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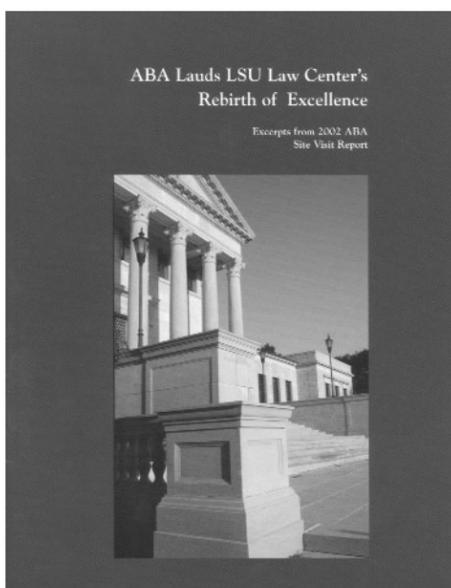
LSU PAUL M. HEBERT LAW CENTER NEWSLETTER

## ABA Praises Law Center's Renewal

The American Bar Association has credited the Law Center with reversing the conditions that caused a 1994 ABA Accreditation Committee to declare the Law Center in violation of ABA library, physical plant, and budgetary standards. "The issues that confronted the 1994 Site Team have virtually all disappeared," the ABA's 2002 Accreditation Site Visit Team declared.

Members of the team included New York Law School Dean Rick Matasar, Idaho University Provost Brian Pitcher, Nancy Neuman, a former League of Women Voters President, and librarians, clinicians, and professors from the law faculties of George Washington University and the Universities of Iowa and of San Diego. Preparation of a Law Faculty self-study and exhaustive documentation of virtually every facet of the Law Center's programs preceded the team's three-day visit.

The ABA accreditation process affords the single most rigorous and objective evaluation of a law  
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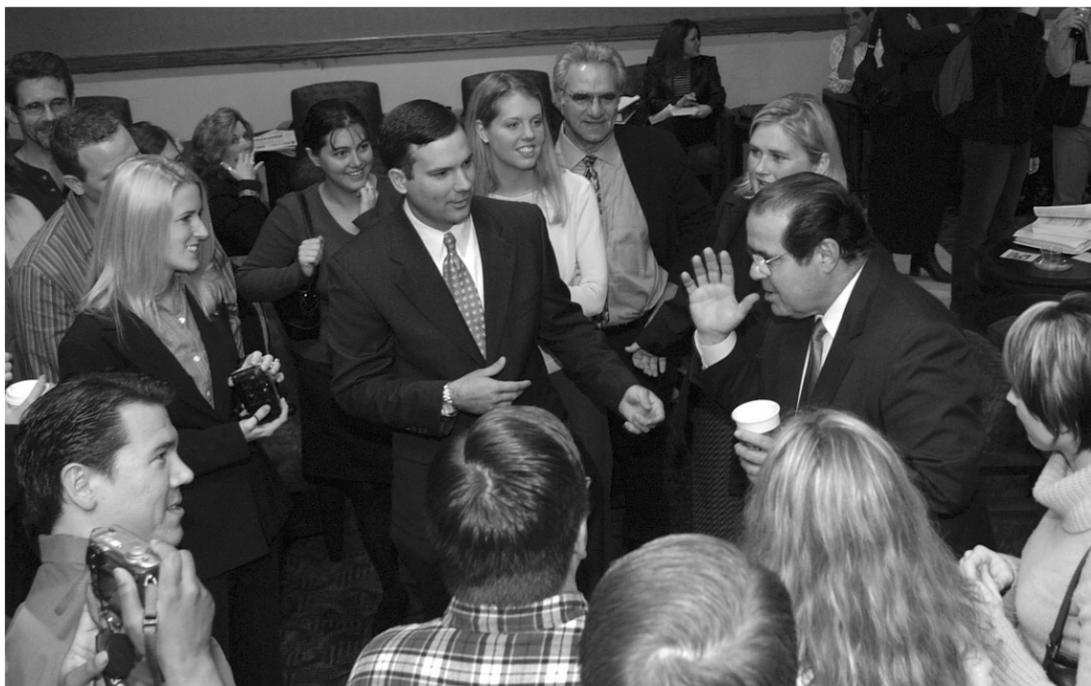


### 2004 Edition of U.S. News & World Report Honors LSU Law Center

*U.S. News & World Report in its listing of "America's Best Graduate Schools 2004" placed the LSU Law Center in its Top 100 Law Schools. More important still, the listing advanced the Law Center from the third quartile to the second quartile among the nation's ABA approved law schools.*

## Justice Scalia Addresses Law Center Students

*To Return for October 24, 2003 Dedication of Renovated Law Center Buildings*



The lure of a Louisiana duck hunt and a warm relationship with Law Center Professor John Baker brought U.S. Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia to the LSU Law Center on November 19, 2002 where he greet-

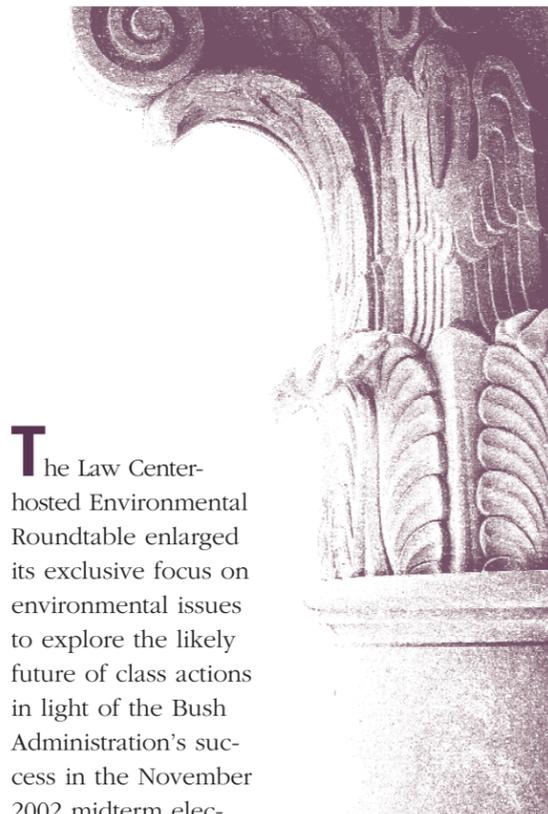
ed students in a Daggett Courtyard reception before delivering an address on Constitutional Interpretation in the McKernan Law Auditorium.  
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## Around the Law Center >>>>

# Environmental Roundtable Ponders Future of Class Actions under Bush Administration



The Law Center-hosted Environmental Roundtable enlarged its exclusive focus on environmental issues to explore the likely future of class actions in light of the Bush Administration's success in the November 2002 midterm elections. While environmentally based class actions are commonplace in Louisiana, the January 2003 program addressed such other matters as damage award caps in medical malpractice suits and other actions in non-environmental forums.

Invited to lead the Roundtable's discussion were Tommy Boggs (Boggs & Patton, Washington, D.C.) and Charles McCowan (Kean, Miller, Hawthorne, D'Armond, McCowan & Jarman, Baton Rouge, Louisiana). Mr. Boggs, the son of Hale and Lindy Boggs, represents clients on a broad range of legislative and regulatory matters. His long-standing relationship with the American Trial Lawyers Association places him in the thick of the battles currently being spearheaded by the Bush Administration to blunt the effectiveness of the class action device and to prescribe damages caps.

