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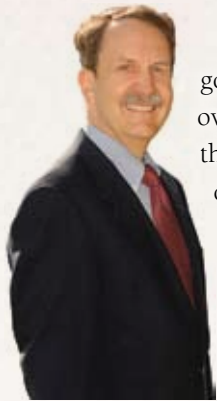
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A MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN



Here late in May, finals have come and gone, the Commencement ceremony is over, and I have a moment to reflect on these past 10 years as Dean of the School of Law. The changes to King Hall over this time have made the School stronger in every important way. And the best years for King Hall are yet to come.

What is most impressive about our great Law School are the things that endure. Since its founding by Dean Ed Barrett, the School's faculty have been its greatest strength. From the first day of classes in 1966 to today, King Hall has attracted leading scholars, great teachers, and community builders to serve on its faculty. The 26 ladder-rank faculty members hired these past 10 years have built on this strength. They are fine teachers publishing in leading academic journals and have brought new national and international prominence to UC Davis.

Our accomplished and diverse faculty are dedicated to providing King Hall's students with the very best legal education and preparing them for satisfying and successful careers in both the private and public sectors. The Law School staff, in every office and every department, are committed to serving the School, its students, faculty, and alumni. Our talented students are broadly engaged in the law, studying and entering emerging areas of practice and attending to the pressing social, economic, and legal issues of our times. Our students remain fully dedicated to community service as evidenced by this year's Public Service graduation ceremony that included over one-half of the 2008 graduating class. Our alumni are united in their loyalty to King Hall and support our School in many, many ways. They are the face of the School in law practice and in their communities here and abroad.

This past decade has brought both triumphs and challenges to King Hall. I am enormously encouraged by the way the faculty, staff, students, alumni, and our friends rallied with me to create new programs, to

fund an expansion to King Hall, and to better serve our community. I am saddened by the loss of public funding for the University of California's professional schools, and the challenges this presents, especially to our students. Together we have acted to maintain access to our School for all qualified students by enhancing support for those who need it. There is much that remains to be done, and while I understand that public funding will never return to the structure of the past, I will always encourage initiatives to reverse the effects this decision has had on public legal education. I hope you will join me in this endeavor.

As I prepare to step aside and take up a temporary office during King Hall's construction next year, I am heartened by the knowledge that the School could not be in better hands than those of its new dean, Kevin Johnson. Kevin has been a good friend, great colleague, and my trusted advisor over these past 10 years. The School's accomplishments have been his as much as mine. He knows King Hall, and loves the community and spirit it was built upon. Kevin will meet future challenges with hard work and compassion and will take King Hall to even greater excellence and visibility in the legal academic community.

During this next academic year, I will focus on my teaching and writing. I look forward to concentrated time to think about current and pressing legal issues. There is much to write about in civil procedure, legal ethics, and the administration of law schools. I know I will have plenty to do.

My time serving as Dean has truly been an honor and a joy. I cannot adequately express my deep gratitude to everyone who has stood beside me, inspired me, and challenged me during my tenure as dean.

Thank you all.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rex R. Puschbacher". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Rex R. Puschbacher
Dean

STRONGER THAN EVER

A Tribute to Dean Rex R. Perschbacher

Rex R. Perschbacher, dean of the UC Davis School of Law during a decade that witnessed a 30-percent growth in the School's full-time faculty and the launch of a \$30-million King Hall renovation and expansion project, will step down from his post on June 30. Following a year's sabbatical, Perschbacher plans to return to King Hall as a professor.

"Rex has left an indelible mark on the Law School, contributing richly to its special character and its many accomplishments," Chancellor Larry Vanderhoef said. "His values and principles, eloquently articulated, always seem to me to be unwavering. You know where he stands. And you know, too, that he's a fine, fine person."

As dean, Perschbacher hired 28 new faculty members who have advanced the School's scholarship and diversity, expanded the School's clinical programs, established a master's degree program in international commercial law and developed an outreach program for underserved college students. The School added five endowed chairs and professorships during his tenure,

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Rex R. Perschbacher

bringing the total number of seats to six, and saw a more than tenfold increase in private giving.

To help ensure that a law degree from a California public law school remains within the financial reach of all qualified California students, Perschbacher expanded the School's loan forgiveness program for students who take jobs in public interest and increased financial aid and scholarships. He also lobbied for Congressman George Miller's '72 College Cost Reduction and Access

Act and was the only University of California law dean to speak out before the Regents against increases in professional school fees.

"Over the last decade, Dean Rex Perschbacher has led nothing less than an intellectual renaissance at the UC Davis School of Law," said Kevin R. Johnson, dean designate of the Law School and the Mabie-Appallas Professor of Public Interest Law.

Perschbacher was instrumental in pushing through the School's first major building improvement since 1968, leading a campaign for \$8 million in private support and lobbying at the state Capitol for needed public funding. The new addition will be completed next fall with the renovation of the existing building to follow.

Faculty and students credit Perschbacher with fostering a familial atmosphere that celebrates cultural diversity and academic excellence.

"Rex has helped set a tone other schools should envy," said former California Supreme Court Justice Cruz Reynoso. Perschbacher recruited Reynoso as the inaugural holder of the Boochever and Bird Chair for the Study and Teaching of Freedom and Equality.

Said law professor Madhavi Sunder, one of Perschbacher's recruits: "He has shown how a great public law school can infuse its entire study of law, from environmental law to intellectual property, immigration and corporate law, with concerns for social justice and public service."

For his part, Perschbacher says the School "faces real challenges ahead. But we're up to it. We're stronger than ever."

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Photograph of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.: Corbis.

News & Notes

A NEW DEAN FOR KING HALL

Associate Dean Kevin Johnson has been named to succeed Rex R. Perschbacher as Dean of the UC Davis School of Law. Chancellor Vanderhoef stated, "Professor Johnson is a highly respected member of the School of Law faculty who emerged as the candidate of choice after a national search generated a strong pool of applicants."

The University of California Board of Regents confirmed his appointment in May.

Dean Perschbacher is very pleased Johnson was selected, "I have had the pleasure to work with Kevin at King Hall since 1989. I know Kevin to be a strong scholar, visionary, creative leader, and nationally known public intellectual. Most important, Dean Johnson is absolutely dedicated to UC Davis School of Law and

its mission of scholarly excellence and public service. As I transition from the position of dean, I leave knowing that the Law School is in good hands."

Dean Designate Johnson will assume the position on July 1, 2008. The fall 2008 issue of the *King Hall Counselor* will have a full feature story on the School's new dean.

DEAR KING HALL ALUMNI AND FRIENDS,

I am truly honored to have the opportunity to serve as the next dean of the UC Davis School of Law. Thank you for all of the support over the years.

In my nearly 20 years at King Hall, I saw Deans Bruce Wolk and Rex Perschbacher elevate the stature of the Law School to new heights and create a strong foundation of private support. I have great admiration for my friend Dean Perschbacher's deep and enduring dedication to ensuring that, in the face of quickly rising professional school fees, the School of Law remains accessible to everyone.

UC Davis School of Law has a truly extraordinary faculty, staff, and student body. In his decade as dean, Rex Perschbacher did an outstanding job in overseeing nothing less than an intellectual renaissance at the Law School, which included the hiring of an extraordinary group of the most diverse and excellent scholars in the United States. My modest hope is to build on his achievements while maintaining the King Hall community that we all know and love.

Specifically, I promise to do all I can to ensure that the Law School remains a top public law school in times of tight budgets and increasing fees. We must do what we can to attract and retain the best and brightest faculty and students from a diversity of backgrounds and perspectives. In my mind, this is the challenge facing all public universities in the 21st century.

The state of California struggles with funding its public universities, which in turn must seek to maintain their high quality with shrinking state support. I personally am the beneficiary of a public university education and know just how important it is that we maintain a public legal education that is accessible to all students of all socioeconomic backgrounds.

With your help, I believe that we can remain a truly accessible, top tier public law school. Working together, we also can advance the School's scholarly mission, elevate the national and international stature of the School, and attract and retain the best and brightest students and faculty.

There obviously is much to be done. In the short term, we need to complete the funding to renovate King Hall. The building will be expanded through private, campus, and public funds that already have been secured. Construction begins as this edition of the *King Hall Counselor* goes to press. I echo Dean Perschbacher's hearty thanks to all who have made the expansion possible.

However, we need more funding to renovate the existing Martin Luther King, Jr., Hall so that it has the space and amenities befitting an extraordinary national and international law school. You will soon hear from us on how your assistance (financial and otherwise) in this effort can have a tremendous impact.

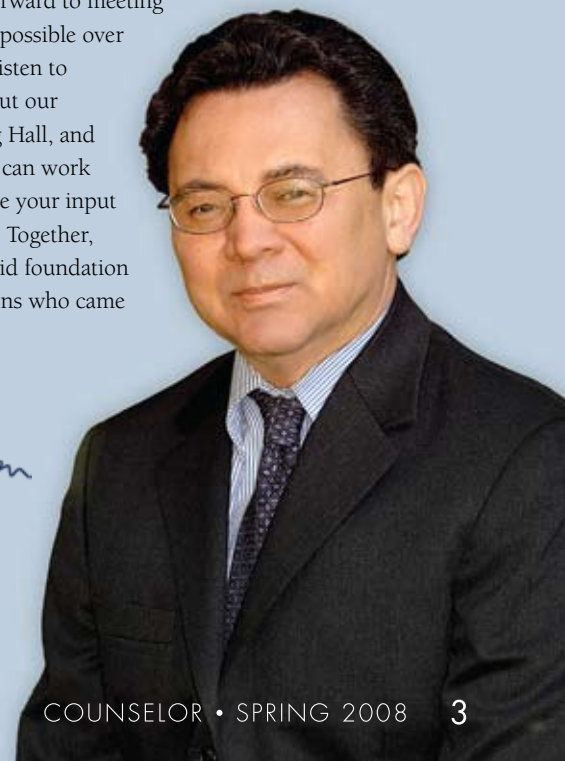
In the long term, we must focus on increasing funding for scholarships to keep King Hall accessible and loan forgiveness for those who want to pursue careers in public service. Our students are our future, and we must do what we can to ensure they have full access to the doors of King Hall and a career of their choosing in the law.

We also must expand our chairs and professorships to hire and retain the best law faculty in the United States. Under Dean Perschbacher's leadership, the School of Law's hiring has been unparalleled in terms of scholarly excellence; no law school in the United States has matched this faculty hiring success. We must do what we can to retain and reward the excellent faculty built over the last decade.

You, our alumni and friends, have been, and will continue to be, pivotal to the success of UC Davis School of Law. I am looking forward to meeting with as many of you as possible over the coming months to listen to your concerns, talk about our collective goals for King Hall, and collaborate on ways we can work together. I also welcome your input by telephone or e-mail. Together, we will build on the solid foundation created by the great deans who came before me.



Kevin R. Johnson
Dean Designate



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UC DAVIS LAW REVIEW ESSAY PROFILED IN *NEW YORK TIMES*

The *New York Times* profiled a *UC Davis Law Review* essay entitled, “‘Followed Rates’ and Leading State Cases, 1940-2005.” According to the study, co-authored by Chief Supervising Attorney of the California Supreme Court and UC Davis School of Law alumnus Jake Dear ’83, the California Supreme Court is the most influential state court in the nation, with more than 1,200 decisions followed by other states since 1940.

