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Bay Area Alumni Named "Best Lawyers"

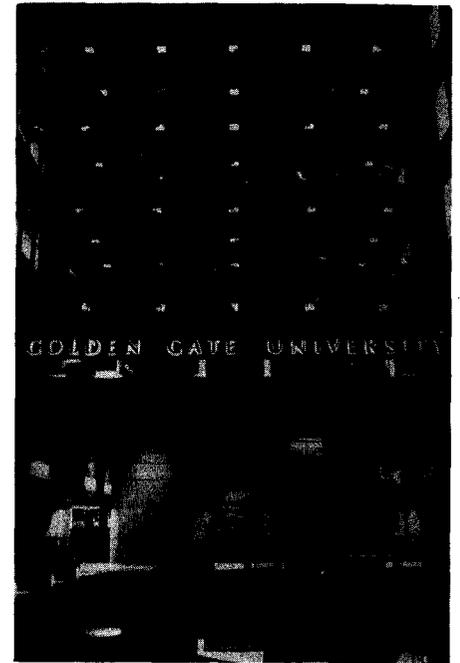
Four family law practitioners and a criminal law specialist from GGU's Law School join Joseph Alioto, James Brosnahan, William Coblenz and 215 other attorneys on the Bay Area portion of the 7,200 "Best Lawyers in America" list. The listing is derived from peer rankings by legal colleagues and is compiled by Woodward/White Incorporated, a New York-based publishing firm. The two principals, Steven Naifeh and Gregory Smith, are Harvard Law School alumni who coordinated the first such ranking in 1983. Diana Richmond, JD '73, was Golden Gate's sole Bay Area graduate selected for that edition. This latest edition features four GGU family law practitioners: Richmond; Ruth R. Miller, JD '70, LLM '85; Pamela E. Pierson, JD '75; and Sarita C. Waite, JD '69. They are joined on the list by Guy N. Jinkerson, JD '69, a criminal law practitioner.

Diana Richmond has a family law partnership in San Francisco. She noted that Golden Gate has traditionally been more receptive to admitting women students and did so long before many other law schools in the Bay Area. She is not surprised that four of GGU's five listings are female family law specialists. She herself has been involved with the practice of family law since 1973. While an article of this nature "begets some inappropriate referrals," she noted, for the most part the impact is intangible. As other lawyers read about the listing, however, some solid client referrals are made. Diana was also recognized by *Town and Country* magazine in 1985 as

one of the nation's outstanding family law attorneys.

Ruth Miller, partner in the Foster City firm of Davidson, Miller and Digiacinto, was not at all surprised to find GGU graduates selected as "Best Lawyers in America." "GGU has always turned out fine lawyers," she remarked, and alumni should not have "inferiority complexes" when comparing their legal education to that provided by other law schools. Some referrals and clients have developed as a result of the Woodward/White article, but the greater response has been from colleagues in the legal community. Ruth originally enrolled in law school because of her interest in family law. She was "grossly offended" by the law before it was changed to provide for no-fault divorce, and actually began her studies before changes were made in the Family Law Act. While in law school she wrote family law articles for the *Law Review* and also served as editor. Well-known in the Bay Area legal community, Ruth is a past president of the Queen's Bench, and was the first chair (1977-1982) of the State Bar's Family Law Specialization Committee.

Pamela E. Pierson practices family law in San Francisco and is a partner in the firm of Schapiro, Thorn, Pierson, Inc. A large number of women who practice family law are GGU graduates, she commented, and added that "the GGU environment encourages personalities and approaches that work well in family law practice." Rather than hard-line litigating, her preferred style of practice is "negotia-



tion and mediation with opposing counsel." As a family law specialist, she feels that it is her responsibility to "create something rather than to take something apart. Dissolution actions need not be destructive; they are rather a rite of passage and it is the responsibility of lawyers to serve as facilitators and as role models."

