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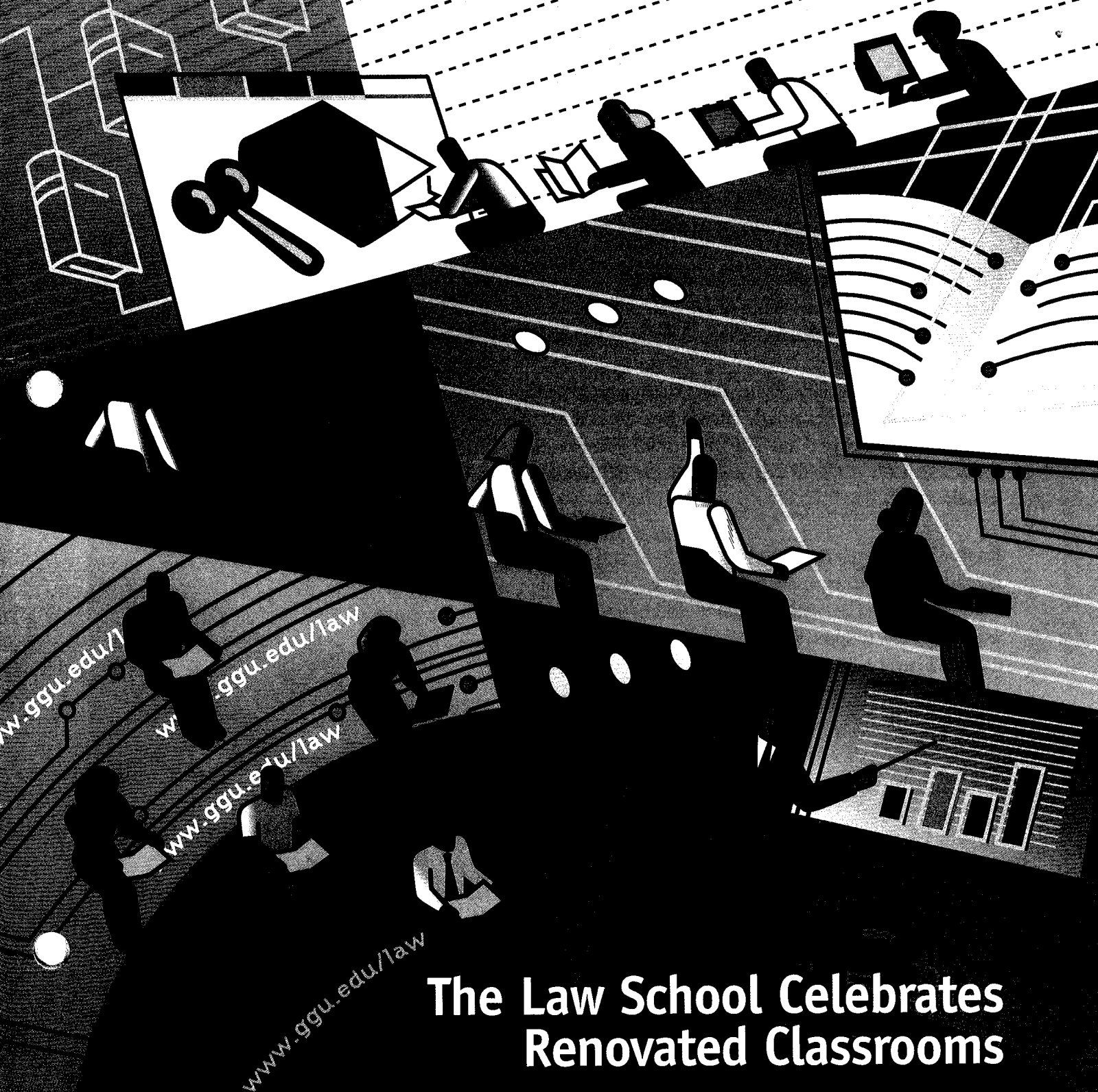
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**The Law School Celebrates
Renovated Classrooms**



Our law school continues to hit new milestones in its distinguished history. The first-year class of fall 2002 is one of our biggest ever. It is a great group of students who will be magnificent lawyers. We continue to pride ourselves on being the law school that gives people a chance at a legal education and an entry into the legal profession. We look beyond mere LSAT scores and GPAs. Diversity is also one of our basic foundations as we continue to attract applicants who are worthy because of their life experiences and the ways they enrich our law school community.

One of the many tasks I enjoy as dean is writing about our alumni. We have a treasure trove of terrific graduates. All of their stories are profound in individual ways. I was particularly pleased to be able to write about Barbara Matthews, class of 1983. Unfortunately, I never met Barbara during her life. But what I learned of her, after she died and left a generous trust for law school scholarships, was the story of an inspiring woman. My article on Barbara appears on page 8.

The Law School lost another dear friend recently: former Golden Gate University President Otto Butz, who was responsible for so much of the great development of our school during the 1970s and 1980s. My predecessor and colleague, former Dean Tony Pagano, writes about Otto on page 6.

Soon I will begin my fifth year as dean. This has been the happiest period of my professional life. However, for those of you who do not already know, I have decided not to accept the second five-year term as dean which the university has offered me. The Law School is now on stable footing, with a future that is bright financially and academically. So I will step down and give the deanship to someone else who will continue to enhance our school.

Because I want to play a more direct part in educating the next generation of lawyers, I plan to go back to my first loves: teaching and writing. These are the things that originally drew me to Golden Gate, and they are what I hope to be doing here for the rest of my career. None of this would have been possible without the wonderful help, support, and generosity that you have given to me and to the Law School. I owe you a debt that I can never fully repay. I am deeply grateful to you all.