PROFESSORS DOBRIS, DOREMUS, IMWINKELRIED, JOHNSON AMONG MOST CITED LEGAL SCHOLARS



Professors of Law Joel Dobris (Wills, Trusts, & Estates), Holly Doremus (Environment Law), Edward Imwinkelried (Evidence), and Kevin Johnson (highly cited scholar) were ranked with top scholars in their fields for scholarly impact in a new study by Brian Leiter.



The listings were drawn from data collected in July 2007 about citations to faculty since the year 2000 that were incorporated into the *Ranking of Law Schools by Scholarly Impact* released on September 1, 2007.

PROFESSOR JOHNSON PUBLISHES BOOK ON IMMIGRATION AND CIVIL RIGHTS

Dean Designate Kevin Johnson published his fifth book, *Opening the Floodgates: Why America Needs to Rethink its Borders and Immigration Laws*. The book has spurred national dialogue on immigration, and Johnson has been interviewed extensively by radio stations and quoted by many national publications.

Seeking to re-imagine the meaning and significance of the international border, *Opening the Floodgates* makes a compelling case for eliminating the border as a legal construct that impedes the movement of people into this country.

Johnson offers an alternative vision of how U.S. borders might be reconfigured, grounded in moral, economic, and policy arguments for more open borders. Importantly, liberalizing migration through a more open borders policy would recognize that the enforcement of closed borders cannot stifle the strong, arguably irresistible, economic, social, and political pressures that fuel international migration.

Controversially, Johnson suggests that more open borders are entirely consistent with efforts to prevent terrorism that have dominated immigration enforcement since the events of September 11, 2001. More liberal migration, he suggests, would allow for full attention to be paid to the true dangers to public safety and national security.

Johnson's other books include *Mixed Race American and the Law: A Reader* and *The Huddled Masses Myth: Immigration and Civil Rights*.

NEW BOOK ON ESTABLISHMENT CLAUSE BY PROFESSOR BROWNSTEIN



The anthology, *The Establishment of Religion Clause: Its Constitutional History and the Contemporary Debate*, edited by Professor of Law Alan Brownstein, was published by

Prometheus Books. The book is organized around three central areas. First, several articles provide divergent accounts of the history of the Establishment Clause from colonial America to the adoption of the Fourteenth Amendment. Second, various perspectives are presented on government endorsement of religious messages, typically through state-sponsored religious displays or state-directed prayer. Third, a range of viewpoints address the issue of government funding of religious institutions providing educational or social services.

NEWS FROM THE BENCH

Judge David Rosenberg '74 was elected as the Presiding Judge of Yolo Superior Court for 2008. Rosenberg was appointed to the bench on October 3, 2003. During his tenure, Judge Rosenberg has heard the full panoply of cases which come before the Superior Court, including jury trials, preliminary hearings, settlement conferences, felony and misdemeanor criminal matters, civil, family, juvenile dependency and juvenile delinquency, probate, and drug cases. Rosenberg is one of six judges on the criminal team handling misdemeanors and felonies in a direct-calendar system from arraignment to resolution, including trials, and is a member of the Appellate Division of the Yolo Superior Court. He is also

a member of the Criminal Law Education Committee, Civil Law and Small Claims Advisory Committee, Judges Association Standing Committee on Legislative Relations, and a former faculty member of the California Judicial College. Prior to his appointment to the bench, Rosenberg was a Yolo County supervisor for the 4th District and served as chairman of the Board of Supervisors in 1997 and again in 2002. He also served as a Davis city councilman, including two terms as the mayor.

Sacramento County Superior Court Judge Kenneth Peterson '71 was named the Wilmont Sweeney Juvenile Court Judge of the Year by the Juvenile Court Judges of California. Peterson received the award at the state's annual Juvenile Court Institute on March 18 in Long Beach.

Governor Schwarzenegger also appointed three UC Davis Law alums to judgeships.

Antonino J. Agbayani '81 was appointed to a judgeship in the San Joaquin County Superior Court on October 3, 2007. Agbayani has served as a commissioner for the San Joaquin County Superior Court since 2006. He previously served as a trial attorney with the Agbayani Law Office, also known as Agbayani & Parker, from 1992 to 2006. Prior to that, Agbayani served as a deputy district attorney for the San Joaquin County District Attorney's Office from 1983 to 1992. He fills one of the new positions created by Senate Bill 56. Agbayani has also served as a member of the UC Davis School of Law Alumni Association Board of Directors.

Willie Lott, Jr., '72 was appointed to a judgeship in the Alameda County Superior Court. Lott has served as a commissioner for the Alameda County Superior Court since 2002. Previously, he served as deputy county counsel for the Alameda County Counsel's Office from 1979 to 2002 and deputy city attorney for the San Jose City Attorney's Office from 1974 to 1979.

My-Le Jacqueline Duong '94 was named to the Santa Clara Superior Court. Duong has served as lead and deputy county counsel for Santa Clara County since 1999. Previously, she was a deputy public defender in the same county from 1996 to 1999, and an associate with the Law Offices of J. Thomas Sherrod in 1996.



HALO RETURNS TO GULF COAST

Over Spring Break, 22 UC Davis School of Law students, members of the School's Humanitarian Aid Legal Organization (HALO), worked in Gulfport and Biloxi, Mississippi, helping residents still devastated by Hurricane Katrina. HALO coordinated the trip through the Student Hurricane Network, a non-profit organization of law students dedicated to assisting and solving legal problems created by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. "It's been two years since my last community service activity here," wrote Eric Yau '10 after the students flew into New Orleans and took a van through the city, heading for Mississippi. "The first building that I saw was the abandoned hotel in which I slept during my last visit." It was still abandoned, but now the windows were broken and the parking structure was filled with trash.

Post-Katrina restoration progress in Mississippi seemed no further along. People still lived in FEMA trailers. A dilapidated hospital remained useless. House lots, swept barren by 30-foot waves, remained vacant, sometimes with just a staircase leading nowhere.

The HALO students' trip was hosted by Mississippi Center for Justice (MCJ), a public interest law firm committed to advancing racial and economic justice. After an orientation, students worked with Restoration Point on painting and tiling the interior of two homes. Students then split off into teams to work with Back Bay Mission on housing-policy research, Community Land Trust on surveying Gulfport residents on a proposed port cargo terminal in their neighborhood, and MCJ on reviewing files to find stories of contractor fraud, FEMA evictions, mold and formaldehyde poisonings, and landlord and tenant abuses.

UC Davis Law students posted to the Law School's HALO blog during their trip. Blog entry after blog entry, students wondered how this devastation could be allowed to continue.

Finella Murphy '10 wrote, "Two-and-a-half years later, the lives of Mississippians should not be burdened with the raw remains of Katrina."

To read more about their trip, visit students.law.ucdavis.edu/halo/

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UC DAVIS LAW STUDENTS LAND JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS

Students in the Class of 2008 have secured judicial clerkships in federal and state courts around the country. After graduation Tammy Chang '08 will clerk for the Honorable Sen Tan of the Alaska Superior Court; Sarah Christian '08 will clerk for the Honorable Michael Douglas of the Supreme Court of Nevada; Emily Churg '08 will clerk for the Honorable James Otero of the U.S. District Court, Central District of CA; Kathleen Doty '08 will clerk for the Honorable Alexa Fujise of the Hawaii Court of Intermediate Appeals; Sara Fischer '08 will clerk for the Honorable Garland Burrell of the U.S. District Court, Eastern District of CA; Ryan Holte '08 will clerk for the Honorable Loren Smith of the U.S. Court of Federal Claims; Natalie Johnston '08 will clerk for the Honorable John Suddock of the Alaska Superior Court; Krista Maher '08 will clerk for the Honorable Steven Bernard of the Colorado Court of Appeals; Christine Olson '08 will clerk for the Honorable James Selna of the U.S. District Court, Central District of California; and Erin Wallace '08 will clerk for the Honorable Russell Carparelli of the Colorado Court of Appeals.



PROFESSOR OAKLEY ELECTED TO UC ACADEMIC SENATE

Professor John B. Oakley was elected as one of three UC Davis representatives to the University of California Assembly of the Academic Senate. Oakley will serve a two-year term from September 1, 2008, through August 31, 2010. Professor Daniel Simmons currently serves as a UC Davis representative through August 31, 2009.

Dean Rex Perschbacher commented, "It is an indication of the great leadership strength of the UC Davis law faculty that we have two faculty members from one of the smallest schools on the Davis campus serving in such important university-wide leadership capacities."

REYNOSO HONORED BY LATINA/O LAW PROFESSORS

Professor of Law Emeritus Cruz Reynoso was honored at the 2008 Annual Latina/o Law Professors Dinner on January 4, at the Association of American Law Schools (AALS) annual meeting in New York City. The meeting is the largest annual gathering of legal educators in the world. Reynoso was honored for his many years of scholarship, teaching, and service to legal education.

Reynoso has received many awards and distinctions this past year, including the UC Davis Medal, a Chancellor's Achievement Award for Diversity and Community, and the ABA Kutak Award. The UC Davis School of Law honored Reynoso at a celebration of his career at the Mondavi Center in September, 2007.

JOSLIN APPOINTED TO ABA COMMISSION

Professor Courtney Joslin was appointed to the newly created American Bar Association (ABA) Commission on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity. The Commission works to eliminate bias and discrimination against persons of differing sexual orientations and gender identities in the legal profession, the justice system, and society.

"The ABA's commitment to equality of opportunity is reflected in many policies opposing discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity in many contexts, including employment, housing, public accommodations, legal education, and child custody, adoption and foster care decisions," said ABA



President William H. Neukom. "Although much progress has been made to reduce bias in this area, numerous studies

demonstrate that lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people continue to face pervasive discrimination within the legal profession, as they do in many other walks of life."

Neukom noted that last February the association amended its Goal IX, which was adopted in 1991 and promotes full and equal participation in the legal profession by minorities, women, and persons with disabilities, to include persons of differing sexual orientations and gender identities. He said the new commission will be the vehicle to implement the amendment.

Professor Joslin's areas of interest include family and relationship recognition, particularly focusing on same-sex and nonmarital couples.

PROFESSOR JOHNSON NAMED CHICANA/O STUDIES SCHOLAR OF THE YEAR

The National Association of Chicana and Chicano Studies (NACCS) named Dean Designate and the Mabie-Apallas Professor of Public Interest Law and Chicana/o Studies Kevin R. Johnson as a 2008 NACCS Scholar. The association honored Johnson at a ceremony on Friday, March 21, in Austin, Texas. The Award was established in 1981 to recognize "life achievement" contributions of scholars to Chicana and Chicano studies. Johnson was noted for "deftly weaving prolific scholarship alongside teaching, mentoring, and community activism."

FREE SPEECH AND PRIVACY

Some of today's top legal minds led discussions on the UC Davis campus and at the Law School on the First Amendment, with all of its constitutional complexities and interpretations.

Speaking about the challenges that face free speech in schools and across the nation were Cruz Reynoso, professor of law emeritus and a civil rights champion for decades; Alan Brownstein, a noted professor of constitutional law at UC Davis; and Kenneth Starr, dean of Pepperdine University Law School and onetime independent counsel on the Whitewater investigation during the Clinton administration.

Reynoso, a former associate justice of the California Supreme Court and vice chair of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, was the keynote speaker at the UC Davis symposium entitled, "R U Offended?!? Why We Defend the Speech We Hate" on February 26. A week later,

Starr and Brownstein participated in the UC Davis Law Review's

annual symposium, this year highlighting First Amendment issues in public schools.