Charles McCowan has likewise been a major class action figure as lead defense attorney in many of Louisiana's major mass environmental tort actions.

Both speakers predicted intensive warfare between the pro- and contra- class action communities which, they noted, largely split between the national Democratic and Republican parties and their business and labor allies. Both also acknowledged the problems associated with class actions. Highlighted was the presence of particular state forums in which punitive damages reach stratospheric heights, and the disproportionate benefits that sometimes inure to attorneys rather than to members of the class constituting the supposed beneficiaries.

The speakers and, subsequently, Roundtable members contested whether the potential advantages of class actions and non-capped awards outweighed these risks. The class action was seen by some as needed to fill the vacuum created when legislators or administrators fail to address behavior that threatens community health or welfare. Class actions initiated by lawyers in conjunction with or independently of state attorneys general, it was claimed, rectify official inaction, deter injurious corporate behavior, and compensate individuals suffering injury. Other commentators, including defense attorneys, acknowledged the utility of class action settlements in providing closure and finality for class action defendants.

The Law Center has administered the Environmental Roundtable dinner program since 1999. Roundtable members include plaintiffs and defense attorneys, bar, state and federal judges, environmental regulators, and private industry and citizens groups representatives.

In addition to Chancellor Costonis, the Roundtable's Program Committee includes: George Bevan, the Shaw Group; Judge James Brady, U.S. District Court; Ann Crochet, Taylor Porter; Kathleen Drew, Adams & Reese; Maureen Harbourt, Kean Miller; Marc Hebert, Preis, Kraft & Roy; and, Emile Rolfs, Breazeale, Sachse & Wilson. <<<

## Law Center Student Wins Award

In October 2002, LSU Law Center student, Richie Haik, was selected to receive the Louisiana State Police Exceptional Bravery for Citizens Award for his actions at the scene of a traffic accident. <<<

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school's performance. In fact, the U.S. Department of Education and the Louisiana Supreme Court, like the highest courts of most states, rely on the ABA process to determine whether their legal education requirements for admission to the bar are satisfied.

Among the many Law Center elements singled out for praise in the 2002 report were its finances, library, physical plant, administration, teaching, public service, curriculum, legal writing program, Aix (France) summer program, student life, and alumni relations program.

According to the ABA, "the relationship between the administration and the faculty is solid. The facility will be first-rate once renovation is completed this fall [2002]. The LSU system administration has a good working

relationship with the Law Center. The Law Center's graduates have become more generous and its private fund-raising is becoming more successful. The Law Center's communications have improved. Moreover, the Law Center has used its new resources well, creating new programs in law and medicine, a Latin American initiative, the bi-jural program, improved admissions, lower attrition, and more effective alumni relations. In short, the Law Center has much to be proud of in its improvements and its long history of excellence in Louisiana."

"Since 1998," the ABA continues, "the Law Center has increased its annual expenditures per student, secured funding for renovating its buildings, hired key new faculty members and staff to support its curricular and administrative initiatives, increased its research support budget, reduced its student body size, increased its admissions standards, reduced student attrition, improved its library funding and support, enhanced its institutional outreach, and improved its print and electronic communications."

The ABA concludes: "These achievements can be traced to the flexibility the law school receives as an independent campus, an aggressive plan by the law school, excellent state support, and dedicated law school personnel. The law school shows no signs of slowing its efforts to improve. [I]t is poised for its next steps forward." <<<

### Justice Scalia...continued from page 1

A frequent visitor to the Louisiana wetlands, Justice Scalia initially agreed to share a class with Professor Baker. With minimal prodding, however, Justice Scalia generously enlarged his engagement to include the 500-student reception and Constitutional Interpretation address.

Humorous at times, dramatic at others, and forceful throughout, Justice Scalia contrasted his originalist concept of constitutional interpretation with the broader view associated with the Warren Court and others that, as a "living document," the Constitution should be interpreted flexibly to support the felt needs of the day or era.

The judge's lodestar, he insisted, must be the intent of the Framers as anchored in the fixed text of the Constitution. Echoing Felix Frankfurter, he ruled out a judge's personal preferences or social theorizing as vehicles for giving meaning to the text. This route, he warned, was fundamentally anti-democratic because no matter how socially compelling the interpretation, non-elected judges must avoid substituting their preferences for the dictates of the Framers or for the popular will as expressed by elected officials.

Happily, Justice Scalia will be returning to the Law Center on October 24, 2003 to highlight the dedication program being prepared to commemorate completion of the Law Center's \$15 million renovation project. <<<

## Around the Law Center >>>>

### Law Center Welcomes New Faculty

**Darlene C. Goring***Sam D'Amico Endowed Associate Professor*

B.B.A., 1983, Howard University

J.D. and L.L.M., 1986, 1994, Northwestern University School of Law

Professor Goring is the Sam D'Amico Professor of Law at the Paul M. Hebert Law Center and Co-Director of the Law Center's Legal Methods academic support program. Before joining the LSU Law Center in 2002, she was an Assistant Professor of Law at the University of Kentucky College of Law. Professor Goring received

a B.B.A., magna cum laude from Howard University and a J.D. and L.L.M. from Northwestern University School of Law, where she was a Note and Comments Editor of the *Journal of Criminal Law and Criminology*. She teaches in the areas of common law property, real estate transactions, and immigration law.

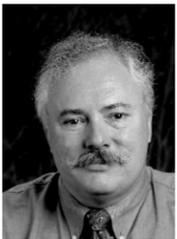
**Michael J. Malinowski***Ernest R. and Iris M. Eldred Endowed Associate Professor of Law**Associate Director of the Program in Law, Science, and Public Health*

B.A., 1987, Tufts University; J.D., 1991, Yale Law School

Professor Malinowski is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Oxford University's 21st Century Trust, and he is Chair of the Health and Human Services Committee of the American Bar Association and a member of the ABA President's Special Committee on Bioethics. He received a B.A. *summa cum laude* from Tufts University and a J.D. from Yale Law School, where he was Articles Editor for the *Yale Law Journal*. Upon graduating from Yale, Malinowski clerked for Judge Emilio M. Garza and Chief Judge Carolyn Dineen King, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. He has published extensively on the commercialization of biotechnology and related health care issues, and lectured on these topics throughout the United States, Europe, and Canada. His publications include *Biotechnology: Law, Business, and Regulation* (Aspen 1999 &

Supps. 2000, 2001, 2002) and more than 30 law publications, including articles in the *American Journal of Law, Medicine and Ethics*, *Hastings Law Review*, *Jurimetrics*, *Tulane Law Review*, and the *Yale Journal on Regulation*.

Professor Malinowski joined the Law Center faculty in Fall 2002 because of its support of his work via the new Program in Law, Science, and Public Health. Malinowski stated, "It is quite a luxury to have my teaching correlate directly with my scholarship, and to maintain my work in the field outside of the law school—e.g., my ABA leadership roles and participate in academic and Practicing Law Institute events. I hope to develop relationships with people on the LSU campus outside of the law school, and to draw life science and business school students into my classes."

