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# Dean's Message

Dear Alumni and Friends:

It is an honor to be succeeding Dick Wirtz as Dean of the University of Tennessee College of Law. Your alma mater is a great institution with a rich tradition of excellent teaching, nationally renowned scholarship, energetic students, and outstanding alumni accomplishment and support. I look forward to being a part of carrying that tradition forward into the 21st century.

My wife Susan and I and our four children, Patrick 13, Sarah 11, Aisling 9, and Jennifer 6, arrived in Knoxville late on the night of July 18. We moved into our new home shortly thereafter, and now we happily look to our future here at UT. Patrick, an eighth grader, and Sarah, a sixth grader, attend Bearden Middle School. Aisling is in fourth grade at Bearden Elementary, while Jennifer is down the hall from Aisling in first grade. While Jenny learns to read, her father tries to learn to be the Dean of this great school.

I did learn early on, even before I was offered the job, that many of the College of Law's recent accomplishments, including the new building, the establishment of the Centers for Advocacy and Entrepreneurial Law, and the College of Law's growing national reputation, are attributable, in no small part, to Dick Wirtz's outstanding leadership and hard work. I am excited about the opportunity to work on the many fine projects Dick, the faculty, and you got underway during his deanship, but glad Dick will be right down the hall when I need some friendly advice. I know it will not surprise you to know that Dick has been the ideal mentor and advisor. We are all in his debt.

We have much to be proud of at the University of Tennessee College of Law. The new building is one of the best facilities for legal education in the world. The technological capabilities are nothing short of incredible. One of our current challenges is learning to effectively use the technology available to us.

But, as wonderful as our building is, it exists for the people inside. And, in our case, the people inside are outstanding. The faculty is a productive group of teacher/scholars who have established themselves as a dynamic force in both our region and the nation. Now, they are poised to deepen the wonderful impression they have already made. I will support them in that effort, as you have. One of the things that doesn't show up in national rankings, but that helps us all work together everyday, is collegiality. The College of Law faculty is a model in that regard, showing our students what professionalism and civility are all about.

Our students' credentials continue to be among the finest in the area. In the short time I have been here, I am impressed not only by their accomplishment but by their character, professionalism, and all around good humor. I am also proud to say that our entering class, the Class of 2001, is the most racially and geographically diverse class we have had in recent years.

I cannot say enough wonderful things about our staff. They have helped me with a smile at every turn, tolerating my lack of knowledge and cheerfully propping me up whenever I stumble.

Additionally, as you know and I have learned, one of the things that makes the UT College of Law such a great place is its connection to the University of Tennessee. President Joe Johnson, Chancellor Bill Snyder, and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs John Peters have been marvelous to me since I first met them. They have pledged support to the College of Law that will allow it to continue to grow over the next few years and beyond.

Let me now switch gears slightly to say something more pointedly to you, our graduates and friends. During my 12 years at LSU, I worked extensively with Louisiana's judges and frequently spoke to Louisiana's lawyers. My contact with the bench and bar has enriched both my classroom teaching and my scholarship. As a member of the Board of Visitors of my alma mater, I have had the chance to work with lawyers and judges in an advisory capacity. Because I have so thoroughly enjoyed my work with the bar, I am most excited about the opportunity to work with you, the alumni and friends of the University of Tennessee College of Law.

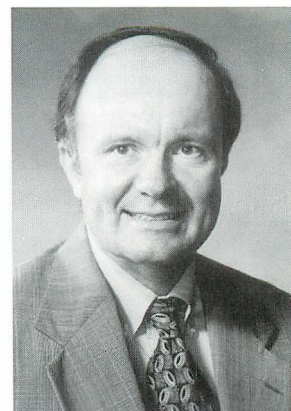
Like Dick Wirtz, I believe that vibrant relations with alumni and other friends are critical to the sustained, good health of a great law school. Alumni help the school grow by sharing their vast experiences. You help those of us who teach to sharpen our classroom presentations and you help us make our writing more accessible and useful. You help us and our students to understand the challenges of practicing law. You show us what it means to be ethical, professional practitioners. You serve as role models and mentors. Along with students, you symbolize what the College of Law stands for — what we hope to achieve through our joint efforts.

Like Dick, I will work hard to keep you informed about what is happening at the College of Law and how you can help. I know I will come to rely upon you for information, advice, and support. As I begin to learn more about the practice of law in Tennessee I am sure I will have many questions and, if I may, I will be calling upon you for answers. I look forward to seeing you this fall either at the College of Law or out and about the great state of Tennessee. I hope you will share with me your ideas and vision for the future of the College of Law.

In closing, let me pledge to do my best to live up to my new responsibilities as Dean and at the same time express hope and confidence that the College of Law will remain a place that you can point to with great pride.



Thomas C. Galligan, Jr.



# Dean Dick Wirtz leaves indelible mark on the College of Law

During the fall of 1974, 34-year-old Dick Wirtz found himself in East Tennessee as the newest member of the faculty at the University of Tennessee College of Law. Just before the fall quarter began, he and his wife Peggy found a house in the Holston Hills area of East Knoxville and they and their young daughters Liza and Margy settled into a new routine.

"We had only one car back then, and Peggy needed that for the kids," Wirtz recalled recently. "so I would take the bus to work and get off at Henley Street. I would walk down through what is now the World's Fair site. It took about 10 minutes to walk to the law school building. I remember making that walk many times during the fall of '74, with the leaves turning and the sun shining, and thinking to myself. 'Boy, am I lucky.'"

Four years earlier Wirtz had graduated from the Stanford University Law School. He spent a year as a clerk for Judge Robert A. Ainsworth, Jr. of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit and then moved into practice as an associate with the Seattle, Wash., firm of Davis, Wright, Todd, Riese & Jones. By early 1974, however, he was ready for a change.

"I thought I might go into practice for myself," he recalled. "Peggy and I had even found a spot in the far northwest corner of the state of Washington that looked like a great place. But my father-in-law, who was a law teacher, reminded me that I had once said I might like to teach. That enticed me to think about it."

Wirtz made a few inquiries and eventually interviewed with UT representatives during the annual meeting of the American Association of Law Schools. "I was impressed," he said. "There was a new dean named Ken Penegar and a lot of things were happening in his administration. It sounded exciting, and we were invited to come visit Knoxville."

Wirtz said he actually turned down an offer from a more established law school (Illinois) in favor of UT. "I'm here because it had mountains, but more importantly because it was an opportunity to get in on the ground floor of something that I would be proud to be a part of. It turns out to be a lucky choice."

Lucky, indeed. On July 1 of this year, nearly 24 years after those first walks down Cumberland Avenue, Wirtz stepped down as Dean of the UT College of Law, ending one of the more significant and successful deanships in the college's 108-year history. He is returning to the job that is the dearest to him,



*Dick Wirtz, who served as Dean and Acting Dean from 1991 until 1998, returned to the faculty in July, ending one of the most significant and successful deanships in the College's history.*

a spot on the UT law faculty. But his record as Dean won't soon be forgotten.

During his seven-year tenure as Dean and Acting Dean (1991-98), Wirtz led the UT College of Law through some trying times with the American Bar Association, a successful \$7 million capital campaign, and the establishment of new academic initiatives that garnered national recognition for the College. In each of the last four years, UT has been ranked among the nation's top 50 law schools by *U.S. News & World Report*.

"When you get right down to it it's not the things that the Dean did, but that he was able to help," Wirtz said. "Somebody else supplied the energy. All of our accomplishments over the past seven years have been the result of the effort of a lot of dedicated, committed people – faculty, administrators, staff and students. My job was to get them the resources they needed."

The Dean did his job well.

With the support of the central university administration, the College corrected all of its problems associated with the ABA, so much so that in early 1998 the College received what amounts to a "clean bill of health" from the ABA. Whereas the College was on the brink of probation in January 1991 as the result of problems dating all the way back to 1984, an ABA team that visited the College during the fall of 1997 left so impressed only minor recommendations were cited in its final report.

Part of the solution to the ABA problem was the renovation of the existing law school building and the construction of a new addition. UT now has a state-of-the-art facility that ranks among the nation's best. "The building really is quite remark-

able,” Wirtz said. “Pat Hardin and the Building Committee did an excellent job.”

The University, led by Chancellor Bill Snyder and Vice Chancellor John Peters, addressed the ABA’s other concerns by increasing the general funding of law school programs, upping the budget for the Law Library, and raising faculty salaries.

On June 30 of this year the College’s Cornerstone Campaign concluded. The College established an initial goal of \$6 million and a Greater Challenge of \$10.4 million. As of June 30, the College had received gifts and pledges of more than \$7 million.

During Wirtz’s tenure the College established two new centers, one for advocacy and the other for entrepreneurial law, that help students concentrate in the specific areas in which they plan to practice. “We are trying to make sure every student has a culminating experience like the ones offered in the centers where you do something very close to practice,” he said.