The first symposium was part of an effort to educate, as well as to encourage an open dialogue about the nature of free speech, including hate speech. Reynoso contributed his expertise in civil rights and government reform to a topic that is facing new kinds of scrutiny in a media age driven by open communications.

The second event, entitled "First Amendment Rights in America's Public Schools: From the Schoolhouse Gate to the Courthouse Steps," focused on the role the First Amendment plays in relation to expression of religion and student expression within the classroom.

"Since the 1960s, it has been clear that the constitutional rights of students do not end at the schoolhouse gate," said Brownstein, faculty co-sponsor of the event. "What is far less certain is the scope of those rights and the proper role of the federal courts in enforcing them."

In 1969, the U.S. Supreme Court determined that school authorities could restrict student speech only

if it materially disrupted the school's educational mission or impinged on the rights of other students. In a recent case, Starr successfully argued on behalf of a school that it was justified in suspending a student for displaying a "Bong Hits 4 Jesus" banner at a televised U.S. Olympics torch relay.

"One of the central battlegrounds of America's culture wars is the public schools, and First Amendment doctrine is part of the rules of engagement for this conflict," said Brownstein.

The final School lecture, "What We Talk About When We Talk About Privacy: The Politics of Mass Surveillance and Profiling," was held April 22. Presenting speaker Siva Vaidhyanathan, recent author of *The Anarchist in the Library*, is a fellow at both the New York Institute for the Humanities and the Institute for the Future of the Book and also Associate Professor of Media Studies and Law at the University of Virginia. He has written for MSNBC.com and appeared on The Daily Show.



UC Davis Law Review Symposium speakers: Kenneth Starr, R. George Wright, Vikram Amar, and Carlton Larson.

AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION LAW STUDENT DIVISION HONORS UC DAVIS



Toscano '09 and Asplin '08

On February 16, UC Davis School of Law hosted the American Bar Association Fourteenth Circuit's Spring Meeting. At the meeting, the Fourteenth Circuit recognized King Hall for having the highest percentage increase in ABA membership of all schools within the circuit. Circuit Governor Patrick Boice presented UC Davis Law Students Association President Sarah Asplin '08 and American Bar Association Representative Eric Toscano '09 with the Silver Key award—the highest honor a Circuit Governor can bestow—for their contributions to the Fourteenth Circuit.

Additionally, student Lorin Kline '10 was elected as the 2008-09 Fourteenth Circuit Governor, the highest elected office in the circuit. The day-long Fourteenth Circuit meeting was attended by law students from northern California and Nevada. UC Davis Professor of Law Emerita Martha West, UC Davis School of Law Alumni Association President Tom Stallard '75, UC Davis Professor John Oakley, and Yolo County Clerk Recorder Freddie Oakley addressed the students at the meeting.

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AMERICAN LAWYER HONORS RACHEL KREVANS '84

Morrison & Foerster Partner Rachel Krevans '84 helped elevate the firm into the top Intellectual Property litigation ranks in the United States. *The American Lawyer* magazine named her team the "Litigation Department of the Year." Krevans and the Morrison & Foerster team were featured on the cover of the magazine.

The editors selected Morrison & Foerster's Intellectual Property litigation practice as one of three finalists, and the firm's overall litigation practice received Honorable Mention. *The American Lawyer* recognized the firm for providing clients "the depth, breadth, and talent to win high-stakes disputes," and noted that "with outstanding results for clients... MoFo has vaulted itself into the top IP ranks." Krevan's superb lawyering saved her client \$205 million in a patent infringement case.

Krevans is listed as one of Northern California's Super Lawyers in Intellectual Property Litigation, and she is among the 10 women attorneys in the Bay Area's Most Influential Women in Business by the *San Francisco Business Times* in May 2005 and 2006. The *San Francisco* and *Los Angeles Daily Journal* selected Krevans as one of the "Top Women Litigators in California" in 2005 and 2006.

KING HALL ALUMS RECEIVE CALIFORNIA LAWYER ATTORNEY OF THE YEAR AWARDS

U.S. Representative George Miller '72 was named a 2008 California Lawyer Attorney of the Year (CLAY) by *California Lawyer* magazine. The award recognizes attorneys across the state whose achievements have made a profound impact on the law. Representative Miller

sponsored the College Cost Reduction and Access Act, which was signed into law September 2007 and provides the largest increase in student aid since the GI Bill of 1944.

Rachel Krevans '84 also received a 2008 California Lawyer Attorney of the Year Award. Krevans, a partner with Morrison & Foerster, was recognized for her preparation work in defending two subsidiaries of satellite television company EchoStar Communications against a patent-infringement claim before a Texas jury. After a weeklong trial and about an hour of deliberation last June, the jury returned a unanimous verdict in EchoStar's favor.

HERNANDEZ '84 RECEIVED PRESTIGIOUS AWARD

Gary Hernandez '84, chair of law firm Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal LLP's national Insurance Regulatory Practice Group, was selected by the San Francisco Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (SFHCC), *San Francisco Business Times*, Wells Fargo, and other community organizations to receive the Latino Business Leadership Award for 2007. Hernandez was also recognized by the group in 2005.

Hernandez, who is based in Sonnenschein's San Francisco office and serves on the firmwide management committee, was honored at the Latino Business Awards Dinner on September 28 at the Hyatt in San Francisco. The event acknowledged the 33 most influential Latinos in the San Francisco Bay Area in the areas of corporate, emerging leaders under 40, entrepreneurship, health, nonprofit/philanthropy, and public sector.

A former deputy insurance commissioner and chief of enforcement for the California Department of

Insurance and a deputy San Francisco city attorney, Hernandez is widely recognized as an expert in insurance regulatory and administrative law. Hernandez was selected as one of the most influential Hispanics in the United States as part of *Hispanic Business* magazine's "100 Influentials List 2006."

In addition, Hernandez was featured in *Diversity & the Bar* in the November/December issue as one of the nation's leading law firm rainmakers. Hernandez started up Sonnenschein's regulatory insurance group 10 years ago as its only lawyer. Today, he heads up 20 lawyers and hopes to have 20 more within the next five years.

BERNSTEIN '74 ELECTED PRESIDENT OF \$300 MILLION PROJECT IN ISRAEL

Joseph Bernstein '74 was elected President of Israel's tourist initiative, "AQUARIA Entertainment City." He will be primarily responsible for construction of the project and its grand opening in 2012. Upon his appointment as President, Bernstein said, "A world class 'entertainment city' in Israel will soften the international image of Israel, promote the country as a global leisure destination, and fortify Eilat in its competition with Taba, Sharm-El-Sheikh and Aqaba in Eilat's strategy to become the 'Heart of the Red Sea Riviera.' The project will have entertainment for every member of the family, based on popular attractions at Disney World, MGM, EPCOT, and Universal Studios. AQUARIA is intended to spark Eilat and inject more than \$1 billion into the Israeli economy by creating thousands of jobs and attracting hundreds of thousands of new vacationers each year. This is a project whose time has come!"

Bernstein was raised in Israel before immigrating to the United States. In 1981, together with his brother, Ralph Bernstein, he founded a private real estate concern that has developed over \$1 billion in commercial projects in New York, including Americas Tower and the US Headquarters to Bank Hapoalim.

Bernstein is a co-developer of another tourist project in Israel, a five-star, \$150 million golf resort and spa to be built on Mt. Arbel in joint venture with Moshav Kfar Hittim.

STERLING '70 APPOINTED TO STATE COMMISSION

Nathaniel Sterling '70 was appointed to the Commission on Uniform State Laws by Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger.

Sterling has served on the commission since February 2007. A Democrat, he worked as an attorney and executive secretary for the California Law Revision Commission from 1970 to 2006. Prior to that, he was a reference clerk for the Government Documents Library at the University of California, Berkeley from 1965 to 1967.

Sterling is a former member of the UC Davis School of Law Alumni Association Board of Directors.

ALUMNI PARTICIPATED IN CAREER WEEK

A number of alumni participated in the first UC Davis School of Law Career Week, hosted by the Career Services Office and the Career Services Student Advisory Committee, January 14-18. A series of workshops, panels, and roundtables provided law students with information on legal careers in private practice and public interest law.

Alumni participants included Stephen Boutin '72, president elect of the Alumni Association Board of Directors, Grace Arupo '02, Lisa Carlock '97, Jason Cooksey '00, Kevin Davis '07, James Delaurier '05, Valerie Feldman '00, Kari Fisher '06, Bart Hightower '99, Daniel Hutchinson '04, Elizabeth Linton '03, John McKinsey '99, Nicole L. Moscini '04, Jennifer Paredes '03, Matthew Post '05, Eric Ratinoff '93, Theresa Huberty Ravandi '94, Emmanuel Salazar '05, Kara Ueda '00, Kyanna Williams '06, and Esther Wright '04.



DEAN DESIGNATE JOHNSON WELCOMES PETROBRAS LAWYERS FROM BRAZIL

In March, Dean Designate Kevin Johnson and International Programs Executive Director Beth Greenwood welcomed 22 lawyers from the Petrobras Oil Company in Brazil to the UC Davis School of Law for a two-week training program. The program is part of a partnership between the School of Law, UC Davis Extension, and Petroleo Brasileiro S.A.—Petrobras, the largest oil company in Brazil, the seventh largest publicly traded oil company in

the world, and a global leader in the development of alternative energy and fuel sources. With its recent expansion to 700-plus lawyers, the Petrobras Legal Department will soon be the largest law “firm” in Latin America. The School of Law and UC Davis Extension have partnered with Petrobras to provide training for Petrobras lawyers on contracts, dispute resolution, tax, and finance law. In 2008, more than 100 Petrobras lawyers will attend training programs in Davis and Rio De Janeiro.

LARSEN '74 HONORED WITH HUMANITARIAN AWARD

James Larsen '74 received the San Joaquin County Bar Foundation's inaugural Humanitarian Award on October 12, 2007, for his work with the local legal community.

Larsen is chief of the San Joaquin County Public Defender's Office. He was born in Santa Cruz and raised in nearby Boulder Creek. He attended California State University, Chico, and served in the Army for two years before law school at UC Davis.

In 1976, a job in the county's Public Defender's Office brought him to Stockton. For two decades, he has led the office of attorneys who represent criminal defendants too poor to hire private attorneys.

PERSCHBACHER AND BROWNSTEIN NAMED CHAired PROFESSORS



Dean Perschbacher is the first holder of the Daniel J. Dykstra Endowed Chair of Law, established to provide service to the School of Law in the spirit of the late Professor Daniel J. Dykstra and to support the research, scholarly, and other public service activities of the holder of the endowed chair in the School of Law.

Rex Perschbacher is Dean and Professor of Law at UC Davis School of Law. He has been Dean since 1998 and before that served as Associate Dean from 1993-1998. He has taught at UC Davis since 1981 with an emphasis on the areas of Civil Procedure, Professional Responsibility, and Clinical teaching. He received the Law School's Distinguished Teaching Award in 1992, and a Special Citation Affirmative Action and Diversity Achievement Award, 2001.

Dean Perschbacher received his J.D. degree from UC Berkeley School of Law (Boalt Hall), where he was Articles Editor of the *California Law Review* and elected to the Order of the Coif. After graduation, he served as law clerk to The Honorable Alfonso J. Zirpoli of the United States District Court for the Northern District of California. Later, he entered private practice with Heller, Ehrman, White & McAuliffe in San Francisco. He has taught at UC Berkeley, the University of Texas, Santa Clara University, and the University of San Diego law schools.

