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# Student Bar Association Hosts Mayoral Debate

he Student Bar Association (SBA) sponsored a San Francisco Mayoral Candidates Debate at the University on Friday, October 4. More than 300 people attended to watch the top four challengers to Mayor Art Agnos debate issues such as community development, the city's homeless situation, small business legislation, and the impact of the AIDS crisis.

"It was exciting to have GGU be part of the election."

> -- Jennifer Martin **SBA President**

Candidates included Angela Alioto, member of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors: Richard Hongisto, City Assessor; Tom Hsieh, member of the Board of Supervisors; and Frank Jordan, former Chief of Police, Mayor Art Agnos had also been invited to attend the debate, but he was unable to participate because of a previous commitment.

Kevin Pursalove, host of KQED-FM radio talk show "Forum" served as moderator for the event. A panel of four representatives from local organizations were invited to ask questions of the candidates about issues of interest to voters.

Among the panelists were Sue Hestor, a 1976 graduate of the Law hool and the founder of San ...anciscans for Reasonable Growth; John Silva, executive director of the Gay Asian Pacific Alliance Community HIV Project; Anthony

Von der Muhll, staff member of San Francisco Coalition on Homelessness; and Scott Hauge, chairman of the board of the San Francisco Small Business Network.

Following the debate, members of the audience had an opportunity to ask questions of the candidates.

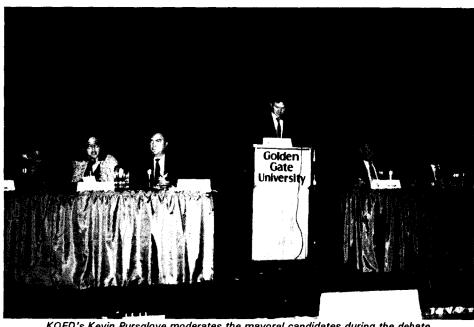
The debate was largely organized through the efforts of SBA President Jennifer Martin and Third Year Night Representative Jeff Owen, who contacted participants and organized volunteers from the SBA to serve as ushers for the evening's event.

"Everyone involved enjoyed it -the students, candidates, and panelists," said Jennifer. "It was exciting to meet all the candidates and have GGU be part of the election. The students were impressed that it was at their school."



Supervisor Tom Hsieh (r) stands with one of his staff members.

In the future, she noted, "The SBA plans to do more community events in hopes that we attract not just the public but Golden Gate alumni as well."



KQED's Kevin Pursglove moderates the mayoral candidates during the debate.

# Law School Moves Offices to New Building

The Law School has a brand new temporary home. Over the summer the faculty and administrative offices of the GGU School of Law relocated to the 14th and 15th floors of 49 Stevenson Street, an office building located behind the main campus. The reason for the move is to allow for the renovation of the school's previous location, part of which was damaged by the October 1989 earthquake. It is anticipated that this renovation will be completed by June, 1993.

As a result of the earthquake damage, some of the Law School's departments were forced to move to other parts of the campus building. In the new space, all administrative offices have been reunited in one area.

The 15th floor of the Stevenson building houses the Admissions Office, Registrar, Law Placement Center, and Alumni Relations Office. The offices of the Dean, Associate Deans, and some faculty members are also located on this



The Law School's new home is now at 49 Stevenson Street.

floor. The majority of faculty officare located on the 14th floor of the building. The Faculty Library can also be found here.

The Law Library and offices of the Student Bar Association and the Caveat, the student newspaper, were not affected by the move and remain on the ground floor of the 536 Mission Street building. In addition, all classes will continue to meet on the third floor of the campus building.