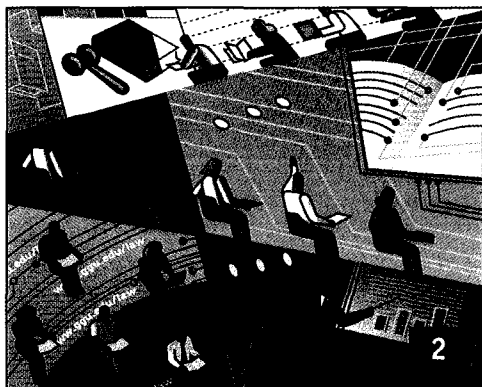
Best regards,



Dean Peter G. Keane

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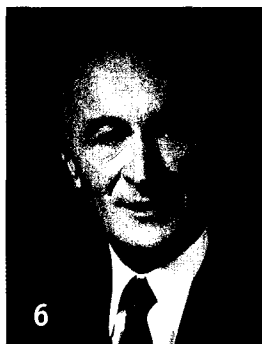
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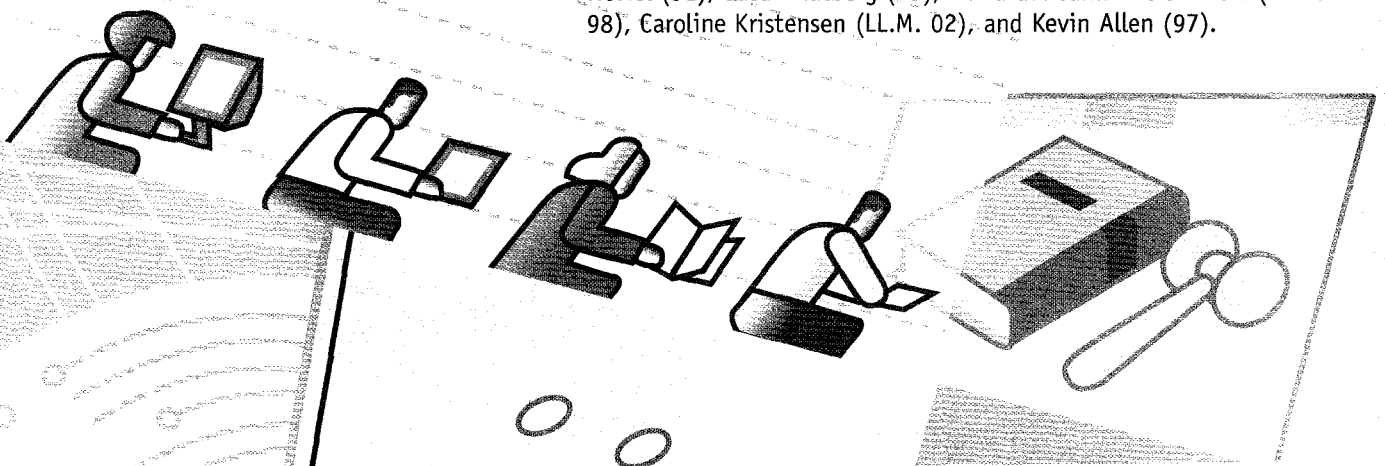
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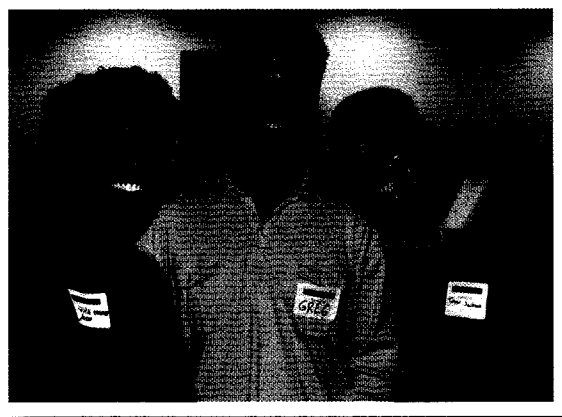
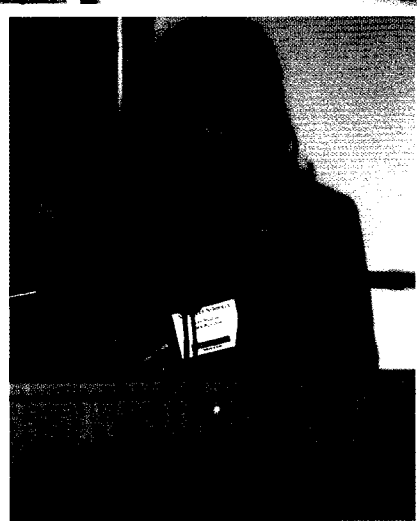
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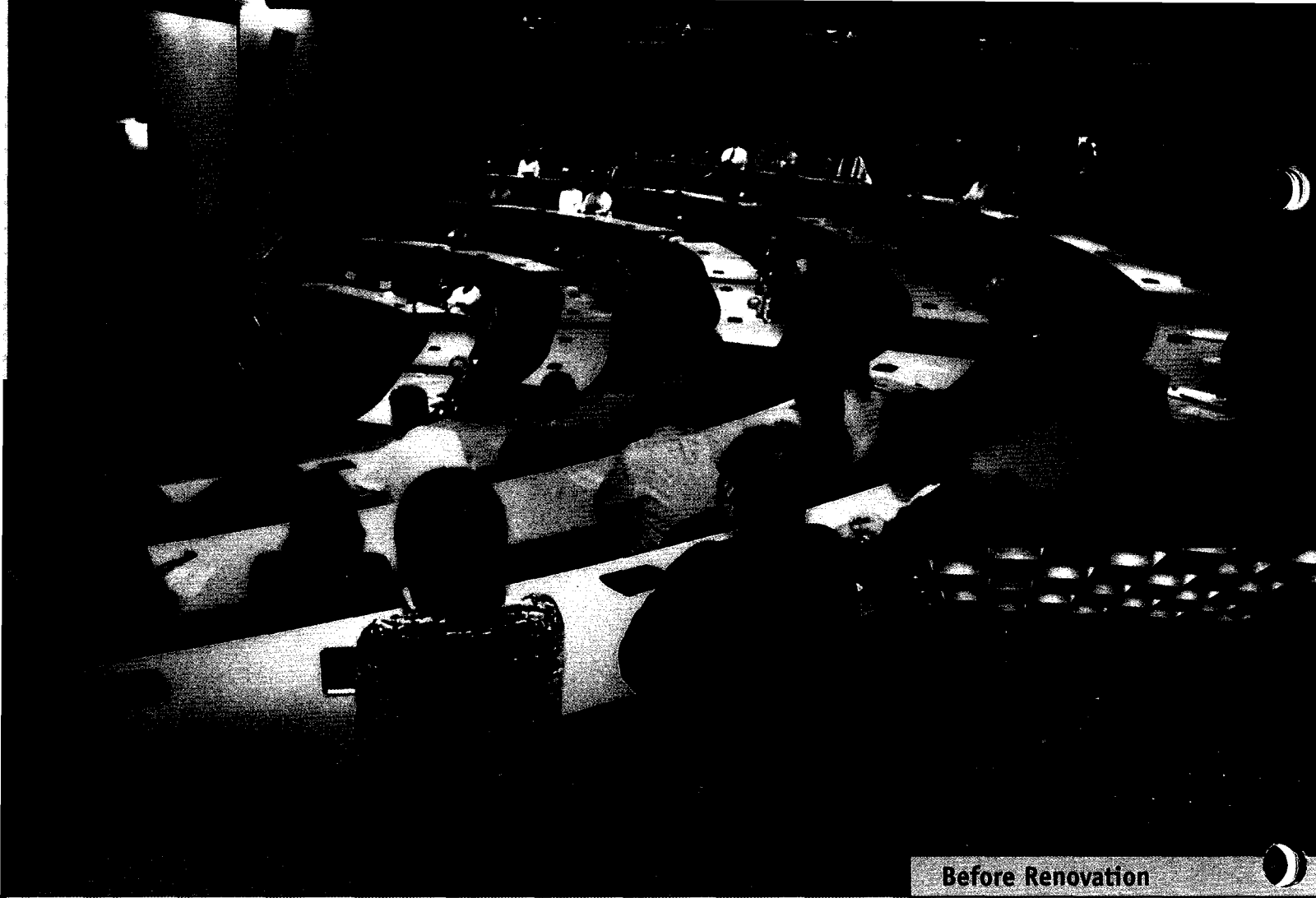
On Thursday, September 19, 2002, Dean Peter Keane and University President Philip Friedman helped the Law School celebrate the newly renovated classrooms with a ribbon-cutting ceremony. The \$20 million renovation, which came in under budget and on time, transformed Law School classrooms into state-of-the-art teaching and learning centers (see the article on page 4). Alumni, students, faculty, and friends of the Law School participated in the September 19 event, which included classroom displays showcasing Law School programs and a program featuring talks by California Supreme Court Chief Justice Ronald George and GGU law alumni Leo Helzel (51), Susan Rutberg (75), Maria del Carmen Gil Martin (LL.M. 98), Caroline Kristensen (LL.M. 02), and Kevin Allen (97).



Top Left: Visiting Professor Christian Okeke with Professor Michael Zamperini.
Top Right: Professor Marc Greenberg with current students. **Middle Left:** Professor Bob Calhoun and Professor Susan Rutberg (75). **Middle Center:** Current Student Bar Association President Michelle Nobriga. **Middle Right:** Caroline Kristensen (LL.M. 02). **Lower Left:** Professor Markita Cooper with current students. **Lower Right:** Joan Miura, Alba Witkin, and Professor Marci Seville.



Golden Gate University School of Law



Before Renovation

Renovations Catapult GGU Into Twenty-First Century

by David B. Oppenheimer

Professor of Law and Associate Dean for Academic Affairs

For a period of several weeks, Golden Gate University will have the most modern law school teaching facilities in the United States. With dozens of American law schools greeting new tech-savvy students each year with multi-million dollar renovations and new buildings, GGU stood a real risk of being left in the dust. But now, as we have completed a \$20 million renovation transforming the 1978-constructed west wing into a model for law schools of the future, GGU has earned bragging rights as among the most technologically (and ergonomically) advanced law schools in the United States.

Remember the old auditoriums A, B, and C? Well, forget them; they're history. Where students once struggled with fold-down desktops barely large enough for a legal pad or a casebook (let alone both), three new lecture halls offer wide deep tabletops tiered for easy sight-lines, with power plugs and data ports at every seat for laptop power and

instant Internet access, and ergonomically designed chairs with multiple controls for comfort and support. Don't look for chalkboards at the front of the room either; chalk is now one of the historical relics left behind with hula hoops and slow modems. The room fronts are dominated by huge "white boards" designed for multi-colored markers. But much of the time the white boards will be covered by huge, mechanically lowered screens on which professors will project images instead of turning their backs to write on the board. Each of the rooms is equipped with built-in speakers and projectors to show Internet sites, computer generated slide shows, videos, DVDs, and document-camera projected images.


Upstairs is more of the same, with nine new high-tech classrooms and seminar rooms. The two largest rooms, with capacities of 57 and 61, are tiered for easy viewing and good student-student and student-faculty sight lines. All

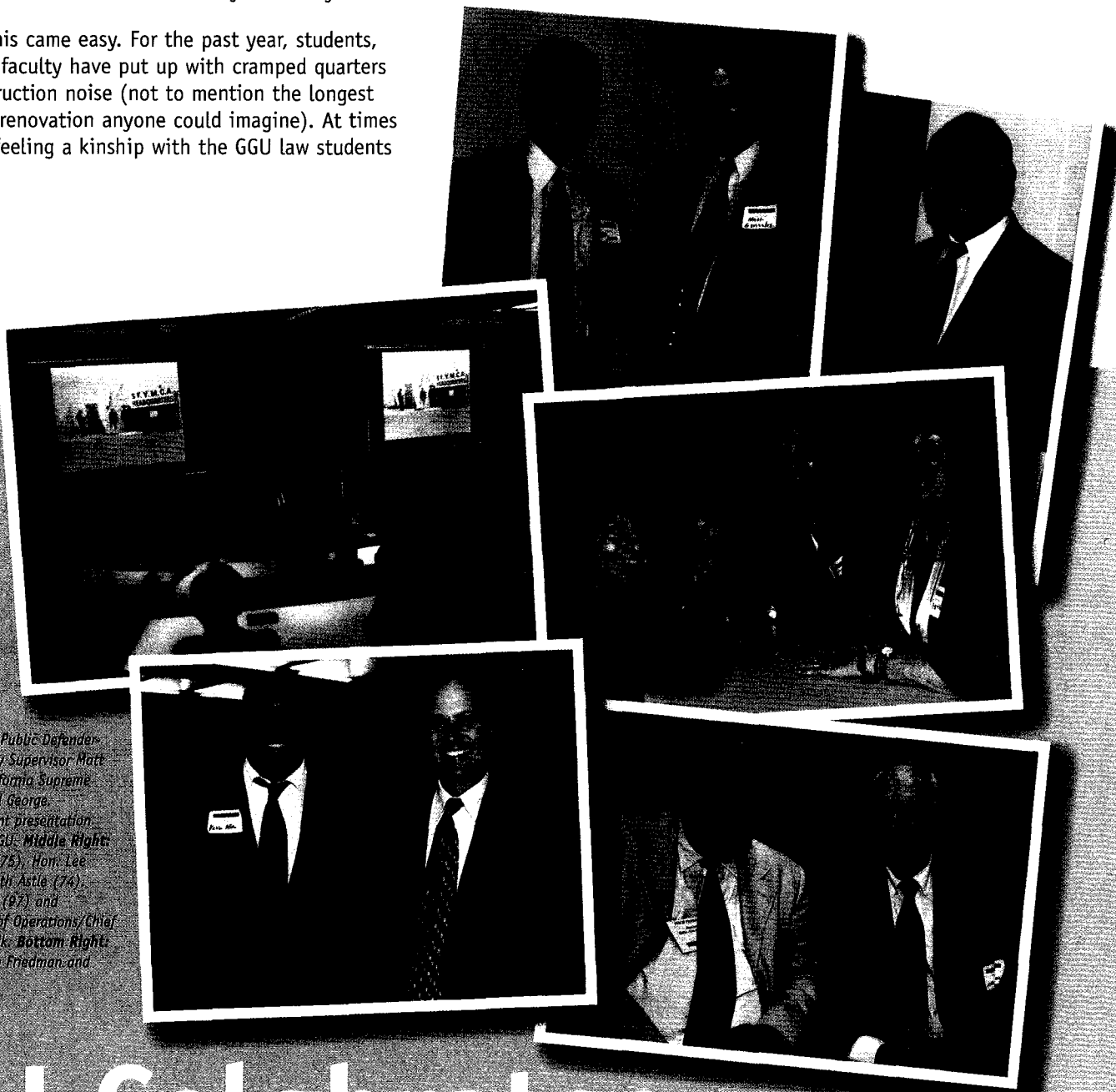
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nine have high-tech podiums and projectors to make the Internet and computer-generated technology instantly accessible. And, after years of concerns about too little light, too much noise, and (alternately) too little heat or too little air conditioning, all rooms have the best lighting, acoustics, and HVAC that money could buy.