Dean Perschbacher has published articles in the areas of civil procedure, professional responsibility, and lawyers' negotiations. He is co-author of *United States Legal System: An Introduction* (1st and 2d eds.); *Cases and Materials on Civil Procedure* (1-5th eds.); *California Civil Procedure*; *California Legal Ethics* (1-6th eds.), and *Problems in Legal Ethics* (3-8th eds.). He has been involved in law school accreditation activities having served for six years on the American Bar Association's Accreditation Committee; and on two separate standing committees of the Association of American Law Schools and two section executive committees.

Currently, he is Chair of the AALS Section of the Dean. From 1990-1996, he was on the Board of Directors of the Legal Services of Northern California and two related boards. He also served on the Governing Committee on Continuing Education of the Bar from 2000-2003.

Professor Brownstein is the new Boochever and Bird Endowed Chair for the Study and Teaching of Freedom and Equality. The Chair was established to preserve and expand the understanding of the virtues necessary to a great Republic, including the freedom of conscience embodied in the liberties of political, religious, informational, and artistic expression of the First Amendment; the promise of fairness made in the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments; and the principle of equality expressed in the Fourteenth Amendment. The Chair was named in honor of The Honorable Robert Boochever, whose writings for the Supreme Court of Alaska and the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit keep these virtues alive. The chair is also in honor of Elizabeth J. Bird, teacher, who lived and taught these virtues and Donald G. Bird, businessman, whose investments in his son made the gift possible.

Alan Brownstein, a nationally recognized Constitutional Law scholar, teaches Constitutional Law, Law and Religion, and Torts at UC Davis School of Law. While the primary focus of his scholarship relates to church-state issues and free exercise and establishment clause doctrine, he has also written extensively on freedom of speech, privacy and autonomy rights, and other constitutional law subjects. His articles have been published in numerous academic journals including the *Stanford Law Review*, *Cornell Law Review*, and the *UCLA Law Review*. His most recent undertaking was editing the anthology, *The Establishment of Religion Clause: Its Constitutional History and the Contemporary Debate* published by Prometheus Books.

A graduate of Antioch College and Harvard Law School (where he served as



a Case Editor of the *Harvard Law Review*), Brownstein was an attorney in general litigation and corporate practice with the law firm of Tuttle & Taylor in Los Angeles before joining the UC Davis law faculty. From 1977-78, he clerked for the Honorable Frank M. Coffin, Chief Judge of the U.S. District Court of Appeals for the 1st Circuit in Portland, Maine. Brownstein received the UC Davis School of Law's Distinguished Teaching Award in 1995.

He is a frequent invited lecturer at academic conferences and regularly participates as a speaker or panelist in law related programs before civic, legal, religious, and educational groups. As one notable example, for the last 17 years he has presented an annual review of the Supreme Court's recent constitutional law cases to the Federal Bar Association, Sacramento Chapter. His most recent appearances include a Harvard Law School roundtable discussion on Religion, Citizenship and Multiculturalism, and the *UC Davis Law Review* Symposium, where he presented a paper on the First Amendment rights of public school students. Upcoming

activities include a panel discussion on "Church and State in the Public Workplace" at the State Bar Public Sector Labor and Employment Conference and a panel on "Religious Liberty and Recent Developments in Supreme Court Jurisprudence" at Princeton University's Law and Public Affairs Eighth Annual Continuing Legal Education Conference.

He has a strong commitment to the community. He has testified on several occasions before various California Senate Committees on legislation promoting religious liberty and bills that raise Establishment Clause concerns. His assistance is often sought by advocacy groups on issues relating to religious liberty and equality. He is a member of the Board of Directors of Congregation Bet Haverim (second term) and serves on the Legal Committee of the Northern California ACLU. He has served as an advisor to the California Interfaith Coalition for the Free Exercise of Religion and as a member of the Sacramento Jewish Community Relations Council.

BUILDING A COMMUNITY OF LEARNING

Brick by Brick

The richness of the School of Law's past continues to inspire our future. Over 40 years ago, the founding faculty and students infused King Hall with an indelible community spirit that continues to grow stronger and reach well beyond its brick walls. In the School of Law's brief history, the School has risen to national and international prominence as a result of the scholarship produced by its scholar-teachers and its alumni, who have achieved legal note in judicial chambers, government office, international courts, corporate law offices, public law firms, and non-profit organizations. Our students, despite demanding academic schedules, continue to engage in publicly directed activities, evident by the number of active student organizations, clinicals, and public works internships.

The King Hall building is integral to the School's activities. It is more than brick and mortar; it is the cornerstone of our School—it is the heart, and our people and programs are its soul. The expansion and renovation of King Hall is our School's critical next step, the linchpin needed to achieve our present and future academic and public service aspirations.

Forty years ago, the new building, named for the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., was an enduring symbol to the founding faculty and students. The School of Law was a true community, anchored on the banks of Putah Creek at the gateway to campus. But a new millennium is upon us, and the

Law School building must continue to educate the next generation of lawyers. The building's design—state of the art in the 60s and 70s—reflects an earlier era that no longer embodies the vibrant spirit of our millennial law students. Prize-winning architect Allan Greenberg said, "A campus is an edited statement of the institution's self image." If we are to celebrate our students and faculty members' aspirations, our renovated building must speak to its own image and communicate meaning, character, and significance.

The King Hall expansion and renovation designs by Thomas Hacker Architects Inc. fuses light, glass, and brick to inspire our next generation of



Artist rendition showing the new King Hall courtyard.

lawyers. The plans meld the old architecture with the new, bringing to light the spirit of King Hall and all it represents to our alumni, faculty, and students.

The hallmark of the UC Davis School of Law is its commitment to academic excellence and the community. The new King Hall will foster collaborations and provide the infrastructure for investments in new programs. New research centers and think tanks will promote collaborations with scholars, practitioners, state government, agencies, and the local bench and bar. These

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Forever KING HALL

Our Forever King Hall program gives you the opportunity to associate your name, or those you wish to honor, with the UC Davis School of Law – forever.

Forever KING HALL PAVER

Personalize a paver in the new King Hall courtyard with your inscription or an inscription in honor or in memory of someone special. The new addition will enclose and enlarge the current King Hall courtyard. The new courtyard will be beautifully designed with large pavers creating an open space that is inviting to all.

Courtyard paver, including personalized inscription. **\$100 each**

Forever KING HALL SEAT PLAQUE

Personalize a classroom or courtroom seat in King Hall. A permanent plaque will be placed at a designated seat in a King Hall classroom, the new Appellate Courtroom, or the Wilkins Moot Courtroom. Inspire current and future students and the School's many guests with your personalized inscription or an inscription in honor or in memory of someone special.

Classroom seat plaque, including personalized inscription. **\$500 each**

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To reserve your place in the Forever King Hall program, please complete the form included in this issue of the *King Hall Counselor*.

Forever KING HALL BENCH

Benches designed by Thomas Hacker Architects Inc. will grace the new entrance to King Hall and the new courtyard. Thomas Hacker Architects Inc. is known for designing buildings with an understated dignity based on the natural beauty of materials and carefully crafted construction. The benches will be designed and built to match the architecture and quality of the new King Hall addition. A personalized inscription or an inscription to honor or in memory of someone special will adorn these benches for a lifetime and beyond.

Bench, including personalized inscription. **\$5,000 each bench**

There are a limited number of benches available for personalization.

NAMING OPPORTUNITIES

Donors may also choose to "name a room" within King Hall honoring themselves, their family, or an honored person or group. Options include:

- Faculty Offices
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- Group Study Rooms
- Law Review Offices

For information on these or other naming opportunities, please contact **Jean Korinke** at 530.754.5328 or jfkorinke@ucdavis.edu.



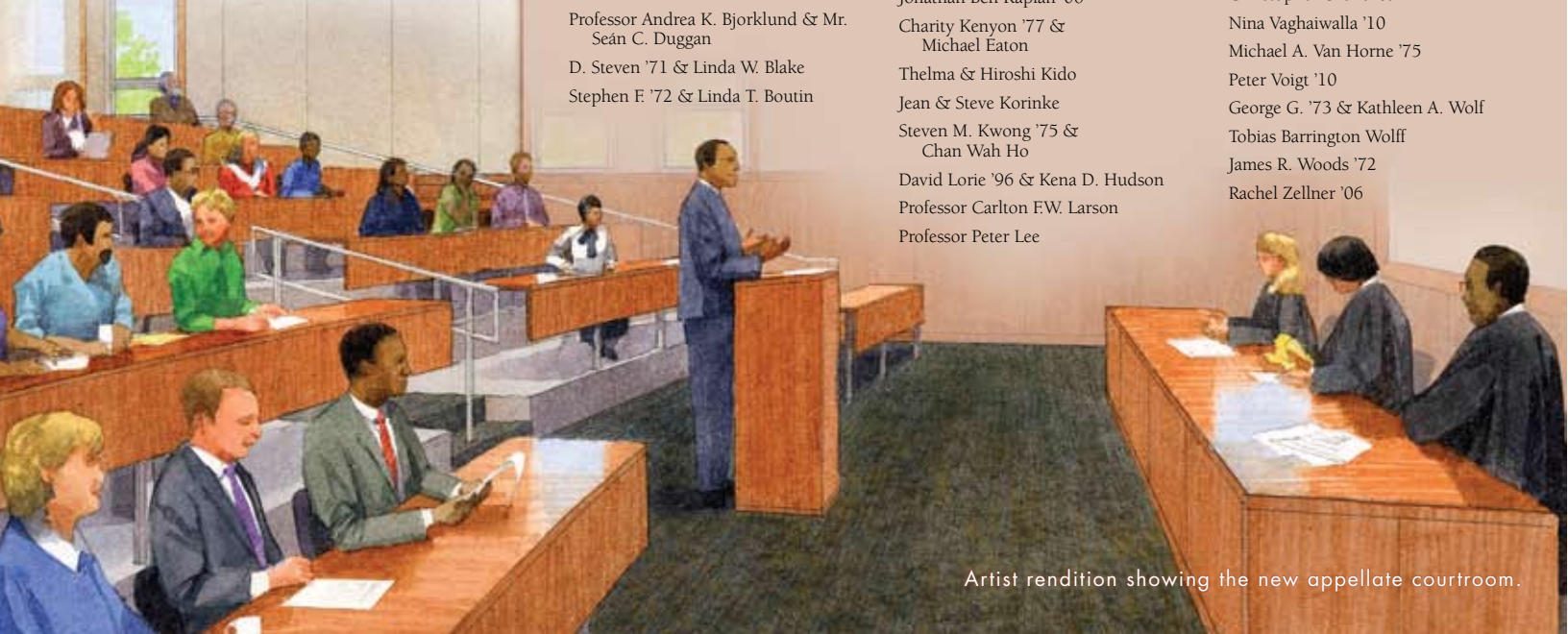
the new addition to King Hall.

collaborations will be strengthened with additional faculty, lecturers, and visiting professors who enrich the School's curriculum and the student experience.

The curriculum will be further expanded with emerging practices in legal education, small-course offerings, and strong trial and appellate advocacy programs. These programs will include new and expanded moot court competitions, trial practice classes and competitions, and appeals court classes. With this type of applied-skills training, graduates will advance to legal careers with experience in areas critical to the practice of law.