All mail for the Law School should still be sent to the main campus: 536 Mission Street, San Francisco, 94105. However, telephone numbers for the school have been changed. To contact any of the Law School departments, please note these new numbers:

Office of the Dean	904-6800
Law Registrar	904-6820
Law Placement	904-6825
Law Admissions	904-683°
Alumni Relations	904-683
Law Faculty Center	904-6850

# Class Reunion

A special thank you to the following alumni who served on the 1991 Class Reunion Planning Committee:

Susan Barnett, '81 Seymour Bieler, '81 Bernard N. Dickinson, '81 Paula J. Fancher, '81 William A. Farrell, '51 Richard D. Harmon, '76 Sue C. Hestor, '76 Deborah B. Honig, '76 Jill L. Jablonow, '86 Mimi Johnson Jacobs, '81 Carol Kingsley, '81 Anna N. Klay, '76 Mark Nissenbaum, '81 William A. O'Malley, '61 Ann H. Voris, '81 Paige Wickland, '81

# **Brown Bag Lunch Programs**

The Law Placement and Career Counseling Office is now offering two Brown Bag Luncheon Programs for alumni each month. These programs provide participants with useful job hunting information as well as an opportunity to network with other alums.

The sessions address timely subjects such as developing job search strategies in a tight market and writing resumes and cover letters for legal jobs. Guest speakers occasionally discuss specialty areas within the legal profession.

The workshops are held every other Wednesday from 12 noon to 1:15 p.m. at the Law School. Participants are encouraged to bring their lunch. Programs are free with reservations advised.

Alumni are also welcome to come at their convenience to use the many resources of the Law Placement Office. Hours are Monday, 9:00 a.m. -6:15 p.m., and Tuesday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:15 p.m.

For more information about these programs, call Shirley Cohen at (415) 904-6825. ■

# Alumni Profile: The Honorable Judge Lee Baxter

he first thing one notices when entering Judge Lee Baxter's chambers are the photographs. Spectacular vistas of mountain ranges, boats resting serenely in a harbor, expansive fields of flowers, and animals -- lots of animals. The eve wanders to the toys on her desk -- the Mickey Mouse clock, wind-up chattering teeth, animal figurines, and the collection of snowdomes depicting places she has visited. "This is the office of a judge?" one might ponder. But upon meeting Lee Baxter, her radiating enthusiasm and competence quickly dissipate any unfounded biases of what a judge should be like.

It is this blend of competence and enthusiasm that earned her the Judith G. McKelvey Award for Outstanding Achievement by an Alumna at the GGU School of Law commencement ceremony in Mayof this year.

When she accepted this award, Lee was effusive in her enthusiasm for Golden Gate's role as a stepping stone for her to make what could have been a difficult career transition. A native of Kentucky, Lee



The Honorable Judge Lee Baxter

earned a bachelor's degree in English and speech and drama from the University of Kentucky and then went on to become a high school teacher. She married, had two daughters, and moved to the Bay Area with her family in 1970.

It was at this point that she decided to do something that had not yet become acceptable by society's standards for a woman in her position -- she decided to go to law school.

"Golden Gate was really a turning point in my life"

-- Judge Lee Baxter

"When I was applying to law school, there were no law schools interested in me. I was not a very attractive applicant," she explained, because of her status as a woman with two young children. "Golden Gate was really a turning point in my life."

Lee entered GGU in 1971 and, upon graduating in 1974, went to work as a civil litigator in the Law Offices of Frederick Cone, a two-person firm. In 1982, Lee was appointed as Commissioner to the San Francisco Superior Court, where she worked for five years. Then, in June of 1987, she was appointed by Governor George Deukmejian to serve as a judge in San Francisco's municipal court criminal division, where she is currently employed.

On a typical workday, Lee might deal with 50 cases. Her mornings are spent in pre-hearing conferences, doing arraignments, hearing motions, taking pleas. In the afternoon, she presides over pre-trial hearings.

"We do all of the pretrial work for felonies, specifically preliminary hearings," she said. She works with a group of three district attorneys and six or seven public defenders on a regular basis, overseeing cases concerning drug dealing, sex crimes, murder, and other felonies.

"Every case is a challenge because every case is different. The ultimate challenge is hoping that you make the right decision that's going to affect people's lives so drastically," she noted.