None of this came easy. For the past year, students, staff, and faculty have put up with cramped quarters and construction noise (not to mention the longest bathroom renovation anyone could imagine). At times it left us feeling a kinship with the GGU law students

who studied in tents in Golden Gate Park after the 1906 earthquake. The twenty-first century demands more mechanical support than the old building could provide, so we actually built a small new building adjoining the west wing to provide the power, telecommunications, and HVAC.

We'll be paying for the renovations for many more years to come, but the payoff is beautiful to see and to study and teach in. We hope that in the coming year all, our alumni will return to the new GGU and help us usher in the next century of practice-based legal education in downtown San Francisco. 



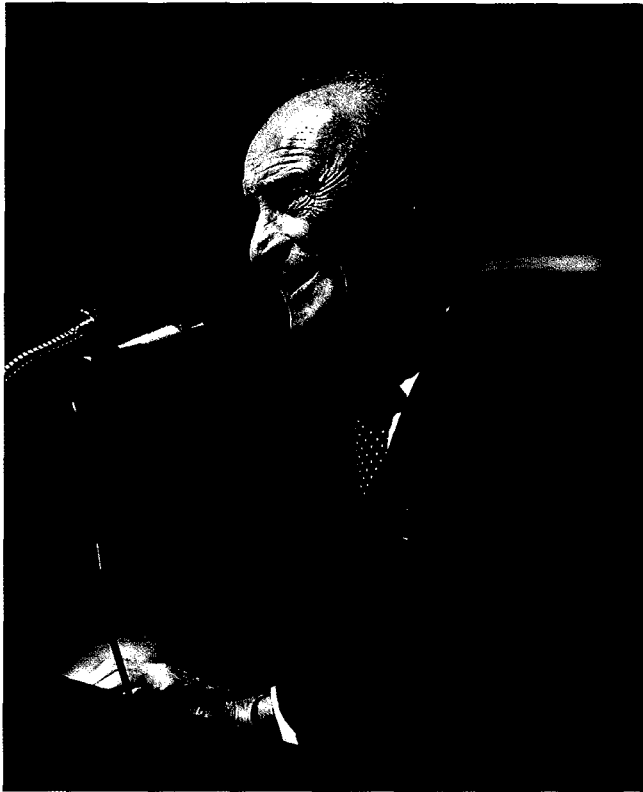
Top Left: San Francisco's Public Defender-Elect Jeff Adachi, and City Supervisor Matt González. Top Right: California Supreme Court Chief Justice Ronald George. Middle Left: A PowerPoint presentation describes the history of GGU. Middle Right: Professor Susan Rutberg (75), Hon. Lee Baxter (74), and Hon. Ruth Astle (74). Bottom Left: Kevin Allen (97) and University Vice President of Operations/Chief Financial Officer Jeff Blalk. Bottom Right: University President Philip Friedman and Leo Helzel (51).

GGU Celebrates

Remembering Otto Butz

by Anthony Paganò

On July 4, 2002, Dr. Otto Butz, the third president of Golden Gate University, passed away. Otto led the university for 21 years, from 1970 through 1991. He initiated new programs and oversaw a significant growth in the size and scope of the university.



Those who knew Otto Butz remember his humility, warmth, hard work, and educational innovations. Although Otto had a daunting and almost intimidating intellect, he was never pretentious. No matter how tired he might have been, he always greeted people with a warm and welcoming smile and a sparkle in his eye. He made everyone feel welcome and comfortable. In many ways, he combined the best of old-world European charm and grace with American-style entrepreneurship. His views on higher education were modern, practical, and non-bureaucratic. He knew that what was important was what took place in the classroom, and that large administrative staffs rarely improved teaching or learning.

I had been teaching at the Law School for a year when, in 1971, Otto became president of what was then Golden Gate College. (Otto was the force behind the change to university status.) My first opportunity to work closely with Otto came a few years later when I served on the committee searching for a new Law School dean to replace Lani Bader. I came to appreciate Otto's leadership, his calm and skillful powers of persuasion, and his boldness.

The committee was a disparate group composed of two law faculty members, an outspoken law student, a law alumna, two strong-willed trustees (Paul Jordan and David McDaniel), and Otto. Because of Otto's leadership, our meetings were conducted in a spirit of mutual respect, and our differences seemed to fade away. After many interviews and countless meetings—several on Saturdays when Otto would run out to Foster's Cafeteria and bring back a bag of tuna melts for our lunch—we all came to the same conclusion: that Professor Judy McKelvey was the best candidate and would make a fine dean. In retrospect, I am sure Otto had decided on Judy weeks before the committee, but he patiently guided the committee until each member reached the same conclusion. He always governed by consensus, but somehow the consensus reached almost always reflected his views.

Selecting a female dean may not seem like a particularly bold move today, but back in 1973, it was ground-breaking. Before Judy, only two other women had served as deans of U.S. law schools.

My other early memories of Otto revolve around the wonderful holiday dinner-dance he hosted each year



President Otto Butz and Law School Dean Judy McKelvey unveil plans for the new west wing of the university in 1977.


late in November at a fancy downtown hotel. Faculties from all GGU schools attended, as did staff from the vice-presidents down to the janitors. We all ate and danced together, somewhat in a Dwight Eisenhower time warp. But it always worked. There was something nice about seeing my colleagues and the entire maintenance staff dressed up, having a good time, feasting on good food—always filet mignon—and good wine. When you left, you always felt a little bit more like family, and because of Otto's efforts, the institution became more personalized.

"Otto knew he was paid to make the decisions, and he made them. Most of the time he was right, and the university flourished under his leadership."

It was only after Otto selected me as dean of the Law School in 1988 that I came to appreciate what a great manager he was and how he encouraged the development of those who worked for him. When I asked him why he never came down to the second floor, he replied that the second floor was the Law School's and that he did not want to interfere in Law School business.

What I liked best about Otto was that he did not have a bureaucratic bone in his body. When I went to see him with a new idea, he was usually supportive. He encouraged all who worked for him to take risks and explore new programs. Even when he did not agree with me, I knew that he would give my idea a fair hearing and reach a timely decision. Otto would not send a difficult issue to a committee that might take weeks or months to reach a conclusion (generally negative). He never hid behind a committee. He knew he was paid to make the decisions, and he made them. Most of the time he was right, and the university flourished under his leadership.

It is rare to be able to work for someone who is bright, visionary, courageous, honest, and honorable. I had that opportunity working for and with Otto. I learned a lot from him and was able to develop talents I never knew I possessed. He was the best boss I ever had. And I am sure I am not the only person who can say that.

Anthony Pagano has been a professor at the Law School since 1970. He served as dean from 1988 to 1998. 

BARBARA MATTHEWS

An Appreciation

by Peter G. Keane

My job as dean has a many personally enriching rewards. One of them is learning the stories of our alumni and getting to know about their lives and experiences as lawyers. Barbara Matthews' story is typical of many of our former students. It is also, like a lot of the others, very inspiring.

Barbara Matthews was born in 1944. She grew up in a suburb of Chicago and received her BA in humanities and classical studies from Stanford and MAs from Northeastern and Stanford, respectively. She taught in Illinois for several years and then moved to California in the mid-1970s. She worked for many years as a social worker in Los Angeles and San Francisco, then decided to switch her career to law. She graduated from Golden Gate in 1983. That is when, according to John Dupar, her accountant and close friend, "She found her true calling in life."

Barbara first became an associate with a veteran immigration law specialist. After a year, she opened her own office on Washington Street in the city's Jackson Square neighborhood. Right from the beginning, Barbara was completely wrapped up in and committed to her work. However, it was not any drudgery-driven compulsiveness that made her work so hard. Instead, everyone around her was struck by the joyful and zesty exuberance with which she went about every task of practicing immigration law.