The student experience will be further enhanced through an expanded program of student organizations, legal journals, and clinicals. The Mabie Law library will serve students and visiting scholars with increased volumes and electronic services. And perhaps most important to the student experience, the new King Hall will have more convivial gathering spots for impromptu faculty, student, and practitioner interactions, group study sessions, and recreation.

The expansion and renovation project will serve as a symbol to all those who have come before and those to come after—it will celebrate the public/private partnership that makes the building possible. ■



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THE YEAR OF THE ADVOCATES

From left: McBirney '08, Bisharat '09, & Maher '08; Zurko '08, Prof. Schooley, Doty '08, & Hinga '08; Wiley '08, & Schwartz '08; Bananzadeh '08, Haney '08, & Adams '08.



With four major wins and three advancements in national and international competitions, oral advocates at King Hall are enjoying an extraordinary year. In short, UC Davis won best brief and finished in the top 16 of 189 teams in the National Moot Court Competition. Internationally, UC Davis advanced to compete with 80 other countries in the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, the largest moot court competition in the world. In New York, Los Angeles, and Las Vegas, UC Davis took honors in the Moot Court Immigration, Sexual Orientation, and the ABA National Appellate Competitions. This year, UC Davis has surpassed teams from NYU, Boalt, Hastings, UCLA, and Stanford. Below are highlights of the competitions.

The National Moot Court Competition started on a high note, with UC Davis sweeping the preliminaries and Kate Doty '08, Ali Hinga '08, and Irene Zurko '08 advancing to the final round of competition in New York City. This was the first time UC Davis advanced to the finals under the leadership of Professor Timothy Schooley. Doty explained, "We are proud to be the first team to deliver this for Professor Schooley. Our success is really due to him."

This year also marked another first: It was the first time in UC Davis history that all the advocates in the National Moot Court Competition were women. To celebrate this achievement and give credence to their coach's mentorship,

the team coined themselves "Schooley's Angels." In New York, Schooley's Angels were nearly unstoppable, winning the best brief award and making it to the top 16, only to be knocked out by Chicago-Kent College of Law, this year's competition winner. But Schooley's Angels were far from pouting, Doty remarked, "We were actually happy to have a couple days off to see the city." Fittingly, after visiting Times Square, the team ended their trip by going to the Broadway performance of "Legally Blonde."

The National Moot Court team was not the only all-female team to win big for UC Davis; the dynamic duo of Julie Schwartz '08 and Julia Wiley '08 came in first place with their "tough advocacy" at NYU's Immigration Law Moot Court Competition. The competition came with some challenges, as Schwartz explained, "Julia was horribly sick the entire time." The team was so dominant that when Schwartz stood to give her rebuttal the judge spoke out accurately predicting, "Schwartz is now up for the home run."

The next win came with the William Institute National Sexual Orientation and the Law Moot Court Competition at UCLA. This time the team of Lindsey Adams '08, Shawn Bananzadeh '08, and Erin Haney '08 took first place and shared a team award for best oral advocates. Their argument: that a queer-straight alliance program cannot be prohibited by a public school's *parens patriae* interests.

Teams made of 3Ls were not the only teams that took home wins for UC Davis.

The 2L team of Nabil Bisharat '09, Mikayla Gow '09, and Eric Toscano '09 advanced in the ABA's National Appellate Advocacy Competition in Nevada, with Bisharat garnering the award of Top Oralist.

UC Davis recorded another success at the Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition. The team of Sumaira Arastu '09, Michael Djavakhyan '09, Kathleen Doty '08, and Jimmy McBirney '08 went undefeated during the four rounds of the competition in Los Angeles. The team headed to Washington D.C. for the international rounds on April 6th and competed against more than 100 student teams from 80 countries. After four matchups in the preliminary rounds, the team advanced to the runoff rounds, but were eventually defeated.

In an e-mail to students, Dean Perschbacher commented on UC Davis' success, "I cannot recall a more successful run in these competitions in my 27 years on the faculty."

Successes have not been limited to moot court competitions. For the first time in nine years UC Davis advanced to the final round of the National Mock Trial Competition. The team of Nabil Bisharat '09, Krista Maher '08, and Jimmy McBirney '08 competed on March 27 in Austin, Texas. With Professor Edward Imwinkelried as an advisor, Maher praised the process as a "crash course in trial practice and evidence." ■

Patrick Snyder '08

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EMBRACING



Sixty years ago, the United Nations General Assembly adopted the Universal Declaration of Human Rights as a proclamation against oppression and discrimination. The Universal Declaration represents the first international recognition

that human rights and fundamental freedoms are applicable to every person, everywhere. It was a landmark achievement in world history. Today, the Universal Declaration continues to inspire human rights activism and legislation the world over.



HUMAN RIGHTS

The UC Davis School of Law has a strong history of faculty and alumni scholarship in international law and international and domestic human rights. In recognition of the anniversary of the Declaration, the *King Hall Counselor* will feature a two-part article, "Embracing Human Rights," on our dedicated faculty, alumni, and clinical program staff as they work to educate others, assist those in need, and focus the legal community's attention on human rights at home and abroad.

Part One focuses on international human rights in domestic applications and features alum Rachel Shigekane '91, the director of programs at UC Berkeley Human Rights Center, and Professor Lisa Pruitt, whose earlier international work informs her scholarship about the intersection of law and legal institutions with rural livelihoods.

"Americans fight for civil rights or social justice, but these are essentially human rights." Shigekane says, "There is a perception that human rights abuses occur 'over there' or 'far away,' but human rights abuses occur in the United States, and it is important to see the domestic application of international human rights standards."

Since the School's early years, students have been inspired to work in the international law arena by legal luminaries, Professors Edgar Bodenheimer and Friedrich K. Juenger. It is no surprise that a number of our alumni are deeply committed to advocating for international human rights issues. Part Two of "Embracing Human Rights" will focus exclusively on international law and human rights. Asifa Quraishi '92, a specialist in Islamic law, who made news in 2001 when she drafted a clemency appeal brief in the case of Bariya Ibrahim Magazu, a woman sentenced to flogging for fornication in Zamfara, Nigeria, will be profiled, along with other alumni, including: Monika Kalra Varma '00, the director of the Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Center for Human Rights, an organization committed to promoting human rights; Gwen K. Young '02, an advocacy and policy officer for Agricultural Development and Special Initiatives with the *Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation*; and Chris Engels '04, a director of the Criminal Defense Section, Registry, in the State Court of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Also featured in Part Two will be Professor Diane Marie Amann, an internationally recognized leader in examining the interaction of national, regional, and international legal regimes in efforts to combat atrocity and cross-border crime, and Professor Madhavi Sunder, a leading scholar in the legal regulation of culture, whose work traverses numerous legal fields, from intellectual property and cultural property to human rights law and the First Amendment.

Although human rights issues continue to plague individuals and societies, the UC Davis School of Law is working to preserve the freedoms outlined in the Declaration of Human Rights by promoting awareness, serving clients, writing scholarship, educating students, and "working in the trenches" to make a difference.

PART ONE IN A TWO-PART SERIES

HOME & ABROAD

Shigekane understands domestic human rights issues. Before entering UC Davis School of Law, she worked with the Bay Area Asian/Pacific Islander community as a job developer and counselor finding full employment for women and people of color in the construction and highway trades, and then advocating for the labor rights of garment workers and hotel maids. She was a passionate and creative advocate

for her clients, a necessary attribute when dealing with unions and apprenticeship programs that were operating under court-monitored consent decrees.

Entering law school was the logical next step. At the School of Law, Shigekane was inspired to think critically about the US Constitution and constitutional law through the support of Professors Kevin Johnson and Marty West, and in particular, Alan Brownstein. After law school, she clerked for a year with former Magistrate Judge Claudia Wilken of the District Court for the Northern District of California and subsequently worked with legal-services organizations that focused on health and welfare benefits for immigrants, children, and those with disabilities. She says, “After practicing for 10 years, I decided I wanted to take a step back and be able to analyze social problems on a larger scale, rather than on a case-by-case basis. In public health, they call this, ‘moving up stream.’”



Today, Rachel is the director of programs at the Human Rights Center and Lecturer in Peace and Conflicts Studies at UC Berkeley. She is responsible for developing and managing the educational programs, workshops, and

speaker-discussion panels organized by the Center, including the annual Human Rights Fellowship. She currently coordinates a project in partnership with Pro Busqueda, an organization in El Salvador that uses DNA analysis to reunite families who were torn apart during the armed conflict in El Salvador, a time when Pro Busqueda believes a military policy existed that called for the abduction of infants and children from families believed to be leftist sympathizers. Children were forcibly removed from their families and given to military families, others were raised in orphanages in San Salvador, and still others were adopted nationally and transnationally.

The Center also did a study on human trafficking and forced labor in the U.S. “It was an important study because of its domestic focus and application of international standards to a domestic issue and because the report has been

helpful to, and well utilized by, anti-trafficking experts and advocates to further their work,” Shigekane says.

One of the goals of the Human Rights Center is to develop the next generation of human rights advocates. Many of Shigekane’s students on the first day of class had never heard of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR), a declaration adopted in 1948, outlining the view of the General Assembly of the United Nations on human rights guaranteed

to all people. “That was only 60 years ago—not a long time in terms of human existence and for instituting broad-based change, so at some level I think that the progress made has been remarkable, especially in the development and role

of non-governmental organizations,” Shigekane says. “But I also see what is going on today—in Burma, Chinese repression of Tibet, ethnic violence in Kenya, ongoing genocide in Darfur, our own policies on the ‘War on Terror’—and it makes my heart sink.”

Shigekane runs the Center’s human rights fellowship program, where graduate students are encouraged to engage in human rights fieldwork and to utilize a human rights framework in their academic research and in their professional development. She also conducts research and teaches. “I meet truly amazing and inspiring students who are addressing critical and cutting-edge human rights issues,” she says. She encourages her students to think broadly about how they can contribute as an advocate and to understand the language of human rights—both domestically and abroad.

RURAL & URBAN

In 1996, UC Davis Professor Lisa Pruitt was a consultant for the International Criminal Tribunal in Rwanda. None of the indictments for war crimes then issued included charges for the estimated quarter-million sexual assaults committed during the 1994 Rwanda genocide. Pruitt developed a strategy for investigating and prosecuting sex crimes, which included a protocol for interviewing survivors. That experience is just one of many in her life that influence her current work about the legal relevance of the rural.

“Now that I have come to study the intersection of law with the rural-urban axis, I see many ways that rural spatiality influenced the investigation of the genocide,” Pruitt says. “In rural Rwanda, where even road names and numbers were lacking and where the majority of the populace live in places quite remote from cities, just tracking down witnesses was an enormous logistical challenge—never mind thinking about how the



country's geography and rural character influenced the execution of the highly decentralized genocide there."

After almost a decade of working in the international legal arena with lawyers in more than 30 countries, which included assisting the Iran-United States Claims Tribunal, lecturing at the University of Amsterdam and Leiden University in The Netherlands, and managing intellectual property policy initiatives as an associate at Covington & Burling in London, Pruitt returned to the States. She joined the UC Davis School of Law faculty in 1999. While a common theme of her research is how law and legal institutions manage and respond to cultural difference and cultural change, her focus today is on the intersection of law with rural livelihoods.

Pruitt grew up in a very rural corner of Northwest Arkansas, where her family has lived for five generations. She is a first-generation college graduate.



