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# Alumni FORUM

## John Wilson Steps Down as Law Dean

**O**n June 30, 1988, Dean John P. Wilson will turn over the top administrative position at the School of Law to Professor Anthony J. Pagano. For six years, nearly double the average tenure of law school deans in the United States, Wilson has endured the joys and frustrations of higher education administration. Upon his arrival in 1982 he brought with him a 1962 LL. B. from Harvard Law School, four years' experience as Harvard's associate dean, and 14 years of hard work at Boston University as associate dean and director of the Legal Studies Institute. As he leaves he will join a long line of distinguished Law School deans that includes Paul Jordan, John Gorfinkel, Lani Bader, Judy McKelvey and Neil Levy.

Prior to this interview Dean Wilson submitted the following statement: "The last half dozen years at Golden Gate have not been easy. The School has undergone a difficult period of transition. Painful decisions had to be made which impacted on the institution and the lives of people in it.

"I feel very pleased that the faculty has instituted much tougher academic standards and that we have managed to strengthen several administrative functions such as placement, counseling, alumni relations and development. As Dean, I take particular pride in an achievement which is not usually perceived or appreciated. Our enroll-



ment decline has resulted in a very substantial loss of income, yet we have managed over the last six years to control the deficit effectively and to keep the School moving forward. This was no small achievement."

Dean Wilson speaks most proudly of the number of programs developed for the Law School's alumni population under his administration. Working closely with Alumni Director Gary Wishniewsky he implemented the first annual class reunion program in 1984, offering the five, ten, fifteen, twenty and twenty-five year classes an opportunity to return to San Francisco and reunite with their classmates. At the initiative of several student organizations, and with the technical support of the Alumni Office, reunions have also been held for Law Review staff members; for three consecutive years outstanding women graduates have been honored at the Women's Association Student-Alumni Reception. During his tenure the first

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### Dean Anthony J. Pagano

**F**ollowing completion of his undergraduate studies in accounting at Fordham University, Class of 1960, Anthony J. Pagano entered and completed with distinction the School of Law curriculum at the University of Michigan, Class of 1963. After two years as an artillery captain in the U.S. Army, he moved to San Francisco and in 1965 began his legal career in anti-trust litigation at Morrison & Foerster. From 1967 to 1970 he served as assistant legal counsel at Crown Zellerbach, handling executive compensation, employee benefits and tax matters.

Professor Pagano became a member of Golden Gate's adjunct faculty in 1968 when he was invited to teach Income Taxation. In 1970 he was named to a full-time faculty position; he teaches courses in Estate Planning, Wills & Trusts and Community Property.

**Above:**  
**Outgoing Dean John P. Wilson (l.)**  
**with Dean Anthony Pagano.**

# Over 100 Employers Visit School

**D**uring the 1987-88 academic year more than 100 employers visited the Law School to provide career information and to discuss employment opportunities with Golden Gate students. Employer visits took place not only through the on-campus interview program, but also at the two job fairs developed by Placement Director Tony Bastone. Last fall the Placement Office and the Queen's Bench co-sponsored the First Annual Legal Career Options Day. In March the Second Annual Law School Placement Symposium was organized by Bastone and a group of student volunteers.

The annual Placement Symposium has been most successful. On the first of two days students have an opportunity to learn about job search resources available in the Placement Office. On the second day students circulate among employers to conduct brief



**Karen Hawkins, JD '79,  
MBA Tax '82, recruits  
students for Taggart & Hawkins.**

information interviews about pending job openings. Student receptivity has been outstanding; during the 1988

Symposium over 125 law students participated.

According to Placement Director Tony Bastone, what has been most gratifying has been the large number of law alumni who return to represent their respective employers. Participants on the "Legal Employer Perspective" panel included Jan Nussbaum, JD '75, now with Bianco, Brandi, Jones & Rudy, and James Harrigan, JD '75, legal counsel with S.F. Sheriff's Department. The panel discussed the qualities prospective employers look for in resumes, cover letters and interviews.

Alumni reps at the Symposium included Arthur Barbour, JD '85, Lillick, McHose & Charles; Kai Wessels, JD '85, Pillsbury, Madison, Sutro; Arlene Kostant, JD '77, family law specialist; Karen Hawkins, JD '79, Taggart & Hawkins; M. Henry Heines, JD '78, Townsend & Townsend; Lori Silver, LLM '84, Arthur Anderson; Lisa Gutzait, JD '87, Computerland; Lou DeMattei, JD '79, LLM '87, Bank of America; Marlys Huez, JD '76, State Department of Health Services; and Alice Perlman, JD '86, General Services Administration. Altogether 30 employees were represented, covering the legal career employment spectrum from law firms and corporations to public interest law and federal, state and local government agencies.