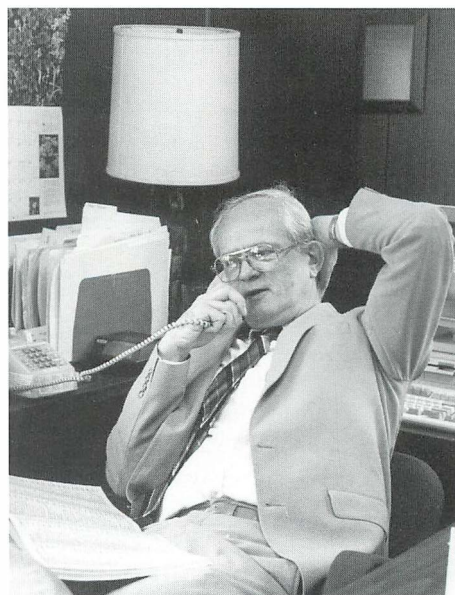
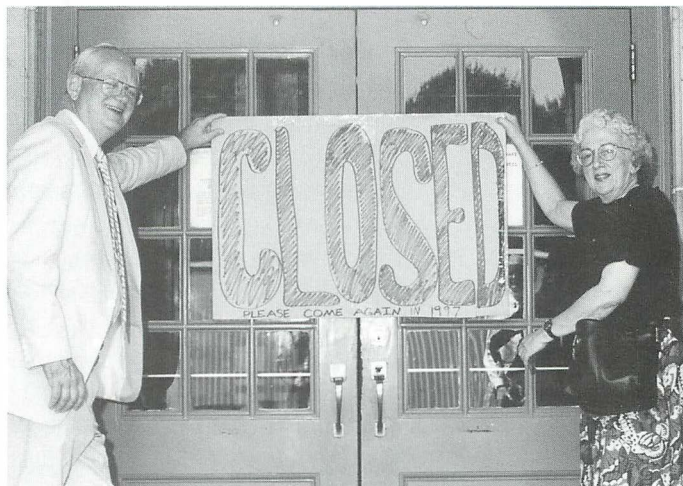
When things go right, Wirtz said, deans tend to get more credit than they deserve. “The Dean doesn’t really control very much, but he does have some say in setting the agenda. I feel good about what has happened.”

Wirtz said the time was right for him to step aside and return to the faculty. “It’s the natural end,” he said. “My feeling is that the law school was ready for new leadership. Mine has been the loudest voice for a number of years, and I think it’s healthy for the guard to change.”

The ABA site visitation and the end of the Cornerstone Campaign provided the natural stopping point, Wirtz said. “I couldn’t have left before those things were resolved, but I was wearing out.”

Wirtz is looking forward to returning to the classroom. “Even in high school I thought I might be a college teacher,” he said. “I almost went for an advanced degree in American Studies after college to prepare for a teaching career. I didn’t go to law school with that primary aim, but some of us get teaching in our heads and it’s always there.

*Dean Wirtz (pictured here with now-retired Associate Dean Mary Jo Hoover) was a key figure in securing approval and funding from the Tennessee Legislature for construction of the new law school building and the refurbishing of the old building.*



*Dean Wirtz has always been a tireless worker on behalf of the law school.*

“Law teaching is a wonderful thing. I can think of no greater accomplishment than helping people to become what they want to be.”

Wirtz received a B.A. in American Studies from Amherst College in 1961 and an M.P.A. from Princeton University in 1963. He worked with the Peace Corps in Washington, D.C., in 1963 and HARYOU-ACT, Inc. in Harlem during 1964-65 as part of America’s war on poverty.

“It was frustrating because we were supposedly fighting a war on poverty, but it wasn’t serious business,” Wirtz said. “It was rhetoric. There were no resources. There was no war.”

Wirtz met his future wife during the “war,” and they both became discouraged. “I noticed the only people with any clout were the lawyers,” he said. “I still wanted to do some good and thought maybe the way to do that was to get a law degree and get the clout that comes with being a lawyer.”

Wirtz recalled that a lot of people, especially his classmates at Stanford, were thinking the same way. “I really thought I’d like to work in the public interest. I didn’t have a clear conception of what that meant. It could have been a wide variety of things – environmental work, representing under-represented people.”

The Wirtzes were attracted to Seattle. “I must have talked to just about everybody there that was doing that type of work, but there just weren’t any jobs,” he said.

So Wirtz decided to join a law firm and begin learning his craft. “I



signed on, but my heart really wasn't in it. And that's never good," he said

The switch from the legal profession to academia was difficult for Wirtz in the early years. "Scholarship was a struggle," he recalled. "It took some of the enjoyment out of it. I understood that it was important, but I never felt about scholarship the way I did about teaching. I looked forward to teaching every day."

But Wirtz did become a scholar and was promoted to associate professor in 1977. He was promoted to full professor in 1987. Shortly after his second promotion, colleague Neil Cohen asked Wirtz to lunch. The dean at the time, Marilyn Yarbrough, needed an associate dean for academic affairs after John Sebert announced he was stepping down.

"Neil said 'I think it's going to be either you or me. I have a bunch of projects in the works right now and this isn't a good time for me. I hope you'll do it.'" Wirtz said. "And he was right. She asked me to do it. One of our former faculty members, E.O. Overton, who did a lot of things for the law school before he retired, held the position that if the dean asked you to do something, you ought to do it."

So, with some misgivings, Wirtz took the job. He served as associate dean from 1988 until Dean Yarbrough's resignation during the summer of 1991. There wasn't time to hire a new dean by the fall, so Wirtz was asked by the faculty to serve as acting dean during the search. He wrestled with the decision about whether to become a candidate himself.

"Being the dean ratchets up your responsibilities appreciably. You are responsible for relationships with important constituencies of the law school that the associate dean for academic affairs doesn't have much experience with – the central administration for one and the alumni for another. You get involved with things that don't exactly play to my strengths – like budgets. So I had to decide if I thought I could do the job, and then decide if I wanted the job."

The problems with the ABA were about to come to a head in early 1991. Nevertheless, Wirtz did "put his name in the hat" and was ultimately hired.

"I had a lot of things going for me," Wirtz said. "I had a year of experience. I had three absolutely terrific people in the Dean's office – Mary Ann James, Pat Hurd and LaVaun Browder. The president and the chancellor had honestly decided to make an investment in the law school. So we were off and running."

Wirtz' tenure as dean was longer than that of the average American law school dean, which is less than five years. When word of his resignation as dean became public, he received feelers from other schools looking for deans. He wasn't tempted, however.

Wirtz will miss being part of the team that included James,

Hurd, Browder and Associate Dean John Sobieski. "We've been good," he said. "I'll be going back to a situation where law faculty members are pretty much autonomous. That's good, but I'll miss working with the team."

The subject of teamwork calls to mind Wirtz's wife, Peggy. "When I took the job," he says, "she had an important job in her own field, the aging field. She's the kind of person who gets asked to help all the time, and she can't say no. So her life was full. But she said to me, 'I expect there are some things it would be useful to you for me to do, and I want to do them.'

"And she did, to an extent that I still wonder where she found the energy. In retrospect, I would have made a hopeless mess of the job without her. President Joe Johnson likes to say that he really wanted her as the Dean, but since she wasn't



*Dean Wirtz (right) worked closely with Cornertson Campaign Chairman Bob Pryor '69 of Knoxville during the successful five-year capital campaign.*

available, he took me. It embarrasses the living daylights out of her. But everybody knows what he means. It's hard to find a way to say it better."

Wirtz also enjoyed his meetings with alumni, re-establishing ties that in some instances had been broken. "We had alumni across the state who felt some loyalty to the law school but really hadn't had a conversation with anybody from the law school in a long time," he said. "I spent two years before the campaign started going around the state talking to alumni without ever asking for money. The alumni liked that, and I think it paved the way for future visits."

Alumni were very generous with gifts and pledges during

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# New Dean promises to keep UT law school headed in right direction

In 1978, Thomas C. Galligan Jr. left his hometown of Montclair, N.J., and headed west.

"I was either going to stop in Montana and get a master of fine arts degree in creative writing or keep going and go to law school," Galligan recalled.

He kept going.

Twenty years later, Tom Galligan is still on the move. Last July he became dean of the University of Tennessee College of Law, succeeding six-year incumbent Richard S. Wirtz. Galligan journeyed north to UT from Louisiana State University, where he had been a member of the faculty at the Paul M. Hebert Law Center since 1986 and the Dr. Dale Bennett Professor of Law since 1997.

"I'm impressed by the national reputation of the UT College of Law," Galligan said. "I was familiar with the work of a number of UT faculty members when I was in practice even before I started teaching. Now, to get the opportunity to work with these people is really exciting. This is a law school that is headed in the right direction."

After earning a degree in political science from Stanford University in 1977, Galligan returned home and landed a job selling records in a local music shop. He also mowed a lot of lawns in the Montclair area before deciding to head west. Galligan bypassed Montana in favor of Washington, where he graduated Summa Cum Laude and was first in his class at the University of Puget Sound School of Law (now Seattle University) in 1981. He went on to earn a Master of Laws degree from Columbia University in 1986.