Sarita Waite, a family law practitioner since 1970, originally entered the field because of the gender discrimination inherent in the legal profession in the late 1960s. At that time, she remarked, it was easier for a woman to enter law practice as a family law attorney. For her, family

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Assistant Dean Walker to Leave GGU

Marriage and the city of Chicago have enticed Assistant Dean Vivian Walker away from the School of Law after a six-year career in educational administration. When she first affiliated with the University, it was to work with Professor Arnold Sternberg as director of the National Land Use Conference held in September 1980. Her assistant dean's role was a new position created in the fall of 1981 by Acting Dean Neil Levy. Initially Vivian held responsibilities for American Bar Association reporting, indirect cost analysis, Law School publications and student surveys. Her educational background, acquired through pursuit of an MA in Sociology at Memphis State University with concentration in the "sociology of law," prepared her well for her work at GGU. These studies were enhanced by attainment of a doctoral degree in sociology from Northwestern University in 1984.

As she gained more familiarity with the University and the Law School, her responsibilities evolved rapidly. By 1986 she had management assignments in 14 diversified areas of law school administration, including school scholarships, commencement, Bar exam statistics, voluntary Bar coursework, supervision of the Placement Office, coordination of the legal externship program and computerization of academic records. Many of



Vivian Walker is moving to Chicago.

these new responsibilities evolved out of a combination of factors; the two major influences were the direction of the Law School itself, and the personnel available to share managerial duties.

Vivian is particularly proud of several accomplishments. Golden Gate was the first California law school to offer voluntary courses to prepare students for the changes in the state's Bar exam when the performance section was added in 1982. She helped develop plans for a comprehensive student database, designed to track law students from application, enrollment and graduation, to Bar passage and alumni involvement. She shared responsibility

defendants. After nearly four years with the PD's office he joined the Los Angeles firm that handled the Equity Funding scandal. After a year and a half in southern California, he returned to the South Bay where he developed his own practice. Currently he is a principal in the firm of Shea and Jinkerson, handling both criminal and civil cases.

Bay Area lawyers involved with other facets of the Law School were also named to the list. They included Visiting Committee Members Luther J. Avery, also a GGU Trustee, Jerome B. Falk, Jr., and Michael Traynor. Robert Raven, a business litigation specialist in San Francisco, and a member of the Garcia Scholarship Advisory Committee, was also one of the Bay Area attorneys included.

for the hiring of more and more outstanding law school administrative staff and writing and research faculty.

During her tenure, the School of Law experienced a reduction in size in reaction to external market forces. The nationwide enrollment decline has forced an internal examination of short and long-range goals, and a dialogue on how to best balance the interests of the school's four constituencies: students, alumni, faculty and administrators. To respond to student interest in new content areas, the School has developed an outstanding family law program, added courses in tax law and corporation law and expanded its dispute resolution program. According to the American Bar Association, Golden Gate is the leading law school in the United States in combined course offerings in arbitration, counseling, litigation and mediation. Vivian has also observed an increased emphasis on cultivating and supporting Law School alumni. There has been more personal contact between deans and alums, enhanced library and placement services, class reunions and group luncheons and tangible progress in compilation of the first Law Alumni Directory since 1979. At graduation each year, outstanding alumni are also recognized and introduced to the graduating class.

From Vivian's perspective, the School's future direction lies in the solutions to complementary problems. Curriculum offerings that aid students in preparation for the California Bar exam also result in quality teaching and enhanced academic freedom in teaching methodologies. An upgraded academic assistance program provides increased support for students, thereby enabling them to meet higher academic standards. Upper division classes now have a stronger emphasis on analytical and written communication skills. According to Vivian, students from other law schools such as Hastings and USF often seek out GGU students for guidance on writing and research techniques and in the local marketplace, employers who retain GGU students as law clerks often remark about the high writing and research competencies they demonstrate.

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law is also the best area to be in; establishing and maintaining a practice "requires your best, and the client deserves the best from the practitioner." "Res ita loquitur" was her observation on the fact that four of the five GGU grads listed are female family law specialists. Despite her own love for the law, Sarita closed her Berkeley-based firm of Waite and Reeves at the end of January and traveled to Rome where she will study classical and modern sculpture.