## DEAN WILSON CONTINUED

comprehensive Law Alumni Directory since 1979 was published, outstanding San Francisco lawyers, including alumna Diana Richmon, '73, were invited to join the Law School Visiting Committee, and a Blue Ribbon Committee of alumni was formed for fund-raising purposes.

Under Dean Wilson's direction, fund-raising consultant Jack Carter and he met with many older alumni to keep them accurately informed about the progress of the institution. Through personal solicitations and the annual fund phonaton, total law alumni giving quadrupled in six years' time. Alumni contributions allowed the Dean to oversee the refurbishing of the Moot Courtroom, finally giving it the appearance of a realistic courtroom setting. Faculty and staff recommendations were acted upon, resulting in the commitment to raise \$100,000 each for endowed student scholarships in the names of the late Presiding Judge of San Francisco Municipal Court, Louis Garcia, '52; the late Congressman

Phillip Burton, '52; and Pacific Lighting Vice Chairman Joseph Rensch, '55.

Following a sabbatical during the summer and fall semesters, Dean Wilson will return as Professor Wilson to teach courses in criminal law and health care regulation during the spring 1989 semester. He plans to keep his options open for the future, and will investigate opportunities in the areas of arbitration and health law consulting. His major frustration over the past six years? "I never had the chance to implement new programs, which I had hoped to do upon my arrival here. It was frustrating to spend so much time bailing water instead of setting the sails," he remarked. His parting advice: "I hope we continue to impose rigorous academic standards, to work hard at recruiting able students, to preserve the breadth of the curriculum, and to maintain an environment of concern for the welfare of our individual students. If we do these things, all will be well, and the School will continue to improve."

# Sally Dickson to Join Stanford Law School

After six years with Golden Gate's School of Law, Assistant Dean Sally Dickson has accepted an offer from the Stanford University Law School to assume the position of assistant dean for Student Affairs. Dickson joined the GGU faculty in 1982 as director of the Academic Assistance Program and was named assistant dean for academic affairs in 1986. As Stanford's Student Affairs dean, she will be responsible for recruitment, clinical programs, academic and personal counseling and budget management for student organizations.

Her wide range of responsibilities at GGU have prepared her well for this pending assignment. Not only did she develop the Academic Assistance Program, but she continued the orientation program for spouses and companions initiated by Jon Pevna-Manhan, and helped broaden the Law School's marketing plan to include new constituencies. Last year she helped plan the successful "Introduction to Law School" summer seminar for students considering a legal career, and this spring worked with Professor Lani Bader in shaping the Symposium for Pacific Rim attorneys on "Legal and Regulatory Aspects of Doing Business in the United States." Above all she enjoys a reputation among the student body for being open and accessible to all students.

"In the six years that I've been with Golden Gate," she remarked, "I cannot say that I have regretted one day." Particular strengths she perceives in the Law School include the diverse student body, a public interest focus in the curriculum, and the strong reputation of the Women's Association. Despite misconceptions on the part of some members of the legal community, Sally emphasized that GGU still has a "core group of faculty, students and administrators committed to public interest law."

She takes great pride in a number of achievements during her tenure at GGU. The Academic Assistance Program came out of work she had done while preparing the New College School of Law for accreditation in 1982 in her capacity there as academic dean.



Assistant Dean Sally Dickson.

A voluntary program for first-year students, the Assistance Program was designed to concentrate on legal analysis and to provide students with skills in test-taking and writing. This year she was instrumental in adding a follow-up course in Advanced Writing, taught by Dr. Harry Knight, the instructor for the Business School's Doctoral Writing Seminar.

Sally has taught Criminal Procedure as well as Administrative Law, but it is in her work with students that she derives the greatest satisfaction. Through her academic and personal counseling responsibilities, she is exposed to more students than in the classroom setting, and has found this assignment definitely "more exciting."

Sally leaves with mixed feelings. "I was very excited when I first started at GGU in 1982, and I still hold that excitement today. Golden Gate is a fine law school. Like all schools it changes, but nevertheless still fills a need in the Bay Area for a school with a strong commitment to public interest law."