**Edward P. Richards, III***Harvey A. Peltier, Sr. Professor**Professor & Director, Program in Law, Science, and Public Health*

B.A., 1972, Rice University; J.D., 1978, University of Houston; M.P.H., 1983, University of Texas School of Public Health

Professor Richards practiced health and public health law in Houston, Texas, before entering legal education. Prior to joining the faculty at the Law Center, he was professor of law and executive director for the Center for Public Health Law at the University of Missouri Kansas City School of Law. He was a visiting professor at University of Oregon School of Law and University of Denver College of Law. At the Law Center, he is director of the Program in Law, Science, and Public Health. He maintains a website on biotechnology and medical law issues at <http://biotech.law.lsu.edu>. Professor Richards has published extensively in the legal and

medical literature, including the books *Medical Care Law* (Aspen 1999) and *Law and the Physician: A Practical Guide* (Little, Brown 1993). He received his undergraduate degree in biology and behavioral science from Rice University and conducted graduate work in human physiology and medicinal chemistry at Baylor College of Medicine and the University of Michigan. He received his J.D. from the University of Houston and his M.P.H., focusing on disease control and risk analysis, from the University of Texas School of Public Health.

### Visiting Professors

#### Graduate and International Programs Hosted Four Scholars

Several international scholars spent the spring semester as visiting scholars at the Law Center.

**Chancellor Pablo Arce**, from the Autonomous University of Central America, is returning for his second spring semester at the Law Center. After graduating from the University of Costa Rica, he completed an LL.M. at Tufts University. His course, Inter-American Trade, is a follow-up to the course he offered last spring on NAFTA. Arce is a partner at the Darenblum Law Firm in San Jose, Costa Rica.

**Professor Julio Kelly**, from the School of Law of Torcuato DiTello in Buenos Aires, Argentina, is an internationally recognized commercial law practitioner and author. He taught Comparative Commercial Law this semester.

**Professor Francisco Reyes**, from the University of the Andes in Bogota, Colombia, is the director of that institution's graduate program in commer-

cial law. Reyes completed his LL.M. at the University of Miami and a Diploma in Humanities at the University of Lisbon. He was the point man from the Colombian Justice Department of the reform project of the Colombian Commercial Code. Reyes is a registered arbitrator in the Commercial Division of the Colombian Court of Arbitration and Reconciliation. Professor Reyes taught Introduction to Latin American Business Law this semester.

**Professor Santiago Legarre**, from Austral University in Buenos Aires, Argentina, is completing his Ph.D. at the University of Buenos Aires. He has also undertaken graduate legal study at Oxford and Notre Dame Universities. Professor Legarre taught Comparative Constitutional Law this semester. <<<

## Alumni News >>>>

### LSU Paul M. Hebert Law Center Announces Director of Alumni Relations



**K**athy M. West was named the Director of Alumni Relations for the LSU Paul M. Hebert Law Center effective March 3, 2003.

In this position, she will steward all charitable giving for the Law Center. West comes to the Law Center with 23 years experience in development and marketing.

Most recently, she was Director of Development at the Nature Conservancy of Louisiana and prior to that, Director of Development at the YMCA in Baton Rouge. <<<

### Robert T. Jordan Scholarship Established

**F**amily, friends, and colleagues of the late Robert T. Jordan contributed funds to establish the Robert T. Jordan Endowed Scholarship. The scholarship will be awarded to a deserving student in administrative law, an area of the law in which Bob Jordan practiced and excelled for 50 years.

Jordan finished first in his class at LSU Law Center and served as editor-in-chief of the *Louisiana Law Review*. His legal career spanned more than 50 years, during which time he worked tirelessly to build his firm, Liskow & Lewis. He was tied inextricably to the oil and gas industry in general and to conservation and unitization regulatory work in particular. Jordan not only fought hard and well for the clients he represented, but significantly shaped the policies and procedures adopted and followed by the regulatory bodies before whom he practiced.

In spearheading this fund raising effort, Richard W. Revels, Jr. said, "I am privileged to spearhead this effort. In this way, Bob's impact will continue to be felt and appreciated by deserving law students at an institution he loved."

Contributions to the Robert T. Jordan Endowed Scholarship can be sent to the LSU Law Center, Suite 400, Baton Rouge, LA 70803 or visit the website at [www.law.lsu.edu/alumnionlinegiving](http://www.law.lsu.edu/alumnionlinegiving) <<<

### Chancellor's Council Scholarship Established

**I**n appreciation of the generous support of alumni and friends who contribute to the Law Center's Chancellor's Council, Chancellor John Costonis established the LSU Law Center Chancellor's Council Scholarships. Three scholarships were awarded to three students in Fall 2002.

In establishing these scholarships, Chancellor Costonis stated, "I am gratified that generous support of the Chancellor's Council has enabled us to allocate a portion of the contributions to scholarship assistance. One of the highest priorities in the Law Center's mission is to attract meritorious students."

Chancellor's Council Scholarships will be awarded to students who demonstrate scholastic ability and financial need, and who represent a balance of the state's regions. Recipients must be full-time students at the Law Center and will be selected by the Law Center's Scholarship Committee. The amount of the awards, to be determined annually by the Chancellor, will not exceed \$2,000 per student per year. <<<

### Judge Henry L. Yelverton Honored

**R**ecognizing Judge Henry L. Yelverton's 31 years on both the 14th Judicial District Court and the Court of Appeal Third Circuit benches, current and former law clerks, colleagues, family, and friends established the Judge Henry L. Yelverton Fund at the Paul M. Hebert Law Center. It is their goal that sufficient funds will be received to endow a scholarship in his name.

Prissy Gayle, Judge Yelverton's law clerk from 1991-2002, chaired the effort to establish this fund. Gayle noted, "Judge Yelverton is a highly respected jurist who has taught us not only many things about our civil-law system, but also about being true professionals in the practice of law. This fund, established in his honor at his alma mater, is a gift that he will cherish above any other. It is a tribute to his outstanding legal career and to his commitment to the study of the law. It is a fitting recognition of the exceptional contributions he has made to the legal profession."

Contributions to the Judge Henry L. Yelverton Fund can be sent to the LSU Law Center, Suite 400, Baton Rouge, LA 70803, or visit the website at [www.law.lsu.edu/alumnionlinegiving](http://www.law.lsu.edu/alumnionlinegiving) <<<

### Where Does Your Contribution to the Law Center Go?

**W**hat happens to your contribution after it is received by the Law Center? Who safeguards these funds? If given for a restricted goal or to a restricted fund, how can you be sure that these restrictions will be respected? What are the types of purposes for which your gifts will be used, either at your direction or, if your gift is unrestricted, at the Law Center's option?

All gifts, whatever their source or purpose, are placed in specific Law Center accounts managed by the LSU Foundation, a not-for-profit 501(C)(3) organization that serves as the "banker" for the Law Center, the Agricultural Center, the LSU System Office, and LSU Agricultural and Mechanical College. The Foundation receives a very modest fee for the maintenance and investment of these funds, and provides annual accounts to these units and to the State Legislative Auditor. Funds deposited with the Foundation on behalf of the Law Center may not be diverted by the Foundation to any other entity or

use. An Affiliation and Funds Management Agreement with the LSU System tightly defines the Foundation's duties to the LSU System and three campuses.

Restricted gifts may be used only for those purposes defined by the donor. Typically the restrictions are defined in a formal indenture prepared by the Foundation to reflect the wishes of the donor as expressed to the Law Center, and executed by the donor and the Foundation. Over the last three years, 55 percent of Law Center gifts were restricted, and 45 percent unrestricted. Gifts matched by the Board of Regents for endowed professorships occasion the most frequent use of indentures in the Law Center's experience although this instrument may be used to establish centers or institutes, name facilities within a building, or fund scholarships.

