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Illinois State Bar Association officers (from left) Hon. Cella Gamrath, treasurer; Paula Holderman, president; and Umberto Davi, second vice president.

Letter from the Dean

Dear Friends,

So long, polar vortex. Hello, spring. After a rough few months, this season of renewal reminds us to reflect on our successes, and celebrate the new lawyers who will graduate this spring and begin their careers.

First Skadden Fellowship for John Marshall Student

Sarah Hess, who will graduate in May, is the first John Marshall student to win the prestigious Skadden Fellowship, a public interest program underwritten by the Skadden Foundation of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP. She will spend the two years of her fellowship on a project of her own design, working to improve children's health through a medical-legal partnership.

Sarah is a former professional ballerina and has been passionate about youth issues since her days teaching ballet to Chicago foster children. Her interest in John Marshall stemmed from that passion: "What I got from John Marshall was an investment in my dedication to public interest law. I felt like John Marshall was choosing me as much as I was choosing John Marshall, and it has been a wonderful experience."

Well done, Ms. Hess. Her story is on page 12.

J.D. Online Courses Added; Focus on Clinic, Practical Experiences

We're working to make the John Marshall experience wonderful for all of our students, in part by expanding the options they have to earn their degrees. To that end, we now have more than 50 online courses, affording students greater convenience and flexibility.

John Marshall now boasts one of the largest catalogs of accredited online courses and we are proud of our commitment to distance education. We produce the courses at an in-house studio and in the field under the direction of media, instructional and resource specialists in consult with faculty.

We continue to build on our foundational mission to educate students in the practical aspects of the study of law. As other law schools have begun to follow our lead, we are expanding opportunities for our students to get hands-on experience while still in school. By the end of this year we will have added six clinics, providing our students with a choice of nine clinical experiences. Among the new options are the Domestic Violence Clinic and the International Human Rights Clinic.

Intellectual Property Law, China Program Anniversary

In other clinic news, we recently announced the merger of the Centers for Intellectual Property Law and Information Technology & Privacy Law. Combining these two arenas gives

us the platform to create new intersections in training, scholarship and education.

Professor Doris Long is the director of the Center for Intellectual Property, Information & Privacy Law and she notes that intellectual property and privacy will continue to be the two main foundations. But, as Doris puts it, "Between these two foundations is information. Information technology. Information security. Information access. The bridge that is ever-changing and offers tremendous possibilities for what we do best: Innovate."

John Marshall has been working with the State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China for more than 20 years on IP issues in China and the U.S. That decades-long collaboration has been rooted in a vision of a future filled with global alliances. We will be celebrating the program's anniversary on Sept. 18, and would love to have you join us.

Outreach to Employers Helps Graduates Get Jobs

We're also celebrating successes with each bit of good news from the job market. As part of our efforts to help our students get jobs, we have engaged Nello Gamberdino (JD '95), as our employer outreach coordinator, who focuses on direct interaction with employers and finding ways to address their needs.

Nello has put his skills to good use, helping place more than 100 alumni in positions in just one year. The work he is doing—under the experienced guidance of Justice Margaret "Peg" O'Mara Frossard (ret.), our outstanding associate dean of Professionalism & Career Strategy—is important, and helps our alumni find the post-graduation spot that's right for them.

With that said, Nello and his colleagues are always looking for new opportunities for our graduates—so if you have jobs to fill, think of your fellow alums.

And if you haven't been back in a while, please come by for a visit. So much has changed and is changing for the future. I would urge you to renew your connection with John Marshall and take a look at how we are moving forward. I think you will like what you see.

Sincerely,



John E. Corkery
Dean
The John Marshall
Law School

Leading Illinois' Community of Lawyers

John Marshall Alumni Step Into Top ISBA Offices

John Marshall alumni have long represented the strength and enthusiasm of the legal profession in Chicago and across Illinois. That has never been truer than now, as alums hold four of the top six leadership positions in the Illinois State Bar Association (ISBA).

Paula Hudson Holderman (JD '79) is serving as president; Umberto Davi (JD '82) is second vice president; Judge Celia Gamrath (JD '94) is treasurer; and James McCluskey (LLM/TAX '88) is secretary.

Each joined the ISBA when they graduated law school, but it was Gamrath who got deeply involved immediately. She's been a section council chair, newsletter editor, served on the ISBA Assembly and the Board of Governors and accepted numerous special committee appointments.

"I realized early on in my career that ISBA presented a statewide opportunity for me to publish articles, develop friendships, find mentors, advance my career and play an active role in ISBA policy and legislative changes," said Gamrath, who now serves in the Domestic Relations Division of the Circuit Court of Cook County.

"It's also a wonderfully fun, charitable way to find a mentor, become a mentor, make lifelong friends, build a book of business and gain statewide exposure and leadership experience," she said.

Davi, of Umberto S. Davi, Attorney at Law, said after graduating he would attend meetings and programs, but was busy building his practice. He focused his attention on John Marshall serving on the alumni association's board of directors and as its president in 2005-2006. He also served on the law school's board of trustees.

"I was encouraged (to get involved) by all the wonderful ISBA members I met a few years after I joined. I spent many years in governance on the Assembly, and later moved up to the Board of Governors," he said. Davi's leadership will continue for the next several years as he rotates through first vice president and president-elect, before taking the president's slot in 2016-17.

Holderman joined the ISBA when she graduated, and in 1986—then an assistant state's attorney in Champaign County—she accepted an appointment to the Criminal Justice Section Council at the urging of then-ISBA President Dick Thies.

She never regretted taking that first step.

"There were some stellar members of the criminal justice bar on that committee that I got to know and they have remained friends and contacts," Holderman said. In 1988, she moved back to Chicago and was elected to the ISBA Assembly. She served for nearly 20 years on various committees before being elected to the Board of Directors in 2006. Holderman, chief attorney development officer at Winston & Strawn, was elected an officer in 2010.

"I am a great believer in joining and actively participating in bar associations," Holderman says. "John Marshall students and alumni have a long and outstanding history of bar involvement which has contributed to their success."

McCluskey, of Momkus McCluskey LLC, gives back because the ISBA has given him much in return. He spent 10 years in the ISBA Assembly before moving into the DuPage seat of the ISBA Board of Governors, where he served for five years before being elected an officer.



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"I've been practicing for 35 years and if I wasn't involved in bar association activities, it would be very difficult for me to continue to practice," he explained. "I know I am in a respected profession, and that it comes with great responsibilities to the public, my fellow practitioners and the judicial process. The bar association works for the betterment of each of those constituencies.

"And I find that being involved in ISBA helps lift my enthusiasm for the profession," he added.

"Our license allows us to practice in the entire state and ISBA is the organization that brings lawyers from all the different areas together," Davi said. "Law practices can be very different outside the Chicago metro area, and ISBA meetings give us the chance to come together to share our experiences, challenges and solutions. I find these interactions are very helpful, and it makes you a better all-around lawyer."

As the legal profession faces a number of challenges, including the shrinking job market for new lawyers, growing law school debt, diversity of the profession and the future of the courts, ISBA is there to give perspective and context to the issues.

"As president, I've done outreach to influencers across the state and across the nation," Holderman said. "It has been a tremendous responsibility and at the same time, a great pleasure representing the 32,000 lawyers in Illinois. Raising our voices together has a greater impact than if just one or even 20 lawyers speak out. That's why I encourage membership and participation in ISBA."

Intellectual Property Program Sets **National Trends**

Online degrees and special courses keep students current

The John Marshall Law School's nationally ranked intellectual property (IP) law program gives other law schools much to emulate.

But John Marshall's Center for Intellectual Property, Information Technology & Privacy Law isn't going to rest on its laurels, said Professor Doris Estelle Long, the Center's director. Rankings are nice. Educating outstanding students who go out and make a difference in the profession is what's exciting—and expected.

"John Marshall required students to take a patent class in 1915. That is a strong foundation of nearly a century that we are building upon today. Teaching methods have changed, law has changed, topics of interest have changed. John Marshall has been cutting edge in every instance," she stresses. The Center has led with its online degrees, specialized course topics, outstanding guest presenters and nationally recognized IP practitioners as teachers.

"We understand what intellectual property is, how it develops, how it innovates. We understand its role in the world, and that puts us in a better position to help our students prepare for the next phase of what's going on. I think that's the strongest thing about our program," she said.

Patents dominated intellectual property law for many years. Copyright law came to the forefront in the 1960s when television gained entertainment value, and there was more music being produced. Then IP law saw another jump with the development of the Internet.

It's all about innovation, Long notes. John Marshall's innovations have enhanced its reputation as a leader. In 1999, Long taught the first IP digital law class, "IP in a Digital Environment," that addressed the 9th Federal Circuit's decision on Napster's attempt at file sharing and how that impacted uses of copyrighted material in new technology. John Marshall had the first IP course dealing with biotechnology issues. This year, Long is teaching the 13th edition of the course "Globalization, IP and the Internet." It is one of six courses focusing on international IP. She also will be teaching a course in intellectual property and information security that will focus on the intersections of intellectual property, data,

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privacy and encryption. These are topics not thought of just five short years ago.

"What we've done is complement our strength in patent law with new courses in entertainment law, publishing, video gaming law, casino gaming law, fashion law, sports law, Internet-related courses so that we're always creating the next new specialty," Long explained.