Guy Jinkerson initiated his career in criminal defense law as an attorney in the Santa Clara County Public Defender's Office in 1970. His decision to practice criminal law was influenced by Warren-era Supreme Court decisions that expanded the rights of

Dean's REPORT

Last spring the Law School developed a long range Plan to guide us during the next few years. That Plan was the result of deliberations by an *ad hoc* Long Range Planning Committee consisting of President Otto Butz, Vice President Susan Barney, Professors Lani Bader, Mort Cohen, Judith McKelvey and Myron Moskovitz, and myself.

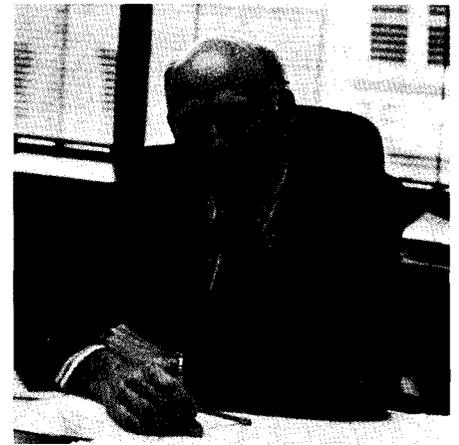
The Committee met weekly over a period of several months. It devised new recruitment strategies and drafted a Mission Statement and Operating Guidelines for the School. These documents were reported to the entire Golden Gate Alumni family in the most recent issue of the *Golden Gate University Magazine* (Fall, 1986). Professor Bader also developed a detailed, computerized projection of the status of the School over the next half-dozen years. His projections included predictions about enrollment, tuition, inflation, anticipated expenses

and potential income or loss.

Armed with this mass of material, the Long Range Planning Committee met with the Law School's Visiting Committee and then with the University's Board of Trustees in late May. The Board unanimously agreed to underwrite the Law School during the next few years while it goes through a period of transition.

What is that transition and what did the Committee have in mind? A few summary statements can provide the answer. We do not envisage a continuing decline in applications, but we do envisage a smaller School, because the faculty has mandated stricter admission requirements and much more demanding academic standards. As a result, fewer students will be accepted, and those who cannot meet our standards will not be passed through to graduation. These new requirements were hammered out at several faculty meetings and are the result of a heartening process of introspection and renewal which took place in the School last spring.

In addition to the changes just mentioned, the Long Range Planning Committee recommended the creation of a new Faculty Standards



Committee composed of three faculty members and chaired by the dean. That Committee has been hard at work since last fall and has drafted a comprehensive set of standards to guide and inform faculty performance in teaching, scholarship, administrative duties and activities outside the School. It is important to mention this development because the alumni should know that the faculty is seriously examining itself as well as the standards which affect student performance.

So Golden Gate will be a smaller School, and, if all goes as planned, it will be a more academically demanding School. It had 800 students when I arrived four years ago; we have slightly over 500 today. We are not, however, going to be a radically different School. There will still be an emphasis on recruiting a diverse student body. We shall continue to offer numerous courses which train students in practical skills such as criminal and civil litigation, appellate advocacy, interviewing, counselling and negotiation. There will be no diminution in our commitment to the public interest.

So far we can discern some favorable, preliminary indications about the future direction of the School. While in my judgment the bar pass rate of the School is unacceptable, it improved considerably over the performance of a year before. Applications to our midyear admission and fall classes are up, perhaps in part due to our new recruitment efforts. Our placement picture has improved, as has the amount of financial aid we can provide. And not least, we have a strong expression of alumni support in the pledges made during our recent telethon campaign. Your help is vital during this period of change, and I can assure you that it is deeply appreciated.

—John P. Wilson, Dean

GGU Ranked in Nation's Top Half

A rating system that had placed Golden Gate University School of Law near the bottom of the all U.S. ABA-accredited law schools in 1980 has moved the school's rating to the top half.

Of the 175 accredited law schools, Golden Gate University School of Law was ranked 79th in the 1985 edition of *The Gourman Report: A Rating of Graduate and Professional Programs in American & International Universities*. The 1980 edition of the report ranked Golden Gate 133rd out of 166 schools, and as recently as 1984, this law school ranked 134th out of 172 schools.