While a law student, Galligan spent a year as a law clerk for the Weyerhaeuser Corporation in Tacoma, Wash., before being hired as an associate in commercial litigation with the Seattle firm of Lane, Powell, Moss & Miller.

"What I tried to do as a young lawyer was to keep my ear to the ground so I could find cases in the firm that would get me into the courtroom," Galligan said. "I was lucky enough to try about 10 cases in four years, including a three-week jury trial. But as much as I loved trying cases in private practice, I still decided to go into teaching."

Galligan moved to LSU in 1986. He taught a variety of courses – torts, admiralty, UCC sales, remedies, commercial paper, comparative tort law, advanced tort theory, and law and medicine. Galligan was voted "Favorite Professor" by the LSU Student Bar Association six times. "After my family, these



*Thomas C. Galligan, Jr. comes to Tennessee from the faculty of the Paul M. Hebert Law Center at Louisiana State University.*

awards mean more to me than anything else I've ever done," he said.

Galligan has had articles published in numerous journals, including the *Louisiana Law Review*, *Tulane Law Review*, *University of Michigan Journal of Law*, and the *Louisiana Bar Journal*. A list of his works, including books, individual chapters, articles, instructional materials, works in progress, and internet publications, is close to 50.

With his co-author, former LSU colleague Frank Maraist, Galligan has received awards from the *Tulane Law Review* and the *Louisiana Bar Journal* for his scholarship.

"I believe teaching and writing work off one another," he said. "Having something to write about makes you a better, more exciting teacher, and teaching something makes you think about it more clearly to then write about it. It forces you to communicate to a real, live audience. In turn, that makes your writing clearer."

Galligan has also served as a panel member, moderator, principal speaker, and presenter for more than 70 events, including dozens of professional and academic programs. In 1996 he was named executive director of the Louisiana Judicial College, which focuses on providing legal education to the state's elected judges.

Additionally, Galligan is a member of the Seattle University School of Law Board of Visitors and served on the Board of the Dyslexia Association of Greater Baton Rouge, La.

Over the next five years, Galligan said he will be working to increase the number of scholarships that are available to UT law students, to encourage the faculty to continue its record of distinguished scholarship, to fully utilize the teaching technology that is available in the new building, and to continue the

strong relationship between the College and its alumni, the bench and the bar that was fostered by Dean Wirtz.

"One of the great things about this law school is that it's well on its way to being widely recognized as a nationally preeminent state-supported law school," he said. "I hope I can show people what a great place the College of Law is."

Galligan is especially interested in meeting the college's alumni. "I love dealing with lawyers. Lawyers' input makes all the teaching and scholarship come alive for me. I look forward to meeting our alums, getting to know them, and tapping into all their experience and their ideas for the future. I think an involved alumni group enriches the institution. A law school is a multi-tiered partnership that includes faculty, current students, alumni, and the larger university."

Galligan and his family arrived in Knoxville in late July. "My wife Susan and I love it," he said. "And the children were ecstatic until they realized how soon school would start."

The Galligans, who have been married for 17 years, have four children: Patrick, 13; Sarah, 11; Aisling, 9; and Jennifer, 6.



*New Dean Tom Galligan, Jr. (right center) spent much of the 1998 fall semester traveling and meeting alumni and friends of the College.*

Galligan's father, Thomas C. Galligan, Sr., who practiced law for 52 years with Colgate Palmolive, has also moved to Knoxville and lives in Maryville.

When not teaching, writing, or spending time with his family, Galligan likes to jog. "To call what I do running would be an overstatement," he said, "but I have finished 10 marathons."

The new dean will be traveling around the state during the fall, hoping to meet as many alumni and friends of the College as he can. The College's alumni office will be mailing details.

## Dean Wirtz

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the campaign. More than 1500 persons made gifts and/or pledges during the four-year campaign, including nearly 40 gifts/pledges of \$50,000 or more.

Wirtz would like to be remembered as someone who fostered an environment where people who had ideas about making the law school a better place were free to come forward and be heard. "I can't remember a single idea where somebody was willing to put some energy behind it that didn't get some resources," he said.

As to the future, Wirtz hopes to find a fellowship that will allow him to teach for a semester or a year abroad, hopefully in Europe, during 1999-2000. But he will remain in Knoxville during 1998-99, do the things that faculty members do, and support the new dean in any way he can.

"We're very lucky there," Wirtz said. "Tom Galligan is a natural."

Retirement is still a ways down the road, Wirtz said. "My father was a law teacher in his 30s and 40s. He is 86 years old. He teaches one course a year at the University of San Diego.



*Dean Wirtz, pictured here with Jane Eppes of Career Services, was a staunch supporter of the College of Law staff and helped initiate many new programs during his tenure.*

And he is still teaching very well. I'm not sure I expect to be going strong at 86, but I'm 57 and I think I have some good years left in me. The big occupational hazard is knowing when to quit. I knew when it was time to quit as dean. My guess is that I'm one of those people who will have to be careful not to stay too long, because teaching is so much fun."

*This story was written by R.G. Smithson, Director of Public Affairs for the College of Law.*

# Development & Alumni Affairs

## College exceeds Cornerstone goal

Alumni and friends of the University of Tennessee College of Law made gifts and pledges of more than \$7 million during the College's five-year Cornerstone Campaign that ended June 30, 1998. This generous support pushed the College beyond the \$6 million goal that was established when the Cornerstone Campaign kicked off as part of the University-wide 21<sup>st</sup> Century Campaign.

The final total of \$7,037,045 includes funds that will support new initiatives in teaching, research and service; additional professorships and student scholarships; and support for the Legal Clinic, Law Library, and the new building.

"Because of the dedication and hard work of Richard S. Wirtz, the help of our loyal alumni and friends, and the excitement generated from the construction of the new facility, we were able to exceed our goal by more than one million dollars," said Robert E. Pryor '69 of Knoxville, chairman of the Cornerstone Campaign.

"I want to personally thank all those who made a commitment. Today, the law school community has a greater source of pride than ever before, and we have laid a firm foundation to take the lead in legal education nationwide."

Wirtz, who recently stepped down after seven years as Dean and Acting Dean of the College, played a significant role during the campaign, traveling throughout the state and beyond to meet with alumni and friends.

"This is an impressive vote of confidence in the future of the UT College of Law," Wirtz said. "Included in these totals are some sacrificial gifts by individual alumni. We are greatly in their debt. There are large gifts from leading firms in Tennessee, many of whose alumni are graduates of other schools. There is a large contribution collectively from the faculty and staff of the College of Law, who participated 100 percent in the campaign. And there are a host of gifts from alumni in Tennessee and around the country who took this chance to express their thanks and pride in their law school."

The former Dean expressed special thanks to Pryor, the members of the Campaign Committee, and to Suzanne Livingood, the law school's Director of Development and Alumni Affairs until her death in 1997. "They inspired us all," Wirtz said.

The College's new Centers for Advocacy and Entrepreneurial Law are the beneficiaries of more than \$1.3 million in gifts and pledges. The College will soon be adding a fifth endowed

### CORNERSTONE CAMPAIGN FINAL REPORT

|  | Total              |
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| New Initiatives in Teaching and Service            | \$1,326,284        |
| Faculty, Staff and Students                        | 3,268,932          |
| The Legal Clinic                                   | 82,802             |
| The Law Library                                    | 161,140            |
| The Building                                       | 359,398            |
| Undesignated Money in the form of Gifts and Trusts | 1,838,489          |
| <b>Grand Total</b>                                 | <b>\$7,037,045</b> |

professorship and more than \$2.7 million was raised for additional student scholarships. Nearly \$83,000 was designated for use by the Legal Clinic. More than \$161,000 was given to the Law Library and nearly \$360,000 for the new building. The final campaign total includes \$1.8 million in undesignated money in the form of gifts and trusts.

While the Cornerstone Campaign has ended, the College's development efforts will continue because several needs and priorities were not fully funded. One area of need is larger student scholarships.

"Although we raised more than two million dollars for scholarships," said new Dean Thomas C. Galligan, Jr., "we still need more, larger scholarships so that we can be competitive in attracting the best students."

## Dotti Bressi permanent Director

Dotti Bressi, who had been serving as acting director of development and alumni affairs at the College of Law since 1997, has been named permanent director. Dotti came to the law school in June 1995 as the assistant director of development and alumni affairs.

A native of Orlando, Fla., Dotti has worked at UT Knoxville in various capacities since 1992. She was the Panhellenic advisor for two years before resigning in 1994 to pursue a doctorate in educational leadership at UTK. She later became a graduate assistant for the UT Vice Chancellor of Development and Alumni Affairs and worked with the University's 21<sup>st</sup> Century Campaign organizing and training volunteers for the UTK Family Campaign and the UTK retiree solicitation for the campaign.



**Dotti Bressi**

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# Admissions

## New class is positive about UT law school

The University of Tennessee College of Law welcomed a first-year class of 159 students at the beginning of the 1998 fall semester. The Class of 2001 was selected from 1,096 applicants and the matriculants came to Knoxville from 14 states and three foreign countries.