"We've seen a lot more growth in experiential learning, and we were out front on that. If they want to learn how to litigate we've got trademark litigation, we've got copyright litigation, we've got patent litigation and we have experts who come in and teach you how to do it. We've been doing practical experience for a long, long time," Long says proudly.

"At our Center for Intellectual Property, Information Technology & Privacy Law, we feel comfortable taking the next step. That's what makes this fun."

International Students Gain Wealth of IP Experience

In 1994, a vision for the future led to a lasting partnership between The John Marshall Law School and the State Intellectual Property Office (SIPO) in China.

In September, the Center for Intellectual Property, Information Technology & Privacy Law will mark the 20th anniversary of this joint program.

Dr. Gao Lulin, then the director of SIPO, first visited John Marshall in 1993. He was curious to know if the law school could help train Chinese attorneys working with him. Months later, then-Dean Robert Gilbert Johnston and Dorothy Li, director of the law school library, visited Beijing and forged an agreement.

Since then, John Marshall has created an Asian Alliance Program and revised its offerings from short training sessions to including Chinese attorneys into the full LLM curriculum, and an American Bar Association-approved summer curriculum in U.S. and Chinese intellectual property law. John Marshall also established the Chinese Intellectual Property Resource Center.

While China has one of John Marshall's largest alumni contingents, the Intellectual Property Program has graduates from around the world in law firms, serving in the judiciary and as government representatives.

One of our South American graduates is Héctor Ariel Manoff (JD '97) of Vitale, Manoff & Feilbogen in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

"I decided on John Marshall because it was very highly ranked as an IP program in 1996, and being in Chicago also played into my decision. I feel studying in the U.S. and learning a new culture helped me grow as a person," Manoff said.

Looking back, Manoff says he remembers Professors Bill McGrath, Mark Partridge and Bill Mock, all of whom he describes as excellent teachers.

"My classes at John Marshall gave me an understanding not only in U.S. IP law, but also the way of reasoning of the law practitioners," he said. "With this knowledge, I've been able to increase my client base."



Chinese LLM graduates at a farewell dinner.

Country's First Online Law Review Organized by IP Students

"All Hail the Founders!" proclaimed Chief Judge Paul Michel of the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit in fall 2001 in his foreword for the inaugural issue of John Marshall's *Review of Intellectual Property Law* (RIPL).

He lauded these RIPL editors for their grand experiment, an online law journal devoted to intellectual property (IP) law and predicted it would eventually replace print law journals.

"Aside from altogether erasing the distinction between scholarship and practice, I can hardly think of a more productive development," he told RIPL readers.

Adam Kelly (JD '02) of Loeb & Loeb, remembers the RIPL team "wanted it to be the best student-run IP journal in the United States."

"When we explained our idea for RIPL (to the judge) he was strongly in favor," and he surprised them by suggesting he would happily write the foreword.

"Given John Marshall's rich history in IP law, creating an IP journal seemed like a natural extension of the IP program, and the authors in the first publication were happy to contribute," said Karl Maersch (JD '02) of Dow Inc. who served as the first editor-in-chief of RIPL.

The founding editorial board members were Benjamin B. Cotton, Raymond R. Ricordati III, Ted L. Field, Tony Goodman, Jason J. Green, Sarah M. Haule, Adam Kelly, Benjamin P. Kota, Ann Marie Leverton, Karl Maersch, James E. Moeller, Mark W. Scott and Donald Zuhn Jr. Staff editors were Timothy J. Leake, Starr K. Nelson, David S. Noskowitz, Michael E. Romani, Eric J. Stanek, Mark D. Swanson, W. Alex Wilson and Thomas Wrona.

Staff members were Ronald E. Andermann, Juliet R. Otten, Paul M. Raya, Stephen L. Sheldon, Philip H. Sheridan, Gregory F. Sutthiwan, Martha C. Szatkowski, Adam



Blaise Bennett (JD '13) introduces himself to John Corvino (right), general counsel of the Chicago White Sox at RIPL's 2013 symposium that focused on rights, ownership and identity in social media.

M. Gustafson, Tim F. Burnette, Daniel W. Celander, Milena S. Dabich, Myco T. Dang, Jeffrey M. Drake, Victoria Friedman, Alex W. Haymond, Willard L. Hemsworth III, Adrienne N. Kitchen, Matthew E. Martin, Jeremie D. Mill and Anna E. Morrison.

"Our focus in 2001 was identifying a slate of authors with enough name recognition and timely topics to make a splash with our first issue," Maersch added. The journal also would attract top IP students to work on RIPL, and making certain a strong foundation was in place so that RIPL would be self-sustaining.

Maersch commends the students who came after him and the work they've done to maintain the high profile of RIPL, now a quarterly publication, by publishing an IP law blog at <http://ripl.jmls.edu>. RIPL ranks as the 11th most-cited technology law journal in the country, according to Google analytics. It has been cited as persuasive authority by the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, as well as parties petitioning the United States Supreme Court for a *writ of certiorari*.

RIPL now hosts an annual daylong symposium with CLE credit. Maersch deems it "perhaps the most impressive evolution" of RIPL.



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Chief Justice **Rita Garman,** **5 Outstanding Alumni** **Honored At Freedom Award, DSA Lunch**

Illinois Supreme Court Chief Justice Rita Garman will receive the Freedom Award from The John Marshall Law School Alumni Association at its annual Freedom Award and Distinguished Service Awards Luncheon at noon on May 9, 2014, at the Palmer House Hilton.

The alumni association also will honor Ellyce Anapolsky (JD '04), Judge Peggy Chiampas (JD '89), Leonard DeFranco (JD '78, LLM/TAX '81), Judge Raymond Jagielski (JD '81) and Brian J. Stephenson (JD '87) with Distinguished Service Awards.

"Each year, our alumni honor outstanding attorneys at this event. This year is no exception," said Judge Regina Scannicchio, president of the alumni association. "The work these outstanding lawyers are doing within their chosen professions, and for the community, is worthy of the recognition we bestow upon them."

"The committee works for months on this program to bring honor not just to our recipients but to The John Marshall Law School," said Sherri Dzik, director of the Office of Alumni Relations. "We invite all from the legal community to this special and enjoyable event."

Tickets are \$95, and donations benefit the Alumni Association Scholarship Fund. Reservations are being accepted at events.jmls.edu.

Freedom Award Recipient

Chief Justice Rita B. Garman

Illinois Supreme Court Chief Justice Rita B. Garman is the longest-serving female judge and the second longest-serving judge in Illinois. She is the first chief justice to have served in virtually every judicial capacity: associate judge, circuit judge, presiding circuit judge, appellate justice, presiding appellate justice, Supreme Court justice, and chief justice of the Supreme Court.



Garman was appointed to the Illinois Supreme Court in 2001, elected to a 10-year term in 2002, and retained for a second term

in 2012. She has served as chief justice since 2013. Her duties on the court have included serving as the court's liaison to the Conference of Chief Circuit Judges, the Committee on Judicial Performance Evaluation, the Supreme Court Historical Preservation Commission, and the Special Committee on Child Custody Cases. She has been instrumental in efforts to expedite judicial decision-making, particularly in cases involving child custody, adoption and termination of parental rights.

Garman's outstanding work has been recognized numerous times. In 2013, she was named "Person of the Year" by *Chicago Lawyer* magazine. She received the Harold Sullivan Award for Judicial Excellence in 2011. In 2007, she was honored with the Hon. John Powers Crowley Award from the Lawyers' Assistance Program and the Lifetime

Achievement Award from the Illinois Judges Association. She also received the Exceptional Service to Family Mediation Award from the Mediation Council of Illinois in 2003, and the Mary Heftel Hooton Award from the Women's Bar Association of Illinois in 2001. She twice was honored as "Woman of the Year" by the Illinois Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs.

A resident of Danville, Ill., Garman is a graduate of the University of Illinois and the University of Iowa College of Law. She is a member of the Vermilion County Bar Association, the Illinois State Bar Association, the Iowa State Bar Association, the East Central Illinois Women's Bar Association, the Central Illinois Women's Bar Association and the Lincoln-Douglas American Inn of Court.

Distinguished Service Awards

Ellyce Anapolsky

Ellyce Anapolsky is a staff attorney at the Legal Council of Chicago, representing clients primarily in Supplemental Social Security Insurance (SSI) and Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) benefits cases. Her work is a vital service to people with disabilities, as she helps them navigate, secure and protect their modest benefits in a complicated and often frustrating system. Her outstanding efforts won her the Chicago Bar



Foundation Sun-Times Public Interest Law Fellowship in 2014.

Anapolsky also helps train benefit planners, health insurance counselors and medical staff on issues involving Medicare, Social Security and other benefits. She was appointed by the Social Security Administration as one of nine attorneys across the country to guide the electronic platform to permit attorneys to access claimants' files on the Internet in preparation for hearings.

After a 30-year career as an accountant, Anapolsky returned to law school to pursue greater meaning and fulfillment in her career. She was inspired to do so after watching

attorneys at various nonprofit organizations where she was employed and volunteered. As a John Marshall student, she received summer fellowships from Equal Justice America and Equal Justice Works/Vista Summer Volunteer Legal Corps. She earned Equal Justice Works' Exemplary Public Service Award for launching a summer project to protect seniors threatened with foreclosure due to fines from building code violations. She also served as the John Marshall representative for the Cook County State's Attorney Student Advisory Board and Equal Justice Works.