The current ranking places Golden Gate University just behind Brigham Young University and just ahead of University of Oklahoma, Florida State University and DePaul University. Much farther behind GGU were Baylor University, College of William and Mary and Wake Forest.

The report is published by National Education Standards of Los Angeles and is compiled by Jack Gourman, Ph.D., a professor of political science at California State University at Northridge. The reports are published in

January of each year.

Dr. Gourman said that the reason Golden Gate University had moved so quickly out of the cellar into the respectable range for law schools was due to several factors.

The first factor he mentioned was administration. Dr. Gourman said that improvements in the curriculum and academic standards were major considerations.

"Golden Gate has an excellent faculty," he said. "No one knows about it. If Golden Gate has a problem, it is a public relations problem. Golden Gate is not as well known as it should be."

Dr. Gourman considers faculty salaries an important factor in ranking law schools. "A law school is only as good as its faculty. A law school must pay high salaries to attract high quality professors. These professors in turn enhance the quality of the curriculum. "There are a lot of good people at Golden Gate," Gourman said. "If it continues to improve, it could become one of the 'good' schools."

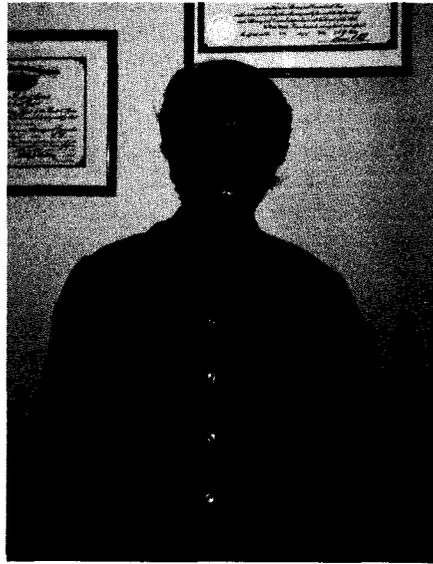
—J.G. Cigon, Jr.

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Spotlight on Queen's Bench Recipient

Pat Quintiliani, JD '83, first recipient of the Ann Glover Verney Memorial Loan Fund, established at GGU's School of Law by the Queen's Bench in 1985, utilized the funds precisely for their intended purpose. As a recent law school graduate setting up her own plaintiff personal injury practice in San Francisco, Quintiliani found herself with a cash flow problem during the first year of operation. Since personal injury cases cannot be settled until the plaintiff has stabilized medically, and because it usually takes about one year for a case to close and contingency fees to be realized, a new practitioner can often experience a long start-up period without operating income. The \$3,400 Queen's Bench loan enabled Quintiliani to meet her office expenses and finance her investigative costs while she dealt with claims adjusters and clients.

A former biology teacher who left New York for the Bay Area in the late 1970s, Quintiliani first became interested in GGU because of its environmental course offerings. As she progressed through first year, she became more and more interested in personal injury and medical malpractice. In 1983 Pat authored a study on "Unnecessary Hysterectomy: The Lack of Informed Consent" for the



Pat Quintiliani used her loan to set up a personal injury practice.

Women's Law Forum of the *GGU Law Review*. In her words, the article presented a "practitioner's guide" on tort clauses of action and grounds for personal injury suits. In her daily practice she handles not only medical malpractice, but also auto accidents and landlord-tenant cases.

It was in GGU's extern program, Pat feels, rather than in the classroom,

that she obtained both her interest in personal injury cases and her preparation to practice law. Abstract legal concepts taught in law school courses were supplemented by hands-on experience in the work environment. Here she learned how to handle filings and pleadings, how to deal with opposing counsel and how to take a case to trial. Managing a new practice has been another challenge, and Pat commented that she would have liked to have taken a business management class for lawyers at GGU.