The first-year students come to UT from undergraduate schools from all over the United States. Schools yielding multiple matriculants are, in order of frequency, UT Knoxville, Middle Tennessee State University, Vanderbilt University, UT-Chattanooga, David Lipscomb University, Rhodes College, University of Tennessee at Martin, Auburn University, University of Georgia, University of the South, University of Memphis, Bryan College, Carson-Newman College, The Citadel, Clark Atlanta University, Clemson University, Duke University, East Tennessee State University, Furman University, University of Alabama, University of Maryland, University of Michigan, and the University of Virginia.

More than 70 other schools were attended by members of the entering class.

During the 1998 recruiting period, law schools across the nation experienced a very slight (1.3%) increase in applicant volume after five consecutive years of declining applications. The UT College of Law experienced a 4.2% decrease in applications, but the College of Law has not experienced the kind of volatility present on the national scene. Over an eight-year period, applications to law schools declined from approximately 99,000 in 1990 to 66,000 in 1998. Applications to the UT College of Law peaked at 1,318 in 1994 and have remained within 200 of that figure each year since.

The academic credentials of the entering class compared favorably with the previous two entering classes. The Class of 2001 had a mean GPA of 3.45 and an average LSAT test score of 156.

The 1998 first-year class includes 125 students (78.6%) from Tennessee and 34 (21.4%) from out of state. The gender breakdown is 89 males and 70 females, and the class includes 23 minority students.

A survey of admitted students reveals the most frequently mentioned reasons for attending the UT College of Law are cost relative to the quality of education, or value; general reputation of the College; and location. Recurring themes included "best school, best price," "friendly and helpful staff," and "facility indicates serious about excellence."

Several students cited "heard good things about the college from alumni" as influencing their decision to choose UT. One student said, "Your alumni... are a huge asset to your recruitment task force. They were very supportive and vocal about where I should go to law school."

### ADMISSIONS NETWORKING

The Admissions Office began preparing for the 1999 application year well before closing the books on the 1998 admissions process. Over 40 colleges and universities will be visited, and hundreds of candidates will be met in person by UT admissions representatives. This fall, numerous additional contacts are expected through College of Law publications and through the college's home page on the World Wide Web.

What role can alumni play in these outreach efforts? Alumni are one of our biggest recruitment tools as they offer personal words of encouragement to candidates who are considering law school. Several alumni are also profiled each year in the college's recruitment publications, the *Applicant Guide*.

An outreach activity that has proven successful is our Alumni Networker program. Over 50 alumni write letters to admitted candidates in their areas and encourage acceptance of the UT offer of admission. More volunteers from all over the U.S. — particularly alumni in Chattanooga, upper East Tennessee, North Carolina, Georgia and Virginia — are needed for 1999. If you are interested in helping, please return the form below.

**Alumni Networkers!** If you are an alumnus of the UT College of Law and can help the college by writing five or fewer letters to admitted candidates in early 1999, please contact the Admissions Office with the information requested below.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

FAX Number \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this information to the Office of Admissions and Financial Aid as soon as possible.

Address: 1505 West Cumberland Avenue  
Suite 161  
Knoxville, TN 37996-1810

Telephone Number: (423)974-4131

FAX Number: (423)974-1572

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# Career Services

## It's not too late to recruit UT students/graduates

On-campus interviewing continues through November 22 at the College of Law. If you or your colleagues have not recruited on campus -- or not in a long while -- why not convince your hiring committee that this is the time to start? With exciting new course concentrations, a facility with the most up-to-date technology, and a reputation further enhanced by national awards and ratings, you will find our students and graduates are more competitive than ever.

To confirm an on-campus date or to request additional information, contact Career Services by phone, fax, mail or e-mail.

We also offer the following services for employers unable to recruit on-campus:

**Job Listings & Resume Referrals** -- Give us your requirements, and we'll post notices asking students and/or alumni/ae to contact you directly. (Or we will be glad to collect resumes and mail them to you in one convenient packet.) We also offer a focused resume referral service through which we will forward resumes of candidates who have listed a preference for your practice area(s) and geographic location.

**Lateral Hiring** -- Your notice for an experienced attorney or a licensed, entry-level associate will be published at no charge to you in *Job Briefs*, our monthly employment opportunities newsletter mailed to more than 200 subscribers.

**Videoconferencing and Videotaped Interviews** -- Career Services will be happy to arrange a videoconference for your organization or produce a professional-quality, videotaped student interview. For videoconferencing, we will schedule the students you select through resume pre-screening for 20- or 30-minute interviews. For videotaped interviews, just send us your list of questions and on camera we will ask them of the candidates you select. You and your hiring committee can then view the responses at your convenience.

**Single-Project Assistance** -- We also can be of assistance if you have temporary or single-project clerking needs. Referrals are made to students and recent graduates with an interest or experience in your project, and they typically contact employers within a day of the request.

## LAWYERS OF THE PRESENT, VOLUME III, NOW AVAILABLE

Focusing on the career paths of 37 alumni/ae practicing law in public interest and government organizations, the recently-published third edition of *Lawyers of the Present* again demonstrates the versatility of the J.D. and the variety of jobs available to law graduates.

Dedicated to two people who have spent most of their careers as public servants -- former Dean Richard S. Wirtz and former Career Services Director Joann Gillespie Rothery -- this edition contains the career narratives of the following alumni/ae. Please contact us if you would like to receive a copy.

### Public Interest Organizations

Beth S. Bates, '82 - West Tennessee Legal Services, Inc.  
Gordon Bonnyman, '72 - Tennessee Justice Center  
Robert J. Bowman, '91 - Camden (New Jersey) Regional Legal Services, Inc.  
Michael Hamden, '83 - North Carolina Prisoner Legal Services, Inc.  
Margaret Held, '95 - Knoxville Legal Aid Society  
Michele Johnson, '94 - Tennessee Justice Center  
Oliver "Buzz" Thomas, '83 - National Council of Churches

### Pro Bono

Frances L. Ansley, '79 - University of Tennessee College of Law  
John W. Chandler, Jr. '78 - Burch, Porter & Johnson  
Don Paine, '63 - Paine, Swiney & Tarwater

### Federal Government

Nancy L. Carnes, '81 - Department of Energy  
Lt. Col. Wayne E. Dillingham, '83 - Air Force JAG Corps  
Patricia C. Foster, '87 - U.S. Bankruptcy Trustee  
James E. Hall, '67 - National Transportation Safety Board  
Phyllis D. Haney, '88 - Internal Revenue Service  
James D. Holt, '90 - Department of Agriculture  
H. Gray Marsee, '83 - NASA  
David Spence, '90 - U.S. Customs Service

### State Government

Christy A. Allen, '93 - Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance  
Natasha K. Metcalf, '91 - Tennessee Department of Finance and Administration  
Mary Anne Reese, '80 - Ohio Attorney General's Office  
Natalie K. Thomas, '85 - Georgia Department of Human Resources, Division of Aging

### **Municipal Government**

Claudia Swafford Haltom, '80 - Shelby County Juvenile Court Referee

Elbert Jefferson, Jr., '89 - City of Memphis Law Division  
Stephanie Webster, '83 - City of Charlotte Police Attorney's Office

### **Foreign Government**

Richard Kantor, '71 - Value Added Tax Department, Jerusalem District, Israel

### **Prosecutors & Defenders**

Tom Crider, '75 - District Public Defender  
Dawn Doran, '91 - Assistant District Attorney  
Perry Piper, '88 - Assistant Federal Community Defender  
Will Traynor, '88 - Assistant U.S. Attorney

### **Judges**

Chief Justice Riley Anderson, '57 - Tennessee Supreme Court  
Hon. William S. Cates, '71 - National Labor Relations Board  
Hon. W. Frank Crawford, '50 - Tennessee Court of Appeals  
Hon. Stephen H. Elmore, '85 - Oregon Employment Department and Oregon Water Resources Department  
Hon. Robert Leon Jordan, '60 - U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Tennessee  
Hon. Robert P. Murrian, '74 - U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Tennessee  
Hon. Brenda Waggoner, '78 - Knox County General Sessions Court

### **CAREER SERVICES CO-SPONSORS EVENTS WITH COLLEGE OF LAW SPEAKER SERIES**

Career Services and the Speaker Series have joined forces to present a three-part series for current students that will explore various employment settings and career options. Entitled "Matlock, Mason & McBeal: A Look Inside the Real World of the Legal Profession," each seminar will feature a panel of distinguished practitioners giving advice and answering students' questions.

"The Practice: Does Size Really Matter?" took place on September 16. Panelists included Robert F. Worthington '57 (Baker, Donelson, Bearman & Caldwell), F. Scott Milligan '89 (Little & Milligan), Wanda G. Sobieski '82 (Sobieski, Messer & Associates), Michael S. Pemberton (Lewis, King, Krieg, Waldrop & Catron), and Candis D. Lasley '97 (Dunn, MacDonald & Coleman). Speakers discussed the advantages and disadvantages of practicing in their respective settings and

the impact of their jobs on their families and lifestyles, as well as legal practice areas and salaries.