Barbara was devoted to her clients. They were typically desperate, frightened people. All of them were aliens facing problems in a strange new country. Most felt completely powerless when they found themselves caught up in the grinding apparatus of the



Immigration and Naturalization Service. But Barbara helped them all with her creative, analytical mind and her determined approach. As a result, she was highly effective as an immigration lawyer and very successful in her practice. Her work released clients from detentions, gained political asylum for many of them, and obtained green cards for just about all of them.

Barbara was more than a workaholic. Her apartment on Davis Street was just a four-block walk from her office. Each day, she spent 10 to 12 hours taking care of her clients' needs, getting close to them and to their families, and advising and helping them in their personal lives as well as in their legal situations. She was always available to them.

Although she was savvy with computers, Barbara loved—and bragged about—doing her lawyering "the traditional way." She conducted research at the law library and hand-wrote the drafts of her ingenious pleadings, motions, and briefs for her secretary to type up. She had a profound respect, which bordered on adoration, for the processes and the substance of the law


and for the legal system. According to her non-lawyer friends, one of Barbara's greatest joys was explaining legal cases to them and helping them to understand the logic and policies underlying the rationale of legal principles.

Barbara's passions outside of her work were frequent trips to Greece and Turkey. During tours of the Mediterranean, she nourished her lifelong fascination for classical civilization with visits to ancient sites. From her humanities background, she retained a reverence for great literature, poetry, drama, and art. All of those things were the food for her soul. Physically, she kept in terrific shape by swimming three to four times a week at the Metropolitan Club and by playing vigorous tennis matches at the Golden Gateway.

There were no strangers in Barbara's life. Wherever she went, she introduced herself to people with a big friendly grin and inquired with genuine interest about their lives and their stories.

Barbara died in 1999. She left a trust fund scholarship for law students at Golden Gate. The one concession to her own personal life was her request that the scholarship be for students with a background in the humanities.

Barbara Matthews did not make a big splash or a lot of noise in her life. But she did a lot of good. And she did it as a lawyer who learned her trade and her skills at our Law School. She represented all that is best about lawyers and the practice of law in the United States. We are very proud of her.

Peter Keane is dean of Golden Gate University School of Law. 

IN MEMORIAM

Diane Lipton (85) passed away after a two-year battle with cancer. Diane was 57. During her legal career, Diane focused her efforts on her passion: civil rights for people with disabilities. Diane was a senior attorney and director of the advocacy program for children with disabilities at the Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund, Inc. Diane received numerous awards including two American Jurisprudence Awards and the Distinguished Parent Award from the Association for the Severely Handicapped. She is survived by her husband, James, and by her daughters, Daria and Chloe.

1950s

Leo Helzel (51) received the university's Amicus Award for his generous and continued support of the Law School. Nearly 150 alumni and friends gathered at the annual Alumni Awards Luncheon on October 16 to honor to several outstanding colleagues.

1960s

Hon. W. Robert Fawke (69) was profiled in the *Los Angeles Daily Journal* in March 2002. The article covered several recent cases presided over by Superior Court (San Bernardino) Judge Fawke, many of them emotionally wrenching and demanding gang-related homicide cases. Attorneys from both sides praised Judge Fawke for his fairness and impartiality in the court. As one attorney involved in a particularly sad case noted, Judge Fawke "kept

the emotion level down in the courtroom, at the same time showing sensitivity toward the victims and families. Sometimes judges can get callused about those things, but he doesn't."

1970s

Hon. Donald G. Umhofer (71) was profiled in the *Los Angeles Daily Journal*. Judge Umhofer is a Superior Court judge for San Luis Obispo. His career highlights include elevation through unification in 1998 and appointment to the San Luis Municipal Court by Governor Jerry Brown in 1983.

George P. McCartin (73) is spending his time in southern Oregon. When George isn't enjoying mountain-home living, he is educating his fellow Oregonians on various land-use laws.

Hon. Ruth Astle (74) received the Law School's Judith G. McKelvey Award for Outstanding Achievement by an Alumna (see page 27) and has been appointed to the 30-member university alumni board serving on the law committee. Judge Ruth's work is part of "Nocturnes: Fort Mason & Environs," a photography exhibition featuring 25 artists (at Fort Mason, Bldg. A, through December 28). For more information call (415) 441-3400.

Guy Sandler (74) was featured in the Vallejo-based *Times Herald*. He is the chief deputy for the Solano County public defender. According to Guy, "the gratification of a public defender is to try and make those people on the jury see—not in a false or distorted way—their humanity with the person who's being accused."

Edward Gomez (75) recently moved offices. A public defender for 26 years in Santa Clara County, Edward's new office is in San Jose.

Michael Menesini (75) was featured in the *San Francisco Examiner* after being assigned by District Attorney Terrence Hallinan to be the Law on 6th Street Program in San Francisco. Menesini plans to prosecute quality-of-life crimes such as public drunkenness and loitering.

Hon. Melinda Stewart-Tondreau (Stewart) (75) was profiled in the *Los Angeles Daily Journal* on April 9, 2002. The article focused on her skillful balancing of her Superior Court duties with the demands of a large family (a husband and seven children!).

Virginia McConnell (76) was interviewed in the *Post-Standard*, Syracuse, New York. Virginia, who practiced law for almost seven years in California, went on to write books, one of which dealt with 1895 San Francisco murderer Theo Durrant.

Hon. Barbara Zuniga (76) was featured in Court Watch in the San Francisco legal newspaper *The Recorder*. Judge Zuniga runs Dept. 2 of the Costa County Superior Court. She is a member of the California Judicial Council and often presides over Contra Costa's high-profile criminal cases.

Antonia Darling (77) has been named co-coordinator for the Civil Enforcement Initiative, a program of the US Trustee Program, which will "step up [their] use of existing civil enforcement tools to curb abuse of the bankruptcy laws, maintain

the highest standards of professionalism in bankruptcy practice, and assure that the bankruptcy system operates as intended" (a quote from Lawrence Friedman, director of the executive office for the US Trustee (EQUST) a section of the Department of Justice).

Marc Van Der Hout (77) was featured in the *Los Angeles Daily Journal*, where he discussed his professional growth throughout his career. Looking back, Marc said he wanted to do two things upon graduation: use his Spanish and get into a field where he could help people and effect some social change. Today, Marc practices immigration law as a partner with Van Der Hout & Brigagliano in San Francisco.

Charles R. Conradi (78) recently presented the 2002 Community Service/Education Award from the Oakland Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce to the Food Bank's executive director. Chip works for The Clorox Company.

Mavis Jukes (79) was the subject of a feature piece last March in the *Santa Rosa Press Democrat* titled, "Mavis Jukes: From Tomboy to Guy Expert." Here is a brief excerpt relating to her law school experience: "Mavis attended Golden Gate Law School. She passed the bar exam on her first try, but something else seemed to be on her mind beside torts and contracts. When her husband Robert wondered why she didn't become an author instead of an attorney, she didn't have to think twice. She sat down at her desk and began to write

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books, not legal briefs." Mavis's other books include *No One Is Going to Nashville*, *Like Jake and Me*, and *Blackberries in the Dark*. When not writing, she spends time with her family and teaches in the public school system in and around Santa Rosa.

1980s

Ramona Holguin (82), supervising attorney at the Homeless advocacy Project (HAP), was one of this year's recipients of the Legal Aid Association of California's Award of Merit. These awards recognize the importance of legal services and honor those who have made particular contributions to the field of legal aid over the past year. HAP is a project of the Bar Association of San Francisco and provides free legal services and supporting social services to underserved and low-income populations.

Patrick Coughlin (83) was named one of the 100 best lawyers in California by the *Daily Journal*. For a full listing see the September 30 edition.

Richard Kesstenbaum (84) invites friends and classmates to visit www.kdklaw.com, the website for the firm of Kestenbaum, Dannenberg & Klein.

Joel Selik (84) was elected Chairman of the North County San Diego County Bar Association Personal Injury Section. Joel also puts on a number of seminars relevant to legal practitioners.

Hon. Morgan Christen (85) was appointed to the Superior Court bench in Alaska by Governor Tony Knowles. Morgan was sworn in on January 16, 2002.

Buzz Hines (85) was featured in the "Bar Talk" section of the legal newspaper *The Recorder* for being selected as the 2002-2003 co-chair of the environmental litigation committee for the ABA. Buzz is a partner with the environmental practice group of Farella, Braun & Martel.

Hon. Mary Ann O'Malley (85) was featured in *The Recorder*. Appointed to the Contra Costa Superior Court in 1998 by Governor Pete Wilson, Judge O'Malley handles the daily criminal calendar in Dept. 5 and hears more than 160 criminal matters each day.

Tammy-Lyn Gallerani (86) was featured in *The East Bay Business Times* for being elected president of the Contra Costa County Bar Association. Tammy's tenure begins in 2003. A mother of two who donates her time to causes such as Planned Parenthood and the Sierra Club, Tammy also operates a Walnut Creek practice that focuses on family law issues.

1990s

Steven L. Derby (90) has started his own law firm and will continue to specialize in consumer law including personal injury, auto repair, lemon law, and auto dealer fraud. His new contact information is: The Derby Law Firm, Two Walnut Creek Center, 200 Pringle Avenue, #350, Walnut Creek, CA 94596; sderby@earthlink.net.

Maureen Sullivan (91) was recently featured in Sacramento's *Business Journal*. Maureen joined the health section of the law firm of McDonough, Holland & Allen.

Colby Campbell (92 LLM) was recently elected a shareholder at the law firm of Trainor Roberston. Colby's clients include high-net-worth individuals, real estate developers, and business owners.