Reflecting on her decision to leave education and enter law, Quintiliani feels she made the right decision. While she finds it extremely difficult to establish a new practice in San Francisco, her job is "a piece of cake compared to law school." She's now getting five hours sleep a night, and leaves the office at 8pm. She has formed a partnership with another GGU grad, Tom Olszewski, JD '83, and is well on her way to meeting the income goal she has set for herself. A Queen's Bench member herself, Pat encourages other women graduates to apply for the Verney Memorial Loan. Application information may be found in the corresponding article in this issue.

Law School Telethon A Big Success

Golden Gate Law School recently completed a very successful tele-marketing fund raising campaign. "Telethon '86," the first of its kind for the Law School, was a concentrated effort to reach all Golden Gate alumni by phone during a three week period in October and November.

As a result of this campaign, the amount of funds pledged tripled compared to the fall 1985 fund raising drive. To date the Law School has received approximately 65 percent of those funds, and we are continuing to encourage fulfillment of all pledges.

Another indication of the success of the campaign was the participation rate. Among those alumni reached by phone, 33.8 percent made a pledge, up 26.8 percent from the fall 1985

response to the Annual Fund solicitation.

The vast majority of the funds contributed were in the form of unrestricted gifts. However, a number of alumni also specified their gifts for scholarships and the Law Library. Those alumni who contributed \$25 or more will be given the opportunity to receive a Law Library card which is good for one year. The Law Library will send card request information. (All alumni have complimentary use of both the Law and the Business Library for two years immediately following their semester of completion.)

The primary purpose of Telethon '86 was to solicit financial support for the Law School. The campaign also provided an important opportunity to

talk with alumni about recent accomplishments in the School, to address questions and concerns, and to contribute to our major effort this year to update alumni addresses and phone numbers for the upcoming Law School Alumni Directory.

We were very pleased by the number of alumni who wanted to contribute to the campaign. However, we were unable to reach a number of you because of inaccurate address and phone number information. We are now trying to bring our records up to date. Please help us in that effort by making sure the information for your alumni records are correct. When you move or change jobs, please mail the address change form, located in each issue of the *Alumni Forum*, back to the Law School.

Special '77 Reunion Planned for Nevada

The Law School graduating class of 1977 is organizing an informal reunion, hosted by Peter J. Smith, for Memorial Day weekend, May 23rd through 25th, in Carson City, Nevada. Peter is an attorney at law in Carson City, and active in local Bar Association events.

The reunion is planned to focus on an elaborate Sunday afternoon barbecue as the main event, with informal field trips and sporting events the day before and after. Carson City is half an hour from Lake

Tahoe, Reno and the historic mining town of Virginia City, and two hours from the restored ghost town of Bodie, from Pyramid Lake and from Mono Lake.

There are ample opportunities for bicycling, golfing, fishing, boating, gambling and camping in the surrounding countryside, and there are a variety of hot springs hidden away in the hills.

Commitments have already been made by Jeff Appleman and Susie Englebert, Marilyn Teeter, Rich Salcido, Michael Keenan, Tony Darling, Michael Hayes and Rita Whalen. Peter encourages more Class of '77 graduates to attend, and welcomes staff and faculty as well. Spouse (limit of one per graduate), best friends and children are most welcome.

For alumni who call in advance, ground transportation from the Reno train station or airport will be arranged, as will hotel, motel, bed and breakfast, trailer park or campground accommodations. If you think you might be able to attend, PLEASE

CALL PETER J. SMITH at (702) 883-6024, or write to him at 300 West Second Street, Carson City, NV 89701.

The traditional ten-year class reunion will also be held in San Francisco, with the Class of '77 joining the Class of '82 for a combined event on Saturday, May 30, 1987.

Directory Update

All Law and LLM alumni should have received a request for essential information required for the timely completion of the new Law Alumni Directory. We sincerely hope that everyone contacted has been able to complete and return the questionnaire. The tentative release date for the directory is May 15, 1987.

Publication of the directory will be handled by Harris Publishing Company of White Plains, New York, the sole authorized agent for production and marketing of the directory. Harris assumes all financial obligation, including the compilation, editing, billing and distribution of the volume, and will cover its costs through individual book sales to alumni only. This plan will assure the professional publication of a high-quality directory.