Lee's activities don't stop with the end of her workday. "It's very important that judges have a certain amount of visibility in the community," she explained. Consequently, Lee participates in a variety of extracurricular activities. She is a past president of the Queen's Bench, where she initiated the visitation program with women inmates at the Youth Guidance Center. She established and is a member of the Mayor's Task Force on Domestic Violence. Every year Lee speaks at the women's jail in San Bruno on criminal procedure in prisoner's rights. Additionally, she has served on the board of directors of California Women Lawvers and San Francisco Lawyers Club.

Lee also has a variety of hobbies, including scuba diving, photography, traveling, and running on the wall behind her desk is a blown-up photograph of Lee crossing the finish line in the 1983 San Francisco Marathon.

In addition to all of this, Lee still manages to keep close ties to the GGU Law School. She has organized two class reunions, and she has served on the Alumni Council for five years.

"I've always appreciated the fact that Golden Gate gave me a chance to do what I've done," she said, both professionally and personally. "Most of my friends have come from Golden Gate. Some of my very best friends are women I met my first day of law school. I've always had a tender spot in my heart for Golden Gate."

And from the enthusiastic applause Lee received upon accepting the Judith McKelvey Award at commencement, it was evident that the feeling was very mutual.

# Nine Professors Added to Law School Faculty

Ine professors have joined the faculty of the Golden Gate University School of Law for the 1991-92 school year, bringing the number of full-time faculty to 32. The addition of instructors is a direct response to the increasing law student population, which currently numbers 868, including a first-year class of 238.

Barbara M. Anscher, Assistant Professor of Law and Director of Advanced Writing Programs, taught legal research and writing at Stanford Law School for two years and practiced law with the firm of Cooley, Godward, Castro, Huddleson & Tatum in San Francisco. She teaches Legal Drafting and Writing and Research at GGU.

Helen Y. Chang, Visiting Assistant Professor of Law, spent five years in private practice and was associated with two San Francisco law firms, specializing in the areas of professional liability, insurance, securities, and maritime. She also served as a tutor with Emerson's Bar Review for four years. She is teaching Criminal Law and Special Problems in Criminal Law.

The law practice of Markita D.
Cooper, Visiting Assistant Professor of Law, has encompassed civil litigation and corporate law. She has worked as an attorney for Pillsbury, Madison & Sutro and Alexander, Millner & McGee in San Francisco, and for Wilson, Sonsini, Goodrich & Rosati in Palo Alto. Professor Cooper currently teaches Corporations and Employment Law.

Deene Goodlaw, Visiting Professor of Law, has practiced with Pillsbury, Madison & Sutro in San Francisco, specializing in the areas of employee benefits and tax law. She has taught at Hastings College of Law and the University of San Francisco Law School and was an assistant professor of law at GGU in 1975-76. She teaches Business Organizations, Estate and Gift Tax, and Wills and Trusts.

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Andrew J. McClurg, Visiting Professor of Law, is visiting from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock School of Law, where he was selected by students as Teacher of the Year for three consecutive years. He has published articles in the areas of torts and criminal procedure and has practiced at a law firm specializing in white collar criminal defense. Professor McClurg teaches Criminal Procedure and Torts.

David B. Oppenheimer, Visiting Associate Professor of Law, specializes in discrimination law and civil trial law. He has worked as a civil rights prosecutor for the State of California, where he founded and directed an employment discrimination clinic at University of California's Boalt Hall School of Law. Professo Oppenheimer has taught at the University of San Francisco School of Law and John F. Kennedy School of Law. He teaches Civil Procedure and Torts.

Wendy P. Rouder, Visiting Assistant Professor of Law, assisted GGU Professor Bernie Segal as defense counsel for Dr. Jeffrey MacDonald in the Green Beret murder case that was the subject of the book Fatal Vision. She served as a deputy public defender in the San Francisco Public Defender's Office and as a civil litigator as an assistant to the Oakland City Attorney. Professor Rouder is a 1979 GGU School of Law graduate and has been an adjunct faculty member at both Golden Gate and Hastings College of Law. She is teaching Civil Litigation, Pre-Trial Advocacy, and Trial Advocacy.