Mike Herald (92) has been appointed by Governor Gray Davis as deputy director for external affairs for the California Department of Housing and Community Development.

Blanca Zarazua (92 LLM) was featured in *The Californian* after being selected to meet with Mexican President Fox at the Women's Summit. Blanca told *The Californian* that she was excited and honored to be chosen because it is important for local Latinas to have a person who can address women's issues.

Scott Harman (93) has joined the employment law group at Hoge, Fenton, Jones and Appel in the Pleasanton office. Harman was formerly with Rapp, Kiepen and Harman for seven years.

Hon. John Baxter (94) was named in July to Salt Lake City's Justice Court, which is empowered to hear misdemeanor cases

such as DUI, domestic violence, assault/battery, and marijuana possession, as well as to grant search warrants and hold preliminary hearings on selected felonies. He was one of four successful applicants out of 132 seekers. John's background is as a parental defense attorney in state child protection cases and as a misdemeanor and felony trial attorney with the public defender's office.

Steven Tsai (94) has joined the litigation department at Levin and Hawes, a Laguna Beach-based firm. Tsai, a seven-year litigation veteran, has chaired bench trials, jury trials, and arbitrations. He also has prosecuted and defended trademark, trade secret, patent, copyright, unfair competition, and commercial actions.

Jackie H. Xu (94) recently moved to Santa Rosa. Prior to this move, Jackie practiced law related to mergers and acquisitions in Pennsylvania. Jackie plans to start her own practice here in the Bay Area in the near future.

Leslie Morrison (95) was recently featured in the *California Lawyer* for her commentary on treatment of disabled patients. Leslie, a supervising attorney with Protection & Advocacy, a Sacramento-based non-profit, has six pending cases that deal with agitated, disabled patients dying after being physically restrained. Leslie is a nationally known expert on the use of physical restraints on psychiatric patients.

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GOLDEN GATE UNIVERSITY
School of Law

HONOR ROLL OF DONORS

July 1, 2001 – June 30, 2002



LETTER FROM THE DEAN

What a year the School of Law has had! Brilliant professors, motivated students, an outstanding staff that keeps things running smoothly, and a financial picture of hope and promise. That is what this Honor Roll of Donors is all about—a document of success.


Listed on these pages are the names of people that make Golden Gate University School of Law an amazing place to work and learn. Some 447 alumni and friends contributed financial gifts totaling \$641,615 to the Law School. More than 220 alumni volunteers gave their time to make the Law School a place where students want to learn and teachers want to teach.

A special group of alumni and friends comprises the dean's advisory board, which not only financially supports the school but also advises me and helps us focus on what needs to be done to maintain and enhance our reputation. Scholarships, lectureships, endowment gifts, and much more are available because of the advisory board's loyalty and ongoing financial support. Additionally, the generosity of these individuals, whose names you will see listed over the next few pages, allows me to meet school, student, and faculty needs that are not always covered by budgeted expenses.

A school is only as great as the people who work there, and we have a lot to brag about in that area. A total of 57 members of our faculty and staff financially supported the school with generous gifts totaling more than \$36,000. What better testimonial could there possibly be than members of "your family" who invest in what they believe in! I am proud to be able to list their names and thank them for all they do for the School of Law, both financially and in their day-to-day work.

Of our many great achievements this year, none was more rewarding than completing the first phase of the Law School's renovation and opening our newly remodeled \$18 million classrooms and auditoriums—on time and under budget! We are a law school of the 21st century, able to compete with the best schools in the country with our high-tech capabilities. The people on the following pages are those who made this possible and for that, I thank you and owe you all my enormous gratitude.

I thank you all for the generosity you have shown to the School of Law this past year. Let us go forward together in the coming year with the same enthusiasm you have demonstrated over and over again, proving that GGU School of Law offers the best education possible.



Peter G. Keane
Dean

CENTENNIAL SOCIETY

The Centennial Society recognizes those individuals who gave to the university during the past year and whose lifetime support of GGU exceeds \$100,000, ensuring the longevity and prosperity of Golden Gate University.

Lee D. Baxter, 74 Fred Drexler, 47, 71 Leo B. Helzel, 51 Masud R. Mehran, 85

THE MILLENNIUM SOCIETY

The Millennium Society has become the premier support group of unrestricted funds for Golden Gate University. The generous support of its 33 members, with an unrestricted annual gift of \$2,000 or more, allows Dean Peter Keane to move quickly in meeting a variety of pressing needs, including awarding scholarships to outstanding students, recruiting exemplary professors and professional practitioners for our teaching faculty, and maintaining a competitive edge in technology improvements. We are grateful to the members below.

Lorraine R. (74) & **J. Lani Bader**

Lee D. (74) & John D. Baxter

Donald B. Bibeaault, 79, 00

Richard D. Bridgman, 58

John M. Burke, 93

Mark E. Burton, Jr., 95

Robert E. Cartwright, Jr., 82

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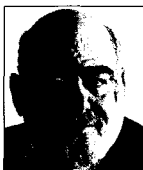
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The entry on "Real Property" in the newly published Oxford Companion to American Law was written by

Professor **Roger Bernhardt**; this puts him up there with the top 300 scholars who were invited to contribute articles, a crowd which the Legal Times referred to as a "stunning collection of legal scholars."

Professor Bernhardt also continues his role as editor of the *California Real Estate Law Reporter*, writing critical commentaries on new decisions and also writing longer columns on topics of general importance to California real estate attorneys. This year, he has also moderated and participated in programs on recent developments for the Real Property Probate and Trust Section of the ABA (where he is chair of the legal education committee), the American College of Real Estate Lawyers, the American College of Mortgage Attorneys, PLI, and the Real Property Section of the State Bar (where he also chairs the legal education committee and is permanent advisor to the executive committee of the section). Professor Bernhardt also continues to update his casebooks on property and on mortgages, as well as his many student and practicing bar books in those fields. (He did reduce his load to half-time teaching this year in order to "find some time to breathe.")



Professor **Bob Calhoun** spoke on the "Exclusion of Illegally Obtained Evidence" at the Criminal Law Reform in Turkey Conference in Istanbul this past October. The conference was sponsored by Bahcesehir University School of Law.



In early June, Associate Professor **Marc Greenberg** represented GGU at the ABA's IP Law Conference in Philadelphia. He was interviewed by ABC News for expert comment on the Adelphia company corporate fraud case and by TechTV about online infringement of motion pictures and sound recordings. In late July, he spoke at GGU to alumni at a CLE program on Hot Topics in Entertainment Law.



Congratulations to Professor **Helen Hartnell**, who was granted tenure in spring 2002. For the summer, she received a fellowship from the Center for German and European Studies at UC Berkeley, which enabled her to spend the summer in Brussels researching the changing civil justice system in European Union countries. While in Europe, she met with a wide variety of EU officials, spoke with legal professionals affected by the changes (especially judges, lawyers, and notaries), and interviewed German officials in state and federal ministries of justice. Her article, "EUstitia: Institutionalizing Justice in the European Union," will soon be published by the *Northwestern Journal of International Law and Business*.



Dean **Peter Keane** spoke on "Search and Seizure Under the U.S. Constitution" at the Criminal Law Reform in Turkey Conference in Istanbul this past October. The conference was sponsored by Bahcesehir University School of Law.



Professor **Myron Moskowitz's** article, "A Rule in Search of a Reason: An Empirical Reexamination of Chime and Belton," was published by *Wisconsin Law Review* (2002 Wisc. L. Rev. 657). He also published "The Problem Method of Teaching Law" in the February 2001 issue of the *Journal of Judicial Reform in Japan* (in Japanese); republished in English at 4 Waseda [University, Tokyo] Proceedings of Comparative Law 75 (2001).



Visiting Professor **Chris Okeke** published a new article, "The Debt Burden: An African Perspective," in *The International Lawyer*, (volume 35, n.4). In July, he presented the US National Report, written by Dr. Sompong, to the quadrennial Congress of the International Academy of Comparative Law in Brisbane, Australia.



Congratulations to Professor **Alan Ramo**, who has been granted tenure. His article, "California's Energy Crises: the Perils of Crisis Management and a Challenge to Environmental Justice," was published in the *Albany Law Environmental Outlook Journal* (7:1, 2002). The article critiques California's approach to last year's energy crises and points out how it will have profound costs for communities of color in that state.



Professor **Cliff Rechtschaffen's** new case-book, *Environmental Justice: Law, Policy and Regulation* (with Eileen

Gauna, Carolina Academic Press), was published over the summer. This book provides an accessible compilation of interdisciplinary materials for studying environmental justice, interspersed with extensive notes, comments, and questions designed to facilitate classroom discussion.



Visiting Associate Professor **Leslie Rose's** article, "U.S. Bombing of Afghanistan Not Justified as Self-Defense Under International Law,"

was published in the spring 2002 issue of the National Lawyer's Guild's *Guild Practitioner* (Vol. 59 No. 2).



Professor **Susan Rutberg** taught at the Charles University Law School in Prague, Czech Republic, as a Fulbright Scholar during

spring 2002. Her courses were American Criminal Justice: A Critical Perspective, and Trial Advocacy Skills. An article she wrote on the right to trial by jury was published in the Summer 2002 edition of the *Charles University's Common Law Society Review*. After an opinion piece in the local newspaper (*Mlada Fronta, Dnes*) titled, "Perry Mason in the Czech Republic," praised her classes, Professor Rutberg was invited to speak to the Czech Bar Association on the role of criminal defense attorneys in the United States. In June, Rutberg and her Trial Advocacy students presented a skills seminar to members of the criminal defense bar.



President Murakami (left) of Seinan Gakuin University and Professor Sompong met to discuss closer ties between the two universities.