While she anticipates some continuation in the gradual shrinkage of the student population, she is encouraged by recent demographic changes which show that more students are entering undergraduate school, thereby broadening the base of future law school enrollments. Even though she will leave with a great deal of sadness, Sally feels that a "strong sense of community still pervades the Law School. Golden Gate is like a flower," she reflected, "it needs nurturing by all parties—alumni, students, staff and faculty alike."



*Raymond H. Sweeney (l.), Corporate Vice President of Industrial Relations of Lucky Stores, presents a check for \$10,000 to Dean John P. Wilson. The contribution is the second given by the Dublin grocery chain to the Golden Gate's Louis Garcia Endowed Scholarship Fund for Hispanic and other minority law students. The late Louis Garcia was a 1952 graduate of Golden Gate and the first Hispanic to be named a judge in San Francisco. He died in 1982, shortly after being elected to serving as Presiding Judge of the Municipal Court.*

# 1988 McKelvey Awards Presentation

The 1988 Judith McKelvey Awards honoring outstanding achievement by Golden Gate Law School alumni were presented at graduation ceremonies to Ruth Miller, Class of 1970, an attorney on the Peninsula specializing in family law, and to Emmett A. Murphy, Class of 1948, a corporate taxation specialist with Standard Oil of California (Chevron) for 43 years. Judith McKelvey is a professor of law and former dean of the Law School.

Ruth Miller graduated with highest honors in 1970, balancing her studies with her responsibilities as supervising editor of the Golden Gate Law Review. Upon entering practice she began to specialize in family law, and from 1977 to 1982 chaired the Family Law Advisory Commission to the Board of Legal Specialization. In this role she managed the development of the Family Law Specialization section for the California State Bar. Ruth is a Past President of the Queen's Bench (1976), and from 1986-87 was president of Northern California chapter of the



Ruth Miller, Class of 1970.

American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers. She has lectured on family law and related topics for the Queen's Bench, the California Trial Lawyers Association, the Continuing Education of the Bar and Golden Gate University. In 1987 she was recognized for her achievements by her peers with a listing in the publication *The Best Lawyers in America*. While practicing with the firm of Davidson, Miller and Digiacinto in Foster City, she has still found time to return to GGU and

## Judge Schwarzer Graduation Speaker

William W. Schwarzer, U.S. District Court Judge for the Northern District of California was the 1988 commencement speaker for the School of Law's graduation ceremony held over Memorial Day weekend. Judge Schwarzer spoke on legal ethics and the contributions of attorneys to U.S. society.

Judge Schwarzer was appointed to the bench in 1976 by President Ford. He received his B.A., cum laude, from the University of Southern California and his law degree, cum laude, from Harvard University.

Before entering private practice, the Judge served in the United States Military Intelligence Service in the European Theatre during World War II. After law school, Judge Schwarzer became associated with the San Francisco firm of McCutchen, Doyle, Brown & Enerson, later to become a partner in the firm. In 1975, the Judge

was appointed Senior Counsel to the President's Commission on CIA Activities within the United States (Rockefeller Commission).

Judge Schwarzer has been a teaching fellow at Harvard Law School; a faculty member of the Federal Judicial Center, National Institute of Trial Advocacy, Attorney General's, Hastings, and Harvard Trial Advocacy Programs; Panel Member, CEB Federal Practice Institutes, ALI-ABA, American Bar Association Programs.

Judge Schwarzer is also involved in many pro bono activities such as Trustee and Member of the Executive Committee, World Affairs Council of Northern California; Former Trustee and Treasurer, William Babcock Memorial Endowment; Former Chairman, Board of Trustees, Marin County Day School; Member, San Francisco Committee, Council of Foreign Relations.

complete an LLM Degree in Taxation (1985), and prepare her first book, *California Divorce—Through the Legal Maze*, for publication this June.

Emmett A. Murphy entered the San Francisco corporate world immediately after his graduation in 1948, spending one year in the Accounting Department at Southern Pacific before launching his lengthy career with Standard Oil. At the time of his retirement in 1981, he was Chevron's General Tax Counsel, responsible for worldwide tax administration of the parent corporation and 200 subsidiaries. He managed a staff of 200 professionals in the administration of a three billion dollar annual tax liability. Among other responsibilities he supervised tax planning, financial analysis, return preparation and audit review. Emmett also represented Standard Oil before foreign and domestic tax regulatory agencies, and to federal and state legislative bodies.