Susan Rutberg, Associate Professor of Law, served as cocounsel in the murder and conspiracy trial of activist attorney Stephen Bingham and in 1986 received the annual California Attorneys for Criminal Justice Award for outstanding service in defense of a client. She co-directed the Criminal Defense Clinic at the University of San Francisco and has taught at New College Law School, City University of New York Law School, Santa Clara University Law School, and GGU. Professor Rutberg is a 1975 graduate of the GGU School of Law and is currently teaching Appellate Advocacy, Criminal Law Clinic, Criminal Litigation, Lawyering Skills, and Trial Advocacy.

Mary P. Treuthart, Visiting Professor of Law, is visiting from Gonzaga University School of Law. She has taught at Nevada School of Law, Duquesne University School of Law, and the National Judicial College in Nevada. She was a staff attorney for Washoe County Legal Services in Nevada and director of Warren County Legal Services in New Jersey. She teaches Constitutional Law.

# New Alumni Directory Available

The 1992 Golden Gate
University Alumni Directory
will be printed next month and
mailed to alumni in January. The
School of Law will have a separate section for our graduates.
Alumni will be listed alphabetically, by class, and by state.

Copies may be ordered directly from the publisher by calling (800) 877-6554. Please indicate that you are a graduate of Golden Gate University. Cost for the directory is \$51.95 (softbound) plus \$5.95 for shipping and handling.

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# Golden Gate University School of Law 1990-91 Annual Donor Report

Dear School of Law Graduate:

We are pleased to include in this issue the 1990-91 Annual Donor Report, which covers the period from July 1, 1990 to June 30, 1991. Total gift income to the School of Law and the number of alumni making gifts increased last year, in spite of the effects of a protracted recession. Many gifts were received both for scholarship support as well as for unrestricted purposes.

The following pages are devoted to listing the names of

graduates and friends who supported the Law School in 1990-91. We are particularly grateful to the 30 individuals listed below who each contributed \$1,000 or more and are recognized as members of our President's Circle. This marks a significant increase from the 13 members of the President's Circle in the previous year.

Many graduates gave for the first time last year, while others continued to renew their support. We have placed an asterisk next to those individuals who have given for at least three consecutive years.

I hope you will support your Law School via a financial contribution this year. Special recognition is provided to all donors who join one of our club levels, which begin at \$100. A reply envelope is enclosed with this issue of Alumni Forum. If you have already given since July 1, you may wish to retain the envelope and use it later to make a special year-end contribution.

K. Scott Sheldon, CFRE Director of Development School of Law (415) 442-7000, ext. 7554

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Class Year	Percentage of Participation	Average Gift \$	
1919	100	150.00	
1925	50	25.00	
1927	100	100.00	
1932	50	100.00	
1935	100	100.00	
1939	33.33	1,000.00	
1941	25	1,000.00	
1943	20	100.00	
1945	33.33	100.00	
1947	50	1,525.00	
1948	60	295.00	
1951	50	658.33	
1952	16.67	36.67	
1953	33.33	75.00	
1954	20	1,000.00	
1955	26.67	356.25	
1956	22.22	100.00	
1957	30	66.67	
1958	20	150.00	
1960	23.08	216.67	
1962	14.29	62.50	
1963	6.25	100.00	
1964	8.33	25.00	
1965	37.50	458.33	
1966	17.24	495.00	

Class Year	Percentage of Participation	Average Gift \$
1967	14.63	49.17
1968	13.46	167.86
1969	13.89	66.50
1970	13.70	1,115.00
1971	13.21	73.57
1972	15.79	237.50
1973	15.38	161.75
1974	15.76	81.92
1975	16.85	69.84
1976	15.68	73.10
1977	18.91	296.71
1978	11.86	59.83
1979	9.43	71.50
1980	10.43	55.45
1981	13.51	92.67
1982	10.76	119.79
1983	12.12	71.79
1984	14.29	67.03
1985	12.40	60.83
1986	9.04	251.67
1987	6.21	55.00
1988	8.57	60.56
1989	4.20	58.00
1990	2.78	46.67
1991	2.46	71.67

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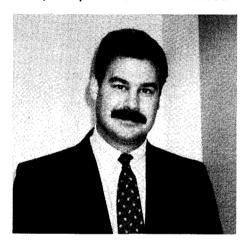
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# Two Staff Members Added to Law School

raig A. Engel and Marci L. Kelly have joined the administrative staff of the GGU Law School. Craig is the Director of Admissions and Marci has come aboard as the Acting Associate Dean and Director of the school's LL.M. Tax Program.