Continuing his work with the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), Distinguished Professor **Sompong Sucharitkul** attended two expert group meetings at UNESCO headquarters in Paris last June regarding the draft Convention for the Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage and the Glossary of Terms.

Last July, Professor Sompong participated in a workshop organized by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) on "Improvements and Clarifications of the Dispute Settlement Understanding (DSU) of the World Trade Organization." Professor Sompong has been invited by UNCTAD to serve as consultant and to write an UNCTAD handbook on Dispute Settlement in

Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN).

Also in July, Ambassador Sompong delivered a five-day intensive course of lectures on Settlement of Disputes between States at Seinan Gakuin University in Fukuoka, Japan. Dean Sompong also met with the faculty and executive committee of the university to discuss new law schools to be organized in Japan modeled on the US legal education system. In September, he delivered a monographic course on Las inmunidades de jurisdicción en el derecho internacional contemporáneo (Jurisdictional Immunities in Contemporary International Law) at Universitat Jaume I in Castellón, Spain, as part of the annual Euromediterranean Courses of International Law program. Professor Sompong's monograph will be published by the Bancaja International Center for Peace and Development.

Professor Sompong recently published "The Inter-temporal Character of International and Comparative Law Regarding the Rights of the Indigenous Populations of the World" in the *American Journal of Comparative Law, Volume L (Supplement) 2002*. This article constitutes a second US national report by Dr. Sompong for the International Academy of Comparative Law.



Congratulations to Professor **Marci Seville**, who has been granted tenure. She recently wrote, "Developing Issues in Title

VII Retaliation Law," and presented the paper at the 2002 mid-winter meeting of the ABA Section on Labor and Employment Law Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity. In October, she presented "The Good Mother: Parenting in the Legal Workplace and Beyond" at the State Bar of California Annual Meeting.

ADJUNCT PROFESSOR NEWS

Frederick Chilton Jr., Paul Dau, and John Ryan joined Silicon Valley tax practice McDermott, Will & Emery as partners. All three attorneys teach in GGU's LLM in Taxation program.

Adjunct Professor **Bart Selden** published an article on e-commerce in one of Italy's most prestigious law journals, *Rivista Trimestrale di Diritto e Procedura Civile*. The title of the article was "Profili rocessuali del Commercio Elettronico."



Celebrating the \$5,000 Union Bank of California Scholarship for Low-Income and Minority Students are Dean Peter Keane (left), scholarship recipient Liliana Diaz, and John McGuckin, general counsel for Union Bank. Not shown: Jose Moncayo, the other scholarship recipient.

WOMEN'S EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS CLINIC VICTORY IN SWEATSHOP CASE

Since July 2001, the Women's Employment Rights Clinic has been working on behalf of 240 monolingual, Chinese-speaking garment workers, formerly employed at the Wins garment factories in San Francisco. In the most egregious case of sweatshop abuse in Northern California in recent years, the employees worked for many months in the spring of 2001 without getting paid anything at all. The owners promised the back wages, but instead abruptly shut the factories and declared bankruptcy.

On October 9, 2002, the workers were paid \$865,000 in back wages. This victory was the result of a collaborative effort of the GGU clinic, Sweatshop Watch, the Chinese Workers Organizing Committee, and the Asian Law Caucus. The clinic worked closely with the California Division of Labor Standards Enforcement. The back wages were paid from a state fund established to pay workers who cannot collect from companies that go bankrupt, disappear, or otherwise refuse to pay them. The \$865,000 payment required a legislative appropriation of extra monies

for the garment fund. The Women's Employment Rights Clinic will continue to work on a pending state court case against the individual owners, to hold them accountable for their actions.

This case has been one aspect of the clinic's ongoing work in the garment area. Faculty and students also worked on garment reform legislation and took a lead role in dealing with comments on state regulations governing the garment industry.

The clinic's work on this case would not have been possible without the help of several multilingual GGU students. Recent law graduate Pamela Kong worked on this case last semester as a clinic student, and she was a key player in clinic workers' ability to communicate with the workers, who are all monolingual Cantonese speakers. More recently, clinic graduate Lilly Ko and LL.M. US Legal Studies student Gary Chan volunteered and provided invaluable help in the check distribution process.

TECHNOLOGY IN THE LAW LIBRARY

The Law Library has expanded the number of network connections available for law student use in the Law Library. Twenty-five carrels have been hardwired for laptop plug-in use, and new wireless hubs accommodate up to 128 simultaneous laptop users. This expansion allows students to use their laptops in the Law Library, as well as in the renovated classrooms.

In addition, the Law Library has established a computer training lab, which law librarians will use to teach advanced legal research classes and lead all of the Lexis and Westlaw training sessions. The addition of this lab should eliminate the need to close down other Law Library computer labs for training purposes. With more available lab time and the increased opportunities for laptop use, students have little trouble gaining network access in the Law Library.

GGU LAW STUDENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Rebecca Prozan, 3L

Last summer, Rebecca Prozan was appointed to the SF Recreation and Parks Commission.

Christopher Jones, 2L

Christopher Jones, law student and assistant director of the Center for Advanced International Legal Studies at GGU, has been invited to serve as a legal expert to UNESCO on the Convention for the Protection of Underwater Cultural Heritage. Early next year, Christopher will participate in a conference in Hong Kong to educate national delegates of the Asia/Pacific region on the new Convention and encourage member state ratification. Christopher interned at UNESCO's field office in Bangkok last summer, working on the draft Convention for the Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage, and he was asked to give a presentation to UNESCO officers and personnel on existing legal protection of intangible cultural heritage. Christopher continues his work as secretary of the ASEAN Investment Dispute Tribunal, whose members were appointed by President Gilbert Guillaume of the International Court of Justice.



CALIFORNIA COURT OF APPEAL AT GGU

On Tuesday, October 22, the First Appellate District Division 4 of the California Court of Appeal heard its morning calendar in the new lecture hall at the Law School. Before a standing-room-only crowd of students and professors, the court heard four cases that raised issues that our students study in Criminal Procedure, Constitutional Law, Torts, and Civil Procedure courses. Professor Myron Moskowitz, who helped make the event happen, is shown here (lower right) introducing the court.

GGU RECOGNIZED AS A COMMUNITY PARTNER

This year, the AIDS Legal Referral Panel (ALRP) recognized Golden Gate University as a Community Partner. Each year, ALRP recognizes the work of individuals and organizations that have enhanced the lives of people living with HIV/AIDS. This year, the group acknowledged GGU's summer Honors Lawyering Program through which law students worked to help people living with HIV/AIDS retain their housing in San Francisco.

ELEVENTH SUMMER IN BANGKOK

The eleventh annual Bangkok Summer Law Program was held June 2-July 15, 2002.


Hosting 39 students from law schools across the United States and around the world, the six-week program worked in close cooperation with members of the law faculties in Thailand and high-ranking members of His Majesty's Government. GGU is fostering closer ties with several prominent Thai universities including Rangsit University, Mahidol University, and the University of the Thai Chamber of Commerce. GGU President Philip Friedman (shown above at left) visited the program and attended an alumni reception with Mr. Tawisak Wisidwutikul (GGU MBA, 1971), Executive Vice President of Siam City Bank Ltd., Law School Dean Peter Keane, and Associate Dean Sompong Sucharitkul.



SPECIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Nasrina Bargzie, 21, was chosen from a list of international applicants to receive the special Advancement of Afghan Women Scholarship, created by Bar Association of San Francisco President Angela Bradstreet and Golden Gate University School of Law. The scholarship was created in December 2001, to allow an Afghan woman who had been victimized by her native country's government to study law at Golden Gate University.

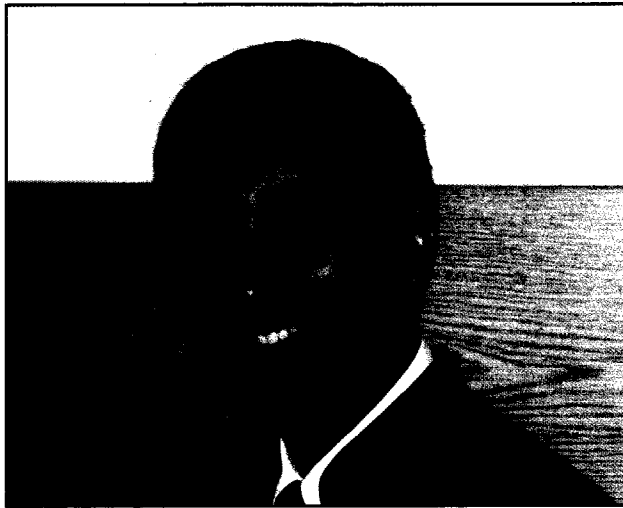
Born in Kandahar, Afghanistan, Bargzie, along with her mother and three sisters, fled the country in 1979 after the Afghan government executed her father. She arrived in New Hampshire at the age of 5 and has lived in Concord since 1986.

Bargzie plans to study international law with an emphasis in human rights. 

An Interview with Visiting Professor Peter Kwan

by Kevi Brannelly

Golden Gate University School of Law is honored to host scholars from around the world who come to teach for a semester or a year. In this interview, we explore the experiences shared by visiting professors and students and learn about one of our current visiting professors.



What do you see as the advantages of having visiting professors teach?

Visitors can bring new perspectives, approaches and ideas to the schools they visit. This is good for both students and law schools. Students, even those just entering a school, can develop a cozy comfort with professors who have been around for a long time. Professors, too, get comfortable with roughly the same demographic and abilities of the students in their institutions. They get to know what they are capable of and what “works” for them. I find it extremely stimulating and challenging to walk into new environments to see what things are similar to or different from what I am used to. It keeps me on my toes. It’s also great to talk to and work with new set of colleagues.