"It was only after I was long-gone from Arkansas and had spent nearly a decade in major cities—London, New York, and Washington, DC, among them—that I began to reflect in a meaningful way on rural-urban difference in relation

to law. By then Pruitt had enduring experience with both extremes of the rural-urban spectrum. One of her earliest epiphanies was that law and legal actors often overlook the rural because we're increasingly an urban nation—and world. Cities are centers of power. In many ways, rural people are seen as politically and economically irrelevant," she says. "It is easy to ignore rural folk because they are so outnumbered and over-shadowed by city dwellers, as well as by urban cultural influences," according to Pruitt. "Still, at one-fifth of the population, rural Americans are a very large minority group, and we should attend more to rural difference in making and interpreting laws."

While rural life is often perceived through a utopian lens, data defy the stereotype of the rural idyll. In 2006, 15.2 percent of the rural populace lived in poverty, while the rate in urban areas was 11.8 percent. Of the 500 poorest

counties, 459 are rural.

Pruitt has written a great deal recently about the challenges facing rural women, in particular, addressing issues ranging from work-family challenges to domestic violence, to abortion access.

The law also operates differently in rural places. Pruitt's work explores the perception that rural residents have opted out of law's protection by choosing a lifestyle that is more private, less structured by society. "The law is largely irrelevant to

many rural livelihoods, except, perhaps to those who commit crimes in rural areas. Even for them, law enforcement often operates in ways that are very different to cities," Pruitt says. "Rural people tend to have less knowledge of the

law, of its protections and possibilities, and they tend to view negatively the use of law to redress private grievances."

The myth that crime doesn't exist in rural areas and, therefore, law enforcement is unnecessary is incorrect. The gap between rural and urban crime rates has narrowed in recent years, and arrest rates for some offenses are higher in rural areas; among these are crimes against family members. A recent study cited by Pruitt in her paper, "Place Matters: Domestic Violence and the Rural-Urban Axis," concludes that place is a strong predictor of intimate partner homicide. That is, the more rural a place, as measured by population density and distance from an urban area, the more likely a killer was a family member or intimate partner of his victim.

"We need to consider and attend to rural differences in law and policy making," Pruitt says, "because ongoing and increased migration from rural to urban threatens the sustainability of both types of livelihoods. Our nation is increasingly going to be challenged to decide whether keeping some people down on the proverbial farm is a good thing. While supporting and sustaining rural livelihoods is costly in some ways because economies of scale are rarely achievable among sparse populations, thoughtful rural development holds long-term promise for city dwellers and country folk alike."

Last fall, along with students in her Law and Rural Livelihoods seminar, Pruitt started a blog called Legal Ruralism, legalruralism.blogspot.com. In it, she and her students comment on a wide range of rural topics, including the difference that rurality makes at various junctures where rural people and places encounter law and legal institutions. It's just one more way she is working to raise the visibility of—and enhance justice for—an oft-overlooked population. ■

Part Two of the "Embracing Human Rights" article will be printed in the Fall 2008 issue of the *King Hall Counselor*.



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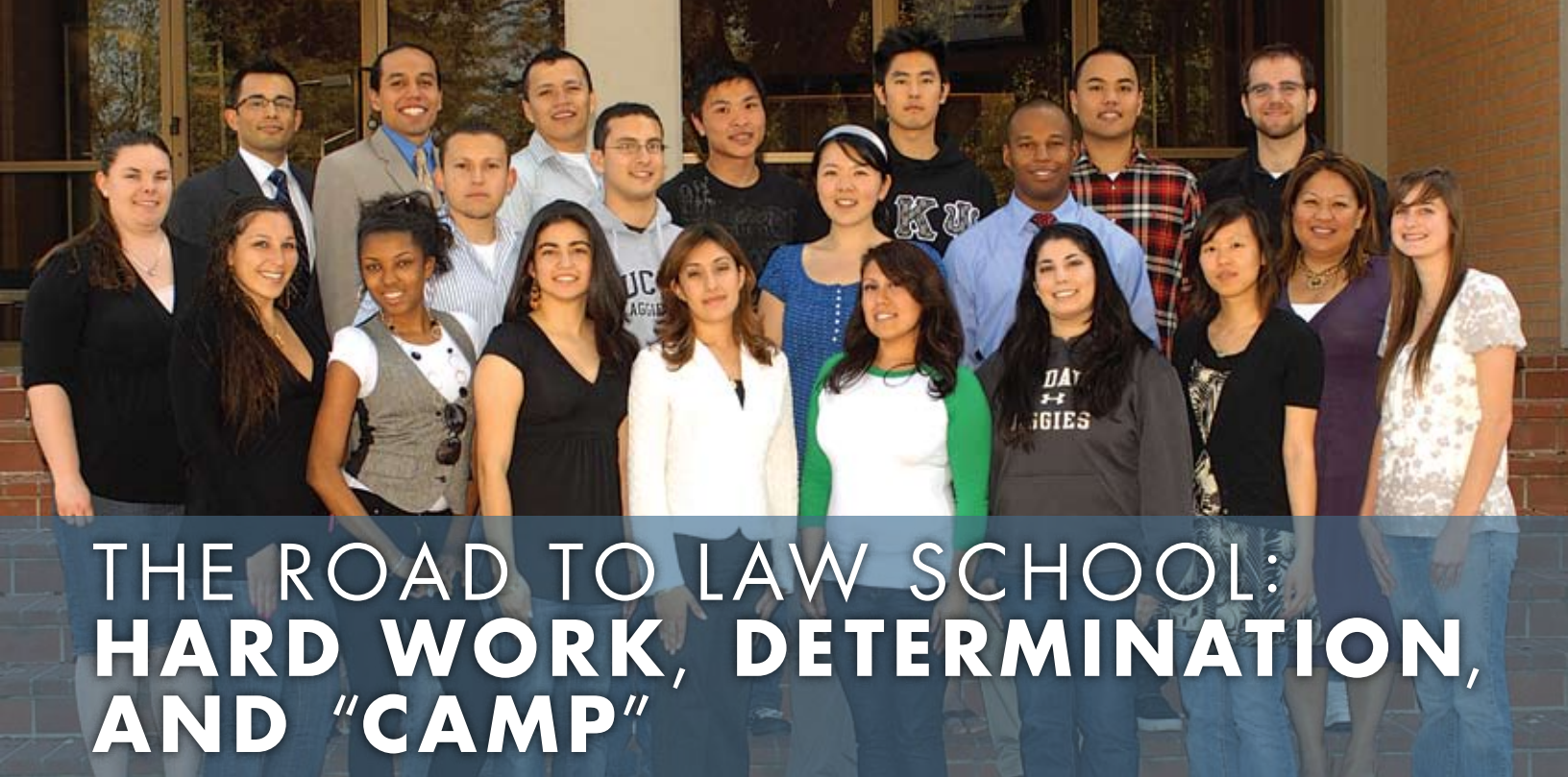
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Law students come from many walks of life and educational backgrounds, but during that critical year before entering law school, successful applicants must safely navigate the admissions process, with its impending deadlines, time-consuming applications, and the notorious Law School Admissions Test.

Last year, the UC Davis School of Law received 3,493 applications for 200 slots. According to Cristina Gapsin, Associate Director of Admissions, first-generation and economically disadvantaged college students may shy away from the grueling process. "The biggest doubt or concern is that they don't know what to do. If no one in your family has ever gone to law school before, let alone college, you have no one to look up to or turn to for advice."

The UC Davis School of Law Pre-Law Boot Camp, launched in 2004, works

with a select group of high-potential undergraduate students from educationally and economically disadvantaged backgrounds to prepare for law school admission. They meet once a month, February through May, for a full-day of workshops and presentations on pre-law preparation and law school admission.

"We take apart the admissions process, piece by piece, until they understand what needs to be done," says Gapsin. "We set goals. We prepare for the Law School Admissions Test. We write personal statements and craft our resumes."

Current Boot Camp participants are now developing strategies and creating a working plan to apply to law school for Fall 2009 or 2010. They are building support systems amongst themselves, as well as finding role models within the School of Law's diverse faculty and student body.

By the end of this year's session, 71 students will have completed the program. Five of the graduates are now enrolled in law schools, which include UC Davis School of Law, UC Hastings College of the Law, Boston College Law School, McGeorge School of Law, and Golden Gate University School of Law. Ten graduates have applied to law schools and are awaiting decisions.

Michelle Hugar '10, a Boot Camp alum and current UC Davis School of Law student, says, "Before Boot Camp, I wasn't sure how I could convince an admission committee that I was worthy of admittance. The program helped me realize that I didn't need to make excuses for my personal and family life. Instead, I needed to focus on how those experiences made me a good candidate for law school, and how they would help me succeed in the future."

Hugar has wanted to be a lawyer since she was six years old. She attended schools in Barstow, a desert community in California. She is the first person in her immediate family to attend and graduate from a four-year university. "I wanted a better life for myself," Hugar says. "There were times I doubted that I would become an attorney. Some of my close friends and family members thought it was a silly dream." Hugar wanted to prove them wrong.

The Pre-Law Boot Camp is one of only a handful of pre-law programs in the country specifically designed to attract diversity to the legal profession. "I believe hard work and determination can get you far," Hugar says, "but sometimes you need that extra insight to really succeed. Boot Camp provided me with that." ■

Notes from Kirkuk



Cobar (left, top row, fifth from the left)

Marlon Cobar '00, an assistant U.S. Attorney, was recruited in 2006 by the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) to serve a detail as a Resident Legal Advisor (RLA) in Iraq. Cobar was uniquely qualified for the position. In addition to his training as a federal prosecutor, he served several details in Colombia, where he trained prosecutors and investigative agents for DOJ's justice assistance program on trial advocacy, evidence, and professionalism.

Before departing in November, 2006, Cobar underwent training in the language and culture of Iraq, as well as in firearms and combat first aid. While serving 16 months as the Rule of Law Coordinator with the Kirkuk Provincial Reconstruction Team, Cobar traveled throughout the country and came to know and understand the language, culture, and diversity of the Iraqi people.

The heart of Cobar's work was the creation of the Kirkuk Major Crimes Court, a provincial branch of the Central Criminal Court of Iraq in Baghdad, with jurisdiction to try terrorist, insurgency, and corruption cases originating in Kirkuk Province. In February 2008,

Cobar was awarded the U.S. Army Commander's Award for Civilian Service, a rare honor, in recognition for his distinguished service. He also received a citation for his service from U.S. Attorney General Michael B. Mukasey upon his return home in March.

The following is an interview by Senior Editor Charlene Logan Burnett with Cobar upon his return from Iraq.

What was it like working and living in Iraq?

I lived at "Forward Operating Base Warrior," embedded within a U.S. Army unit. The base is on the outskirts of the desert next to the city of Kirkuk. The conditions were unique. Security was the biggest concern for all personnel at the base. Last summer, for instance, mortars would regularly land on the base and it was commonplace to run to cement bunkers in the middle of the night. Despite the obvious security challenges, I came to enjoy working with the military a great deal. Other aspects of living in one of Iraq's outer provinces were equally challenging. I had to get used to traveling

in humvees, helicopters, and military aircraft through tense security situations such as a time the helicopter we were riding on came under gunfire over Sadr City in Baghdad. I also had to get used to being armed with a side arm, a semi-automatic rifle, and full-body armor when I was outside the forward-operating base. Prior to that, I had very limited firearms experience. I had only handled guns during the course of prosecuting federal firearms cases.

Describe your role as a RLA.