Restricted (and unrestricted) gifts may also be used to fund endowments, in which case only the annual income generated by the

endowment (or some portion of that income, as fixed by the Foundation) may be expended. Otherwise, all or a portion of the gift's corpus may be used at any time. The breakdown between endowment and non-endowment gifts over the last three years has been 38 percent and 62 percent, respectively.

The purposes for which donor-restricted gifts may be used are as varied as the Law Center's donors' wishes although the use of all such gifts, of course, must fall within the broad purposes associated with the Law Center's mission. Most donor-restricted gifts have been dedicated principally to scholarships and endowed professorships. Some \$327,578 was expended for both categories in 2001-2002.

Unrestricted gifts also must advance the Law Center's mission, but their use is determined by the Law Center rather than the donor. The two depositories of unrestricted funds are the Chancellor's Council and the Law Center Annual Fund.

Chief among the many uses to which unrestricted funds have been allocated include support of Law Center general events, such as its Environmental Roundtable; Law Center conferences, such as the Fall 2002 LSU-Canada Bi-Jural program; faculty research, travel, and salary supplementation; library collection and facilities enhancement; support of student life generally including extramural Moot Courts, Student Bar Association programs, and cooperative faculty/student events; enhanced Continuing Legal Education programs and activities for the Louisiana Bar; publications and website costs; and the maintenance of a reserve to anticipate shortfalls or reductions in state funding of core Law Center programs.

All Law Center supporters can be confident that the Law Center will use these resources with the same discipline and integrity that earned the Law Center the American Bar Association's unqualified praise in its Accreditation Report. [See story at page 1] <<<



## Alumni News >>>>

### Spotlight on Graduates—Marie R. Yeates



In December 2001, Marie R. Yeates was recognized as one of America's Top 50 Women Litigators by the *National Law Journal*. Similar honors abound in the career of one of the Law Center's most accomplished alumnae.

Major organizations such as the Texas Executive Women, the Houston Chronicle and KHOU-TV recognized Marie as one of Houston's Leading Professional Women in 2002. She has, in addition, chaired the 2001-2002 Women's Initiative of the

United Way of the Texas Gulf Coast, and spearheaded a successful Women's Initiative for Vinson & Elkins to improve the recruitment and retention of women attorneys.

Marie was graduated from the LSU College of Business Administration in December 1977, with a major in accounting, with a perfect 4.0 gpa, having completed undergraduate studies in three years.

As a student at the Law Center, she was elected Editor in Chief of the *Louisiana Law Review*, overseeing the publication of both Volume 39 and Volume 40 of the Law Review. She graduated in May 1980 at the top of her class, and in 1980-81, clerked with U.S. Fifth Circuit Judge Alvin Rubin.

In July 1981, Marie and husband, Lanny Yeates ('81), moved to Houston and Marie commenced her employment in July 1981 at Vinson & Elkins. She began her practice as an associate in the Admiralty Section and in 1990, to capitalize on her special expertise in state and federal court appeals, the firm formed the Appellate Section and named her its head.

She is a Texas Board Member: the Council of Appellate Lawyers; member of American Academy of Appellate Lawyers; American Bar Foundation; American Bar Association; American Law Institute; College of the State Bar of Texas; Texas Association of Civil Trial and Appellate Specialists; Houston Bar Foundation; Executive Women's Partnership Committee of the Greater Houston Partnership. She has been guest lecturer at the University of Houston School of Law as well as at the LSU Paul M. Hebert Law Center. <<<

### In Memory of

#### Judge Henry A. Politz

The news of Judge Henry A. Politz's death saddened the thousands of LSU law alumni and other members of the legal community to whom the life of Henry A. Politz brought great joy. "Hank," former chief judge of the United States Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals and a preeminent figure in Louisiana and national law, passed away May 25, 2002, after a courageous battle with cancer. He was 70 years old and was serving as a senior judge on the appellate court at the time of his death.



During his illustrious career, Judge Politz found time to serve as a leader in his community and in his church, and to share his passions of life with his 11 children and 19 grandchildren. Three of those children are graduates of the Law Center, and a grandson is currently a student. Hank will be best remembered, however, for his personal warmth, his incredible wit, and his talent as an outstanding raconteur; so pervasive was his personality that the mention of his name will always bring a smile to those who were fortunate enough to have known him.

A fund has been established in an effort to perpetuate his memory at the LSU Law Center. Contributions may be made to the:

LSU Foundation  
Henry A. Politz Fund  
Suite 400, LSU Law Center  
Baton Rouge, LA 70803  
or visit the website at [www.law.lsu.edu/alumnionlinegiving](http://www.law.lsu.edu/alumnionlinegiving).

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#### Professor Emeritus Lee Hargrave

by Professor Wendell Holmes and O. Rick Richard ('77)

With deep sadness, the Law Center must report the death of Professor Emeritus W. Lee Hargrave on November 15, 2002, of cancer. He was 59 years old.

A native of Morse, Louisiana, Lee graduated from the LSU Law Center in the spring of 1967 and joined the law faculty that fall. He dedicated his entire career to LSU, teaching Civil Law Property, Criminal Law, Constitutional Law, and Community Property to generations of fortunate students. As the longtime advisor to the *LSU Law Review*, he directed countless students in their Legal Writing Seminar. Lee was also a prolific scholar, authoring books on *Louisiana Matrimonial Regimes* (with Professor Katherine S. Spah) and *Louisiana Constitutional Law*, together with numerous law review articles.

As a representative of LSU, Lee also served in two noteworthy capacities outside the walls of the Law Center. From 1969 to 1970, he served as Chief of Party of the LSU Vietnamese Legal Administration Project in Saigon, South Vietnam, seeking to assist that country in reforming its judicial system. Perhaps his proudest personal achievement was his service as Coordinator of Legal Research of the Louisiana Constitutional Convention of 1973. The Louisiana Constitution of 1974 is his single greatest legacy.

Following his retirement in 2000, Lee dedicated his efforts to a long-standing goal: writing a history of the LSU Law Center. He completed drafting that manuscript before the onset of his illness, and his book will be published this year by the LSU Press.

Former student, Rick Richard, remembered Lee this way. "The title of professor is a form of respect for those who profess to teach. I prefer teacher because it invokes the image of one who instills the love of learning. Teachers who instill this love, if you are lucky, can also be your friend.

"Lee Hargrave was a teacher and a friend of nearly everyone he taught. I was fortunate enough to be in his Constitutional Law class and a frequent observer of his work on the Louisiana Constitutional Convention. In class, he made the written text visual, having students see the law from the beginning, the present, and what the future might portend. His class was serious, interactive, but never dull!

"At the convention, in the regular world, he was a master at helping lawyers and non-lawyers understand, focus, and enact the citizens' law. He broadened our minds in theory giving us the basis for us to focus in practice.

Thank you Lee from all your students. We will miss you, teacher and friend."