How do you know when you have succeeded in getting a tough lesson across to the students or how do you measure success in a class?

This may sound counter-intuitive, but I measure it in the amount of questions I get at the end of each class. When students come to me at the end of the class with questions, it shows that they have comprehended enough to know what they know and what they are still a little unclear about; that they

have grasped enough of the basic material to formulate an intelligent follow-up question; that they want to interrogate something in more depth; and that they have a burning desire to discuss something further. I can see that in their eyes.

Are there particular subjects you enjoy teaching and why those classes?

I like teaching all my classes for different reasons. I love teaching Contracts because I believe it to be foundational to any form of legal practice. It is also foundational to legal teaching itself—the first casebook was a casebook on Contracts. When I was a corporate attorney, I took pride in the contracts I drafted. There is, believe it or not, an elegance to a well-crafted contract.

Constitutional Law is the closest required law school subject to Jurisprudence, another of my passions. I believe that the best judges are first and foremost great legal philosophers. This is especially true of US Supreme Court justices. Constitutional Law comes alive when one thinks of it beyond the confines of applying rules to facts. Constitutional Law forces us to think about the social implications of rules; the relationship between morals, culture, and law; the proper role and functions of government and courts; the nature of freedom, rights, and liberties, as well as the relationship between them and the right of the government to regulate society.

Did you have particularly inspiring professors and, if so, what was it that set them apart or made them memorable?

Two people come immediately to mind. The first is my professor in Jurisprudence at law school. She is also my aunt—an amazing person. Her dedication to her work and her students remain an awesome inspiration to me. She is now the president of the Australian Human Rights and Equal Opportunities Commission and a person living with cancer. In both those capacities, her courage, conviction, and strength continue to humble me.

The other professor, a quiet, gentle man, taught me philosophy. We were entranced by his teaching, his humanity, and his intellectual rigor. Above all, he was a decent man whose greatest hobbies were philosophy and growing camellias—not necessarily in that order. We would often leave his classes having taken no notes, but the hour felt like mere moments, and I learned from him the power of analytic thought and the beauty of a contemplative life.

You've spent a great deal of time in Hong Kong. Given the recent changes in its status (i.e., the hand-over from Britain to the People's Republic of China) and the fast-paced development of entirely new governmental and legal systems, what lessons are to be learned from the process?

I was born in Hong Kong, and I spent my formative years there. Each summer for the last eight years, I have been fortunate to direct Santa Clara's Summer Law Study Abroad Program. In 2001, I stayed on in Hong Kong and taught Constitutional Law and The Legal System at Hong Kong University for a semester as a visitor. Hong Kong is going through a difficult post-handover period. The economy has taken a battering, and the region is struggling to find a new post-colonial identity, now that it is part of China.

Interwoven through all this is a nascent but fast-developing new constitutionalism. Hong Kong never had a written constitution before, nor were human rights and individual liberties constitutionally protected. Suddenly, citizens were challenging governmental actions in the courts based on the Basic Law. The courts had to quickly develop new doctrines and new approaches that courts in the United States, say, have taken for granted for more than two centuries—for example, the doctrine of judicial review. In turn, academics at HKU Law have written extensively about these cases and have started to teach them in classrooms. A new legal vocabulary is emerging, and university students, especially law students, are discovering new voices in their debates over rights and constitutionalism. It was extremely exciting for me, as a seasoned US Constitutional Law teacher, to witness and take part in this emerging consciousness and scholarship. I found myself talking to an office full of students, many sitting on the floor, about the US experience in the civil rights struggle and First Amendment rights, suggesting ways in which Constitutional Law in Hong Kong can be a vehicle for social change and what role

Career Highlights

Education

LL.M. University of Sydney, Australia
LL.M. Columbia University, New York
Bachelor of Laws University of Sydney

Teaching Areas:

Contracts, Constitutional Law, Comparative Law, Contemporary Legal Theory (Critical Race Theory), and Asian Pacific Americans and the Law, Jurisprudence

Current Positions

Visiting Professor, GGU School of Law
Director, Santa Clara University, School of Law
Law Study Abroad Program in Hong Kong

Past positions

Visiting or Assistant Professor of Law at:
Hong Kong University, Santa Clara University,
and University of California, Boalt Hall

students can play as future lawyers. I felt that I was really making a difference in the consciousness of the place—something one doesn't always feel teaching Constitutional Law here.

What has your experience at GGU been like this past year?

I have been very impressed with the law faculty and its students at GGU. I didn't come with any preconceived notions on what either would be like, and I have been delighted about what I have learned about the school. What I've encountered is a very collegial faculty, one that deeply cares about its students and, from what I can see, fulfills admirably its traditional social role of producing top-flight lawyers and judges for San Francisco and the Bay Area. There seems to be none of the rancor and bitter political feuds that sadly plague most law schools

today. Sure, there are differences of opinion among faculty members, but the level of respect and collegiality is what stands out for me.

The students here are great. They come from very diverse backgrounds, both in terms of race and social class, and it's evident from my conversations with students, especially the evening students I teach, that many arrive here through a tremendous amount of personal sacrifice and support from their families. They are as smart as any students I have taught, and their level of dedication exceeds most students I have taught.

Professor Kwan will be teaching Constitutional Law I and Contracts II in spring 2003. For more information about Professor Kwan, check out the GGU website faculty page at www.ggu.edu/law.

Kevi Brannelly is the law alumni relations director at Golden Gate University School of Law. 📖

SWEARING-IN CEREMONY

Special thanks to Judge Lee Baxter (74) and US Magistrate Judge Maria-Elena James who, on June 3, 2002, swore in our graduates who passed the California State Bar Exam.

Welcoming remarks were made by Dean Peter Keane and Karalyn Buchner (98), chair of the law committee of the Alumni Association.



2001 graduates Bill Boyce, Lainie Cohen, and Peter Shurig with Dean of Students Sue Schechter.



Rosebelle Arce (02) (third from left) and family.



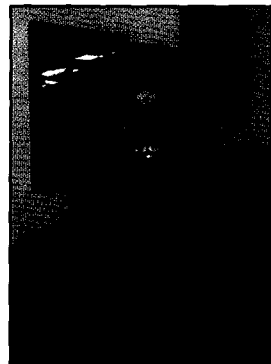
Jeffrey Anhalt (02)



Mary FitzPatrick (current law student) and John FitzPatrick (02).



Hon. Lee Baxter (74)



US Magistrate Judge
Maria-Elena James

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Visit "News & Events" at www.ggu.edu/law for free, interesting, and informative events here at GGU.

Sunday, December 1: The school sponsored swearing-in ceremony, here at the Law School. Friends and family are welcome, but please RSVP. State and federal oaths will be administered. Bar passers must bring all state bar paperwork. To RSVP or for more information call (415) 442-6602 or write kbrannelly@ggu.edu.

Wednesday, December 4: Remembrance reception for Otto Butz. Contact the Office of University Advancement, (415) 442-7820 or alumni@ggu.edu.

Saturday, January 18: "Beat The Clock" MCLE programs including "The Use of Scientific Evidence in Court" (Dean Keane), as well as the mandatory favorites such as Elimination of Bias in the Legal Profession, and Ethics and Substance Abuse.

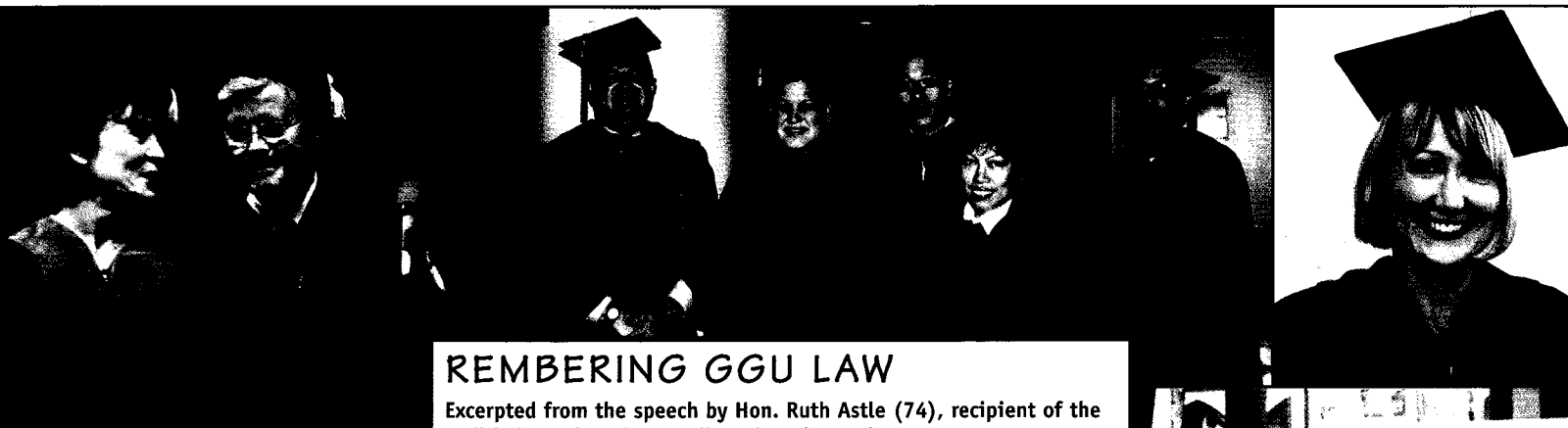
Tuesday, January 21: 12 noon, civil rights attorney John Burris will discuss racial profiling.

