in Dallas was his ultimate goal, the SMU Dedman School of Law was the perfect choice.

"I realized on graduation day, as I laughed with Dean Attanasio when he gave me my degree, and then I walked along the line of professors back to my seat, that I will never forget the significant number of people that I consider good friends as a result of law school." One of the highlights of each day was visiting and laughing with Shirley Wilson in the Eatery. Professor DeLoach answered any question with good humor, Beth Thornburg broke down complex issues in her Procedure classes, and Marc Steinberg, whom he worked closely with on the Corporate Counsel Symposium, taught him Securities Regulation. "It just seems rare to find a place where you can have equal access to all people, whether student, professor or Dean."

Finding an avenue of service was not difficult for McKinnon. He served with the Barristers Service Organization, as an SBA Tutor, as an ASAP Tutor for Property, as the Treasurer of the Phi Delta Phi Legal Fraternity and as an Associate Editor for the SMU Law Review's 2002 Corporate Counsel Symposium.

McKinnon joined Haynes and Boone LLP in Dallas as an associate in the Corporate Section.

Jian (William) Qiu
Chengdu City, China

A puzzled friend asked "William" Jian Qiu why he was waiting 'one more year to begin your career?" He replied with a smile: "Because I want to be not only the best lawyer, but also a brilliant scholar. The training at an esteemed American law school, such as SMU, is indispensable for me to achieve that distinction."

When Qiu entered the Foreign Languages Department of Tsinghua University, his English was not very good. Instead of giving up, however, he focused all his energy on learning English and by the end of his sophomore year, he had mastered it. Once his obsession with English had been satisfied, he was able to focus on what to do for his career. He took several law classes and became aware of China's need for legal reform and the opportunities for professionals to advance in that field. In 1999, he was admitted to Tsinghua Law School and was awarded a Jiuxiongjian Scholarship in 2000. While taking a course offered by Duke Professor David Warren called "Distinctive Aspects of American Law," American law became his new passion.

He received several recommendations by colleagues to attend SMU and after an interview with former SMU Professor Jane Winn, he applied and was accepted as a Helmut Schmidt Scholar. Qiu believes that being a lawyer is a direct way to contribute to the establishment of the rule of law in China.

While a student in the International and Comparative Law program, Dean Attanasio peaked his interest in First Amendment and Constitutional Law. "He always stimulated the class to think," he said. Professor Lowe impressed him with his wisdom and sense of humor; and Professor Hanna demonstrated his mastery of taxation by simplifying complicated tax laws. He was a member of the Association of International Lawyers and the Association of Asian Law Students.

"The nine months at SMU Law School will always be wonderful to me. I am deeply impressed with the eloquence of my professors, the intelligence of my classmates and the beauty of the campus." Qiu views the commencement ceremony as truly a highlight of his life - this was the announcement of his accomplishments thus far and encouragement for him to succeed in his future career as an attorney practicing law in Beijing.
Pam Cook Thompson
Lucas, TX

Before law school, Pam Cook Thompson was a practicing registered nurse for 20 years, with the last ten years spent at CareFlite functioning as a Level III flight nurse and as a Clinical Nurse Specialist training 50 flight team members at three bases. Prior to her work at CareFlite, she served in various capacities in critical care settings working under high stress, life and death situations at Children's Medical Center in Dallas and R.E. Thomason Hospital in El Paso, Texas. “I wanted to go to law school earlier, but waited until my son, Kris, was out of high school so I wouldn’t miss out on ‘his time’. After starting law school I was so glad I waited, because the time commitment was intense.”

On her dad’s encouragement, that “if you wanted to work in Dallas, SMU is THE place to go,” she enrolled at SMU planning to ultimately specialize in the area of medical malpractice. “As an RN, I saw blatant malpractice occur. It was usually covered up so neither the patient nor their family would find out.”

Thompson’s resume includes a B.A. from Texas Christian University, graduate studies in nursing from Texas Women’s University, numerous professional certifications as well as authoring several articles for publication and presentation in her field.

During law school, Thompson was involved in several student activities including membership on the Negotiation team and service as the Health Law Association Vice President and Secretary. The highlight of her time at Dedman Law was participating in the Child Advocacy Clinic and being able to help real clients that needed help.

Upon graduation, Thompson joined the small plaintiffs medical malpractice firm Girard’s Law Firm in North Dallas.

R. Jeronimo Valdez
Dallas, TX

At 13, Rogelio Jeronimo Valdez discovered his future profession while delivering office supplies to the SMU Dedman School of Law.

“It was summer, it was hot - about 107 degrees and I was helping my uncle deliver computer paper to the school. My uncle pointed out the students and said ‘Jeronimo, those students are going to be lawyers someday,’ and that’s when I knew what I wanted to be in life,” he said.

A Dallas native, Valdez is one of seven children reared by a single mother and the first in his family to graduate from college. At the age of seven, his mother was deported to her village in rural Mexico. For a time he lived in both countries, living with his grandparents while in Dallas in order to complete his education.

After graduating from the University of Texas at Arlington with a B.A. in Political Science, Valdez pursued his dream by applying to the SMU law school.

“SMU was always my first choice,” Valdez said. “I’m very close to my family and to my community. Dallas has always been my home, so attending a great school in the city that I love was an easy decision to make.”