Donations in Lee's memory can be made to the:

Lee Hargrave Memorial Fund  
LSU Foundation  
3838 West Lakeshore Drive  
Baton Rouge, LA 70808  
225/578-3811 or toll free 225/800-452-7928.  
Email: [donorservices@lsufoundation.org](mailto:donorservices@lsufoundation.org)

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## Alumni News >>>>

### Giving Update

## Regents Match Four Professorships

**A**t a check presentation and reception held on August 23, 2002, Commissioner of Higher Education T. Joseph Savoie presented LSU Law Center Chancellor John J. Costonis with Board of Regents Support Fund matching gifts for four professorships. Each professorship received a Board of Regents Support Fund match of \$40,000.

Law Center professorships that were matched included the: *Cliffe E. Laborde Jr. Professorship* which was established by the Laborde Family in recognition of C.E. Laborde, a prominent lawyer, businessman, statesman, civic leader, and family man; *Robert and Pamela Martin Professorship* which was established by Amanda Martin '84 in honor of her parents; *David Weston Robinson Professorship* which was established by Calvin Fayard and Cynthia Fayard in honor of David and Beverly Robinson's 50th wedding anniversary; and *Richard Cadwallader Professorship* which was contributed through the estate of Mr. Cadwallader's wife Mary. <<<



## Updating our database

Dear Alumni/ae

We are in the process of updating our database, and would like to have accurate records. Please take a few minutes to fill out the information below. We want to be able to keep you up to date on activities of the Law Center.

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Maiden Name \_\_\_\_\_

Nickname \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

SSN (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

D.O.B. \_\_\_\_\_

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Graduation Year                      Section #

Firm Name \_\_\_\_\_

Firm Address \_\_\_\_\_

Firm Phone (    )                      Fax (    )

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### Reunion Info

## Have a blast! Reminisce and Reunite!

**D**id you graduate from the LSU Law Center in 1953, 1963, 1973, or 1978? If so, we are looking for volunteers to serve on class reunion committees. It doesn't take much time, it's a blast, and you'll have time to reminisce and reunite with your classmates! On October 24, 2003, the LSU Paul M. Hebert Law Center will host the following class reunions:

**1953**

**1963**

**1973**

**1978**

If you are interested in serving on the reunion committee or as a class agent, please contact Bunnie Cannon 225/578-8452 or email [bcannon@lsu.edu](mailto:bcannon@lsu.edu).

## Alumni Events >>>>

### Reunion Weekend 2002

## Re-acquaintances, Reminiscences, and Recognition of Congressman Billy Tauzin

Ask anyone—Law Center Reunions 2002 were *fantastic!* Six classes gathered with classmates, spouses, and friends on Friday evening, October 18, 2002 to celebrate their graduation from the Law Center. Laughter and good times made all who attended look forward to their next class reunion.

Prior to the Friday evening reunion parties, alumni participated in a Continuing Legal Education seminar at the LSU Law Center on Ethics and Professionalism. All alumni of the LSU Law Center were eligible to take these free CLE courses hosted by the Law Center's Center of Continuing Professional Development.

Early Saturday morning, Congressman Billy Tauzin was honored as the Law Center's Distinguished Alumnus of the Year. Tauzin, a 1967 LSU law grad, was named Alumnus of the Year in recognition of his personal and professional achievements, loyalty to his alma mater, and fidelity to the highest ethical

standards of the LSU Law Center. In accepting this honor, Tauzin stated:

*How important is the Law Center to this state? This is a very special institution. It preserves for us the civil law tradition. It produces a wealth of talent for our state. It is a very special asset for LSU and for our state. It makes a difference in all our lives.*

*The Law Center was the wonderful place where I learned about the law. I am privileged now to work in a place where I have the opportunity to make the laws. I never dreamed I would be back at the Law Center being honored in this way. I accept this honor on behalf of my classmates, my friends, those who came before me, and those who have come after me at the Law Center. <<<*



Chancellor Costonis, Billy Tauzin, and Judge Randolph Parro.

### Class reunion activities included:

*Class of 1952*, spearheaded by Tom F. Phillips, Gene W. Lafitte, and Arthur R. Carmody, Jr., gathered at Juban's Restaurant for cocktails and dinner with their spouses and friends. In honor of their 50th Reunion, each class member received a golden certificate and a gold LSU Law Center lapel pin.



1952 Classmates Art Carmody and Judge John V. Parker and spouses pose for a photograph at Juban's.



*Class of 1962* was treated to a cocktail reception and party at City Club of Baton Rouge. The reunion committee consisted of James A. George, Robert A. Hawthorne, Jr., Gerald LeVan, and the Honorable James L. Dennis. The group gathered together and swapped stories of the LSU Law Center and its professors in the 1960s.



Dan Thomas, Don Sibley, and Judge James L. Dennis at the Baton Rouge City Club.

## Alumni Events >>>>

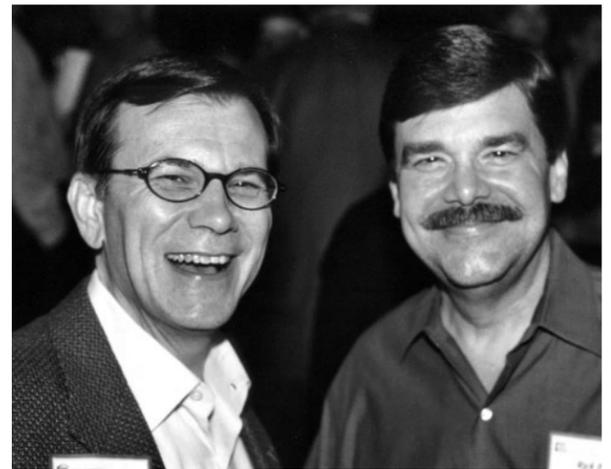
*Class of 1972* came together at the lovely home of Robert W. Fenet and wife Sally. The Fenets' home was the perfect venue for the class to meet, reminisce, and share stories of their experiences in and after law school. The reunion committee, consisting of Robert W. Fenet, Whit McCrary Cook II, Stephen Glassell, Charles R. Moore, Robert G. Szabo, and M. Roy Fugler, were instrumental in assembling the group and encouraging their classmates to attend the reunion.



1972 graduate Robert W. Fenet entertains classmates at the reunion held at his home.



*Class of 1977* gathered at Mike Anderson's Side Porch for cocktails and a fabulous seafood buffet. Reunion committee members Vincent P. Fornias, Larry S. Butler, Edward R. Grenlee, Charles A. Landry, Frederick J. Plaeger II, and Oliver G. Rick Richard III organized a tremendously successful reunion party.



Bernard Dubon and Rick Plaeger share law school stories at the '77 reunion held at Mike Anderson's.



*Class of 1992* held its reunion party in the newly renovated Student Lounge area on the second floor of the Law Center. For most, it was the first time back to the Law Center in 10 years. The remodeled area was the perfect backdrop for a fabulous event. The reunion committee consisted of Tracy P. Curtis, Troy R. Keller, Stephen W. Mullins, Barry J. Rozas, Tammy D. Simien, and Jane M. Triche.



Chip Lambert and Trent Grand at the 1992 reunion held in the newly renovated Student Lounge area on the second floor of the Law Center.