Craig comes to the school from Cornell College in Mount Vernon, lowa, where he served as Assistant Director of Admissions and, before that, as an Admissions Counselor. He has also worked as a financial aid counselor, admissions counselor, and parent orientation associ-



Craig Engel, Director of Admissions

ate as a graduate assistant at the University of Iowa in Iowa City.

A graduate of Cornell College with a B.S.S. in English and Religion, Craig also earned an M.A. in higher education - administration from the University of Iowa.

At GGU, Craig is responsible for recruiting students, evaluating candidates for admission, and planning and implementing events for potential applicants. Among his goals for the school are "to increase the quality and diversity of the incoming class" in order to make the Law School even better than it already is.

Marci Kelly's most recent position was at the University of Puget Sound School of Law in Tacoma, Washington, where she served as an associate professor. She has taught at the University of Washington School of Business in Seattle and at University of Notre Dame School of Law as a visiting professor. In addition, Marci has worked as an attorney-advisor for the U.S. Tax Court in Washington, D.C., and as an associate tax attorney for Lord Day & Lord in New York City. Marci has a B.A. in



Marci L. Kelly, Associate Dean and Director of the LL.M Tax Program

political science from Vassar College; a J.D. from the University of Virginia Law School; and an LL.M. from New York University School of Law.

Her duties at GGU encompass organizing course materials, hiring, and doing recruitment for the LL.M. program, as well as teaching parttime in the program. "Our goal is t maintain and strengthen the standards for post-graduate education in the tax field and to increase the number of lawyers participating in this education," she explained.

# Public Interest Loan Update

n the spring of 1991, the Law School instituted a Public Interest Loan Assistance Program (PILAP) to provide grants to Law School graduates who choose careers in public interest law. The grants are designed to help individuals repay their student loans and are to be awarded on the basis of financial need.

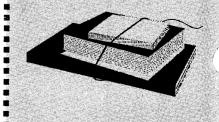
Initial funding for PILAP was provided by a \$25,000 allocation from the University to be used to create an endowment. In addition, last spring law students voted to increase their student fees by \$20 a year in order to help pay for the program. A spring fundraiser also provided financial support to the grant program.

A steering committee has been formed to determine which positions qualify within the category of public interest law. The committee will also set monetary limits for the grants.

During the coming months, Law School graduates will receive a letter with more specific information on how to apply for public interest loan assistance. In the meantime, contributions are needed to provide ongoing availability of grants to public interest graduates. To make a contribution to the Public Interest Loan Assistance Program, please send a check to: Golden Gate University School of Law, 536 Mission Street, San Francisco, CA 94105.

# Library Card

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# **Class Notes**

#### lass of 1990

Lisa Elliott has opened her own practice in San Francisco. She specializes in civil litigation with an emphasis in real estate and probate.

Christine Rae Garner recently passed the Washington state bar and is planning to open a Victorian Bed and Breakfast in San Juan Islands.

Michael C. Hewitt is an attorney with Turner, Cooper & Reynolds in Irvine.

John Karris is working as a research attorney for the Santa Clara County Superior Court.

Kenneth Y. Nakamura has been appointed deputy public defender with the Los Angeles County Public Defender.

#### Class of 1989

Jean Gifford has joined the law offices of Thomas D. Seck in Sacramento as an associate, ecializing in trusts and estate

planning.

Constance E. Norton has joined the technology litigation practice of Cooley, Godward, Castro, Huddleson & Tatum in Palo Alto.

John P. Pezone is a felony trial attorney with the Sacramento District Attorney's Office.