Judge Peggy Chiampas

Judge Peggy Chiampas was appointed as an Associate Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County in 2007. She has presided over traffic and domestic violence cases and is currently assigned to the First Municipal Division misdemeanor jury call, central bond court and felony preliminary hearings calls.



She joined the Cook County State's Attorney's Office in 1990 as an assistant state's attorney and over the next 17 years she was given greater responsibility in the courtroom, among her peers and with supporting agencies. Judge Chiampas has led investigations targeting and prosecuting public officials and employees committing offenses in their official capacity.

She supervised the Preliminary Hearings, Special Grand Jury Unit of the Narcotics Prosecutions Bureau, and served as first chair in the Narcotics Bureau Complex Drug Prosecution Unit, a multi-jurisdictional prosecutors' task force working with federal, state and local law enforcement on long-term narcotics investigations leading to trials. She was the recipient of the Uptown Chicago Commission Policing Award for work on "Operation Walk in the Park," an initiative that shut down an open air drug market in the Uptown community. Judge Chiampas led investigations and prosecutions of child sex offenders in the Child Advocacy and Protection Unit, and trained law enforcement, prosecutors and social service personnel in interview, investigation and case assessment techniques.

Judge Chiampas served as an instructor of sex crime investigations and domestic violence for the U.S. Department of Justice and the International Law Enforcement Academy traveling to Haiti, Africa and Albania.

Judge Chiampas is an active member of the Hellenic American Community. She is a member of the Hellenic Bar Association and a council member of the Hellenic American Leadership Council. She is also on the board of Women Everywhere and a board member of the Penedo Charitable Organization.

Leonard DeFranco

Leonard DeFranco shares his wealth of information on taxes and investments with colleagues in bar associations, and gives time as a mentor to college students. He is a principal in the DeFranco Law Firm, concentrating his practice in high net worth estate planning, corporate and personal tax-related transactions, tax controversies and commercial real estate transactions.



After graduating from John Marshall, DeFranco became involved in the American Bar Association. He served with the Sections of Taxation, Real Property, Probate and Trust Law and Intellectual Property Law. He is serving on the Illinois State Bar Association's Investment Committee helping manage ISBA capital funds. DeFranco has chaired the Business Advice Section Council. He is a frequent lecturer for the ISBA Law Education series and has appeared on ISBA Federal Tax cable television shows.

DeFranco twice chaired the ISBA Federal Taxation Section Council. Since 2005, he has been a delegate to the council's special meetings in Washington to present members of Congress, their staffs and U.S. Department of the Treasury representatives with non-political legislative initiatives promoting fair and efficient tax policy.

DeFranco is an active board member and past president of the DuPage County Estate Planning Society. He has been a member of the Justinian Society of Lawyers for more than 30 years, and was president in 2000.

A graduate of Marquette University, DeFranco now mentors students in its College of Business Administration and is a lecturer in the M.B.A. program. He is a mentor/advisor to Marquette students in the Kohler Center for Entrepreneurship-Business Plan Competition. He is a donor-advisor for the student-run Buena Vida Coffee Co., a nonprofit coffee wholesaler that contributes proceeds to a Guatemalan orphanage.

Judge Raymond Jagielski

Judge Raymond Jagielski serves as the presiding judge of the Fifth Municipal District of the Circuit Court of Cook County. He supervises 24 judges and oversees the court operations for 35 municipalities and 15 other governmental agencies. He was first elected to the bench in 1992, and re-elected to three consecutive terms in 1998, 2004 and 2010.



Judge Jagielski has served in various capacities within the judiciary. He rewrote the Judge's Jury Trial Book for DUI cases when in the Traffic Division. He wrote a Judge's Jury Trial Book for Involuntary Admissions and/or Involuntary Administration of Psychotropic Medication cases and the Election Law Book for ICLE when he was assigned to the County Division.

Between 2007 and 2011, when assigned to the Fifth Municipal District Courthouse in Bridgeview, Judge Jagielski served as supervising judge of the Misdemeanor and Traffic Division, presided over Felony Preliminary Hearing, Misdemeanor and Traffic cases, helped implement a reformed Violation of Supervision/Conditional Discharge court call, and accepted various leadership roles in

the absence of then-Presiding Judge David Sterba. In 2011 when Sterba was appointed to the Illinois Appellate Court, Jagielski was appointed the presiding judge for the Fifth Municipal District.

After graduating from Wabash College in 1975, Jagielski was a teacher and football coach at St. Rita High School. He attended The John Marshall Law School as an evening student and graduated in 1981. He was an assistant Cook County Public Defender from 1981 to 1989. He went into private practice in 1989, and served as chairman and commissioner of the Chicago Board of Elections between 1989 and 1991.

Among his honors are the President Award from the Advocates Society in 2011, and the Jurist of the Year Award in 2013 from the Southwest Bar Association.

Brian J. Stephenson

Brian J. Stephenson has an extensive background as a trial attorney, first serving as a criminal prosecutor in Howard County, Indiana, and later representing defendants at trial for both major felonies and misdemeanors. He also handles general litigation cases. Today he maintains offices in Chicago and suburban LaGrange. In the 1990s, Stephenson was the attorney for Fireman's Fund Insurance Co. in Indiana. He traveled the state trying cases building a reputation in insurance defense. He returned to the Chicago area and opened a private practice. He has shared his talents by coaching mock trial teams for two high schools.



Stephenson has been working with youth for years, both through activities involving his own four children and developing programs to help others. He served on the St. Francis Xavier School Board, and has coached more than 25 sports teams. He believes society needs more compassion. To that end, Stephenson, a stand-up comic, has developed a number of programs to help teach young people how to improve themselves and work for the betterment of others. Working with the juvenile court system, Stephenson six years ago organized an improvisational comedy program, "Turn the Corner," to help children on probation build their self-esteem, promote teamwork and develop creativity. He has since added an anti-bullying message to impress upon teens that "the only time you should look down on another person is when you help him up." Stephenson has also developed a second comedy improv program for teens in several Chicagoland low-income neighborhoods and a small summer fishing program for developmentally disabled children.

Schwinn Makes Constitutional Law Lively, Relatable

Television pundits shouldn't be the only ones having lively discussions on the value of the Constitution, Professor Steven D. Schwinn says.

Some say constitutional theory is dry, even dull. So, Schwinn works at making the legal fundamentals he teaches in his Constitutional Law I and II classes relevant to today.

"So many constitutional law professors approach it as theoretical and teach it from that point of view. It's all top down," he said. "I flip that and approach it as a course full of relevance" by adding politics, news stories and court decisions to each constitutional theory he's teaching, he said. "I try to start with a concrete example so they can see how it works day to day."

It's a teaching method Schwinn says works for him, and he believes for his students.

Schwinn has taught a number of courses since joining the faculty in 2006. He took four groups of Comparative Constitutional Law students to South Africa to help them understand the law from a foreign perspective, as well as expand their interests in the world outside of Chicago.

He was honored by the Constitutional Rights Foundation Chicago for his initiative that partnered John Marshall students teaching constitutional principles to students in Chicago Public Schools.

In the fall 2013 semester, Schwinn was looking for an interesting way to teach his first-year Lawyering Skills I class, focusing on civil rights. He volunteered to take a federal appeal by an Illinois prisoner who alleged that he was beaten by prison guards. The prisoner represented himself at trial and lost.

Schwinn used the case as his teaching tool. After the students researched the issues, they prepared their memos. He was so impressed by their work that he used much of it in his brief.

"The students really got into it; I think, because it's a real case. The results were good because they were way more involved.



So many professors approach constitutional law as theoretical and teach it from that point of view. It's all top down. I flip that and approach it as a course full of relevance.

It allowed them to get creative and do good work," he said. "It also gave them a real sense of how complicated and messy it can be to practice law."

Schwinn won the appeal before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, and the case was sent back to the trial court.

He now has a new role as co-director of the International Human Rights Clinic, one of John Marshall's newest clinics, and worked with students on a study of immigrants held in solitary confinement.

Type his name into a Google search and you'll find Schwinn is a prolific writer, blogger and news commentator on constitutional law, especially as it relates

to separation of powers when it affects individual rights. He serves as the faculty advisor for John Marshall's chapter of the American Constitution Society (ACS), and sits on the Board of Advisors of ACS's Chicago Lawyers Chapter.

A native of Michigan, he attended Michigan State University where he received his specially designed Humanities degree, which allowed him to study political science, German and math. His law degree is from the American University Washington College of Law. After graduating he worked for several years as assistant general counsel for the Peace Corps, helping to promote the agency's missions of cross-cultural awareness and development.

He then taught for two years at the George Washington University Law School, and another six at the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law. There he co-directed a project that led to the release of a wrongfully convicted prisoner after 32 years of confinement.

Schwinn enthusiastically continues that pursuit of access to justice at John Marshall. "We offer our students an outstanding legal education. Our commitment to access and our quality education—those are essential," he said. "And as a faculty member, I'm proud to know John Marshall recognizes that."

Lake County Alumni Reception



Sherri Dzik (JD '99), director of the Office of Alumni Relations, enjoys time with Mike Favia (JD '82) (left) and John Kay (JD '92).



Meeting up at the reception were (from left) Michele Braun (JD '84), Cathy Wifler (JD '89) and Lauren Prihoda (JD '10), John Marshall's director of Annual Giving.