All telephone contact with alumni has now been completed. The callers verified the information which alumni provided on the questionnaires and information currently held on alumni records. At the same time, the telephone representatives invited alumni to purchase personal copies of the directory. If you have not yet ordered a copy, you may contact the publisher directly at the following address: Customer Service Department, Bernard C. Harris Publishing Company, Inc., 3 Barker Avenue, White Plains, NY 10601. A soft cover edition is available for \$46.95 plus shipping and a deluxe hardcover edition is \$49.95 plus shipping.

Immigration Seminar

The Immigrant Legal Resource Center, whose San Francisco office is at GGU, co-sponsored a national training seminar on immigration with the National Center for Immigrant Rights at GGU in October. Over 150 people attended. The seminar included a wide range of subjects including visa processing, labor certification, federal court practice, asylum and other defenses to deportation. Speakers included alumni Bill May, '79; Helen Sklar, '74; and Lora Foo, '85.

Queen's Bench Loan Info

For the second consecutive year the School of Law is offering loans to women graduates to assist them in establishing their own law practice. The funds were originally donated to the Queen's Bench by Ann Glover Verney, a charter member of the organization. Committed to the advancement of women in the law, the Queen's Bench and Ann Glover Verney stipulated that the loan fund be made available solely to female lawyers. Through the leadership of Ruth Astle, JD '74, Queen's Bench President in 1985, Golden Gate Law School was selected to be the recipient of the Verney bequest.

The Queen's Bench Ann Glover Verney Memorial Loan Fund currently totals \$3,600. One or two loans will be available in April 1987, repayable in March 1988 at seven percent simple interest. Women graduates of Golden Gate interested in being considered for a loan may submit a written

application explaining: (1) where their practice is being established; (2) the immediate financial obligations and implications involved in beginning the practice; (3) a general statement of their need for loan funds; (4) the amount requested (\$3,600 maximum); (5) an indication of, or documentation on how, the loan will be repaid by March 31, 1988. Any other supporting documentation such as leases or equipment purchase agreements should also be submitted.

Deadline for applications is April 1, 1987. Applications will be reviewed by the Placement Director of the Law School and representatives of Queen's Bench. All applicants will be notified by mail within 30 days of the application deadline.

Applications and inquiries may be addressed to: Tony Bastone, Placement Director, School of Law, Golden Gate University, 536 Mission Street, San Francisco, CA 94105 (415) 442-7257.

Alumni NOTES

Due to space limitations, some Alumni Notes will be held until next issue.

Class of 1986

Margaret Crow is now a law clerk for the Indian Resources Section of the Land and Resources Division of the Justice Department in Washington, DC.

Herb Fox has a temporary appointment as research attorney for Justice Arthur Gilbert, Second Appellate District, Division G, State Court of Appeals. Gilbert hears appeals from Ventura, Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo counties.

Class of 1985

Jeffrey R. Olson is an associate with the Modesto law firm of Martin, Crabtree, Schmidt & Zeff which specializes in insurance defense and business litigation.

Suzanne Hiden has relocated to Quebec, Canada, where she intends to practice law.

Class of 1984

Matthew Guasco has been a deputy public defender with the Marin County Public Defender's Office since January 1986. Previously he was a staff research attorney on the David Carpenter "Trailside Killer" defense team. He has been mock trial judge for GGU and a moot court judge for USF.

Joan D. (Bolinsky) Edelsohn has been an associate at the firm of King, Johnson & Shapiro in Oakland for one year. She specializes in insurance defense work.

Last June, **Donna Duer** joined the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency as a staff attorney in the Water Enforcement Division. Her address is 401 M. St., S.W., Washington, DC 20460.

Marc Litton, an associate with Busnell, Caplan & Fielding, has moved with his office to 901 Market St., Suite 230, San Francisco 94103. Marc has been with the firm, which specializes in employment law and personal injury, since his first year of law school.

Rod Polentz has relocated his office to 555 California St., Suite 4380, San Francisco 94104. He will continue to emphasize real estate and related matters.

Steven Solomon has moved his office to 1757 Union St., San Francisco, 94123. He specializes in consumer protection, personal injury and criminal defense.