#### Class of 1988

James J. Phillips has been certified as a probate, estate planning, and trust law specialist by the State Bar of California Board of Legal Specialization.

Carroll D. Smith has opened a law office in San Francisco, specializing in transportation law.

#### Class of 1987

Melodie R. Aduja will complete her LL.M. degree at Golden Gate in December. She plans to start a practice in Honolulu and specialize estate planning and federal axation.

Ellyn Moscowitz has joined the firm of Engel & Gertler in San Francisco, specializing in personal

injury. She also teaches at the University of San Francisco School of Law.

Lyle D. Siering is an attorney in San Mateo specializing in estate planning and living trusts.

Jean Vieth has been appointed legal advisor to Commissioner Norman D. Shumway of the California Public Utilities Commission.

Karen L. Winters practices in California and Nevada and specializes in real estate, business, personal injury, divorce, and Nevada probate.

George A. (Tony) Wolusky practiced with the San Bernardino County District Attorney's office for a year until his wife, an air force officer, received orders to Germany. He then joined the Air Force Judge Advocate Department and is now a captain and assistant staff judge advocate at Ramstein Air Base.

#### Class of 1986

John J. Camozzi completed his M.B.A. from Golden Gate University in 1990. He left his position as an insurance defense litigator and began practicing law in January.

Margaret B. Crow spent 2-1/2 years with the U.S. Department of Justice Indian Resources section and a year in a private Indian law practice. Currently she works as a staff attorney for California Indian Legal Services where she specializes in Indian/environmental law issues and water law.

Esther Nicastro-Capon is a staff attorney for the Contra Costa Legal Assistance for the Elderly, Inc., where she practices elder law.

#### Class of 1985

Delphine Szyndrowski Adams is the author of a chapter, "Buyer, Seller and Broker," in the book, Real Property Practice and Litigation, published by McGraw-Hill, Inc.

Hrair Balian represents Human Rights Advocates and serves as executive director of Covcas Center for Law and Conflict Resolution in Geneva, Switzerland.

Norm Howard serves as a deputy public defender for the Sonoma County Public Defender's

office in Santa Rosa. He also teaches Evidence at Empire Law School in Santa Rosa.

Ross Meltzer serves as legislative counsel for the National Congress of Pilau in the South Pacific.

Scott R. Miller was elected to the board of directors of the St. Mary's Administration and the Festival Arts in Corvallis, Oregon.

Robert Silverman has opened an office in Oakland, where he specializes in real estate, elder law, personal injury, and civil litigation.

Rebecca S. Young recently completed a four month trial in a death penalty case in Contra Costa County.

#### Class of 1984

Vikki A. Adams is working as general counsel and vice president of strategic planning for MPH, Inc., in Santa Rosa.

Matthew P. Guasco is in his second year of private appellate practice in Ventura, having left the Marin Public Defender's office after nearly five years.

Robert F. Kelleher entered into a partnership called M.J. Gross and Associates, health care consultants to the mental health industry.

Mitchell Posin is the treasurer of the Nevada Attorneys for Criminal Justice for the second year and recently gave the opening remarks at a seminar sponsored by the organization.

#### Class of 1983

Arthur N. Carpenter is a sole practitioner in San Francisco and specializes in plaintiff suits, criminal defense, and immigration law.

Linda J. LeZotte is the director of the Spark Foundation Board of Directors, director of the San Jose Rotary Club-North Board of Directors, and the director and treasurer of Women Ahead, the Santa Clara Women Lawyers Association.

Vicki Pasek has joined Cameron Markby Hewitt in London, where she serves as the European Economic Community Research Consultant with the firm.

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Jose H. Robles has started a private practice in Tucson after more than six years of working for the public defender; three years for the Pima County Public Defender, and three-and-a-half years for the federal P.D.

Leslie Rose is presently representing an inmate on California's death row.

#### Class of 1982

Ronald G. Bachrach is the assistant vice president of Mutual of New York.

Steven R. Bolen has opened a sole proprietor's office in Lake Oswego, Oregon, emphasizing in estate planning and trusts.