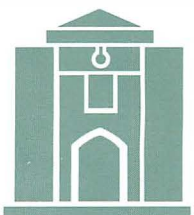
"Inside Politics: The Opportunities and Challenges for Lawyers" is scheduled for October 19 and will feature lawyers who have chosen public service as an occupation. "Keeping Your Options Open: What Else Can You Do With A Law Degree?" will be presented in November and will feature an alternative dispute resolution specialist, a college administrator, a law professor and an entrepreneur.

The Speaker Series was launched in 1996 by students at the College of Law to benefit Tennessee's legal, business, political and educational communities. Each year, the group hosts a variety of events which address issues of importance to law students and the general public. The Speaker Series is broadly overseen by a Board of Advisors comprised of prominent Tennesseans who lend insights and support to the program based upon their positions and experiences.

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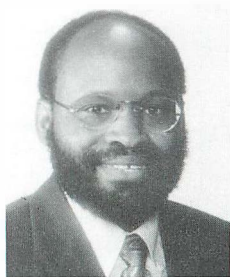
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# Faculty News

Four members of the faculty — **Kelly Browne**, **Judy Cornett**, **Carol Parker** and **Tom Plank** — comprised a panel at the University of Tulsa's Twelfth Annual Comparative Literature Symposium, "The Sociomaterial Turn: Excavating Modernism," March 5-7. The title of the panel was "Equal Access to Justice? Literary Production of 'The Law.'" Prof. Browne's paper was entitled, "Copyrighted Page Numbers: Legal Research as the Sociology of Legal Literature." Prof. Cornett's paper was entitled, "Through the Looking-Glass: Unique Aspects of the Legal Scholarly Industry." Prof. Parker's paper was entitled, "Above the Din: Student Voices in Legal Scholarship." Prof. Plank's paper was entitled, "The Advantages of Law Review Publication of Scholarship."

Gov. Don Sundquist appointed Profs. **Neil Cohen** and **Glenn Reynolds** to the Advisory Panel to the Commission on Juvenile Justice Reform. The Commission will rewrite state laws for juvenile offenders.



In December, **Dwight Aarons** submitted an amicus brief to the Tennessee Supreme Court that addressed how that court could fashion a constitutionally acceptable process of comparative proportionality review in capital cases. In February, he was a member of a panel forum that the UT Black Faculty and Staff Association sponsored on "Youth

at Risk -- The Kemba Smith Story," which addressed issues related to federal drug laws. The *Seton Hall Law Review* has agreed to publish his article, "Can Inordinate Delay Between a Death Sentence and Execution Constitute Cruel and Unusual Punishment?", which addresses the possible Eighth Amendment implications of retaining capital inmates on death row for more than a decade. In early May, Aarons will present a paper on "Race and Civil Procedure" at the Southeast/Southwest Law Teacher of Color Conference. He has agreed to serve on the Implementation Committee of the Tennessee Supreme Court's Commission on Racial and Gender Fairness. Prof. Aarons has had two articles accepted for publication, "Can Inordinate Delay Between a Death Sentence and Execution Constitute Cruel and Unusual Punishment" by the *Seton Hall Law Review* and "Getting Us Out of This Mess: Steps Towards Addressing and Avoiding Inordinate Delay in Capital Cases" by the *Journal of Criminal Law and Criminology* (Northwestern Law School).

**Fran Ansley's** scholarly essay, "Classifying Race, Racializing Class," was published as part of the proceedings of a symposium sponsored by the University of Colorado Law Review on

affirmative action. It appears at 68 *University of Colorado Law Review* 1001 (Fall 1997). Prof. Ansley participated in a symposium entitled "Rethinking Law in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Workplace" at the University of Pennsylvania Law School on Jan. 30. She participated on a panel that discussed "Enforcing International Labor Standards: How, When and Why"



at an AFL-CIO Lawyers Conference titled "The Labor Movement in a Changing Economy" in Los Angeles last May. UTK's Community Partnership Center (CPC) has received a \$100,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to continue the Center's work in developing research and outreach partnerships with community groups and local government. Prof. Ansley is Faculty Director of the CPC. The CPC recently published *Doing Community-Based Research: A Reader* that contains an article by Prof. Ansley and UT Sociology Professor John Gaventa.

Prof. **Kelly Browne** participated in a panel presentation on "Tennessee State Government Publications in the Electronic Environment" at the Tennessee Library Association's annual meeting in Memphis in April. She was also elected Vice-Chair/Chair Elect of the TLA Government Documents Roundtable at the meeting.

**Neil Cohen** gave a "Review and Update of the Federal Rules of Evidence" Jan. 13 at a CLE seminar in Chattanooga on "Practice in the Federal Courts" sponsored by the Federal Bar Association and the Federal Practice Section of the Chattanooga Bar Association. In February Prof. Cohen presented an overview of police review boards to the Bernstein Commission looking into various matters involving the Knoxville Police Department. Dean **Dick Wirtz** was also a member of that Commission. Prof. Cohen spoke on "Beyond a Shadow of a Doubt" at the UT Alumni Summer College in August.

**Judy Cornett** gave a "Review and Update of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure" Jan. 13 at a CLE seminar in Chattanooga on "Practice in the Federal Courts" sponsored by the Federal Bar Association and the Federal Practice Section of the Chattanooga Bar Association. On Jan. 16, Prof. Cornett participated in a CLE panel at the Tennessee Bar Association Mid-Year Meeting in Nashville. The panel was "Report of the Tennessee





Supreme Court Commission on Gender Fairness,” and Justice Janice Holder of the Tennessee Supreme Court was the moderator.

Dean **Tom Galligan** had an article entitled “A Primer on Cigarette Litigation Under the Restatement (Third) of Torts: Products Liability” published in 27 *Southwestern University Law Review* 487 (1998). This was a symposium issue on “Tobacco Litigation and Regulation: The Settlement and Beyond: Litigation and Compensation.”

**Deseriee Kennedy** spoke at the Nineteenth Annual John E. Sullivan Symposium & Lecture entitled “The Quest for Equal Justice” in March. Prof. Kennedy spoke about affirmative action.

Prof. **Joe King’s** article, “Reduction of Likelihood Reformation and Other Retrofitting of the Loss-of-a-Chance Doctrine,” published in the *Memphis Law Review*, was labeled “worth reading” by *The National Law Journal*.



**Don Leatherman** participated as a panelist at the ABA tax section meeting held in San Antonio in January. The panel dealt with some recent regulations dealing with the taxation of related organizations, some peculiar tax issues that arise when a corporation loans money to a related corporation, and some current developments in the tax area. Prof. Leatherman has had two

articles accepted for publication in *Tax Strategies for Corporate Acquisitions, Dispositions, Spin-Offs, Joint Ventures, and Other Strategic Alliances, Financings, Reorganizations and Restructuring*. The articles are entitled “Shifting of Member Stock Basis Under [Section] 1.302-2(c)” and “Extraordinary Gain and Loss Disallowance.”

**Bob Lloyd** tied for second place in the Center for Computer-Assisted Legal Instruction (CALI) 1998 Donald Trautman CALI Lesson Writing Competition. The lesson was entitled “UCC Article 3: Elements of Negotiability.” This is Prof. Lloyd’s second Trautman award.

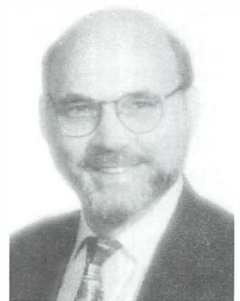
**Colleen Medill** participated in the Young Scholars Workshop at the 1998 Southeastern AALS Conference. The Young Scholars Workshop is a program allowing new faculty members to present and receive feedback on a research work in progress. Prof. Medill’s topic for presentation was “Redesigning Federal

Retirement Laws For An Age Of Individual Responsibility.” Prof. Medill’s article, “HIPAA and Its Related Legislation: A New Role for ERISA in the Regulation of Private Health Case Plans?,” has been published at 65 *Tem L. Rev.* 485-510 (1998). The article reviews Congress’s 1996 amendments to ERISA creating new requirements for private, employer-sponsored health care plans and contrasts these amendments with ERISA’s historical approach to private health case plan regulation. During July, Prof. Medill made two presentations related to employee benefits law. At a forum for the faculty of the UT College of Law, Prof. Medill spoke on recent trends and legal developments in private employer-sponsored retirement plans. Prof. Medill’s second presentation, “Redesigning Federal Retirement Laws for an Age of Individual Responsibility,” was presented at the annual meeting of the Southeastern Association of American Law Schools. Prof. Medill will speak in October at the annual meeting of the Tennessee Chapter of the Corporate Counsel Association. Her topic will be “Employer Fiduciary Liability Under ERISA for Participant Retirement Savings Education and Investment Advice.”

