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Former Director of Environmental Law and Justice Clinic tapped to head Law School

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif. (July 8, 2008) — Golden Gate University (GGU) School of Law today announces the appointment of Professor Alan Ramo as its new acting dean, effective August 1, 2008. Ramo previously served as director of the LLM Environmental Law Program and acting director of the JD Environmental Law Program. He succeeds former Dean Frederic White, who has served as dean since 2004.

Ramo was selected to serve as acting dean by his peers on the School of Law faculty and by GGU President Dr. Dan Angel and will serve in the position until the School of Law selects a permanent dean from a nationwide search.

“Given his long history with the Law School, Alan probably knows the place better than most,” Angel said. “He has done excellent, award-winning work with the Environmental Law and Justice Clinic, and we expect he will demonstrate this same level of excellence in his work as acting dean.”

Ramo has been a professor at the GGU School of Law since 1994 and directed the Environmental Law and Justice Clinic from that year through 2007. During his tenure at the Law School, he has served on several governmental advisory committees, including the San Francisco Health Summit Advisory Group, the California State Water Resources Control Board External Review’s Water Resources Committee, and the Cal-EPA Comparative Risk Project’s Environmental Justice Committee.

“The Law School thrives by training students to succeed as lawyers in business, governmental service and public interest work,” said Ramo. “My appointment confirms the faculty’s appreciation of the importance of integrating clinical work and practice skills into the traditional law school curriculum.”

During the course of his career, Ramo and the Environmental Law and Justice Clinic have received several awards, including The Clinical Legal Education Association Award for Excellence in a Public Interest Case or Project, the Environment Now Foundation Wells Family Award in Urban Renewal, the EPA Region IX Earth Day Award, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors Commendation, the Environmental Law Foundation Chappell Hayes Environmental Justice Award, and the ABA SONREEL Law Student Clinic Award.
Ramo holds a JD from the University of California Berkeley; a master of journalism from the University of California, Berkeley; and a bachelor of arts in political science from Stanford University.

**About Golden Gate University School of Law**

Founded in 1901, Golden Gate University School of Law offers a variety of programs for beginning law students and practicing lawyers.

Golden Gate University School of Law is fully accredited by the American Bar Association and the Committee of Bar Examiners of the State of California and is a member of the Association of American Law Schools. Graduates qualify to take the bar exam in all 50 states and in the District of Columbia.

**About Golden Gate University**

Golden Gate University offers quality educational programs designed to meet the needs of working adults, with undergraduate and graduate degrees in accounting, business, taxation, technology and law. Day, evening and weekend courses are available year-round at the San Francisco campus and at GGU’s teaching sites in Roseville, San Jose, Walnut Creek and Monterey Bay, as well as online through the university’s CyberCampus.

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