## Alumni Events >>>>

### Boles Firm Hosts Prospective Students

Monroe-area university students gathered with alumni at the Boles Law Firm in Monroe, Louisiana, at an informal evening reception with Chancellor John Costonis and Law Center's staff. Students had an opportunity to meet Chancellor Costonis and hear about revised admission procedures, curriculum offerings, and activities at the Law Center. Alumni and students alike enjoyed terrific food, lively conversation, gracious hospitality, and Chancellor Costonis's infectious enthusiasm for the LSU Law Center. Special thanks to Bill Boles for hosting this special event. <<<



## SUPREME COURT SWEARING IN



*Pictured in front of the United States Supreme Court Building, the 2001 LSU Law Center Alumni Admits to the Bar of the Supreme Court of the United States.*

**Apply Now**

### United States Supreme Court to Honor LSU Law Graduates

LSU Law Center alumni are invited to become members of the nation's highest court.

The 2003 LSU Law Center group admission to the Bar of the Supreme Court of the United States will be held Monday, November 17, 2003.

Space is limited to 50 participants and applicants must have been members of their state bar for at least three years to be eligible for admission.

Applicants must have (2) sponsors who are admitted to the bar of the U.S. Supreme Court. *Applications are due to Bunnie Cannon by September 24, 2003.*

For further information, contact :

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*Class of 1971* held its reunion party at the picturesque Baton Rouge Country Club. The event was previously scheduled for the week of September 11, 2001 and was rescheduled for the following year. The evening was filled with good fun and friendship. The reunion committee consisted of: Andre C. Broussard, William R. Coenen, Lawrence J. Centola, Jr., Sidney A. Marchand III, Michael A. Patterson, Van R. Mayhall, Jr., Winston E. Rice, Katherine S. Spaht, and Newman Trowbridge, Jr.

## CLE Schedule — 2003

September 12-13	<b>7th Annual Family Law Seminar</b>	Baton Rouge
September 19-20	<b>33rd Annual Estate Planning Seminar</b>	Baton Rouge
September 26-27	<b>2003 Recent Developments in Legislation &amp; Jurisprudence</b>	Baton Rouge
October 9-10	<b>2003 Recent Developments in Legislation &amp; Jurisprudence</b>	Lake Charles
October 10	<b>LSU Law Alumni Seminar</b>	Baton Rouge
October 16-17	<b>2003 Recent Developments in Legislation &amp; Jurisprudence</b>	Monroe
October 23-24	<b>9th Annual Bankruptcy Law Seminar</b>	Baton Rouge
October 30-31	<b>2003 Recent Developments in Legislation &amp; Jurisprudence</b>	Shreveport
November 7-8	<b>2003 Recent Developments in Legislation &amp; Jurisprudence</b>	Baton Rouge
November 13-14	<b>2nd Judge Alvin B. Rubin Maritime Personal Injury Conference</b>	Baton Rouge
November 20-21	<b>2003 Recent Developments in Legislation &amp; Jurisprudence</b>	Metairie
December	<b>2003 Recent Developments in Legislation &amp; Jurisprudence</b>	New Orleans
December 17-18	<b>CLE By The Hour</b>	Baton Rouge

## Class Notes >>>>

**Matbile W. Abramson ('88)**—member of the law firm Kean, Miller, Hawthorne, D'Armond, McCowan & Jarman, LLP, installed as president of the Baton Rouge Bar Association.

**Glenn W. Alexander ('74)**—completed all requirements for admission as a civil trial advocate through the National Board of Trial Lawyers.

**Rodolfo J. Aguilar ('82)**—elected manager of the law offices of McGlinchey Stafford, PLLC. He is a member of the firm's Baton Rouge office and focuses his practice on corporate and business transactions.

**Stephen Babcock ('00)**—received the Stephen T. Victory Award from the Louisiana State Bar Association.

**Bryant S. Banes ('90)** and spouse **Robyn M. Underwood ('89)**—recently moved from the Washington D.C. area to Houston, Texas to be near Robyn's family. Bryant is now a member of the firm T. Wade Welch & Associates in Houston, where he concentrates his practice in complex civil litigation. Robyn has retired from the practice of law and is now president of Underwood Interests, a family-owned business doing commercial property development. In Washington, Bryant was an attorney in the civil litigation division of the U.S. Justice Department and Robyn was an associate in the Securities and Corporate Practice section of Patton Boggs LLP.

**Honorable Jerome J. Barbera, III ('69)**—elected as second vice president of the District Judges' Association for 2002-2003. The election was held at the Louisiana Fall Judges Conference in October.

**Thomas "Tim" A. Barfield, Jr. ('89)**—recognized by the *Baton Rouge Business Report* Top 40 individuals under 40. Barfield is the president of Shaw E&I, a division of the \$3 billion industrial construction giant located in Baton Rouge.

**Alton E. Bayard ('76)**—member of the Jones Walker Law Firm elected to the 2002-2003 Best Lawyers in America.

**John C. Blackman ('69)**—member of the Jones Walker Law Firm, elected to the 2002-2003 Best Lawyers in America.

**Donald E. Bradford ('66)**—member of the Jones Walker Law Firm, elected to the 2002-2003 Best Lawyers in America.



**Brett N. Brinson ('97)**—elected partner of Kean, Miller, Hawthorne, D'Armond, McCowan & Jarman LLP.

**Honorable Henry A. Brown, Jr. ('66)**—elected chairman of the Conference of Court of Appeal Judges for 2002-2003. Judge Brown sits on the Second Circuit Court of Appeal.

**Fred L. Chavalier ('71)**—member of the Jones Walker Law Firm, elected to the 2002-2003 Best Lawyers in America.



**Layna S. Cook ('99)**—joined McGlinchey Stafford's Health Care Department as an associate in the Baton Rouge office.



**Melissa M. Cresson ('96)**—elected partner of Kean, Miller, Hawthorne, D'Armond, McCowan & Jarman LLP.

**Michael A. Cromwell ('97)**—Michael Cromwell and his wife Mary Ann announced the birth of their second daughter, Laura McCutcheon Cromwell, born July 30, 2002. Cromwell works in the Intellectual Property Law section of ExxonMobil Chemical Europe, Inc. and resides in Belgium.

**Louis D. Curet ('70)**—honored for 50 years of dedicated service to the community, state and nation with the Legion of Honor Certificate from the Kiwanis Club of Baton Rouge.

**Charles R. Davoli ('90)**—received the President's Award from the Louisiana State Bar Association. Davoli is a managing partner with Davoli, Sorrells & Bianca and of counsel with Moore, Walters, Thompson, Hoover, Thomas, Papillion & Cullens in Baton Rouge.

**John W. DeGravelles ('74)**—elected secretary of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America's section on Admiralty Law for 2002-2003 term. He also was chosen to edit the newsletter for that group. He is the chair of LTLA's Ethics Committee.

**Bryan M. Denison ('00)**—joined the firm of McGlynn, Glisson & Koch as an associate.

**Honorable Robert D. Downing ('75)**—elected as fellow of the Louisiana Bar Foundation. Judge Downing is at the First Circuit Court of Appeal.

**Richard S. Dunn ('74)**—co-founded the law firm of Weill, Dunn & Koch LLC, with offices located in Baton Rouge. The firm will focus its practice in the areas of taxation, estate planning, health care, and business law. Dunn is a Board Certified Tax Specialist and has over 27 years of legal experience.

**Honorable Kurt D. Engelhardt ('85)**—appointed by President George W. Bush to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana on December 13, 2001. Judge Engelhardt was unanimously confirmed by the United States Senate on December 11, 2001. In 1995, Judge Engelhardt was appointed by the Governor to serve a four-year term to the Louisiana Judiciary Committee. In 1998, he was elected by his fellow commission members to serve as Chairman of the Judiciary Commission. His work on the Judiciary Commission has been cited for excellence by the Louisiana Supreme Court.