Kate Hafferkamp has become associated with Murphy, Pearson, Bradley & Feeney in San Francisco. She specializes in professional malpractice.

Joel Selik has opened an office for the general practice of law in association with R. Steven Young in Las Vegas, NV.

Enid Evans Baggett has opened her own law practice at the Pleasant Hill Plaza, 1934 Contra Costa Blvd., Pleasant Hill 94523. She emphasizes family law and social security matters.

Class of 1983

Lynn Kessner is now with the law firm of Woeltin, Van Dam & Flores, 444 Market St., San Francisco. She specializes in personal injury and workers' compensation, commuting frequently to the firm's Salinas office to represent farm laborers.

Class of 1982

The Law Offices of **Rosemary Corrie** have expanded and relocated to Moraga Square Offices, 1635 School St., Suite 107, Moraga, CA. The firm will continue to specialize in estate planning, wills, trusts, probate and business law.

The East Bay law firm of Sanders, Dodson, Rives, McLaughlin & Pegnim announces that **Deborah Jo Sandler** has become an associate. She specializes in family law.

After 16 months with the Los Angeles County District Attorney's office, **Anthony Sousa** has joined the San Francisco District Attorney's Office.

Mary Patricia Hough is an associate with the Law Offices of Sandra J. Springs, 414 Gough St., Suite 4, San Francisco 94102. In August, Mary Patricia married Gary E. Moss.

Michele Gilmer is one of the 48 individuals selected from across the country by the Coro Foundation to be in their Fellows Program in Public Affairs. She will train for nine months at the Coro Center's San Francisco office in an intensive experienced-based program which includes field placements in government, business, labor, political campaigns and community organizations.

Class of 1981

Adolph Domenic Mazzei has been admitted to the Connecticut bar. He is the assistant chief investigator for the District Attorney of San Francisco, due, he says, to the efforts of fellow '81 alumnus **Michael Terrizzi**.

Mark Nissenbaum has been promoted to senior trial attorney with the San Francisco Public Defender's Office. He is also an adjunct professor of law at GGU.

Susan Kay Barnett has become an associate with the East Bay firm of Brooks & Hughes, specializing in real estate and business law.

Class of 1978

Now in private practice in Los Angeles, **Janice Salter** was formerly

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1962, 1967, 1972 Saturday, May 9

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assistant director of Bet Tzedek Legal Services.

Sophie Serrato-Davenport is the president-owner of Home Equity Growth. With offices in the Bay Area and Sacramento, Home Equity Growth stops foreclosures of homes by granting the foreclosure victim an interest-free loan for a flat fee. Sophie's address is 1727 W. Martin Luther King Jr. Way, #216, Oakland 94612.

Jan M. Lecklikner is now a deputy public defender at the San Francisco Public Defender's Office.

Class of 1977

Alan Jaroslovsky has been appointed a bankruptcy judge for Northern California, sitting in Santa Rosa.

Marilyn Teeter has returned from maternity leave to her position of seven years as hearings examiner with the Hearings Unit of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commis-

sion. She and her husband, William Balin, have three children.

Lucy Robins has left the firm of Coldwell Banker in Los Angeles to become assistant vice president and legal counsel with T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc., in Baltimore, MD.

Dale Alffonso, who also has an MBA in Tax from GGU, was elected to a partnership of Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co., CPA's.

Roberta (Rickie) Avrutin is now an associate counsel with Western Title & Insurance Company in San Francisco.

Steve Goldblatt has been elected to a two-year term on the University of Washington's Faculty Senate Executive Committee.

Class of 1976

Acting Shasta County Counsel **Dave Frank** was recently appointed county counsel from a field of five finalists. He had been deputy county counsel since 1977 and said the bulk of

his work was on administrative and California constitutional law where he wrote "a lot" of legislation on behalf of county government.

Bill Rowen has been appointed to the steering committee of the United Democratic Campaign in Alameda County.

Sidney Hymes is now the senior bond counsel for the Industrial Indemnity Financial Corporation in San Francisco.

Valerie Karpman was a speaker at CEB's series of seminars on Handling of Trial Objections last summer.