Valdez proved his closeness to his community when he took time out of his studies to help settle a clinic case (DTPA) for two Spanish-speaking, low-income clients (which allowed them to repair their home) and to help Liz Cedillo ’99 at Catholic Charities Immigration Services to win a deportation case.

Valdez did more than just attain his J.D. from the law school; he kept himself deeply involved in student activities as well as finding time to be Vice-President of the SBA, Judges Director and Master Level Advocate on the Board of Advocates, Vice President of the Hispanic Law Students Association (HALSA), Board Member of the Jackson Walker Moot Court, Articles Editor for Computer Law Review and Technology Journal, and a member of Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity.

In his third year, Valdez married his high school sweetheart, Lucero, and upon graduation he joined the trial section at Gardere Wynne Sewell, LLP.

“SMU was very good to me,” Valdez said. “I made some great friends, many of whom I hope will be lifelong friends. Those friends provided countless fond memories that I will carry with me always.”
Wendell E. Washington
Smithville, TX

For Wendell Washington, deciding to become a lawyer was easy. "I believed becoming a lawyer I could help people with their legal problems, but also be there for them when they needed spiritual or emotional support." However, his decision on where to attend law school was not an easy one. He even waited for one year after graduation from Southern Methodist University undergrad with a B.A. in English, before deciding where to attend. Doing what was best for his family, his wife, Kaycee and their two children, Christopher and Marley, was paramount in making his decision. Once the decision was made to stay in Dallas, it made perfect sense - less adjustment for his family, the reputation that an SMU law degree carries with it, and a generous scholarship all contributed to making this choice the best for him.

Not surprisingly, the highlight of his student career also pertained to his family and occurred when he landed his first summer clerkship. Washington’s wife had been laid off from her job and the burden of their family’s finances had been placed on her. This clerkship represented an opportunity for a permanent position after graduation and, for the first time, he felt he had not let his family down.

Washington was active in extra-curricular activities, taking part as an officer in the Black Law Students’ Association (BLSA) each year, in the Rocky Mountain Regional BLSA, and Computer Law Review & Technology Journal. He actively recruited potential students for the Admissions office, speaking on panels and participating in mock classes at pre-law symposiums and forums. He, along with BLSA, successfully hosted the Rocky Mountain Regional BLSA Convention and the Frederick Douglass Moot Court Competition.

As to which professors influenced him the most? “Every professor I had, and several who I did not have, influenced me.”

Eileen B. Youens
Austin, TX

For Eileen Bamberger Youens, going to law school was not in her original long-term plans. When she began college at Southwestern University in Georgetown, Texas, she planned to earn a Ph.D. in music and teach music history. However, a short stint during her junior year as a part-time piano instructor at a local junior high school helped her realize that teaching would not be a satisfying career for her. Deciding that she needed an avenue for intellectual challenges and one-on-one problem solving opportunities, Youens chose to study law at SMU Dedman School of Law. "The law school’s curriculum and activities had a good balance between the practice of law and the theory of law,” said Youens. "It didn’t hurt that my husband (then fiancé) had already decided to go to medical school at U.T. Southwestern.”

The highlight of her time in law school came in the fall of her third year when she had an opportunity to attend the Association of American Law Schools Faculty Recruitment Conference with the Faculty Recruitment Committee in Washington, D.C. "It was an amazing opportunity - not just getting to meet the candidates, but also getting to spend time with Dean Attanasio and the faculty members on the Committee. We spent two days in Washington, D.C., interviewing intelligent people who were all interested in coming to teach at SMU,” Other fond memories included taking Professor Tom Mayo’s Law, Literature and Medicine class and being the first person called on in Professor Bill Bridge’s Criminal Law Class on the first day of school.

Making good on her commitment to help others, this SMU Law Review Editor-in-Chief and Frances Spears Cloyd Scholarship recipient found time to be a research assistant for Professor Tom Mayo, a teaching assistant for Legal Research & Writing Professor JoAnn Hubbard, a Student Bar Association Tutor and an Academic Support and Assistance Program Tutor for Civil Procedure. After graduation, she clerked for the Honorable A. Joe Fish, Chief Judge for the Northern District of Texas.
International LL.M. Class of 2003

The International LL.M. Class of 2003 included 42 students from 20 countries: Argentina, Brazil, China, Democratic Republic of Congo, Denmark, Eritrea, Germany, Jordan, Mexico, Nigeria, Panama, Republic of Korea, Saudi Arabia, Sierra Leone, Syria, Taiwan, The Peoples Republic of China, Thailand, Uganda, United Arab Emirates, and Vietnam.

Your presence has enriched our lives in more ways than you can imagine, for that we thank you. The sight of small groups of lawyers from different vectors of the global compass sitting in the law quadrangle, engaged in animated discussions about the law with their American counterparts is a poignant reminder of the common language all lawyers speak - a language that transcends the parochial boundaries of the dominant legal traditions to which we owe our legal formation. Equally remarkable is the fact that differences in culture, background and language notwithstanding, successful friendships have been struck across artificial divides. This is as it should be as the SMU Law experience is intended to cement the bonds that bind us and to valorize those things that underscore our common humanity.

With all the distractions that you had to contend with, you have, however, kept your sight fixed on what brought you here in the first place... We are confident that like the alumnus and alumni of the International/Comparative Law Program before you, you too will etch your distinctive mark on your respective legal landscapes. I salute you and wish you all the best!

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