Circuit Court of Lake County Judges (from left) Jay Ukema (JD '79) and Margaret Mullen (JD '80) shared the evening with Michael Henrick (JD '74), Associate Dean Anthony Nledwiecki and retired Lake County Judge Raymond McKoski, who is an adjunct professor at John Marshall.

Message from Katherine Veach

Executive Director of the Office of Alumni Relations and Development

This Aug. 3, 2014, will mark the 115th anniversary of the chartering of The John Marshall Law School, dedicated to the principle “that in the highest interests of the entire body politic, the administration of justice should be representative of all segments of society.” These core values of access and opportunity continue to define our law school and the generous donors who support this mission.

Considering the many accomplishments during these years, I thought it might be a good time to highlight a few of John Marshall’s signature programs and the devoted and generous donors who help to keep alive our proud tradition of providing access and opportunity.

A prime example is the John Marshall Fair Housing Legal Support Center & Clinic, which just celebrated its 20th anniversary. Committed to the belief that this nation’s housing problems can only be overcome by a concerted effort to combine strong education with strong enforcement activities, the Center has, among many other activities, assisted more than 800 clients who otherwise would not have had access to legal representation. None of this could have occurred without the continuing financial support of Fair Housing’s friends, donors and colleagues.

This year’s Dean Fred F. Herzog Memorial Lecture on April 14 is another signature program. Launched in the 1970s, it was initially funded by family, friends and colleagues of the former dean, and is now supported by more recent alumni who also value the Dean’s work and legacy. This year’s guest lecturer, Benjamin B. Ferencz, was the chief prosecutor for the United States Army in the Einsatzgruppen Trial following World War II. He is the last surviving Nuremberg prosecutor.

This July 10–11 will bring international scholars, advocates and policymakers together at John Marshall for the 21st Belle R. and Joseph H. Braun Memorial Symposium. Created from the Brauns’ generous endowment and shepherded by alumnus Joseph Ament and friend of John Marshall, Lawrence Glick—both of whom have personally supported the endowment—the symposium this year will foster discussion about law, policy and legal protections for the elderly around the globe, including the development of a model International Bill of Rights for the Elderly.

It is remarkable to see how much has been accomplished in the past 115 years at John Marshall to promote access and opportunity, and we thank those alumni, friends, corporations and foundations who have made it possible for our law school to accomplish this work. If you would like to continue or to begin supporting one of the above programs at John Marshall, or to support scholarships, academic programs, or facility needs of the law school, please contact me at

kveach@jmls.edu or at 312.427.2737, ext. 133. It will be my honor to help you do so.



Warm Regards,

Katherine Veach
Executive Director

Office of Alumni Relations and Development

Alumni Judges Reception Hosted by Alumni Association

Visiting at the alumni association’s annual event were (from left) Katherine A. O’Dell (JD ’00), John Fotopoulos (JD ’00) and Danielle Vleck (JD ’13).



Jim Pleczonka (JD ’83) (left) chatted with Circuit Court of Cook County Judges Alexander White (LLM ’76) (center) and Russell Hartigan (JD ’75) (right).



Spending time at the reception are (from left) Carol Sales (JD ’05, LLM/RE ’10), attorney Paul Bauch, Letitia S. Sheats (JD ’71) and Anthony Calzaretta (JD ’94).



Retired Circuit Court of Cook County Judge Everette Braden (JD ’61) (left) meets with Dean John E. Corkery (center) and Illinois Appellate Court Justice Joy Cunningham (JD ’82) (right).



Enjoying the Judges Reception are (from left) Kinga Lota (JD ’08), Circuit Court of Cook County Judge Jessica Arong O’Brien (JD ’98, LLM/EB ’99, LLM/TAX ’03) and Caitlin Groh (JD ’09).



Cobe Administering Lac du Flambeau Tribal Justice



Shannon Cobe wears a Chippewa judicial robe first worn 25 years ago by the tribe's first woman judge. The robe is decorated with specially designed beading.

For John Marshall alumna Shannon M. Cobe (JD '80), there's really no such thing as retirement. After a 30-year legal career in Chicago, Cobe headed to Wisconsin's Northwoods where she became an associate tribal judge for the Lac du Flambeau band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians.

Cobe, the first licensed attorney to be named a judge in her tribal court, calls it semi-retirement, but it sounds like a full plate. The court Cobe works in is one of general jurisdiction dealing with family law, natural resource cases, probate and child welfare, among other things. Cobe also is working on revisions to the tribe's legal code, which evolved from material passed along from the Bureau of Indian Affairs many years ago.

"Although I'm working part time, this is a very rewarding experience, yet very challenging," Cobe said. "I feel as if I'm making a difference in tribal law and in the interpretation of tribal law."

Cobe is an enrolled tribal member but she wasn't raised on the 3,500-member reservation, rather in Chicago and suburban Glen Ellyn. While in Chicago, she spent 20 years in private practice focusing on family law, as well as performed *pro bono* work through Chicago Volunteer Legal Services. She served eight terms on John Marshall's Alumni Association Board, and was awarded a John Marshall Law School Distinguished Service Award in 2002.

Even though she misses some of her favorite Chicago restaurants, Cobe is happy with her choice to move north, where she appreciates the slower pace and the quiet.

"I love it, I have friends and family here," she said. "I was active in the Indian community in Chicago for the last 20 years and a lot of Lac du Flambeau members are in Chicago, and some have now retired up here."

10th Annual Student/Alumni Exchange



First-year student Arben Ballazhi (left) enjoyed the evening with Paul Schutz (JD '14) and Caitlin Groh (JD '09).



Meeting at the annual Student-Alumni Exchange in November were (from left) first-year student Jessica Defino, Gina Rossi (JD '08), Lauren Toblason (JD '08), first-year student Ramsena Younatham and Paul Prezioso (JD '08).



Second-year students Emily Laskowski (left) and RuthAnne Waldrop (right) had a great conversation with Chris Call (JD '09) (second from left) and Nello Gamberdino (JD '95).

Greater Will County Alumni Reception



Alumnus Eric Hanson (JD '95) enjoyed meeting with Dean John E. Corkery at the Greater Will County Alumni Reception in November 2013.



Meeting at the Greater Will County Alumni Reunion were (from left) Rick Kamer (JD '12), Marc Wolfe (JD '76) and Jacqueline Aldrich (JD '06).



Giving their congratulations to the honored guest Grundy County Circuit Court Judge Lance Peterson (JD '93) (second from left) are (from left) Judge Grant Wegner (ret.), Dean John E. Corkery, Grundy County Judge Sheldon Sobol (JD '91), and Chief Judge Richard Schoensted of the Circuit Court of Will County.

Message from Sherri J. Dzik

Director of Alumni Relations

In case you haven't noticed, I am ecstatic about our John Marshall alumni. My enthusiasm never wanes. You are interesting, engaged in your careers and outstanding John Marshall boosters.

I got a special dose of alumni support at a Los Angeles event in February that reinforced my strong convictions about all of you!

To me, John Marshall alumni are set apart because of their willingness to help. Let me share these special ways your words, actions and support matter.

- We all know law schools are facing tough, competitive challenges these days. When the Fall 2014 class of admitted students came to the L.A. reception, our alumni were enthusiastic cheerleaders. They really stepped up to make these incoming students feel welcome and part of our John Marshall community now—before they arrive in Chicago.

Afterward, several alumni volunteered to continue the outreach efforts. This interest is much appreciated as we ask alumni to assist with our admission efforts. If you would like to help us reach out to admitted students, let me know. Near or far from Chicago, we need your help.

- If you can't give of your time, please consider giving a gift. We have a great product in John Marshall and we need the resources to recruit and retain the best students! Your financial support can make a huge difference for our students who can face staggering financial burdens.

We have several new immediate-use scholarships, like the Heart of John Marshall Scholarship raising funds in honor of Miss Marilyn Criss in the Student Affairs Office. Since October 2012, more than \$74,000 has been raised.

In addition, our Alumni Association started the Pay It Forward grant to help struggling recent graduates. The first awards will be made this year.

- The job market has changed—some would say dramatically. John Marshall is assisting our recent graduates at finding their first positions, and to work with all alumni in their job searches. To that end, I have received more emails in the last year from alumni telling me of job openings than I have in the previous five years! I funnel these to our Career Services Office for immediate attention. A big “thank you” to all for the notes and phone calls.
- And, I have to tell you I so appreciate the record number of alumni volunteers who are mentoring students and recent graduates. Your help gives a John Marshall student the best possible chance of finding a job and being successful.

All of us at John Marshall are working hard. Knowing that our alumni are right there with us is so gratifying. Stay engaged and stay in touch. I'm always here to talk about how you can be a part of our continued success. Please don't hesitate to call me at 312.427.2737 ext. 343.



Warm Regards,

Sherri J. Dzik

Sherri J. Dzik '99

Director of Alumni Relations

Save the Date

The John Marshall Law School Alumni Association will conduct its annual meeting and reception from 5 to 7 p.m., Thursday, June 5, 2014, at the law school.

Natosha Cuyler-Sherman (JD '05) will take the oath of office as the president for the 2014–2015 term. She will be joined by fellow officers and board members. The Alumni Association Scholarships will be awarded, as well as special awards for outstanding efforts.

RSVPs are being accepted by the Department of Event Management at 312.987.1420 or events@jmls.edu.