The firm of Main Hurdman announces that **Craig D. Vagt** has been made a partner.

Class of 1975

Laura Rogers is now associate counsel, Citicorp Person-to-Person, Inc., 670 Mason Ridge Center Drive, PO Box 27332, St. Louis, MO 63141.

Milton Oliver has been named a

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We Need Your Help!

Please let us know when you have moved so that we will have your current address.

Also, the Admissions Office asks you to provide names and addresses of qualified candidates for admission.

If you are willing to be a member of the alumni network and to talk with prospective students about law school, please indicate that on the form; you will be contacted by the Admissions Office.

Finally, if you have a note for the Alumni Notes, kindly let us know. Please clip and mail this form to:

Gary Wishniewsky
Alumni Director
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Golden Gate University School
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San Francisco, CA 94105

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partner in the New York international patent law firm of Frishauf, Holtz, Goodman & Woodward, P.C.

Robert Suzenski is now practicing law in Scottsdale, AZ. He has been admitted to the bar in Arizona, New Mexico and Connecticut.

Delia Chilgren has been hired as counsel to the Association of California Insurance Companies in Sacramento and recently lectured on labor and employment law at GGU's Graduate School of Management.

Douglas R. Shaw has been named vice president and counsel for the Federal Reserve Bank in San Francisco. He previously was associate general counsel for the bank.

John E. Jones taught a course in Administrative Law at San Francisco Law School last fall.

Class of 1972

Eric Smith is working for the Commonwealth Attorney General in Saipan.

Class of 1969

Joseph A. Lasky, formerly with ISC Wines in San Francisco, has joined the staff at Almaden Vineyards in San Jose.

In Memorium

Everett Johnson (Class of 1974) passed away late last summer of a heart attack. He was a teacher of English and Social Studies at Oakland High School. A Doctor of Jurisprudence and a member of the California Bar Association, Phi Delta Kappa and the Association of California School Administrators, Mr. Johnson wrote several teachers' manuals on Asian philosophy. He also planned and developed materials for two of Oakland High's elective courses: Asian History and Introduction to Law.

A pre-legal scholarship has been established in his name at Oakland High. Contributions are welcome at 1023 MacArthur Blvd., Oakland 94610. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Everett Johnson, three sons and two daughters.

reform at the National Lawyers Guild meeting in San Francisco. And she recently had an article, "Business Closings and Employee Rights—Adaption of the Tort of Wrongful Discharge" in 8 *Industrial Relations Law Journal* 362, 1986.

Myron Moskovitz was elected in November to a four-year term on the Berkeley School Board. He was the highest vote getter among ten candidates.

In March, Conari Press of Berkeley will publish **Janice Kosel's** latest book, *Just In Case*, a handbook of all the information and legal forms Californians need to control their lives and property in the event of accident, serious illness or death. The book (\$10.95) includes perforated forms for the living will, durable power of attorney and statutory wills. To order, contact Conari Press, (415) 527-9915.

Thomas Goetzl gave testimony before Senator Edward Kennedy's subcommittee on Patents, Copyrights and Trademarks of the Senate's Judiciary Committee. He spoke on S.2796, The Visual Artists' Rights Amendment of 1986, in New York City. Also, an article of his was reprinted in *Entertainment, Publishing and the Arts Handbook* (1986). It is entitled "Copyright and the Visual Artist's Display Right: A New Doctrinal Analysis."

On February 20, Placement Director **Tony Bastone** represented the Law School at the third annual conference on Opportunities in Public Interest and Public Sector Law. The event was co-sponsored by GGU's Placement Office, in conjunction with the Public Interest Clearinghouse and the placement offices of Boalt, Davis, Hastings, McGeorge, USF and Stanford.

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Barbara Rhine is now a member of the National Board of Directors, Lawyers Alliance for Nuclear Arms Control (LANAC) and editor of the Bay Area chapter's newsletter. Locally, LANAC meetings are held the fourth Wednesday of every month. Barbara also has an intermittent series on KPFA radio where she presents legal issues of interest to the listening audience. In January she spoke on tort