The U.S. Department of Justice was charged with helping establish rule of law institutions and systems in Iraq. As such, my role as a Resident Legal Advisor was to represent the U.S. as the lead rule of law official in Kirkuk province, an ethnically mixed region—40 percent Arabs, 40 percent Kurds, and 20 percent Turcomen—some 200 miles northeast of Baghdad.

Developing criminal justice capacity in Kirkuk province for the investigation, adjudication, and correctional confinement of terrorism and insurgency

cases through rule of law principles was the greatest justice need in the province. My main focus, and that of the U.S. Department of Justice, was to develop an holistic approach to terrorism cases through the criminal justice system from beginning to end. This was no small task, but we managed to accomplish it through excellent American and Iraqi partnerships. In doing so, I led a military team that included a U.S. Navy JAG deputy team leader, U.S. Army soldiers, and civilian interpreters. We partnered with American law enforcement and corrections advisors. We also worked closely with the U.S. Army and State Department national leadership at the Embassy in Baghdad.

What Iraqi organizations did you work the closest with—the courts, government, military, police?

My team and I worked with the top provincial leaders in Kirkuk's judiciary, the Iraqi Army, the Iraqi Police, and the corrections system. My team and I worked particularly close with the Kirkuk Major Crimes Unit, the lead anti-terrorism Iraqi investigative agency in the province. We also worked with political leaders, such as the provincial governor and provincial council chairman in order to secure political support for my team's work. On a national level, we worked with the Chief Justice of Iraq, who administers the country's judges and courts. My assignment was very diverse. It included a mix of criminal justice and diplomatic functions. One day, I might be riding in a humvee in full-body armor through the desert. The next, I might be meeting with Iraq's Chief Justice dressed in a business suit, discussing judicial-capacity in Kirkuk.

How did your work as an assistant U.S. attorney prepare you for your role in Iraq? What about your years at UC Davis School of Law?

My work as an assistant U.S. attorney prepared me quite well. As a federal prosecutor, I've been able to develop a practice with a mixture of white-collar and major narcotics cases. The majority of my cases require long-term investigations, where I am called upon to manage resources and the work of agents from federal law enforcement agencies. That work affords me a great deal of autonomy in exchange for applying sound judgment on a daily basis. In many ways, this mirrored my work as an RLA in Iraq, where I also led a team and managed multiple complex projects simultaneously. Often, all I had by way of contact with headquarters was a satellite phone to communicate with the Department of Justice from the desert. Finally, my work as an assistant U.S. attorney has instilled in me a deep sense of public service and a sense of duty before self, which was fundamental for withstanding the daily challenges in Iraq.

Being a UC Davis School of Law alum is a big reason for my having accepted this detail. King Hall truly instilled in me a sense of public service. I was a Public Interest Law Scholar. Beyond that, outstanding professors such as Kevin Johnson, Diane Marie Amann, and Edward Imwinkelried all made the law "come alive" for me as a tool of important legal and social development in the criminal-justice arena. Professor Floyd Feeney's seminar on comparative criminal

justice and Adjunct Professor Larry Brown's seminar on legislative policy making were also key foundations as I helped Iraqis craft their public policy in the justice arena.

Is there anything you would like to add that I didn't ask about?

I felt this detail was an extension of my public service as a federal prosecutor. Regardless of what one thinks about the war in Iraq, the fact remains that we are spending approximately two-billion dollars a week there and have lost over 4,000 lives. Thus, an opportunity to honor U.S. sacrifices by helping Iraqis stabilize their country through the rule of law was an outstanding assignment. Sustainable and fair criminal-justice institutions are the hallmark of a truly democratic society.

I returned to my work as an Assistant U.S. Attorney admiring the U.S. system of criminal justice more than ever. Every day, cases are investigated, prosecuted, adjudicated, and people are convicted or acquitted. All of this takes place seamlessly without killings, bombings, or threats to justice institutions and personnel. In Iraq, these attacks on the rule of law are commonplace. In the U.S., our collective and unshakable belief in the rule of law makes our experience possible. ■





The State Legislative branch establishes the laws that will represent and protect all Californians. That's not always easy. California is a diverse state both culturally and geographically. It is also the third largest state in the nation, the most populous, and ranks as one of the top 10 economies in the world.

Considering that the California State legislature—80 Assembly members and 40 Senate members—represents over 37 million people, each member's role and vote significantly impacts the people, state, and nation.

It's not surprising to those in the UC Davis School of Law community that a number of alumni and friends are and have served in the California Legislature. For over 40 years, King Hall has prepared students for leadership by enriching the law school experience with a sense of community and a belief in serving that community.

SENATOR DARRELL STEINBERG '84

Darrell Steinberg is one of California Legislature's leading voices on mental health, environmental, and land-use policies. He was selected as the State Senate's next President pro Tempore. Applauding the selection, Lieutenant Governor John Garamendi said, "California's Democratic Senators made an excellent choice in selecting Darrell Steinberg as the next leader of the Legislature's upper house. Senator Steinberg is a distinguished public servant who will lead our caucus well."

Steinberg was elected in 2006 to the Senate to represent the 6th District. He chairs the Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee. He also serves on the Judiciary, Health, Environmental Quality, Appropriations, and Budget and Fiscal Review Committees; and the Budget Subcommittee No. 2 on Resources. Steinberg also chairs the Senate Select Committee on High School Graduation. In addition, he is a Senate appointee to the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission,

the Wildlife Conservation Board, the California Ocean Protection Council, and the Legislative Blue Ribbon Commission on Autism.

Prior to his election to the State Senate, Steinberg served three terms representing the 9th District of the State Assembly. He is the author and co-proponent of Proposition 63, the mental health initiative that was approved by more than 5.6 million California voters in 2004.

ASSEMBLY MEMBER

CHARLES M. CALDERON '75

Charles Calderon has authored landmark legislation that reflects a deep commitment to his community and improving the quality of life for all Californians. In 1982, Calderon was first elected to the California State Assembly, where he served with distinction as the first Latino lawyer in the State Assembly. In 1990, he was elected to the State Senate, where he became the first Latino Majority Leader. In 2006, Calderon was re-elected to serve in the California State Assembly representing the 58th Assembly District. He chairs the Assembly Revenue and Taxation Committee, and sits on the Governmental Organization, Insurance; and Water, Parks and Wildlife Committees.

He has been a leader on issues of crime, education, the environment, health care, and disaster relief. His legislative history includes the innovative Drug Dealer Liability Act, which holds drug dealers financially responsible for the harm caused by the drugs they sell. He was responsible for closing the Monterey Park Dump, a location infamously referred as "Witches Brew" by the EPA. He was responsible for ensuring that mammographies were mandatory in every health insurance policy in the state.

CALIFORNIA ASSEMBLY MEMBER

PEDRO I. NAVA '77

Pedro Nava is a leading voice in the call for increased readiness among government agencies and California's families and communities. Elected to the State Assembly to represent the 35th Assembly District in 2004, Nava currently chairs the Banking and Finance

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Committee and the Joint Committee on Emergency Services and Homeland Security. In addition, he is a member of the Appropriations, Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials; and Water, Parks and Wildlife Committees; and the Select Committee on Ports. Nava also serves on the California Ocean Protection Council, which is charged with coordinating and improving protection and management of California's ocean and coastal resources; the Little Hoover Commission, an independent state oversight agency that works to promote economy, efficiency, and improved services in the transaction of the public business; and the California Emergency Council, which serves as the official advisory body to the Governor during times of emergency and on matters pertaining to emergency preparedness.

Nava has participated in numerous hearings dealing with California's emergency preparedness system. He is a signatory on the Little Hoover Commission's report "Safeguarding the State: Preparing for Catastrophic Events," which raised concerns over the ability of the state to prepare for and respond to major disasters.

FORMER ASSEMBLY MEMBER AND ASSEMBLY MAJORITY LEADER DARIO J. FROMMER '92

During three terms representing the 43rd Assembly District in the State Legislature, Dario Frommer earned a reputation as an innovative leader on health care reform, the environment, corporate governance, and ensuring

that California received its fair share of federal dollars for state programs. Elected in 2000, Frommer wasted no time in making his mark, having 25 bills signed into law during his first term—the best record of any freshman legislator. As chair of the Assembly Health Committee, Frommer cracked down on price gouging by hospitals, enacted California's landmark Continuity of Care Law, and championed expanding health care coverage for California families. He also authored the Urban Parks Act of 2001, the state's first program to help local communities acquire and build new neighborhood parks.

He says, "Public interest law has been a core focus at King Hall from its very first days. The School's proximity to the State Capitol, the outstanding faculty, and its commitment to public interest law programs makes UC Davis an ideal place for students with an interest in public service."

FORMER SENATOR AND ASSEMBLY MEMBER ARTHUR A. TORRES '71

Art Torres served 20 years in the State Legislature, eight as an Assembly Member and 12 as a State Senator. As chairman of the Insurance Committee, he fostered a balance between industry and consumer concerns. During his legislative tenure, he was also chairman of the Assembly Health Committee, Senate Joint Committee on Science and Technology, and Senate Committee on the Entertainment Industry. Some of Senator Torres' legislative successes include creating the most successful anti-high

school dropout law in California's history. He also co-authored legislation creating the Museum of Tolerance in Los Angeles and the unprecedented California Clean Drinking Water Act. In 1996, he became chair of the California Democratic Party, the first Latino to hold this post.

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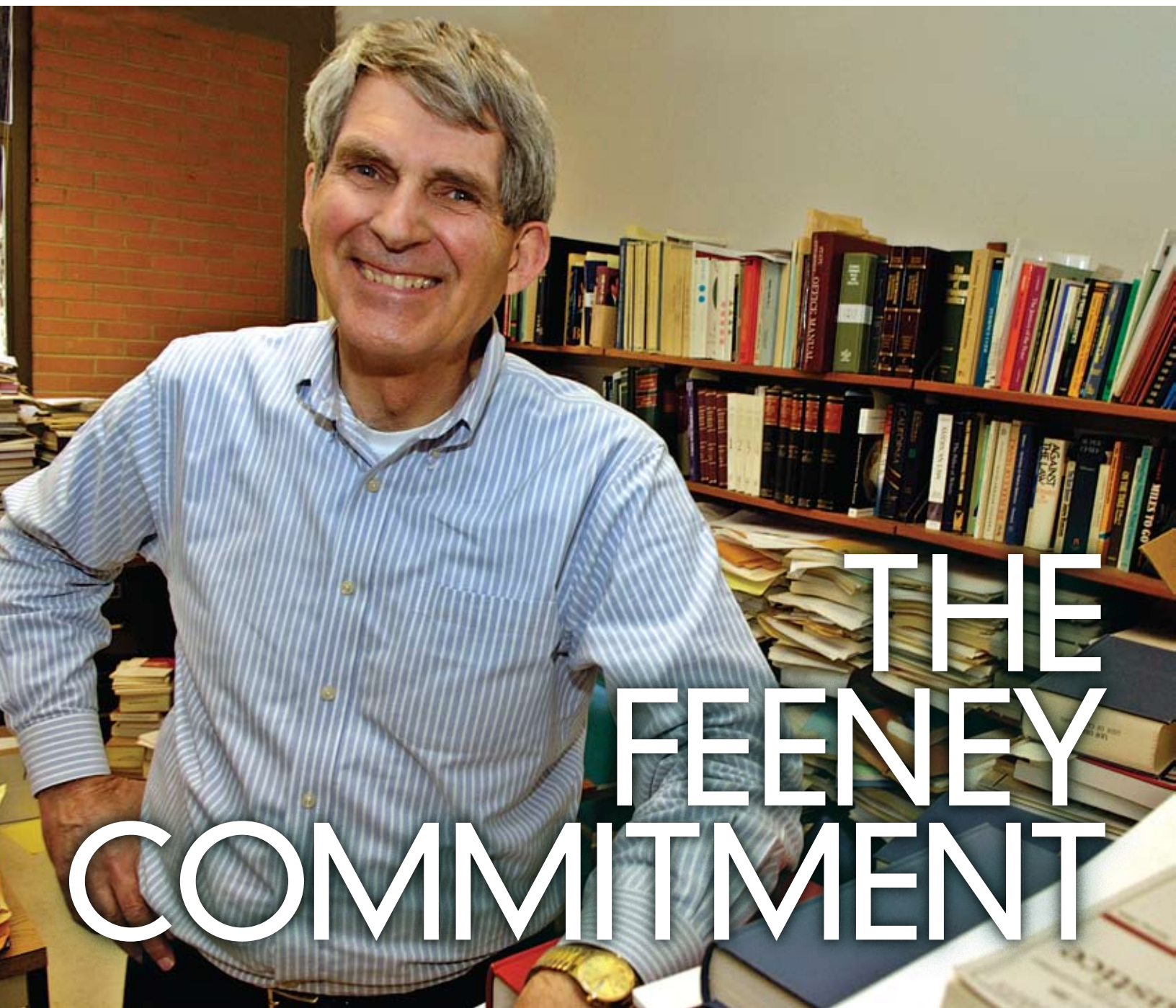
Elihu Harris has a long history of distinguished public service in the East Bay and California. He was a member of the State Assembly from 1978-90. He chaired the Audit Committee and was a member of the Transportation, Health, Labor, and Ways and Means Committees, and the subcommittee on Education. He then served as the 32nd mayor of the City of Oakland from 1991-99, where he created a wide range of city programs that benefited the community, and oversaw a budget of \$600 million and the restructuring of city departments and agencies. He now serves as the Chancellor of the Peralta Community College District in Oakland, California.