John Marshall Law Review Reception



Enjoying the reception in November 2013 were (from left) Megan Monaghan (JD '13), Peter Graham (JD '10), second-year student Travis Talboys, and new alum Alex Whitt (JD '14).



Students (from left) Alexis Pool and Brian Tierney chat with Kenneth Nemeec (JD '82) and Shane Devins (JD '13) at the Law Review reception.



Sharing Law Review insights were (from left) Marilyn Lablalks (JD '01), and students Angela Bleslada and Joe Swee with Bruce Dopke (JD '80).

John Marshall Student First to Receive Skadden Fellowship

The prestigious Skadden Fellowship has been awarded to Sarah Hess, a third-year student who will use the award to improve children's health by establishing a medical-legal partnership with the Chicago Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights Under Law.

Hess, who graduates in May, says her project is "really about obstructing the cycle of poverty," by providing legal services, being an advocate and looking at policy issues. She also may work on new legislation, or propose legislative changes.

Hess is one of 28 recipients of the Skadden honor, and is the first student from John Marshall to be named a Skadden Fellow. The program, underwritten by the Skadden Foundation, allows recipients to design their own public interest project and provides them a two-year salary and partial law school debt repayment.

John Marshall is an outstanding law school for those interested in public service, yet Hess remembers hearing that she probably wouldn't be considered for the Skadden award because the majority of the winners are from Ivy League schools.

"I chose John Marshall because I knew I wanted to pursue public interest law," she told the Skadden selection committee. Hess says John Marshall supported her choice by giving her a scholarship.

"What I got from John Marshall was an investment in (my) dedication to public interest law. I felt like John Marshall was



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choosing me as much as I was choosing John Marshall, and it has been a wonderful experience," she said.

It was a volunteer effort in 2012, as a legal intern with Business and Professional People for the Public Interest, that got Hess examining the needs of children.

"I was really interested in education law and improving education opportunities and education equity based on race," Hess said, but she found that was

too limiting when she began doing social science research on the effects of poverty on children. "The teacher can't fix problems of the child outside school. Children cannot learn unless they have a secure home environment," she stressed.

Alumni Advantage Now Offered to All John Marshall Alumni

The Alumni Advantage Program (AAP) at The John Marshall Law School, which assists graduates wanting to enhance their legal skills through additional coursework, has extended its offerings to all JD alumni.

John Marshall JD alumni who are earning less than \$60,000 a year qualify for AAP's 50 percent reduction in tuition costs. Formerly, the program was open to alumni five years or less out of John Marshall.

"It's going to give many more John Marshall alumni the opportunity to return to school and earn a higher degree," said Silvia Rodriguez, director of Graduate Admission.

When AAP first began, the program was open to alums earning less than \$50,000 a year who graduated 2006-2010, and almost immediately the Office of Graduate Admission got inquiries from alumni who barely missed the cut. "We had 2005 graduates who were interested in

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taking LLM courses, as well," Rodriguez said, who realized the program could be expanded to help earlier graduates.

This expansion is especially beneficial for alumni looking to specialize in a specific type of law. "Attorneys with LLMs will have a better understanding of a specific specialization," Rodriguez said.

John Marshall offers advanced degrees in Employee Benefits, Estate Planning, Intellectual Property Law, International Business & Trade Law, Information Technology & Privacy Law, Real Estate Law, Tax Law, and Trial Advocacy and Dispute Resolution. Currently, Employee Benefits, Estate Planning and Intellectual Property Law are available online, and qualify for the AAP as well as post-JD course audits.

The deadline for summer admission for the LLM programs is May 1. The deadlines for alumni to apply for AAP are June 2 for the summer 2014 semester, and Aug. 31 for the fall. Alumni who apply for regular admission must apply separately for AAP.

The AAP is not available to John Marshall students pursuing a joint degree or those who already have an LLM. An AAP application waiver form must be submitted on or before the deadline each semester. Both LLM application and waiver forms can be found at the AAP website.

For more information on the AAP, visit www.jmls.edu/aap.

1974

Hon. Fred F. Foreman stepped down in January as chief judge of the 19th Judicial Circuit of Lake County where he served since 2003. He joined Freeborn And Peters LLP in the Government and Regulatory Law practice group and the Complex Litigation and Antitrust team.



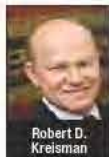
Fred L. Foreman

1975

Edward Lee Jr., has been reappointed by Illinois Gov. Patrick Quinn to the Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission. Lee works for the State of Illinois in Naperville, Illinois.

1976

Robert D. Kreisman has been elected as secretary of the American Association for Justice in the Professional Negligence Section. At his firm, Kreisman Law Offices in Chicago, Illinois, he specializes in personal injury and medical malpractice.



Robert D. Kreisman

1977

Hon. Manuel Barbosa is serving on the board of directors of Metra, suburban Chicago's metropolitan rail system. Barbosa retired in 2013 as a U.S. bankruptcy judge for the Western Division of Illinois in Rockford, Illinois.

Thomas Helms has been appointed to the board of directors of the Colorado Trial Lawyers Association. Helms heads the law firm Helms & Associates, PC in Englewood, Colorado.



Thomas Helms

1978

Michael S. Holewinski has been reappointed as the vice-chairman of the Illinois Gaming Board. Holewinski is the president of Ace Industries located in Chicago, Illinois.

1979

Paula H. Holderman serves as the Illinois delegate to the American Bar Association, and has been honored by the DuPage Association of Women Lawyers for her "inspiration of women in bar leadership." Holderman is the chief attorney development officer at Winston & Strawn in Chicago, Illinois. She serves as president of the Illinois State Bar Association.



Paula H. Holderman

Hon. Thomas W. Murphy has been appointed to the Illinois State Bar Association Insurance Law Committee. Murphy is a judge for the Circuit Court of Cook County.

Richard Strawbridge co-authored the 2013 version of chapter 16, Subrogation in IICLE's Chancery and Special Remedies handbook. Strawbridge is senior counsel at Sneckenberg Thompson & Brody, LLP in Chicago, Illinois.



Richard Strawbridge

1980

Hon. Patrick M. Carmody won a seat on the Chester County Court of Common Pleas in Chester County, Pennsylvania. He was sworn in Jan. 6, 2014.



Patrick M. Carmody

Andrew Kopon Jr., has been elected to the International Association for Defense Counsel Board of Directors. Kopon is a member of Kopon Airdo LLC in Chicago, Illinois, and focuses his practice on complex civil litigation.



Andrew Kopon Jr.

1981

Michael P. Cogan has been elected to serve on the Illinois Trial Lawyers Association Board of Managers for 2013-2014. Cogan is the founding partner at Cogan & Power, PC, and focuses on personal injury and accident trials.



Michael P. Cogan

Durkin New Illinois Legislative Leader



Leadership is a trait that Jim Durkin (JD '88), the minority leader in the Illinois House of Representatives, wears as a badge of honor.

Durkin was selected in October 2013 by the Republican caucus to be one of the four top legislative leaders in Illinois. A member of the House for nearly 15 years, and a former candidate for the U.S. Senate, Durkin is a recognized leader within the GOP.

"I've learned over the years to respect the attitudes and mores of those across the state," he said. "Anyone in this position needs to respect and have a strong understanding of the differences we have between the various regions in Illinois."

Durkin says his legal foundation has been put to the test, and there still are times he refers to notes from his Evidence class taught by then Professor John Corkery. His lawyering skills and trial attorney experience are valuable to his work on the Judiciary Committee.

"I can speak to the practical applications because the laws we pass will probably be argued in a courtroom or through arbitration. The more straightforward the bill is the better," he said.

Durkin ticks off a list of issues the legislature must tackle, including tax reform and worker's compensation, and he will try for a constitutional amendment that will move up the swearing-in of newly elected legislators from January to December to eliminate lame duck sessions.

Durkin came to national attention chairing the impeachment hearings of former Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich.

"It still is a very surrealistic moment for Illinois and me," he said. "The impeachment is part of history. No one revels in that, but I'm proud to say I participated and we did what was right for Illinois."

Gerber Brings Talents to Mentorship Role



In Bob Gerber's world, assisting others is a given.

"In college and at John Marshall, I was always on committees supporting the organizations I cared about," he remembers. Today he mentors students in the new Business Enterprise Law (BELAW) Clinic who are helping entrepreneurs in underserved communities.

The past five semesters, Gerber (JD '98), of Neal Gerber Eisenberg, has worked with students assisting clients with everything from corporate structuring to franchising to filing for licenses with the state. He meets with the students to review the client's needs and then helps them develop a plan. He generally supervises two student projects per semester.

"I attend the intake meeting between the students and the clients and the preparatory meetings for business plan presentation. I think it's important for the students to sit down with the client, listen to the client's goals and dreams, and review the legal work entailed in the project. Building a rapport and understanding with the client is important." In addition, Gerber stays in touch with students through phone conferences.

In fall 2013, Gerber's group worked with a Caribbean restaurant owner whose son had created a drink he wanted to market. "That was a really fun project. We had to get the intellectual property for the drink separated from the restaurant so that a new entity could commercialize it; but also license it back to the restaurant so they could serve and sell it as well. We had the final meeting at the restaurant enjoying a delicious Belizian meal."

Programs like BELAW weren't available when Gerber was a John Marshall student. "This program fills a real need for law students because it's hard to get transactional experience. I'm proud to share my expertise with John Marshall's BELAW students."