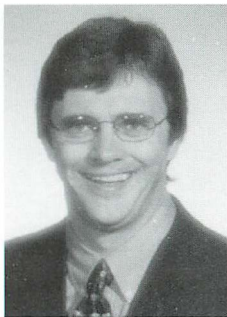


Prof. **Jerry Phillips** has had published the fifth edition of *Products Liability*. Along with his co-authors, Prof. Phillips has published a supplement to the *Products Liability* casebook.

The American Bankruptcy Law Journal asked **Tom Plank** to write an article responding to an article by Prof. Susan Block-Lieb of Seton Hall law school on the status of bankruptcy judges and the jurisdiction of bankruptcy courts. The solicitation by the Journal was at the suggestion of U.S. Court of Appeals Judge Edith Jones, a member of the National Bankruptcy Review Commission, based on her reading and using in the Commission’s work Prof. Plank’s article in the *Tennessee Law Review*, “The Constitutional Limits of Bankruptcy.” Prof. Plank has placed his article “The Outer Boundaries of Property of the Bankruptcy Estate” with the *Emory Law Journal*. The expected publication date is December 1998.



**Glenn Reynolds’** article “Space Resources, Common Property, and the Collective Action Problem” (coauthored with Rob Merges) appears in the *NYU Environmental Law Journal*. The



cite is 6 NYU Env'tl L.J. 107 (1997). Prof. Reynolds' article "Taking Federalism Seriously: Lopez and the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act" (co-authored with David Kopel) appears in the *Connecticut Law Review*. The cite is 30 *Conn. L. Rev.* 59 (1997).

Reynolds' book, *The Appearance of Impropriety: How the Ethics Wars Have Undermined American Govern-*

*ment, Business and Society*, received a very favorable review from Norman Ornstein in the *Wilson Quarterly*. Reynolds spoke at a program entitled "Teaching Evolution: Resolving the Controversies" put on by the Evolutionary Biology program. His talk was entitled "Why Creationists Always Lose." Reynolds spoke at Yale University's Olmsted Symposium on Instilling Ethics in February. His topic was "How Ethics Reform has Failed." Reynolds was a guest on the Australian Broadcasting Company's "Late Night Live," in a debate with Iran/Contra special prosecutor Lawrence Walsh in March. Reynolds' article, "Comfortably Penumbra" (coauthored with UT alumnus Brannon Denning) appears in the *Boston University Law Review*. The cite is 77 *B.U. L. Rev.* 1089 (1997). Reynolds was quoted April 1 in *USA Today* on the subject of juvenile violence and the Jonesboro school shootings. Reynolds was a guest on NewsTalk 99's Hallerin Hill show Friday, April 10, discussing the constitutional aspects of presidential impeachment. Reynolds' band was featured on Channel 10's *Live at Five* program in early August. Reynolds' book, "The Appearance of Impropriety: How the Ethics Wars Have Undermined American Government, Business, and Society," was favorably reviewed in the May 1998 issue of the *ABA Journal*. Reynolds also reported his book and the College of Law received "a nice plug" in *The New Yorker* in early August. Reynolds was interviewed by the Miami Herald for a series the paper is producing on political corruption. In early July, Reynolds was the guest on WNOX-AM 990's "Sound Off" program, hosted by Hallerin Hill. The topic was the Declaration of Independence and the framing of the Constitution. Prof. Reynolds appeared on Court TV Aug. 25. The program was on the Scopes trial; it was part of its "greatest trials of the 20th Century" show.

**Dean Rivkin** made a presentation to the Council of the ABA Section of Individual Rights and Responsibilities on "Emerging Issues under the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act Amendments of 1997" at the ABA mid-year meeting in Nashville. Prof. Rivkin will present a paper on "A Regulatory Approach to Pollution Control" at the International Workshop in

Business and Environment in Rio de Janeiro and Buzios, Brazil.

**Barbara Stark** served as the Rapporteur for the panel on Implementing Human Rights at the ABA conference celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the Genocide Convention at the UN headquarters in New York. Prof. Stark served on the committee to plan the program for the Family Law Section at the AALS Annual Meeting.



The topic was "From Partners to Parents: Toward a Child Centered Family Law Jurisprudence." Prof. Stark presented a paper, "Deconstructing the Framers' Right to Property: Colonial Women and Economic Rights," at the Feminism and Legal Theory Workshop at Columbia Law School in March and another paper, "Postmodern International Law: Harold and the Purple Crayon," at the annual meeting of the American Society of International Law in Washington in April. Prof. Stark spoke at a conference at CUNY Law School in April, "Bringing It Home: Building International Human Rights Law, Advocacy and Culture." She was on a panel that discussed, "Implementing International Human Rights Law in the United States -- Developing Strategies, Confronting Obstacles." Prof. Stark's article, "Guys and Dolls: Remedial Nurturing Skills in Post-Divorce Practice, Feminist Theory, and Family Law Doctrine," published in the *Hofstra Law Review*, was noted as "worth reading" by *The National Law Journal*.

# Class Notes

## Class of 1948

SHIRLEY UNDERWOOD, juvenile court judge in Johnson City, spoke during the Tennessee Lawyers' Association for Women annual meeting in Nashville in June. Judge Underwood has been a juvenile court judge since 1961 and is the first woman judge to have graduated from the UT College of Law.

## Class of 1950

WILLIAM M. STEPHENS of Nashville has written his fifth book, *Souls on Fire*, published in September 1998 by Oceanic Press. Stephens practices law in Brentwood, Tenn.

## Class of 1958

JAMES D. ROBINSON of Hixson, Tenn., has been elected as a Fellow of the Chattanooga Bar Foundation.

## Class of 1967

GORDON JACKSON of Memphis, senior partner in the firm of Jackson, Shields, Yeiser & Cantrell, has been elected as a Fellow of the College of Labor and Employment Lawyers. He has written several publications in labor and employment law.

## Class of 1959

FRANK L. SLAUGHTER and Frank L. Slaughter, Jr. announce the opening of Slaughter & Slaughter; 1500 Bluff City Highway; Bristol, TN 37620.

## Class of 1968

JAMES M. CONLIN, JR. of Stow, Ohio, has completed his twentieth year as the Labor and Employment Counsel at the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company in Akron, Ohio.

JAMES M. DORAN of Nashville has been named a member of the law firm of Waller Lansden Dortch & Davis.

J. THOMAS KILPATRICK of Atlanta has been named partner with Alston & Bird LLP. He represents clients in all areas of labor and employment law, including management-union matters, employment discrimination litigation, wage and hour litigation, affirmative action planning, and day-to-day advice and consultation.

## Class of 1971

RICHARD KANTOR of Jerusalem, Israel, has been appointed as a lawyer for the state of Israel to become the Chief District Prosecutor in Value Added Tax Matters for the Jerusalem District.

ESSON M. MILLER, JR. of Richmond, Va., is currently the

## Deceased

Nancy B. Bohleber '81, Griffin, Ga.  
Benjamin F. Devereux, III '83, Bastrop, Texas  
Tom Elam '34, Union City, Tenn.  
L. Anderson Galyon '71, Knoxville  
William Haga '52, Dunwoody, Ga.  
Wilma T. Hines '30, Knoxville  
Jerry H. Huddle '50, Bellingham, Wash.  
James M. Jacobs '73, Nashville  
Leland C. Morton '36, Knoxville  
William T. Roper '48, Chattanooga  
Michael Y. Rowland '70, Knoxville  
David E. Smith '58, Knoxville  
Philip B. Spicer '41, Dickinson, Texas  
Eugene H. Switzer '56, Savannah, Ga.  
Stuart W. Trapp '50, Aztec, N.M.  
James M. Weaver '48, Big Canoe, Ga.  
Ted Q. Wilson '54, Oneida  
William P. Wright, Jr. '77, Knoxville

Director of the Division of Legislative Services for the Virginia General Assembly.

## Class of 1972

HON. WILLIAM H. BROWN of Alexandria, Va., has been elected to the American Bankruptcy Institute's Board of Directors.

RONALD K. NEVIN of Nashville has been included in "Who's Who in American Law 1998." His practice is primarily in probate law and Bankruptcy.

## Class of 1974

PHILLIP M. KANNAN of Kingston, Tenn., taught a course in Fundamental Issues in Environmental Science at Colorado College in the Fall of 1997. He also had an article, "Advisory Opinions by Federal Courts," published in the May 1998 edition of the *University of Richmond Law Review*.

BRIAN LAWRENCE KUHN of Memphis has joined the Memphis office of McKnight Hudson/Ford & Harrison, a national labor and employment law firm.

## Class of 1975

KEN WITCHER was elected to his first full eight-year term as General Sessions Court Judge for Macon County, Tennessee.

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### **Class of 1976**

ERNEST D. BENNETT, III of Nashville has a new office located at Taylor, Philbin, Pigue, Marchetti & Bennett, PLLC.; 2908 Poston Avenue; Nashville, TN 37203.

RICHARD D. REAVES of Athens, Ga., serves as executive director for the Institute of Continuing Judicial Education of Georgia.