A native of Oakland, California, he is active with the St. Francis and Encinal Yacht Clubs, holding the status of staff commodore with both clubs. During his long career at Standard Oil, he represented the organization to various professional associations such as the California Chamber of Commerce Tax Committee, the American Petroleum Institute Taxation Committees, the Western Oil and Gas Association Tax Committee, and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Taxation Committee. Though retired, Emmett still serves as a consultant to Chevron Corporation and its subsidiaries on state tax matters, and represents Chevron as well as other major petroleum companies with testimony on current proposals before legislative and regulatory bodies.

### MEET NEW DEAN ANTHONY J. PAGANO AT THE LAW ALUMNI RECEPTION

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# “The Gang of Five”: An Insider’s View

I never had any illusions about the tenuous nature of legislative employment. The lack of job security was a liability that most staffers accepted and considered to be balanced by the political excitement, the thrill of participating in the policymaking machinery that dictates the destiny of the great state of California. Still, when the orders came down from Assembly Speaker Willie Brown to confiscate our office computers, we knew it was war. I began to concern myself less with our great state, as my own destiny went careening out of control. The political excitement had just begun!

As Senior Consultant to the Assembly Committee on Government Efficiency and Consumer Protection, I was legislative staff to one of five dissident Assembly Democrats now widely recognized as the “Gang of Five.” Along with my former boss, Rusty Areias of Los Banos, the five include Steve Peace of Chula Vista, Gerald Eaves of Rialto, Charles Calderon of Whittier and Gary Condit of Ceres. The reshuffling of offices and parking spaces, computers—and staff—ensued after Willie Brown systematically dispossessed the troublemakers of their committee chairmanships and other posts. This upheaval was the first truly visible sign of the rift between the Speaker and his five legislative colleagues, and also a graphic demonstration of the power wielded by Assembly Speaker Willie Brown.

Until internal political pressures forced the Speaker’s hand and compelled him to take strong “disciplinary action,” Brown was fond of characterizing the reports of dissent in the ranks as “only a newspaper story.” Columnists had long noted the five’s propensity to vote with Assembly Republicans on various bills, and there had also been speculation about the erosion of Brown’s leadership. Despite the loss of their committee posts, the five Assembly members held together, calling themselves “the Five Amigos” and viewing their obligations to be to each other and to their conservative constituencies. With the Speaker’s move to strip the five of their committee posts, the “Gang of Five” was swiftly catapulted to front-page news status.

The costs have been high, the rewards—uncertain notoriety.

From a staff perspective, after months of rumors swarming the capitol, reality proved the power struggle to be more than “just a newspaper story.” In mid-January, 1987, Assemblyman Areias received a letter from the Speaker informing him that he was removed as chairman of the Governmental Efficiency and Consumer Protection Committee. My colleagues on the Committee staff and I immediately began polishing our resumes and circulating them both within and outside the legislative halls. The policy-making work stopped. Our own office’s legislative agenda was suspended. Lobbyists and other “shopping” the halls for legislators to shepherd their bills through the process avoided our office altogether since, at that point, the imprint of any of the disenfranchised members would have been the kiss of death.

The committee staffers interested in being absorbed into Areias’ personal staff budget had the unfortunate choice of accepting a substantial pay cut or searching for another job. Also, at the Speaker’s direction, Assemblyman Areias and staff were promptly shipped

to a grim office on the fifth floor of the capitol, a space so small that telephone intercoms clearly were no longer necessary.

The remaining staffers suddenly became “employees” of the Assembly Rules Committee—nothing but a ‘Siberia’ for victims of the legislative insurrection. Within one week after the committee shuffle, Speaker Willie Brown met with Areias’ staff and personally assured us that his conduct was “not directed against us personally,” but strictly politics. We were advised that, as long as we were aggressively searching for employment, we would remain on the Assembly payroll. My time spent in this limbo situation was very short-lived and I landed on my feet without any difficulty, but others among the “Gang of Five” staffers were not as fortunate. We all take solace, I suppose, in the knowledge that we have had front-row seats in a Speakership challenge that will be an intriguing episode in California history.

—Linda Ackley

Linda Ackley (JD '84), former editor of the Law Alumni Forum, is now happily employed as Staff Counsel with the California Energy Commission.