AG Holder Applauds PADI Program



Attorney General William Holder (left) joined Chief Judge James E. Shadid (JD '83) of the United States District Court for the Central District of Illinois, at a November 2013 press conference at the Peoria courthouse. Holder came to see firsthand how Shadid's Pretrial Alternatives to Detention Initiative (PADI) program works and called it "a resounding success."

Hon. Ted J. Hamer retired Dec. 31, 2013, after more than 30 years in public service serving as an assistant state's attorney, elected state's attorney and a judge in Henry County, Illinois.



Bruce R. Meckler has been appointed by Illinois Gov. Patrick Quinn to the state's nine-member Judicial Inquiry Board. Meckler is a partner at Meckler Bulger Tilson Marick & Pearson, LLP in Chicago, Illinois. Meckler's areas of practice are commercial insurance, reinsurance, criminal (white collar crime) and professional liability litigation.



1982

Hon. James M. Conway has been appointed chief administrative law judge to the Illinois Independent Tax Tribunal. Conway was the associate chief of the Criminal Division for the United States Attorney's Office, Northern District of Illinois.

Hon. Jesse G. Reyes, of the Illinois Appellate Court, received the 2013 Raleigh Lopez Lifetime Achievement Award from the Combined Law Enforcement Hispanic Heritage Month Committee and also received the 2013 Harold Sullivan Award from the Illinois Judges Association for his service to the judiciary. Reyes has also been sworn in as president of the Diversity Scholarship Foundation.



1984

Michael C. Craven has been elected to the Board of Managers for the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers. Craven is a partner at Beermann Pritikin Mirabelli Swerdlove, LLP in Chicago, Illinois.



Reese Schroeder was listed in the 2013 Global Corporate Venturing Powerlist. Schroeder has worked with Motorola Solutions Venture Capital since it was formed in 1999 and as its managing director since 2004.



Deborah L. Simpson has been reappointed by Illinois Gov. Patrick Quinn to the Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission as a Chicago arbitrator.

1985

Mary Beth Castino was promoted to director of Risk Management at The Marcus Corporation located in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The Marcus Corporation is involved in the lodging and entertainment industries.

Michaeline Gordon has joined Dolgin Law Group LLC in Chicago, Illinois. Gordon concentrates her practice in principal and estate and gift tax law.



Antonio M. Romanucci received the 2013 Joseph Cardinal Bernardin Humanitarian of the Year Award from the Joint Civic Committee of Italian Americans. Romanucci is a principal of the law firm Romanucci & Blandin, LLC in Chicago, Illinois.



Antonio M. Romanucci

1986

Matthew Freiman co-authored the 2013 version of chapter 16, Subrogation, in IICLE's new version of the Chancery and Special Remedies handbook. Freiman works for Craig-is, Ltd. in Jacksonville, Florida.

Mark Wojcik has been appointed chair of the Chicago Bar Association Military Law and Veterans Affairs Committee. Wojcik is a full time professor at The John Marshall Law School.

1989

Carolyn Diggins Doherty has been reappointed by Illinois Gov. Patrick Quinn to the Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission as a Chicago arbitrator.

Patrick C. Turner was appointed to the Chicago Association of Realtors' Board of Directors. Turner is a partner at Maurides, Foley, Tabangay & Turner, LLC in Chicago, Illinois.

1991

Hon. Sheldon Sobol was elected to the Morris Hospital Board for the 2013–2014 term. Sobol is an associate judge in the 13th judicial circuit in Grundy County.

Hon. Ketki Steffen has been appointed a new arbitrator to the Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission. Steffen is a judge for the Circuit Court of Cook County.



Ketki Steffen

1992

Barbara E. Dunn has joined Barnes & Thornburg LLP as a partner in the Chicago, Illinois, office. Dunn works with the National Association & Foundations practice.



Barbara E. Dunn

Karen McNulty Enright has been appointed to the board of directors of the Illinois Bar Foundation, the charitable arm of the Illinois State Bar Association. Enright is with McNabola Law Group in Chicago, Illinois.



Karen McNulty Enright

Beth F. McCormack has joined Beermann Pritikin Mirabelli Swerdlove, LLP in Chicago, Illinois, as a partner. McCormack focuses her practice on family law.



Beth F. McCormack

1993

Hon. Lance Peterson was honored by the Greater Will County Alumni Chapter of The John Marshall Law School with its award for "Outstanding Contributions to the Community, Bench and Bar." Peterson is a circuit court judge in Grundy County.

Michael E. Silverman received the Top General Counsel Award from First Chair. The First Chair Awards is an annual selection of in-house counsel who made significant contributions to the legal community. Silverman is the senior vice president and chief legal officer at SmithBucklin in Chicago, Illinois.



Michael E. Silverman

Sean F. Taylor has joined the Actors' Equity Association as the central regional director/assistant executive director in Chicago, Illinois.

Dan M. Tsataros is an assistant professor at Indiana University, Northwest campus. Tsataros' field of expertise is criminal law, courts and ethics.



Dan M. Tsataros

1995

Kurt Carlson has been reappointed by Illinois Gov. Patrick Quinn to the Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission as a Chicago arbitrator.

Daniel A. Cotter has been appointed to the board of directors for the Chicago Bar Foundation. Cotter is the vice president, general counsel and secretary of Fidelity Life Association in Chicago, Illinois.



Daniel A. Cotter

Alice E. Loughran has been promoted as partner at Steptoe & Johnson, LLP in Washington, D.C. Loughran is a member of the Litigation and Regulatory and Industry Affairs departments.



Alice E. Loughran

1996

Eric T. Krischke has joined Quarles & Brady, LLP in Chicago, Illinois, as partner. Krischke's area of practice is in intellectual property.



Eric T. Krischke

William Yu has joined Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard & Smith, LLP in Chicago, Illinois, as partner. Yu concentrates his practice areas in commercial litigation, professional liability, class action litigation, products liability, transportation litigation and employment.



William Yu

1998

Kimberly Anderson and Janice Boback, partners of Anderson & Boback law firm in Chicago, Illinois, celebrated the firm's 10-year anniversary. Anderson & Boback represent clients in adoption and domestic relations cases.

1999

James B. Goldberg is serving as president of the Decalogue Society of Lawyers-Chicago for 2013–2014. Goldberg, an attorney at Goldberg Law Group, focuses his practice on healthcare-related cases for health professionals.



James B. Goldberg

Tom P. Gregory has started his own law firm, Gregory Law Offices, Ltd. in Park Ridge, Illinois. Gregory's areas of concentration are business acquisitions and sales, litigation, personal and other injuries, contracts, employment law, real estate/landlord-tenant, wills, trusts and probate.

Martin S. LaScola has joined Gardi & Haught, Ltd. in Schaumburg, Illinois, as an attorney. LaScola will handle the firm's criminal law cases.



Martin S. LaScola

Patrick J. Waltz (LLM/EB '01) has joined the Office of the Arizona Attorney General in Phoenix, Arizona.



Patrick J. Waltz

2000

Joseph W. Albrecht received the 2013 Emerald Award from Northwestern Mutual for an outstanding year of helping clients achieve financial security. Albrecht is a McTigue Financial Group financial advisor based in Northbrook, Illinois.

Ned Milenkovich has joined Roetzel & Andress in Chicago, Illinois, as partner for the Business Services Practice Group. Milenkovich will also head the firm's Drug and Pharmacy practice.



Ned Milenkovich

2001

Eve Matela Kogut joined Beermann Pritikin Mirabelli Swerdlove, LLP in Chicago, Illinois, as partner. Kogut focuses her practice on family law.



Eve Matela Kogut

James O'Grady is serving as chief of the Harwood Heights Police Department in Harwood Heights, Illinois. O'Grady had served 28 years with the Chicago Police Department.



James O'Grady

2003

Steven M. De Falco has been promoted to member status at Meurs Law Firm in Naples, Florida. De Falco's practice includes representation in Perishable Agriculture Commodities Act trust enforcement cases.



Steven M. De Falco

Ella Liberman has been appointed to the board of directors for HandsOn Suburban Chicago. Liberman is assistant general counsel for Zurich in North America. Liberman concentrates her practice on corporate governance, corporate licensing and regulatory matters.



Ella Liberman

Patrick F. Moran has made partner at Gordon & Rees, LLP in Chicago, Illinois. Moran concentrates his practice in employment and franchise law.



Patrick F. Moran

John W. Rossiter has joined Grand Island Express in Grand Island, Nebraska, as a company member. Rossiter is also a solo practitioner and business consultant at the Law Office of John W. Rossiter in Grand Island, Nebraska.



John W. Rossiter

2004

Ellyce C. Anapolsky has received the Chicago Bar Foundation's Sun-Times Public Interest Law Fellowship. Anapolsky is an attorney with the Legal Council of Chicago.



Ellyce C. Anapolsky

Tinos Diamantatos joins Morgan Lewis in Chicago, Illinois, as counsel. Diamantatos' areas of focus are litigation and government investigations.



Tinos Diamantatos

2005

Katherine Dawkins (MS/ITP) has released "Stay in Your Lane," a book of cyber safety tips for teens.



Katherine Dawkins

Cambi L. Cann has joined Latimer LeVay Fyock, LLC in Chicago, Illinois, as an associate attorney. Cann concentrates her area of practice in real estate.