### **Class of 1977**

KATHLEEN A. HOGAN of Denver, Colo., has a new office located at McGuane and Hogan, LLP; 720 Colorado Blvd.; Suite 910-N; Denver, CO 80246.

DANIEL G. LAMB, JR. was the lead attorney for the San Diego, Calif., firm of Brobeck, Phleger & Harrison that persuaded a Superior Court jury to award the largest compensatory damage award in California history. Lamb and his colleagues won \$174.9 million in damages in a breach of contract suit in March 1998.

ALLAN F. RAMSAUR of Nashville has assumed the newly-created position of Deputy Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer of the Tennessee Bar Association.

ANN M. WARD of Oak Ridge, Tenn., has been named associate general counsel and head of the contracts/procurement section of the Office of General Counsel.

### **Class of 1978**

MARK A. ROSSER of Knoxville has been named Special Counsel to the Firm of Lewis, King, Krieg, Waldrop & Catron, P.C.

ROBERT W. SAUSER of Chattanooga has been named an attorney with Baker, Donelson, Bearman & Caldwell. He is Of Counsel in the Chattanooga office of the firm.

DENNIS G. WEBB of Knoxville has been named Counsel of Little & Milligan, P.L.L.C.; Suite 130 Regency Business Park; 900 East Hill Avenue; Knoxville, TN 37915.

### **Class of 1979**

STEVEN A. DeMONBREUM of Moneta, Va., was recently selected as a federal judge in the Office of Hearings and Appeals in Roanoke.

PAM REEVES of Knoxville is the first female president of the Tennessee Bar Association.

BILL TATE of Nashville has been elected Chairman of the Board for the Vanderbilt Childrens Hospital Board of Directors.

### **Class of 1980**

JOHN M. LAMIE of Abingdon, Va., has been elected to a three-year term on the Board of Governors of the Bankruptcy section of the Virginia State Bar. He is also serving as Chair for the 1997-98 year of the 10th District Committee on Ethics for the Virginia State Bar.

JANE W. POWERS of Crossville, Tenn., has a new office located at the Powers Law Firm; 79 North Main Street; Crossville, TN 38555-4576. She has recently been elected to serve as the President of Tennessee Leadership, a statewide organization of women leaders.

### **Class of 1981**

FRANK P. HARRIS of Marietta, Ga., went to China in 1996 with his wife, T.R. Morgan, to adopt their daughter, Madeleine. Madeleine has just turned three. He reports that if a willingness to argue is any indication, Madeleine may make a pretty good lawyer some day.

BRUCE T. HILL and Monica Franklin Hill of Salt Lake City, Utah, announce the birth of their son, Connor Ian, on July 11, 1997.

WHITNEY JOHNS of Cornersville, Tenn., president-elect of the National Association of Women Business Owners, was notified earlier this summer by the U.S. Small Business Administration that her company has been officially licensed and will receive as much as \$24 million under the Small Business Investment Company plan.

J. THOMAS JONES of Knoxville was recently appointed to the Board of Directors for the Knoxville Utilities Board. He is married to IMOGENE A. KING (\*81), who was recently appointed to the City of Knoxville's Civil Service Merit Board.

LAWRENCE E. LITTLE of Knoxville has announced the formation of Little & Milligan, P.L.L.C.; Suite 130 Regency Business Park; 900 East Hill Avenue; Knoxville, TN 37915.

BRENDA J. MORGAN of Paris, France, is teaching French business men and women to communicate in English.

JERRY W. TAYLOR of Memphis has taken a position with Wyatt, Tarrant & Combs. He will serve as Counsel for the Firm.

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**Class of 1982**

B. ANTHONY SAUNDERS of Memphis has taken a position with Wyatt, Tarrant & Combs. He will serve as Counsel for the firm.

WILLIAM G. WHITTAKER of Matthews, N.C., has been made partner in the law firm of Weaver, Bennett, & Bland, P.C.

**Class of 1983**

GREGORY L. CASHION of Nashville has formed the new law firm of Smith & Cashion, PLC. The law firm will concentrate its practice in construction law. The new office address is SunTrust Center; 424 Church Street, Suite 1200; Nashville, TN 37219-2306.

LT. COL. WAYNE E. DILLINGHAM of Colorado Springs, Colo., has been assigned the role of Legal Advisor to NORAD and the U.S. Space Command. He'll be stationed at Peterson A.F.B. in Colorado Springs.

M. THOMAS JURKOVICH of Arlington, Va., and his wife, Tracy, announce the birth of their first child, Danielle Theresa, on March 5, 1998. He was recently named Deputy Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs at the U.S. Department of Commerce in Washington, D.C.

PAUL F. McQUADE of Washington, D.C., has recently been elected to the Board of Directors of the Student Conservation Association. He is a partner in the Washington, D.C., office of Pillsbury Madison & Sutro LLP.

**Class of 1984**

JERE SUE ADAMS of Nashville has been appointed as Assistant District Attorney General, Twentieth Judicial District. She will head the new Fraud and Economic Crime Prosecution Unit.

MARK E. HARRIS of Kansas City, Mo., has joined with five other Shareholder-Directors to form a new firm. His new address is Foland & Wickens, P.C.; 1200 Main Street; Suite 1500; Kansas City, MO 64105.

JOHN G. HUNDLEY of Louisville, Ky., has a new office address located at OPM Services, Inc.; 1000 West Ormsby Avenue; Suite 215; Louisville, KY 40210.

E. BRIAN SELLERS of Knoxville has become a shareholder of the firm of Lacy & Winchester, P.C.

**Class of 1985**

BEN BOSTON of Lawrenceburg, Tenn., was recently certified as a Civil Trial Specialist by the National Board of Trial Advo-

cacy and the Tennessee Commission on Continuing Legal Education and Specialization. He currently practices at Boston, Holt & Stockwell, PLLC, in Lawrenceburg.

JENNIFER P. CRAIG of Knoxville has a new office located at Whelchel, May & Associates; P.O. Box 11407; 4700 Papermill Road; Knoxville, TN 37939-1407.

JO-MARIE ST. MARTIN of Washington, D.C., has been promoted to General Counsel on the Committee on Education and Workforce Committee in the U.S. House of Representatives.

J. MARK TIPPS of Nashville has recently returned to Bass, Berry & Sims to become a partner. He left the firm in 1995 to serve for two years as Chief of Staff to U.S. Senator Bill Frist in Washington, D.C. In 1997, he served as Deputy Chief Counsel to U.S. Senator Fred Thompson in the Senate's Special Investigation of campaign fundraising.

**Class of 1986**

GWENDOLYN L. FULLER of Columbia, S.C., has been named to the South Carolina Bar Board of Governors.

ODELL HORTON, JR. of Memphis has been named as Vice Chancellor of University Relations for the University of Tennessee-Memphis on a part-time basis while continuing to serve the university as associate general counsel.

MICHAEL C. PATTON of Memphis has been named chair-elect of the Title Insurance Litigation Committee of the Torts and Insurance Practice Section of the American Bar Association.

**Class of 1987**

O. MASON HURST, II of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., has become Chief Legal Officer at Alamo Rent A Car, Inc. He and his wife, Julie, also announce the birth of their daughter, Madison, on August 26, 1997.

ANDY MARKELONIS of Hazard, Ky., has become a conflict counsel for the Kentucky Department of Public Advocacy.

LAURENCE M. McMILLAN, JR. of Clarksville, Tenn., has a new office at McMillan & Smith, P.L.L.C.; 133 Franklin Street; Clarksville, TN 37040.

**Class of 1988**

ELIZABETH KAY COLLIER-PITTMAN of Sevierville has a new home address: 437 Sugar Hollow Road; Sevierville, TN 37862.

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SCOTT A. HOOPER of Houston, Texas, has a new office located at Smith & Hooper; Two Houston Center; 909 Fannin; Suite 3800; Houston, TX 77010.

**Class of 1989**

GORDON D. FOSTER of Knoxville has become a shareholder of the firm of Lacy & Winchester, P.C.

ELBERT JEFFERSON, JR. of Memphis has been promoted to the position of Deputy Director of the City of Memphis Law Division.

SEAN M. JONES of Charlotte, N.C., has been named partner in the firm of Kennedy Covington Lobdell & Hickman, L.L.P. He practices in the areas of corporate and securities law and mergers and acquisitions.

SCOTT G. KIRK of Jackson, Tenn., and his wife, Cindy, announce the birth of their second child, Holden Gregory Banks Kirk, on March 3, 1998. Their first child, Dylan Scott Banks Kirk, was born on July 10, 1993.

F. SCOTT MILLIGAN of Knoxville has announced the formation of Little & Milligan, P.L.L.C.; Suite 130 Regency Business Park; 900 East Hill Avenue; Knoxville, TN 37915.

TIMOTHY R. SIMONDS of Chattanooga recently became a shareholder in the Chattanooga firm of McKoon, Billings & Gold, P.C. His practice focuses on general and commercial litigation.