Leanna M. Dawydiak is working as an administrative assistant for Assemblyman John Burton and has opened a practice with Richard Corriea, '88.

Sara Becker Evans has opened her own practice in San Francisco, with emphasis on defense of tort claims in the areas of personal injury, professional liability, and construction defect.

Ira Freydkis is a sole practitioner in San Francisco specializing in personal injury.

Christina Johnson has opened her own practice in San Francisco where she specializes in medical malpractice, landlord-tenant issues, and construction litigation.

Steven R. Rhoads is the editor of the Oakland-based magazine *Trials Digest*, which made its debut in August and provides information on current civil trial results.

John C. Richardson has been appointed to represent the Carpenters Trust Funds of Southern California in the Council of Institutional Investors. He was also elected to the organization's executive committee.

Peter Sproul is an attorney with Varni, Fraser, Hartwell, Lanferman & Rodgers in Oakland, where he specializes in real estate and business transactions, as well as litigation, probate, and estate planning.

#### Class of 1981

Loesji de Kock has accepted a position in Amsterdam with the International Bureau of Fiscal Documentation as editor of the International Value Added Tax (VAT) Monitor.

Alan H. Gordon was appointed staff counsel to the California State Senate in Sacramento.

Norma J. Lambert received an award from the Bar Association of San Francisco as an "Outstanding Volunteer in Public Service" for providing *pro bono* family law services through the Volunteer Legal Services Program.

Kirk G. Mitchell spent the months of February and March in the Middle East, working for the government of Kuwait during the occupation and liberation following the Gulf War.

Susan L. Narita is now associated with Sadhna D. Narayan. Her Oakland-based law offices continue to provide defense to the insurance industry and local municipalities.

Ernest L. Tichenor is working as a tax law/pension plan specialist with the Internal Revenue Service in Woodland Hills.

Ann Hardgrove Voris argued a case before the U.S. Supreme Court in October, involving a prisoner granted a writ of habeas corpus by the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals on *Estelle v. McGuire*. She specializes in civil and criminal appellate practice.

#### Class of 1980

Robert F. Dennis is a graduate student in aeronautical engineering at California Polytech State University in San Luis Obispo.

Bernard E. Galitz is a solo practitioner in Poway, California, with an emphasis in bankruptcy and family law.

William W. Klein has been elected president of the Danville Area Chamber of Commerce. He is also a partner in the firm of Baker, Klein & Schwartz in San Ramon.

James A. Tiemstra was elected to a three-year term on the First Board of Directors of the Bay Area Bankruptcy Forum.

#### Class of 1979

Karen L. Hawkins was appointed to a three-year term on the California State Bar Taxation Section Executive Committee; a two-year term as American Bar Association (ABA) Taxation Section Liaison to the western region-IRS; and a three-year term as ABA Tax Section Chair of the Subcommittee on Civil Penalties.

Frances Leonard has published a book, Women and Money, which discusses legal and economic strategies for mid-life women.

Ellen M. Singer has a general civil practice emphasizing personal injury cases in Novato, California.

#### Class of 1978

Gus Diaz and Joyce Frederick are both practicing law in Guam.

has relocated his law practice from Fremont to Sutherlin, Oregon, where he specializes in probate and estate planning, real property, general business, and family law.

Gary W. Goldstein produced to feature film *Pretty Woman* for Touchstone Pictures, starring Julia Roberts and Richard Gere.

Steven M. McCarthy is working for the San Francisco office of Jacoby & Myers in the personal injury division.

Lewis N. Nelson is a sole practitioner in Oakland, specializing in personal injury, construction law, real estate law, and civil litigation.

Carol M. Wickham was promoted to partner with the firm of Simone, O'Rourke, Hickey, Wickham & Mascola in Yonkers, New York.

#### Class of 1977

Donna M. Beck was recently appointed to the State Bar Law Office Management Section Executive Committee for a three-year term.

Daniel V. Burke has received certification as a family law speci ist from the State Bar of California Board of Legal Specialization.