Cambi L. Cann

Faye Kuo has joined Communication Services for the Deaf, Inc. in Austin, Texas, as the vice president of Legal Affairs. Communication Services for the Deaf, Inc. is a nonprofit dedicated to creating technologies for the deaf.



Faye Kuo

Patricia Gutierrez Pascual has opened her own practice, Patricia Gutierrez Pascual Law, P.C. in Chicago, Illinois. Pascual's firm focuses on real estate law.

Timothy M. O'Shea has been elected a shareholder at Fredrikson & Byron in Minneapolis, Minnesota. O'Shea is a member of the firm's Litigation, Intellectual Property Litigation and Commercial Law groups.



Timothy M. O'Shea

Bradley Wibicki has been named partner at Murchison & Cumming, LLP in Las Vegas, Nevada. Wibicki focuses his practice in the areas of insurance law, premises liability, product liability and general liability.



Bradley Wibicki

2006

Mark W. Bina has joined Quarles & Brady, LLP in Chicago, Illinois, as partner. Bina focuses his practice on Health Law and Litigation Practice groups.



Mark W. Bina

Jeffrey S. Dixon (LLM/IP '08) has joined Hinshaw & Culbertson, LLP in Chicago, Illinois, as an associate attorney. Dixon's practice focuses on intellectual property law.

Tal Izrael (LLM/RE) has joined Levenfeld & Pearlstein, LLC in Chicago, Illinois, as an attorney. Izrael concentrates his practice in commercial real estate.



Tal Izrael

Ryan Lawrence is the senior vice president and chief legal officer at Textura Corporation in Deerfield, Illinois.

Anna Gonis O'Connor and husband, Bryan, celebrated the birth of their daughter, Alexa Melissa, Sept. 28, 2013. O'Connor is an associate at Segal McCambridge Singer & Mahoney in Chicago, Illinois.

Chad J. Richman has joined McDonald Hopkins in the Chicago, Illinois, office. Richman concentrates his practice in real estate.



Chad J. Richman

Steven L. Wisner (LLM/IP) has been honored as the Volunteer Attorney for 2013 by the Lawyers for the Creative Arts. Wisner is a senior litigator at Thorelli & Associates in Chicago, Illinois. Wisner concentrates his practice in intellectual property.

Frank Young has joined the Law Office of Konrad Sherinian in Naperville, Illinois. Young concentrates his practice in litigation.

2007

Tiffany L. Carpenter has been named shareholder at Howard & Howard, PLLC in Chicago, Illinois. Carpenter focuses her practice in the areas of commercial litigation, contract disputes, products liability, employment, mechanics liens, toxic torts and intellectual property.



Tiffany L. Carpenter

Ryan S. Coward has joined Elkus, Sisson & Rosenstein P.C. in Denver, Colorado. Coward's areas of concentration are criminal defense, civil litigation and court martial criminal defense. Coward is also with the Trial Defense Service for the Army Reserves in Fort Carson, Colorado.

Scott A. Petz received the 2013 "One to Watch" Award from the Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association Barristers Section. Petz is with Dickinson Wright, PLLC in Detroit, Michigan. He concentrates his practice in the areas of commercial and business litigation, class and collective actions, labor litigation, consumer protection and condemnation and land use.



Scott A. Petz

2008

Capt. Michael E. Barnicle, and his wife, Lindsay, welcomed their baby boy, Caden Michael, on July 27, 2013. Barnicle is a trial attorney for the United States Army.

Philip Brandt and Danielle Konstantine exchanged wedding vows August 17, 2013, at Saint Patrick Church in South Bend, Indiana. Brandt is an associate at Pretzel & Stouffer, Chtd in Chicago, Illinois.

Sarah A. Ferrill has joined Swanson, Martin & Bell, LLP in Chicago, Illinois, as an associate attorney. Ferrill focuses her practice on medical negligence and healthcare and general trial practice.

Yevgenia Baranov Kramnik has joined Cantwell & Cantwell in Chicago, Illinois, as an associate attorney.

Capt. Michael O'Brien has joined the Special Victim Council (SVC) Program as counsel at the Offutt Air Force Base in Offutt, Nebraska. O'Brien is one of three SVCs who represent the Patterson Air Force Base region.

Ari Scharg has made partner at Edelson, P.C. in Chicago, Illinois. Scharg focuses his practice on technology-related class actions.



Ari Scharg

Major Thomas D. White (LLM/IBT) has been appointed vice chair for the Chicago Bar Association Military Law and Veterans Affairs Committee.

2009

Wilton Anderson and his wife, Alyssa, welcomed a son, Oliver Evan Richard Anderson, on Oct. 9, 2013. Anderson is an associate attorney at Richmond Sproule, LLC in Frisco, Colorado. Anderson's areas of practice are real estate, business, civil litigation, trust and estate planning and probate.

Kevin M. Coyne (LLM/RE) was promoted to partner at Nyberg & Cassioppi, LLC in Naperville, Illinois. Coyne concentrates his practice in estate planning and trust and estate administration.



Kevin M. Coyne

Christopher L. Dore has made partner at Edelson, P.C. in Chicago, Illinois. Dore focuses his practice on emerging consumer technology issues.



Christopher L. Dore

Michael S. Golenson has joined LaThrop & Gage, LLP in Chicago, Illinois. Golenson focuses his practice on patent and trademark litigation and patent prosecution.



Michael S. Golenson

Abhishek K. Gurnani has joined Amin Talati, LLC in Chicago, Illinois, as a partner. Gurnani provides regulatory, intellectual property, transactional and litigation services to food, drug, dietary supplement, medical device and cosmetic companies.



Abhishek K. Gurnani

Jennifer M. Hughes has joined Gomberg, Sharfman, Gold & Ostler, P.C. in Chicago, Illinois, as an associate attorney. Hughes concentrates her practice in mortgage foreclosure law, creditor's rights and commercial litigation.



Jennifer M. Hughes

Mark A. Petrolis has joined Jeffrey M. Leving, Ltd. in Chicago, Illinois. Petrolis concentrates his practice in matrimonial litigation.



Mark A. Petrolis

Benjamin H. Richman has made partner at Edelson, P.C. in Chicago, Illinois. Richman focuses his practice on plaintiff's consumer class actions.



Benjamin H. Richman

Gianna Scatchell (LLM/IT '12) has started her own firm with Richard Gruber, Jr., Gruber & Scatchell Attorneys at Law in Chicago, Illinois. Gruber & Scatchell practice areas are organizational formation, business services and individual legal services.

2010

James L. Borkman is assistant counsel to Illinois House Speaker Michael Madigan. Borkman is working with the Technical Review Unit.

Aaron L. Davis has joined Fraser Trebilcock Davis & Dunlap in Lansing, Michigan. Davis focuses his practice on commercial litigation, labor employment and civil rights.



Aaron L. Davis

Andrew Gonzalez: Lawyer and Future Doctor



Even at a young age, Andrew Gonzalez appreciated the challenges of his ambitious career path. If he had any hope of being successful in academic medicine, he had to get moving, and early.

"I was accepted to John Marshall when I was 19 years old," Gonzalez recalls. "At the time, I actually had not yet finished undergrad (at the University of Illinois at Chicago), I had two courses left, but I needed to start law school in January so I could begin medical school on time." Associate Dean of Admission and Student Affairs William Powers gave Gonzalez special permission to matriculate at John Marshall as a night student as long as he completed his bachelor's degree that same semester.

Gonzalez (JD '06) finished law school in two and a half years, as planned, and started at UIC's College of Medicine that summer while studying for the bar exam.

"If you are not especially interested in medical malpractice, finding a way to integrate law and medicine is particularly challenging because there are so few people who have done it," Gonzalez said. Because Gonzalez had such a difficult time finding MD-JD mentorship, he appreciates organizations that are now in place to help students in similar situations. Currently, he serves as co-chair of the Residency and Student Section for the American College of Legal Medicine, the vanguard professional society for physician-attorneys which focuses on addressing issues arising at the interface between law and medicine.

Gonzalez is now finishing a two-year fellowship at the University of Michigan doing research under a National Institutes of Health grant. "My research focuses on measures of hospital quality, especially as it relates to the new Affordable Care Act, so being a lawyer definitely helps in reading through the legislation," Gonzalez explained. He is on track to be an attending vascular surgeon by 2019.

Outstanding Rankings Continue

The John Marshall Law School maintained top national rankings for two of its outstanding programs in the 2015 edition of *U.S. News & World Report's Best Graduate Schools*.

The Lawyering Skills Program (ranked as Legal Writing) continued to hold its No. 2 spot on the list, and the Intellectual Property Program again holds the No. 12 position.

"We are extremely proud that our programs continue to be ranked the best in the country," Dean John E. Corkery said. "Law students continually list our specializations among the chief reasons they choose John Marshall. Those specialties make our students more employable when they walk out of our doors with sharp writing skills and ready to practice."

Saleem Wins Back Confidence by Losing Big

Raheel "Bobby" Saleem (JD '11) remembers being ashamed of his appearance when he tipped the scales at 389 pounds.

"I didn't come off as a confident attorney. I don't ever remember being anything but big or obese, but when I ballooned to 389 pounds, I got scared," Saleem said. Desperate to make a change, he decided to try for a spot on NBC's reality show "The Biggest Loser."