**Class of 1990**

JAKE HARDISON, JR. of Fairfax, Va., and his wife, Jennifer, celebrated the birth of their son, Kevin Micheal Hardison, on June 5, 1998. Jake is an attorney-advisor at the headquarters of the U.S. Social Security Administration Office of Hearings and Appeals.

MARY L. MYNATT of Knoxville has become an associate in the Knoxville office of Baker, Donelson, Bearman & Caldwell. She concentrates her practice in environmental litigation, commercial lending, and real estate.

VIRGINIA A. SCHWAMM of Knoxville has recently formed Schwamm, Albiston and Higgins, PLLC in Knoxville. The new firm's address is 9724 Kingston Pike; Suite 703; Knoxville, TN 37922.

WALTER N. WINCHESTER of Knoxville has become a shareholder of the firm of Lacy & Winchester, P.C.

**Class of 1991**

DAIL CANTRELL just completed his fifth year as coach of the Clinton (Tenn.) High School Mock Trial Team. During that span Clinton has won four regional championships, two state championships, two second place finishes, and placed second and fifth nationally. Cantrell is a partner in the Clinton firm of Cantrell, Pratt & Varsalona.

MAJOR KAREN V. FAIR has received the LL.M. degree from the Judge Advocate General's School at the University of Virginia.

JOHN E. LIPPL of Huntersville, N.C., has been named General Counsel for the Louper Construction Company, Inc. in Charlotte.

ROY F. SATTERWHITE III of Atlanta, Ga., has a new office located at the Office of the General Counsel; Social Security Administration; 61 Forsyth Street; S.W. Suite 20-T-45; Atlanta, GA 30303. He has recently been named an Assistant Regional Counsel for the Southeastern Regional Office.

**Class of 1992**

MONICA FRANKLIN HILL and Bruce T. Hill of Salt Lake City, UT announce the birth of son Connor Ian on July 11, 1997.

PATRICIA BEST VITAL of Chattanooga has a new office address located at Vital Law Office/ Vital Dispute Resolution Services; 604 James Building; 735 Broad Street; Chattanooga, TN 37402-1804. She has recently graduated from the Leadership Chattanooga program, sponsored by the Chattanooga Chamber of Commerce.

MELVIN J. WERNER of Kingsport, Tenn., has a new office at Werner & Associates; 229 E. Center Street; Kingsport, TN 37660.

**Class of 1993**

LUCINDA M. ALBISTON of Knoxville has recently formed Schwamm, Albiston and Higgins, PLLC in Knoxville. Her new office is located at 9724 Kingston Pike; Suite 703; Knoxville, TN 37922.

CHRISTOPHER ROBIN FOX of Lebanon, Tenn., has a new office located at Stallings, Hamilton, & Fox; 225 East Market Street; Lebanon, TN 37087.

ANTHONY R. STEELE of Knoxville has become a shareholder of the firm of Lacy & Winchester, P.C.

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**Class of 1994**

MONICA L. ALLIE of Spartanburg, S.C., has become the Director of Government Relations & Legal Affairs for Advance America, Cash Advance Centers, Inc. in Spartanburg.

JASON P. HOOD of Memphis has been promoted to General Counsel and Secretary of Wright Medical Technology, Inc. in Arlington, Tenn.

**Class of 1995**

JOHN B. DUPREE of Knoxville has become an associate at Lewis, King, Krieg, Waldrop & Cantron, P.C. in Knoxville.

CHRISTOPHER W. CONNER of Knoxville was elected Executive Council member of the Southern Region Members' Association of the Commercial Law League of America.

RICHARD M. THORNBURGH of Syracuse, N.Y., recently got married and took a honeymoon to Ireland.

**Class of 1996**

CHRISTINE W. JONES of Nashville has become an associate of the law firm of Stokes & Bartholomew, P.A.

JULIE C. MURPHY of Nashville has become an associate of the firm of Boulton, Cummings, Conners & Berry, PLC. Ms. Murphy concentrates her practice in the areas of business and commercial litigation.

JENNIFER L. THOMPSON of Nashville is in general practice. Her areas of concentration are criminal defense work, immigration, contracts, and family law.

PHILIP WEST of Atlanta has a new office at McCullough Sherrill, LLP: 1409 Peachtree Street, N.E.: Atlanta, GA 30309.

**Class of 1997**

JENNIFER HOPPMAN ACKLEN of Lexington, Ky., married Jeff Ackland on September 20, 1997. She is practicing with Miller, Griffin & Marks in Lexington.

MEERA BALLAL of Nashville has a new address at the office of Judge Barbara Haynes, Third Circuit Court: 510 Metro Courthouse; Nashville, TN 37201.

KENNETH M. CHADWELL of Crossville has a new office at Looney & Looney; P.O. Box 1250; Crossville, TN 38555.

PATRICIA A. FERRELL of Knoxville has a new office at Haynes, Meek & Summers; Suite 1902, Riverview Tower; 900 South Gay Street; P.O. Box 1108; Knoxville, TN 37901.

WILLIAM G. McCASKILL, JR. of Nashville has a new office located at Taylor, Philbin, Pigue, Marchetti and Bennett, P.L.L.C.: 2908 Poston Avenue; Nashville, TN 37203.

KIMBERLY LEETRAZOR of Flemingsburg, KY has a new office located at MacDonald and Walton: 105 N. Main Cross Street; Flemingsburg, KY 41041. She has been named a partner in the firm.

MATTHEW R. SCHINDEL of Dallas, Texas, has been named an associate in the tax section of the Hughes & Luce law firm. Additionally, he and Maria Charalambopoulos were married on January 3, 1998.

JASON G. WOLFKILL of Knoxville has become an associate at Lewis, King, Krieg, Waldrop & Cantron, P.C. in Knoxville.

STEPHEN J. ZRALEK of Nashville has accepted a position with the Wyatt, Tarrant & Combs firm in Nashville. He will be practicing litigation.

**Class of 1998**

ALLISON BARKER was honored by the National Association of Women Lawyers as one of the nation's Outstanding Law Students for 1998. The criteria for selection included moving "beyond academic achievement to acknowledge personal achievement," according to the *Women Lawyers Journal*.

J.J. BREAZEALE of Denver, Colo., has a new office at US Bancorp: 918 17th Street; Denver, CO 80202.

W. WRIGHT DEMPSEY, JR. of Atlanta has a new office located at Gomel & Davis; 700 Marquis Two Tower; 285 Peachtree Center Ave., NE; Atlanta, GA 30303-1230.

MELISSA EDWARDS of Billings, Mont., has a new office address located at the Yellowstone County Public Defender's Office; 2708 1st Avenue North; Suite 400; Billings, MT 59101.

HOLLY M. LOY of Knoxville has a new office address located at Stone & Hinds, P.C.; 507 S. Gay Street; Suite 700; Knoxville, TN 37901.

L. DONNA PRATT of Pecks Mill, W.Va., has a new office address located at WV Advocates, Inc.; P.O. Box 702; Pecks Mill, WV 25547.

JUDE SANTANA of Camden, Tenn., has a new office located at Hicks & Leonard, P.O.; Box 957; 9 North Court Square; Camden, TN 38320.

## Alumni Address Change and News

10/98

### News/Awards/Honors

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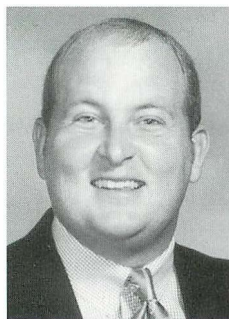
Dotti earned a B.A. from the University of Central Florida and a master's degree in college student personnel from Florida State University. She is nearing the completion of her doctoral studies.

## College has new Assistant Director

Keith S. Carver, Jr. is the new Assistant Director of Development and Alumni Affairs at the UT College of Law.

Keith came to the law school in August after working for a year as a program advisor in the Student Activities Office at UT Knoxville. He graduated from Memphis State University in 1992 with a degree in sociology and received an M.S. degree in college student personnel and educational leadership from UT Knoxville in 1995.

Keith worked with a number of UTK student events, including Homecoming, All-Sing, Carnicus, and the Cultural Attractions Concert and Ballet Series. Prior to returning to Knoxville in 1997, he worked with the McDonough Center for Leadership and Business at Marietta College in Ohio and was responsible for establishing relationships with campus groups, local businesses, not-for-profit organizations, and public schools. While in graduate



*Keith Carver*

school (1993-95) he worked with the UT Volunteer Center for Leadership and Service.

A native of Alamo, Tenn., Keith has participated in the LeaderShape training program, Facilitator Training, and the Communicating Effectively program. He has made numerous professional presentations in the area of student leadership in Tennessee, Ohio, and West Virginia and has also been a consultant with groups such as the Volunteer Action Center, Coshocton County Teen Leadership, and the Belpre High School Learn and Serve Committee in Marietta, Ohio. Keith worked as a tutor in the Prison Literacy Program and was a volunteer basketball and soccer coach in Marietta.

Keith and his wife, Hollianne, celebrated the birth of their first child, Carson Elizabeth, in November.

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