Tuesday, February 4: 12 noon, author and scholar, USC Professor of Constitutional Law Erwin Chemerinsky will discuss "The Rehnquist Court's Impact on Civil Rights."

STATE BAR ALUMNI BREAKFAST A HIT

Who, you may ask, gets up at 6:00 a.m. on a glorious fall Saturday to attend an alumni breakfast? Apparently, quite a few of you. On October 12, Dean Peter Keane, and Professors Helen Chang and Janice Kosel were joined by more than 30 GGU alumni and their guests, most of whom were attending the state bar convention in Monterey. Much of the mealtime discussion centered on recent developments at the Law School, the addition of new programs (especially LL.M. and free MCLE programs), and the dean's plan to continue teaching at GGU after his deanship ends next year.

If you couldn't join us, be on the lookout for next year's event in Anaheim. We would love to see you. 📖



REMEMBERING GGU LAW

Excerpted from the speech by Hon. Ruth Astle (74), recipient of the Judith G. McElvey Outstanding Alumni Award.




"I entered GGU as a child of the 60s. I truly believed in the redemption of the human spirit. I knew that no one was beyond saving. There was no true evil, only bad attitudes; and attitudes could be changed. I had accumulated the generic liberal arts education, and I was convinced that everything was connected. Economics and culture, psychology and chemistry, physics and philosophy.

"At GGU, I began to build a future. I made friends that I still cherish today. I found that the ideals of my youth needed to be transformed into the power to protect the beliefs I held so dearly.

"I discovered that in order to redeem the human spirit, I needed to control some part of the institutions that made our society function. GGU gave me

the knowledge and skills to become an attorney. As I became a part of the fabric of society, I discovered that the world we live in did have pure evil in it; some people could not be redeemed, and the connections among the areas of knowledge were of no practical value.

"Now that I have reached this new century, I am beginning to understand the relationship of knowledge, wisdom, and experience. I know that there are truly evil people, but I do again believe in the redemption of the human spirit. It is not an individual redemption that requires a change in attitude; it is a collective redemption embodied in the spirit of survival. The connections of real import are not among ideas, but among people. Surviving disasters, both personal and global, both small and immense, teaches perspective. The perspective of wisdom is the integration of knowledge and experience, of facts and survival.

"The gift GGU gave me and that I now pass on to you, at the beginning of this new century, is the spirit to make connections and the practical ability to survive into the next decade." 



Class Notes

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Francis Ryu (95) has been elected to the board of the California Young Lawyers Association, the agency of the State Bar that serves lawyers who have practiced for less than 10 years or who are age 35 or under. As for why he is willing to serve, Ryu states, "What I observe more and more is incredibly bright young lawyers who are insecure, who are not developing their skills as they should be, because of the bottom line. I want to make sure they get the mentoring they require" (*LA Metropolitan News*, April 15, 2002). Ryu practices with Gelfand Rappaport and Glaser in Santa Monica, a firm that supports and respects his volunteer work with the legal community.

Karen (Blake) Beyke (96) recently launched her new firm, Beyke and Associates, which practices government law, business law, international law, and mediation. She was formerly with the Cobb County Attorney's Office.

Marsha-laine F. Dungog (96) is the incoming co-chair of the Asian American Bar Association for the Greater Bay Area. Marsha-laine recently completed an LL.M in tax law from Georgetown University Law Center. During her stint in Washington, DC, she clerked for the Hon. Lawrence A. Wright of the US Tax Court and worked at KPMG National Tax State and Local Tax Group.

Nadine Burg (97) recently joined the San Mateo County Family Law Facilitator's Office.

Jason W. Harrel (LLM 97) was recently featured in the *Stockton Business Journal*. He is a partner in Richard S. Calone, LLP. He was admitted to the California State Bar in 1996 and has been practicing law since May 1997.

Dave Metallides (97) married Desi Manousarides on May 18, 2002, in Katerini, Greece. Dave and Desi spent their honeymoon in the Greek Islands. Dave is working for an environmental consulting firm in Boston.

Carolyn Rowland (97) sends this update: "I have joined the Community Affordable Housing Equity Corporation (CAHEC) as its new vice president and corporate counsel. CAHEC is a nonprofit corporation which organizes and manages tax credit equity funds for low-income and historic housing tax credit developments."

Jennifer Gould (Lidar) (98) writes, "We moved to Toronto in August 2000, just after our daughter was born. We are tickled to tell people here that Abigail is a California native. We moved because my husband Daniel was offered a faculty position in the chemistry department at University of Toronto."

Natalie Nuttall (98) recently joined Carroll, Burdick & McDonough's San Francisco office. Natalie is working in the firm's products liability/asbestos group.



Jaima Jackson (86) sent this photo with a note saying, "Holding court has two meanings in the life of one alum: In proof of the theorem that attorneys can be multi-dimensional beings, not just multi-tasking automatons, Jaima assumes the Presidency of the Santa Fe Opera Guild for the 2002 season, when she will also be serving as president elect of the Guilds of the Santa Fe Opera, Inc. Her stint as 'Queen for a Day' was a short-lived tenure for a media event prior to the Guild's annual masked ball."

Kirk R. Wilson (LLM 98) has become a partner with the law firm Hatch & Parent. Working in the firm's Santa Barbara office, Kirk has more than 20 years of private practice experience in California and leads the firm's estate planning group. Managing partner Steve Amerikaner calls Kirk "a terrific lawyer" and adds that the firm is pleased to welcome him into the partnership. Kirk has been certified by the Board of Legal Specialization of the State Bar of California as a probate, estate planning, and trust law specialist since the inception of the certification program in 1991.

Arron Nesbitt (99) and **Robin Wahl (99)** were married on May 26, 2002. The couple is now living in Arizona where Arron is an associate with Beus Gilbert, a Phoenix firm, and Robin is a senior legal analyst with ING Funds in Scottsdale.

Yano Rubinstein (99) was recently hired by Perkins Cole's Silicon Valley outpost. Prior to this offer, Yano worked for Oppenheimer Wolff & Donnelly's Palo Alto office.

2000s

Srivalli Kondur (LLM 00) writes that her partner, Devanand, and she "are very happy to inform you all of the arrival of our pride and joy, Rashmi Tejasvi Kondur. She was born on the 23rd of April 2002, at 10:00 p.m. Again, thank you all for your blessings."

Laura Langone (00) is now the director of risk management at Genentech after leaving Gordon and Rees.

Vanessa Lawton (00) has accepted a position as a criminal research attorney in Redwood City at the San Mateo Superior Court.

Halidgka Papazian (00) was profiled in the *San Francisco Chronicle* (May 24, 2002), along with four other attorneys, for serving in the newly formed Neighborhood Law Corps, which serves the Oakland area. While the law organization works with residents, neighborhood groups, and local government to help resolve problems of "drug sales, blight, and toxic pollution, the law corps plans to add a consumer education component that would vary from teaching high school students how to buy a used car to instructing senior citizens on how not to be duped by predatory lenders."

Laura Simmons (00) has accepted the position of director of intellectual property at Imaging Therapeutics, a start-up company in San Mateo. Laura was formerly with Genentech.

Sonia Agee (LLM 01) recently accepted a position with Hoge Fenton Jones & Appel in San Jose. Sonia practices tax-related law, focusing on corporate planning.

Jeff Anhalt (01) sent us the following class note: "Things have been hectic, in a good way. I've been working as a clerk at Hancock, Rothert & Bunshoft, but just accepted an associate position at Rudloff, Wood & Barrow, a GREAT medium-size firm in Emeryville that specializes in bad-faith litigation defense. (I am an ex-insurance claims manager.) The people are great, the pay is competitive, the hours are reasonable, and most importantly, I can windsurf five minutes from the office. Life is good."

Christine Bogosian (01) has said goodbye to those long Bay Area commutes. Starting out as a deputy district attorney for Santa Cruz County and also having served as a deputy district attorney for Sonoma County, Christine just accepted a deputy district attorney position with San Mateo County.

Heather E. Borlase's (01) new law firm, Borlase Law Offices, on Cole Street here in San Francisco, represents the interests of working Americans. The web address for the law office is www.borlaselaw.com.

William Boyce (01) sends word that he has accepted a position as a public defender in Dadera County (likely residence: Fresno). Feel free to drop him a line at hepcog@yahoo.com.

Lisa Marie Calero (01) recently accepted an associate position with the Law Office of Sarah J.M. Jones in San Francisco's financial district. Lisa practices immigration law and in her spare time serves as a bar grader for Rosemary's Bar Review Course.

Lubna Jahangiri (01) wanted her classmates to know that she has opened her own practice in Hayward, representing clients in business, commercial, and real property law. Contact her at jahangiri@law.com.

Hussam Qudah (LLM 01) has been appointed as a diplomat in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan. 📖

CLASS

Class Notes Deadlines: March 15, September 15

Let Us Hear From You!

We'd like to know if you have made a career move, changed your address, added to your family, or received an award. Photos welcomed and appreciated.

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SWEARING-IN CEREMONY

June 3, 2002

Left: Retired Judge Lee Baxter (74) congratulates Olumide Kolawole Obayemi (LL.M. Tax 01) after swearing him in.

Right: Some of the GGU alumni sworn in to the California Bar on June 3. Dean Peter Keane sits in the foreground.

More swearing-in photos on page 26.



Commencement 2002

Top: Angela Bradstreet, president of the Bar Association of San Francisco and partner at Carroll, Burdick & McDonough, gave the keynote speech.

More Commencement photos on page 27 and in the "News and Events" section at www.ggu.edu/law.



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