## Second Annual Law Review Alumni Luncheon



Suheil Totah, JD '88, Editor-in-Chief, and Louise Garrison, JD '88, Managing Editor of Volume 18 worked closely with the Alumni Office and the Law Review staff in coordinating another successful student-alumni-faculty event. Held April 8 in the Staff-Faculty Lounge at the University, close to sixty people attended and enjoyed a Middle Eastern buffet catered by Papa’s Deli of Vallejo. Shown here is Suheil Totah, Volume 18 Editor-in-Chief, who introduces the staff of Law Review Volume 19 as Dean John P. Wilson looks on.

# Alumni NOTES

## Class of 1987

**Ellen Moscovitz** has joined the law offices of GGU alum **Margaret A. Gannon** in Oakland as an associate attorney. The firm specializes in family law.

**Kathleen S. Farley** is now associated with Burnhill, Morehouse, Burford, Schofield & Schiller in Walnut Creek.

## Class of 1985

**Jan L. Nussbaum** is currently associated with the law firm of Bianco, Brandi, Jones & Rudy in San Francisco doing business litigation on a part-time basis. Last May, she gave birth to her first child, Mollie McKillop.

**Suzanne Hiden-Joncas** has relocated to Montreal, Canada, where she is working for the international law firm of Phillips & Vineburg.

**Loretta Giorgi** was featured recently in the *San Francisco Recorder* for her work as senior court attorney in the San Francisco city attorney's office.

**Susan Rabin** took what for her was a natural route: from a career as a professional nightclub singer, actress, and theater director, to a new career as an entertainment attorney. Susan's first law client was singer-songwriter Bonnie Hayes, and her client roster includes record producer Jim Gaines, cartoonist Phil Frank and Alias Records.

Another logical offshoot of Susan's performing background is a speech consultation business in which she coaches lawyers and others in relaxation and presentation techniques. You may still catch Susan occasionally performing with her band, "Street-wise," at Bay Area clubs, and her law and speech consulting offices can be reached in Mill Valley at (415) 381-4611.

**Diane Reynolds Ravnik** has become associated with the San Francisco firm of Davis, Reno & Courtney.

After obtaining his J.D., **John J. Camozzi** has been practicing civil

defense litigation in the Lafayette office of Crawford & Valerian. He is continuing his practice full-time but has since returned to Golden Gate to pursue a specialized M.B.A. in international management and finance with the hopes of a June 1990 completion date.

## Class of 1984

**Peter Fowler** has become a partner with the San Francisco firm of Lilienthal, Fowler & Rudderow, which specializes in real property and business law. He was also recently elected co-chair of the National Gay & Lesbian Task Force.

**Paula Jones** has just joined Schacter, Kristoff, Ross, Sprague & Curiale in San Francisco where she specializes in labor and employment law. She was formerly with Pillsbury, Madison & Sutro in employee benefits practice.

This past winter, **Stephen Hurst** was appointed UC San Francisco's first patent attorney. He is responsible for campus patenting and licensing activities and serves as a liaison with the UC-Systemwide Patent Trademark & Copyright Office.

**Nancy J. Honhorst** was recently appointed staff attorney for the Alaska State Building Authority. She holds a J.D. and an M.B.A. in public Administration from GGU.

## Class of 1983

**Douglas S. Aberle** has opened his own law office at 332 South Beverly Dr., Beverly Hills, CA 90212. His practice is in civil litigation with an emphasis on personal injury.

## Class of 1981

**Edward S. Willner** is now associated with the Law Offices of Daniel Smith in Kentfield, CA. The firm specializes in appeals and writes in civil cases.

**Carol M. Kingsley** has been named a principal in the firm Hendrickson, Higbie & Cole. She has been with the firm since 1985 and practices in the areas of taxation and general business law.

Carol graduated from GGU with both a law degree and an M.B.A. in taxation. Also involved in community affairs, Carol serves on the Child Care Law Center pro bono legal panel and is a volunteer with Tax-Aid, a program which offers free tax preparation for low-income residents of San Francisco. She also conducted a workshop on the "Legal Considerations of Starting



*The Law School's Women's Association and the GGU Alumni Association held their third annual alumni reception on May 19, honoring "Women on the Bench." Honorees were Elaine M. Andrews, District Court Judge, Alaska; Ruth S. Astle, JD '74, Administrative Law Judge, California; Lee D. Baxter, JD '74, Municipal Court Judge, San Francisco; Sylvia Shapiro, JD '72, Superior Court Commissioner, Marin County; Melinda J. Stewart, JD '75, Referee, Superior Court, Santa Clara County; Marilyn J. Teeter, JD '77, Administration Judge, U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission; and Barbara A. Zuniga, JD '76 Municipal Court Judge, Contra Costa County. The keynote speaker was Peggy Hora, Municipal Court Judge, Alameda County, who said, "Law is a matter of opinion, and when you're on the bench, it's your opinion that counts." Pictured here are, left to right, Marilyn Teeter, Ruth Astle and Laura Pyles, Women's Association Co-chair from the Class of 1988.*

Your Business" at the Small Business Focus Conference in March. She serves on the California State Bar Tax Law Advisory Commission and is on the Board of Directors of the San Francisco Women Lawyers Alliance.