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Steve Goldblatt is an associate professor in the College of Architecture and Urban Planning at the University of Washington and is the editor of 1991 Wiley Construction Law Update, from Wiley Law Publications.

Arlene Kostant will be teaching Family Law Negotiation at Hastings College of the Law during the 1992 spring semester.

lan Macrae is a partner in Macrae & Richmond, based in Issaquah, Washington, where he cializes in business litigation and ramily law.

Richard B. Nettler has joined the Washington, D.C. office of Robins, Kaplan, Miller & Ciresi as a partner,

where he specializes in business, civil rights, and land use litigation and historic preservation. Previously he was a partner at Gordon, Feinblatt, Rothman, Hoffberg & Holland.

Julia L. Ross is president of the Berkeley-Albany Bar Association for 1991.

Peter J. Smith has accepted a position as deputy attorney general for the state of Nevada in the environmental protection division. He has closed his private practice after 10 years.

Vicki L. Testa was named real estate counsel for ERA Network Real Estate of Northern and Central California.

#### Class of 1976

The Honorable Elaine M. Andrews has been appointed to the Anchorage, Alaska Superior Court.

Sandra Snyder-Hylton was appointed to Fresno County Superior Court in January of 1991.

#### Class of 1974

Robert M. Baird has been appointed conference referee with the Salinas district office of the Worker's Compensation Appeals Board.

Lee D. Baxter was the 1991 recipient of the Golden Gate University Judith McKelvey Award.

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#### Class of 1973

David W. Brennan has retired from active law practice.

#### Class of 1967

The Honorable R. Perry Shipman was re-elected to his fourth six-year term as Judge of the 76th Judicial Circuit of the State of Indiana.

#### Class of 1966

Allen J. Kent was elected to managing partner of Dooley, Anderson, Johnson & Pardini in Mill Valley.

#### Class of 1965

Wilbur J. Lindgren has retired as vice president, human resources planning and development, for Kaiser Foundation Health Plan and has relocated to Grass Valley.

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#### Class of 1964

Richard A. Dannells, Jr. has retired from Air Products and Chemicals, Inc., in Allentown, Pennsylvania and has opened a private practice in San Francisco, specializing in patent law.

#### **Transitions**

Leanna M. Dawydiak, '82, is the mother of a son, Johnpaolo, born in December, 1990.

Judy Freeman, '74 and Mark Wasserman, '87 are the parents of Zachary Wasserman, born December, 1990.

Wendell Hutchinson, '82, and his wife are the parents of a son.

James C. Mann, '87, and his wife Francesca are the parents of Michael James Mann, born in August, 1991.

Leslie Rose, '83, gave birth to a daughter, Anya, in May 1990.

Susan Rutberg, '75, and adjunct professor Joseph Billingsley are the parents of Ana Lucia Billingsley, born June, 1991.

#### In Memoriam

Andrew Basey, '58
Linda R. Caputo, '87
Mary S. Gordon, '74
John W. Green, '76
James A. Houston, '82
Andrea Karpas, '82
Leon J. Lentz, Jr., '83
David Shear, '87

# **Faculty Notes**

Professor J. Lani Bader participated as a panelist in "Mediation and Arbitration Day" in November.

Tony Bastone, Director of Law Placement, will be a guest speaker at the National Association for Law Placement's West/Rocky Mountain Regional Conference in January.

Professor Robert K. Calhoun, was honored by the First District Appellate Project and the Bar Association of San Francisco for his five-and-a-half years as the original executive director of the First District Appellate Project.

Professor Thomas M. Goetzl published an article entitled, "Peril of Art," in *The Recorder* in October.

In early November, Professor Les Minkus participated in a seminar on "Ethical Issues in Workers' Compensation Practice," sponsored by the California Compensation Defense Attorney's Association.

Professor David B. Oppenheimer appeared on KTVU's "Mornings on 2" in October to discuss the Clarence Thomas confirmation process. He also published an article in the San Francisco Examiner in September which addressed the litigation issues surrounding AB101. Professor Oppenheimer was recently named to the Legal Committee of the ACLU of Northern California.

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