**Larry Feldman, Jr. ('74)**—shareholder in the Shreveport firm of Wiener, Weiss & Madison, was elected president of the Louisiana State Bar Association.

**Honorable W. Ross Foote ('78)**—elected as the secretary of the District Judges' Association for 2002-2003. The election was held at the Louisiana Fall Judges Conference in October.



**Michael Roy Fugler ('72)**—re-elected as Chairman of the Board of Directors for the National Investment Banking Association. This is the second consecutive year for Fugler to be elected to this position and only the second time in the organization's history that a chairman was elected for two consecutive years.

**Honorable Grace Bennett Gasaway ('85)**—honored with the Crystal Gavel Award by the Louisiana State Bar Association, which recognizes outstanding lawyers and judges for their community involvement and services out of a sense of duty, responsibility, and professionalism, and who have made a difference in their local communities, in local organizations, or even in the life of one person. Gasaway was elected as vice president of the City Court Judges Association.

**Vivian Guillory ('85)**—elected president of the Louisiana Society of Certified Public Managers.



**Susan Halsey ('83)**—partner in the Real Estate section of Jackson Walker LLP, was recognized by the Fort Worth Business Press as one of this year's Women of Influence at the Great Women of Texas Event on November 21, 2002. In addition, the Fort Worth, Texas Magazine chose her as one of the Top Attorneys in Tarrant County. The top attorneys were selected by a survey where over 3,000 Tarrant County attorneys voted Halsey the top health care attorney.

**Roland Huson ('73)**—elected president of the Board of Trustees for the 2002-2003 season of Kanawha Players, West Virginia's Official State Community Theater. Huson, who formerly practiced in Baton Rouge, has lived in West Virginia since 1991 and is Senior Counsel for the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection in Charleston.

**Jay M. Jalenak ('90)**—a member of Kean, Miller, Hawthorne, D'Armond, McCowan & Jarman was selected as a Fellow of the Louisiana Bar Foundation. The nonprofit organization works to preserve, honor, and improve the justice system.

**Ronnie L. Johnson ('90)**—named counsel to the law offices of McGlinchey Stafford, PLLC. Located in the Baton Rouge office, Johnson focuses his practice in general litigation, government relations, and insurance regulation.

**Amy M. Jones ('82)**—employed as the Director of the Division of Medical Quality Assurance for the Florida Department of Health. She is responsible for overseeing the regulation of 725,000 health care practitioners and facilities, 550 employees, and an annual budget of over \$50 million.

**Mary Terrell Joseph ('70)**—honored with the YWCA Women of Achievement Award. Five women are selected to receive this honor each year. Joseph, a partner with McGlinchey Stafford Law Firm, has been instrumental in its growth from six attorneys and seven staff members in 1983 to a multi-state law firm with more than 400 attorneys and staff members in Louisiana, Texas, Mississippi, and Ohio. In November, Joseph was also honored with the Outstanding Volunteer Fundraiser from the Greater Baton Rouge Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals.



**Josh M. Kantrow ('90)**—a senior partner in the Chicago office of the international law firm, Cozen O'Connor, he recently returned from London where he served a six-month secondment to Faraday Underwriting Ltd., a leading syndicate in the Lloyd's insurance market. During this time, he provided in house advice to Faraday and other syndicates.



**Todd D. Keator ('02)**—joined the firm of Thompson & Knight as an associate. He will practice tax law and will reside in the firm's Dallas office. While at the LSU Law Center, Keator was a member of the Law Review and the Order of the Coif.

**Errol J. King, Jr. ('86)**—named to the Federation of Regulatory Counsel (FORC), a professional association of insurance regulatory lawyers formed to raise the standard of excellence in the practice of insurance regulatory law. King is only the third Louisiana attorney selected for membership to this association. King is an attorney with McGlinchey Stafford's Baton Rouge office and primarily represents managed care organizations. Errol has also been selected to the list of "Best Lawyers in America" in healthcare for the years of 1996-2003.

**Honorable A.J. Kling ('53)**—elected as the secretary-treasurer of the Louisiana Retired Judges Association at the Fall Judges Conference in October.

**David G. Koch ('94)**—recently co-founded the law firm of Weill, Dunn & Koch LLC, with offices located in Baton Rouge. The firm will focus its practice in the areas of taxation, estate planning, health care, and business law. Koch is a Board Certified Estate Planner, an Administration Specialist, and a Board Certified Tax Specialist with an LLM in Taxation.

**John P. Laborde ('49)**—received the President's Award from the South Central Industrial Association during the organization's 5th Annual Installation Banquet in September. John Laborde and his brother, Alden, founded the New Orleans based Tidewater, Inc., the world's largest supplier of supply vessels to the offshore oil and gas industry today.

**Honorable Marilyn Lambert ('88)**—elected treasurer of the City Court Judges Association for 2002-2003. The election was held at the Louisiana Fall Judges Conference in October.

**J. Michael Lamers ('94)**—joined the firm of McGlynn, Glisson & Koch as an associate.

**Charles A. Landry ('77)**—member of the Jones Walker Law Firm elected to the 2002-2003 Best Lawyers in America, was presented with the Distinguished Leadership Award for a Citizen Planner by the Louisiana chapter of the American Planning Association. The award is presented annually to recognize leaders who are dedicated to promoting, planning, and implementing policies which improve the quality of life for people throughout the state. Landry serves as a member of the mayor's Planning & Zoning Task Force and has served as a member of the East Baton Rouge Parish Planning Commission Planned Unit Development Task Force and the East Baton Rouge Parish Planning Commission Zoning Ordinance Task Force.

**J. Burton LeBlanc IV (BC)**—LeBlanc & Waddell, selected as a Fellow of the Louisiana Bar Foundation. The nonprofit organization works to preserve, honor, and improve the justice system.

**Peter J. Losavio, Jr. ('75)**—successfully completed an examination leading to certification in the area of elder law from The National Elder Law Foundation. Losavio has practiced elder law for more than 25 years and focuses his practices on wills, trusts, estate planning, and guardianship.

**Marie Fabre' Manuel ('96)**—associate with Onebane Law Firm, was elected to the executive council of the Louisiana State Bar Association's Labor and Employment Section. Manuel is a member of Onebane's labor and employment law section.



**Pamela R. Mascari ('97)**—elected partner of Kean, Miller, Hawthorne, D'Armond, McCowan & Jarman LLP.

**Honorable J.P. Mauffray ('73)**—elected secretary of the Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges for 2002-2003. The election took place at the Louisiana Fall Judges Conference in October. Mauffray is at the 28th JDC.

**Elizabeth Siglar McCall ('84)**—moved to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and passed the Pennsylvania Bar Examination. McCall will receive a Master's Degree in Public Administration (Nonprofit Management) from the University of Pittsburgh in December 2002.

**James R. McClelland ('75)**—nominated for the post of 2003-2005 secretary of the Louisiana State Bar Association.

**Michael W. McKay ('74)**—nominated for the position of 2003-2004 president-elect of the Louisiana State Bar Association.

**Charles S. McCowan, Jr. ('67)**—elected Fellow of the Louisiana Bar Foundation.

**Eric R. Miller ('90)**—recognized by the Baton Rouge Business Report Top 40 individuals under 40. Miller is a partner with Adams and Reese in Baton Rouge.