Between late June and mid-October 2013, Saleem was sequestered at a ranch in California with other "Biggest Loser" teammates who trained with physical fitness coaches, met with dietitians and were supervised by physicians as they followed regimens to help them shed pounds.

"The hardest thing for me was the exercise regimen," Saleem said. "I had a torn ACL that was so painful, and I seemed to be accident prone. I just kept working through it. Law school taught me to be adaptable and find strength. I worked at it and I found things I could do to compensate for the issues I was facing."

At the end of the competition (aired Feb. 4), Saleem was among the top three contestants. His weight dropped from 358 to 170 pounds, shedding 52.5 percent of his body weight.

Maintaining it won't be easy, but Saleem is ready to dedicate himself to good eating habits and a strict exercise routine of spinning, weight lifting and sports, including the 200-mile Ride for AIDS Chicago in July.

The dramatic change has helped boost his self-confidence. "I've improved my body and improved my health," he said. "At the end of the day, I'm a legal professional with enough confidence to go out and show employers what I can do."



Stacy Campbell-Viamontes has been re-elected as president of the Young Professionals Board for the Center for Disability and Elder Law. Campbell-Viamontes is an attorney at Hinshaw & Culbertson, LLP in Chicago, Illinois. Campbell-Viamontes concentrates her area of practice in defense litigation.



Stacy Campbell-Viamontes

Ashley Forte (LLM/TAX '12) has been elected to the Associate Board of the Center for Economic Progress. Forte is an associate attorney for Arnstein & Lehr LLP in Chicago, Illinois. Forte concentrates her practice in the area of tax law.



Ashley Forte

Jason M. Koransky has been chosen to serve as editor-in-chief for the Lawyers for the Creative Arts "Law Guide" series of six books. Koransky is an intellectual property associate at Kirkland & Ellis, LLP in Chicago, Illinois.



Jason M. Koransky

2011

Meta A. Brown is an assistant regional counsel at the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services in Chicago, Illinois.

Joseph Deeney has joined the Community Unit School District 308 as the new director of Human Resources. Deeney was formerly the legal associate of the Niles Township district.



Joseph Deeney

Katie C. Galanes has joined Grunyk & Associates, P.C. in Naperville, Illinois, as an associate attorney. Galanes' area of concentration is family law.



Katie C. Galanes

Martin Kaczor is participating in the Chicago Bar Foundation's Justice Entrepreneurs Project. The program allows Kaczor to launch a solo practice on Chicago's West Side, providing affordable legal services to low- and moderate-income Chicagoans.



Martin Kaczor

Ryan Wangler is an associate at McCrea & Buck, LLC in Denver, Colorado. He focuses his practice on the defense of workers' compensation claims.

2012

Angela M. Butkovich has joined Forano Law in LaGrange, Illinois, as an attorney.



Angela M. Butkovich

Mitzi Cardenas has joined Manuel Solis Law Firm in Cicero, Illinois, as an associate. Cardenas focuses on immigration law.



Colin Q. Commito

Colin Q. Commito (LLM/IBT '13) has become counsel at Luther Franklin Spence & Associates in Maywood, Illinois.

Monica Gutowski has joined Johnson & Bell in Chicago, Illinois, as an associate attorney. Gutowski focuses her practice on insurance defense and bad faith litigation.



Monica Gutowski

Richard Gruber Jr. has opened his own law firm with Gianna Scatchell, Gruber & Scatchell Attorneys at Law in Chicago, Illinois. Gruber & Scatchell practice areas are organizational formation, business services and individual legal services.

Gretchen M. Hafeman has joined Lewis & Gellen, LLP in Chicago, Illinois, as an associate attorney. Hafeman concentrates her practice in medical malpractice defense.



Gretchen M. Hafeman

Travis C. Jeffries is now the vice chair of the Mergers and Acquisitions Committee of the Chicago Bar Association Business Law Committee. Jeffries is a business and real estate lawyer at the Law Offices of Burton A. Brown in Chicago, Illinois.



Travis C. Jeffries

Colleen McMahon has joined the Chicago Housing Authority as the manager of Policy & Legislative Affairs.

Holly A. Pisanelli has joined Babst Calland Attorneys at Law in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, as counsel. Pisanelli counsels various energy, oil, gas and mineral-related clients on transactions matters as they relate to gas title issues.



Holly A. Pisanelli

Anne Prenner Schmidt (LLM/EB '13) has joined Roetzel & Andress, LPA in Chicago, Illinois, as an associate attorney. Schmidt focuses her practice on executive compensation, employee benefits and ERISA.



Anne Prenner Schmidt

Anthony Vecchiola has joined Sullivan Taylor & Gumina, P.C. in Wheaton, Illinois, as an associate attorney. Vecchiola's area of practice is family law.



Anthony Vecchiola

2013

Sheida Ahmadzadeh has joined Trivedi & Khan, LLP in Chicago, Illinois, as an associate attorney. Ahmadzadeh focuses her practice on residential and commercial real estate.



Sheida Ahmadzadeh

Daniel J. Biederman Jr. has joined Rhatigan Law Offices, LLC in Chicago, Illinois, as an associate attorney. Biederman is a trial lawyer.



Daniel J. Biederman Jr.

Brett M. Buckley has joined Schiller DuCanto & Fleck LLP in Chicago, Illinois, as an associate attorney. Buckley concentrates his practice in family law.



Brett M. Buckley

Samuel P. Burgess has joined Conboy, McKay, Bachman & Kendall, LLP in Watertown, New York. Burgess works in the business and estate practice groups.

Patrick Bushell has joined Peck Bloom, LLC in Chicago, Illinois, as an associate attorney.

Michael Carrozza has joined McAndrews, Held & Malloy Ltd in Chicago, Illinois, as an associate attorney. Carrozza's area of practice is intellectual property.

Kevin C. Cruz has joined Dovenmuehle Mortgage Inc. in Chicago, Illinois. Cruz is a foreclosure litigator.



Kevin C. Cruz

Dawn David has joined Brinks Gilson & Lione in Chicago, Illinois, as an associate attorney. David focuses her practice on all areas of intellectual property.



Dawn David

Weaver Helped Lead Tech Revolution

William N. Weaver Jr. (JD '64) was a down-to-earth attorney recognized for having the foresight to know the benefits of technology just as the field was beginning to grow. During his 45-year career at Sachnoff & Weaver, he took on business development for numerous entrepreneurs and startup companies. At his passing in November 2013, one colleague called him "the dean of that arena."

Weaver was hired by the firm Sachnoff Schragger and Jones after partner Leonard Schragger discovered him at John Marshall in a tax class he was teaching as an adjunct professor. "He was a terrific student, and I told the others we had to hire him," Schragger remembers. In short order, Weaver was made a named partner. Schragger and Weaver were partners for 20 years before Schragger joined the John Marshall faculty full time.

Weaver gave Sachnoff & Weaver (today Reed Smith) a personality. He helped institute a casual dress code in the early 1980s, long before it was fashionable. And, Weaver believed in levity in the workplace. He hung a dart board and bought a pool table for the office and was known for playing cards with co-workers.

In Memoriam

Winston Block, JD '70
 Erick Bohlman, JD '94
 Raymond P. Concannon, JD '63
 James W. Gillespie, JD '63
 Thomas E. Gribben, JD '75
 Lawrence P. Hartlaub, JD '39
 Michael E. Leviton, JD '60
 Stephen E. Marshall, JD '97
 Timothy C. O'Brien, JD '83

Hon. Patrick J. Quinn, JD '80
 Thomas H. Rudnik, JD '64
 Paul F. Sandquist, JD '64
 Paul G. Sterling, LLM '59
 Christine Stonkus, JD '80
 Himanshu Vyas, JD '03/LLM '05
 William N. Weaver, Jr., JD '64
 Hon. Willie I. Whiting, JD '50

Florence E. Hardy is participating in the Chicago Bar Foundation's Justice Entrepreneurs Project. The program allowed Hardy to launch a solo practice on Chicago's West Side, providing affordable legal services to low- and moderate-income Chicagoans.



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Stephanie F. Jones has joined Gordon & Rees, LLP in Chicago, Illinois, as an associate attorney. Jones focuses her practice on commercial litigation, employment law and environmental/toxic tort.



Stephanie F. Jones

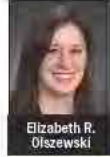
Abraham T. Matthew has co-founded the firm Matthew & Dmosek Law in Chicago, Illinois. The firm focuses on family law and personal injury law.



Abraham T. Matthew

Mervate Mohammad has joined SK Law, P.C. in Chicago, Illinois, as an associate attorney. SK Law focuses on divorce law.

Elizabeth R. Olszewski has joined Salvi, Schostok & Pritchard, P.C. in Waukegan, Illinois. Olszewski concentrates her practice in the areas of catastrophic personal injury, wrongful death and medical malpractice.



Elizabeth R. Olszewski

Vincent A. Oppedisano has joined Amari & Locallo as an associate attorney in Chicago, Illinois. Oppedisano represents property owners in relation to real estate tax assessments.



Vincent A. Oppedisano

Sara Ross has joined John J. Malm & Associates in Chicago, Illinois.



Sara Ross

Brian M. Roth has joined Gordon & Rees, LLP in Chicago, Illinois, as an associate attorney. Roth focuses his practice on commercial litigation, employment law, environmental/toxic tort and tort and product liability.



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