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SAN FRANCISCO — Golden Gate Law School faculty was rated among the top twenty law school faculties in the nationwide poll of 170 ABA accredited law schools published in the April/May, 1996 issue of *The National Jurist*, a magazine for law students. “We have an outstanding faculty, and I’m pleased to see that the students appreciate them,” said Tony Pagano, Dean of the Law School.

*The National Jurist* ranking is based on data collected in a Princeton Review survey of more than 28,000 law students conducted during the past two years. The magazine compiled students’ responses to questions on quality of teaching, level of faculty-student relations, diversity of faculty, and whether students’ work is intellectually challenging.

That student poll is the second this year to place Golden Gate in the top twenty law schools nationwide. In its October/November issue, *The National Jurist* surveyed 168 ABA accredited law schools to find the best law schools for women. Golden Gate ranked 11th in the nation. The scoring was based on 1995 figures for percentage of women students (48%), percentage of women faculty (37%), and percentage of women in positions of leadership, including student bar association, moot court, law review editorial board and law review staff (above 50%). In addition, a subjective question obtained from the Princeton Review survey of 18,000 law students, “Female students are afforded equal treatment by students and faculty,” drew a positive response at Golden Gate.

Professor Joan Howarth, who teaches Women and the Law at Golden Gate observed, “The ranking reflects our long-standing commitment to women in law marked by Golden Gate having been one of the first law schools led by a woman dean [Professor and Dean Emeritus Judith G. McKelvey 1974-81], and by having a law review dedicated to women’s issues that has been publishing continuously for over 20 years.”

Professor Marci Seville, Director of the Women’s Employment Rights Clinic, commented, “Both men and women at Golden Gate show a strong commitment to fairness and equal treatment in the workplace and in our community.”

Golden Gate University School of Law is located on the San Francisco campus of Golden Gate University at 536 Mission Street. The University is accredited by the Western Association of Colleges and Universities and the Law School is approved by the American Bar Association.

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