*Class of 1980*

**Philip Bachrach**, who also received an LL.M. from GGU in 1987, has joined the Marin County office of Schaefer, Walker & DeMartini. The firm specializes in business and commercial transactions, real estate, tax planning, estate planning and family law.

*Class of 1979*

San Francisco Juvenile Court Commissioner **Carol Yaggy** was recently profiled in *The San Francisco Attorney*. She enjoys the position, she says, because, "It's important to feel that

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*On April 22nd the Law School and the American Arbitration Association hosted the Honorable Judge Jean Graham Hall, a British Circuit Judge and Past President of the British Society of Criminology. Judge Hall spoke on "Arbitration in a British Context." Pictured left to right are: Charles Cooper, Regional Director, American Arbitration Association; Judge Jean Graham Hall; Law School Dean John. P. Wilson.*

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**Thomas W. Cain** recently relocated to Vallejo, after having lived in Japan for some time.

On April 1, **Merridith A. Schneider** became a partner in the firm of Kornfield, Paul & Bupp in Oakland. The firm specializes in representing creditors, debtors and trustees in all aspects of bankruptcy law and in general commercial law.

*Class of 1977*

**Ray Olmstead**, who had a practice in Kona, Hawaii, since 1979, has recently returned to the mainland. He has opened a solo practice in Santa Rosa, emphasizing bankruptcy law.

*Class of 1976*

As of January, **Darlene Marie Azevedo** is a partner in the Fresno firm of Caswell, Bell & Sullivan. She was also a

lecturer in a recent CEB program on "How to Draft Wills."

**Anna Klay** has become an associate with the Palo Alto firm of Conrad F. Gullixson. She will engage in a general civil and criminal practice including family law.

*Class of 1975*

**Pamela Pierson** and **Melissa Toben** (Class of 1982) have left the firm of Schapiro, Thorn & Pierson to establish their own family law firm, Pierson & Toben. They can be reached at 685 Market St., Suite 770, San Francisco, CA 94105 (415) 495-4499.

*Class of 1974*

**Duane Ruth-Heffelbower** and his wife are co-pastors of a Mennonite Church in Fresno.

**Michael Flaherty** joined the Fairfield County, Connecticut office of Deloitte Haskins & Sells in November 1987. He is responsible for directing the International Tax Specialty Group in Connecticut. This includes assisting U.S. corporations in their operations and expansion overseas as well as assisting foreign corporations coming in to the U.S.

Previously, he was Vice President and Group Tax Counsel at Citibank, directing the tax affairs of the Asia Pacific Banking Group. Previous to that, he served as tax advisor to the European operations to Citibank.

*Class of 1972*

**Joe Altschule** was recently honored as Attorney of the Year by the Tulare County Trial Lawyers Association. Joe made headlines in 1978, when he took one of the first cases recognizing battered women as victims, receiving an acquittal for a battered woman who

killed her live-in lover after enduring 12 years of abuse.

*Class of 1971*

After ten years with the California State Employees' Association, **Ben Allamano** now serves as general counsel to the Fairfield-Suisun Unified School District. Since last September he has also been the executive secretary for the ALRB in Sacramento.

*In Memorium*

**Alan Davidson**, Class of 1926, died February 2. He was 86. Mr. Davidson was a well-known civic leader who was honored by the Lions Club, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Cerebral Palsy Association for his work as chair of the organization's legal advisory committee.

## Faculty NEWS

**I**n April, Professor **Thomas Goetzl** presented a workshop on basic copyright protection for visual artists in Houston, Texas. His talk, which was sponsored by the Texas Accountants and Lawyers for the Arts, also dealt with artists' moral rights, resale royalty rights and Senator Edward Kennedy's proposed Visual Artists' Rights Act of 1987, S. 1619.

In May, Tom gave a talk on "Emerging Rights of Visual Artists and their Economic Impact on the Art Market" before the College of Business and Economics and the Art Department at Western Washington University in Bellingham, Washington.

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