ASSEMBLY MEMBER LOIS WOLK, FRIEND OF UC DAVIS SCHOOL OF LAW

Lois Wolk has earned a reputation as a problem solver. Representing the 8th Assembly District since 2002, she has tackled difficult issues, including transportation, education, health, housing, human services, political reform, public safety, environmental protection, and flood management.

Wolk currently serves as chair of the Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife Committee and is leading efforts to provide greater flood protection to the Central Valley and Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta region.

She says, "King Hall has made countless contributions to this region and the State of California. In addition to preparing the legal leadership for this state's agencies, the legislature, and the judiciary system, the School also has a long history of instilling in its students, alumni, and professors the importance of playing an active role in one's community—not only professionally, but through public service." ■



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Floyd Feeny, the Homer G. and Ann Berryhill Angelo Professor of Law and director of the Law School's LL.M. Program, was honored at the 29th Annual Recognition Celebration, April 4, 2008, for his teaching excellence, passion, and commitment to his students.

Law students taking his criminal law classes quickly discover that Professor Feeny is a dedicated and demanding teacher. "You know it's wise to come to class prepared," a student says.

Feeny is noted for engaging students and connecting them to critical material by asking creative questions that go beyond eliciting facts from cases or reciting case holdings. He pushes his students to think about the applications of case laws and the implications of statutes. He also encourages students to go on "police ride-alongs" to experience the real-world implications of the law. In seminars, he's staged German trials so students will more fully comprehend the differences in the German and U.S. criminal justice systems.

"We all learn in different ways," Feeny says. "Experiencing something in person is certainly one of the more powerful ways of gaining knowledge and perspective. Even mock activities help one see the situation from someone else's perspective. This is, I believe, a critical skill."

Feeny wasn't planning on becoming a professor while attending New York University School of Law, where he was

a Root-Tilden Scholar and editor-in-chief of the *Law Review*. "Teaching was the furthest thing from my mind." The NYU law school dean encouraged Feeny to consider a career in academia, and after graduating in 1960, and clerking for U.S. Supreme Court Justice Hugo Black, Feeny chose to teach—although he adds, "I think it would have been fun to try some more cases."

After joining the UC Davis School of Law faculty in 1968, Feeny served as the executive director of the Center of Administration of Criminal Justice until 1986. In 1986 he, for the first time, received the School's Distinguished Teaching Award. Recognized as a founding faculty member of the School, Feeny says, "UC Davis has been blessed from the beginning with great teachers." While Feeny admits that what goes on in the classroom now may look quite different from earlier days, especially because of technology, he says that the basic concepts of good teaching have not changed. "One of the secrets of good teaching is to draw on the skills and talents that one has."

One of Feeny's great skills is his knowledge of international criminal justice systems. In 2004, he was named the Homer G. and Ann Berryhill Angelo Professor for International Legal and Communication Studies. He was a Fulbright Professor of Law at the University of Augsburg (Germany) in

1995-1996. He helped establish the School of Law's LL.M. program, which attracts judges and lawyers from all over the world, and he now serves as the program's director.

Feeny believes there is a lot to be learned by seeing how other countries approach problems, "Having had the opportunity to see some of this first hand, I am even more convinced that both our country and others have a lot to learn by comparing experiences and ideas."

This approach applies to Feeny's students. While working in his office, he leaves his door open. He stops in the halls to talk with students. A student says, "Professor Feeny provides the type of personal interaction that is so rare and so valuable."

An accomplished international scholar with interests in criminal law and election law, Feeny has authored eight books and numerous articles. He has taught and lectured in China, Germany, Italy, Japan, Mexico, and the United Kingdom. He has served as consultant or advisor to the National Institute of Justice, the National Center for State Courts, the British Home Office, the California Legislature, the American Bar Association's European and Eurasian Law Initiative, the Police Foundation, and numerous individual criminal justice agencies. He has received awards from the National Institute of Justice and the California Probation, Parole, and Correctional Association. ■

Professor Floyd Feeny has been there for students, faculty, and alumni of King Hall for decades. His exceptional scholarship and teaching excellence is more than equaled by his generosity and kindness. He has made the King Hall experience a more rewarding one for our community.

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Your dedication to learning and your compassion for your students—which generously extends beyond our time at King Hall—serves as a constant example of true scholarship. Thank you for teaching me that the Socratic method is a necessary evil, that brilliant lawyers can be humble and kind, and that friendship is enduring. Congratulations!!

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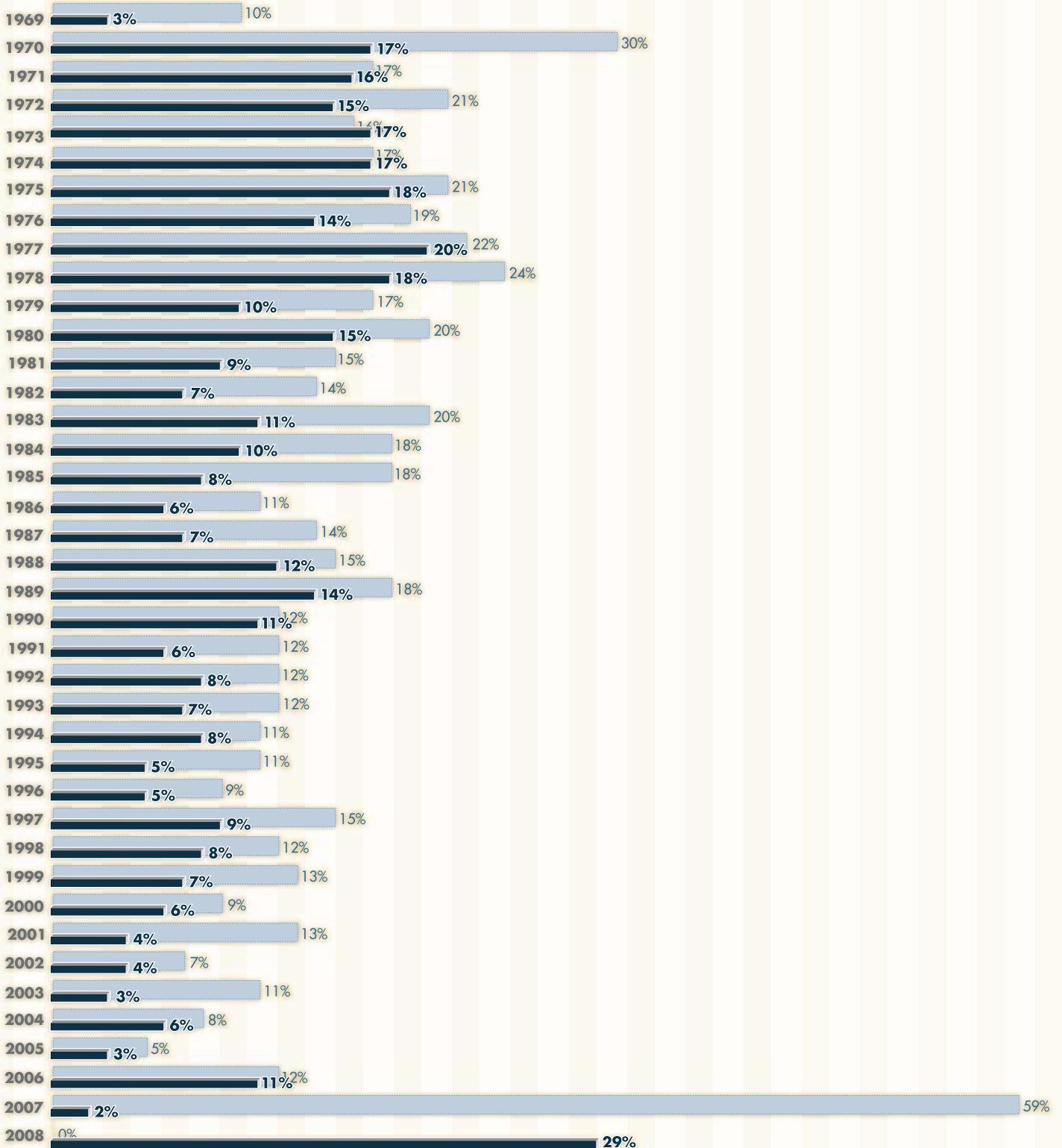
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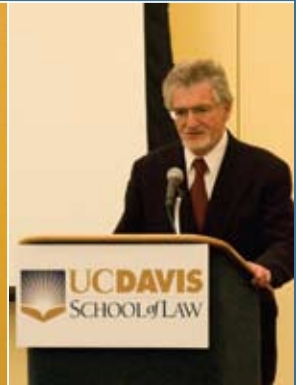
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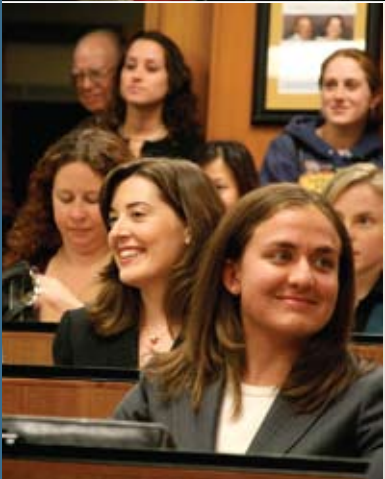
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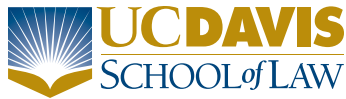
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