**Jeffrey A. Mitchell ('89)**—formed the law firm Phillips & Mitchell LLC in New Orleans, Louisiana. The firm has recently been accepted into the International Society of Primerus Law Firms. The firm is the only Personal Injury Law firm in Louisiana to be accepted into this prestigious society. Primerus is a non-profit nationwide alliance dedicated to restoring public faith in the legal profession. Members must meet rigid requirements for work practices and contributions to meet the Primerus seal.



**George R. Murphy ('94)**—elected to the partnership of Vinson & Elkins Law Firm. Murphy is a member of the firm's litigation practice area and is focused on mass toxic torts, professional malprac-



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tice, construction law, and commercial disputes. Murphy was Order of the Coif and *Law Review* at the Paul M. Hebert Law Center in 1994.

**James W. Noe ('97)**—accepted a counsel position with the oil & gas services company BJ Services in Houston, Texas.

**Darrel J. Papillion ('94)**—and wife Shirley, are the parents of a new baby girl, Anna Claire Papillion, born November 21, 2002.

**Louis M. Phillips ('80)**—former United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Middle District of Louisiana, joined Gordon, Arata, McCollam, Duplantis & Eagan LLP as a partner in the Baton Rouge office.

**Honorable A.J. Planchard ('58)**—received a plaque of appreciation from the Louisiana Retired Judges Association at the Louisiana Fall Judges Conference in October.

**Louis S. Quinn ('83)**—member of the Jones Walker Law Firm, elected to the 2002-2003 Best Lawyers in America.

**Laura Spadafora Rahman ('95)** an attorney with Powers & Frost, L.L.P., one of the fastest growing law firms in Houston, has moved to One Houston Center in downtown Houston. Powers and Frost, L.L.P. has been in operation since 1994 and has grown to include more than 90 employees. Rahman was elevated to partnership status for the firm effective January 1, 2003.

**Grover Joseph Rees ('78)**—nominated by President George W. Bush as the new U.S. Ambassador to East Timor and Paraguay. Rees, who has served as counsel to the U.S.

House of Representatives' International Relations Committee since February 2001, was tapped as ambassador to East Timor in September.

**Michael H. Rubin ('75)**—named to the governing Council of the National Conference of Bar Presidents, the umbrella organization for all bar associations in the country. His induction occurred at the annual meeting of the National Conference in Washington, D.C. in August. Rubin was recognized for his outstanding leadership and organizational abilities, including the formation of a statewide lawyer referral service. In addition, Rubin was named one of 50 lawyers in the U.S. to the Anglo-American Real Property Institute, a select group of 100 lawyers and real estate professionals in the U.S. and United Kingdom. Rubin was also named to the Best Lawyers in America list for the 2003-2004 year in the area of banking law.



**Julie Savoy ('02)**—associated with the Gachassin Law Firm in Lafayette, Louisiana. Savoy is a registered nurse whose experience includes, surgery, infection control, epidemiology, JCAHO survey preparation, employee health management, and OSHA compliance. She will practice in the fields of health law, medical malpractice defense, and regulatory law.

**Charles F. Seeman, III ('95)**—joined the New Orleans office of Shook, Hardy & Bacon LLP as Of Counsel. Seeman has extensive practice in all aspects of labor relations, employment, ERISA, and employee benefits law.

**Melvin A. Shortess ('58)**—received the Pro Bono Publico Award for his participation in helping create the Baton Rouge Bar Association's Thirst for Justice legal clinic.

**Jimmy Simien ('82)**—currently co-chair of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America's new litigation group on CCA pressure-treated wood. The new group plans to share documents, locate resources, and stay abreast of developments.

**John G. Swift ('80)**—named vice president of the Louisiana Bar Foundation. Swift, a partner at Swift & Rhoades LLP, previously served as secretary-treasurer of the Louisiana Bar Foundation, and president of the Lafayette Parish Bar Association.

**Benton L. Toups ('00)**—joined the Wilmington, North Carolina firm of Crossley, McIntosh, Prior & Collier as an associate. His practice focuses primarily on labor and employment law.



**Roland M. Vandenberghe, Jr. ('97)**—named Honorary Consul of Belgium for the states of Louisiana and Arkansas at an induction luncheon hosted by Adams & Reese on October 16, 2002. As Honorary Consul, Vandenberghe will represent Belgium at official international functions, assist with visa/passport/travel needs as appropriate, and foster international business and trade between the United States and Belgium.

**Felix R. Weill ('72)**—co-founded the law firm of Weill, Dunn & Koch LLC, with offices located in Baton Rouge. The firm will focus its practice in the areas of taxation, estate planning, health care, and business law. Weill is a member of the American Health Lawyers Association and has over 29 years of legal experience.

**Paul S. West ('80)**—named to the Best Lawyers in America for 2003-2004 in the area of corporate mergers and acquisitions and securities. West is with the firm of McGlinchey Stafford.



**R. David Wheat ('88)**—an attorney for Thompson & Knight, was elected to The Best Lawyers in America.

**Gerard E. Wimberly, Jr. ('79)**—joined the law firm of McGlinchey Stafford, PLLC as a member. Based in the New Orleans office, Wimberly practices in the areas of business and general litigation and corporate law, working primarily with high technology manufacturers and telecommunications service providers.

**John David Ziober ('78)**—named as a representative of the Louisiana State Law Institute on the Board of Governors of the Louisiana State Bar Association.

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## In Memoriam

The Law Center mourns the passing of the following alumni/ae whose deaths were reported to the Law Center since the date of our last newsletter publication:

**Melvin Gerald Dakin**  
Died: November 8, 2002

**Milton Lloyd Duviellb, Jr. ('58)**  
Died: March 17, 2002

**David A. Hamilton ('74)**  
Died: December 6, 2002

**Calvin Joseph Hotard, Jr. ('73)**  
Died: March 31, 2002

**Norman M. Magee ('59)**  
Died: April 17, 2002

**William Lasater Bill McLeod, Jr. ('58)**  
Died: January 2003

**Monique Cecile Duplessis Ory ('95)**  
Died: December 19, 2002

**Honorable Leroy C. Smullenberger**  
Died: July 6, 2002

**Gordon M. White ('38)**  
Died: November 15, 2002

**Paul D. Dugas ('93)**  
Died: January 13, 2003

## Alumni Calendar of Events

### May

1	Board of Trustees Dinner	6:30 p.m. Tucker Room
2	Board of Trustees Meeting	8 a.m.–Noon Tucker Room
2	Chancellor's Council Dinner	6:30 p.m. Cocktails 7:30 p.m. Dinner Hemingbough
5	New York/New Jersey Alumni Reception	6:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m. Rosie O'Grady's Times Square
8	New Orleans Area Reception	7 p.m.–9 p.m. Plimsohl Club
22	Young Alumni Mixer	5 p.m.–7:30 p.m. Baton Rouge

### June

11-14	LSBA Convention	Sandestin, FL
12	Sandestin Alumni Reception	Sandestin, FL

### November

25	Alumni Packets Due United States Supreme Court Swearing In Ceremony
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### October

23-25	Building Dedication Celebration	TBA
24	1953, 1963, 1973, 1978 Reunions	TBA
25	Distinguished Alumnus Breakfast	TBA

### November

17	LSU Law Alumni Group United States Supreme Court Swearing In Ceremony
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*Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States*

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