

1-31-1977

Caveat, January 31, 1977

Follow this and additional works at: <http://digitalcommons.law.ggu.edu/caveat>

 Part of the [Legal Education Commons](#)

Recommended Citation

"Caveat, January 31, 1977" (1977). *Caveat*. Paper 94.
<http://digitalcommons.law.ggu.edu/caveat/94>

This Newsletter or Magazine is brought to you for free and open access by the Other Law School Publications at GGU Law Digital Commons. It has been accepted for inclusion in Caveat by an authorized administrator of GGU Law Digital Commons. For more information, please contact jfischer@ggu.edu.



CAVEAT

DO NOT REMOVE FROM
LAW LIBRARY

FEB 1 1977

Vol. XII, No. 17

Golden Gate University School of Law

January 31, 1977

CAR WASH - \$1

(IN AN EFFORT TO OFFSET THE LATEST TUITION INCREASE, STUDENTS WILL HOLD A CAR WASH ON ECKER ALLEY. BRING SOAP.)

The following letter was received from Dean Judy:

January 28, 1977

To the CAVEAT:

As I reported to the Student Bar Association at its meeting last Thursday, after a thorough exploration with the Budget Committee of the anticipated cost of operating the Law School in the next fiscal

year, I proposed to the University Administration and Board of Directors that the Law School tuition be increased to \$94 per unit for all students. This proposal was approved at the Board of Trustees meeting on January 28, 1977. (When the staggered tuition rate was established for this academic year, it was with the understanding that it would be applied for one year only.)

Increased costs, due mainly to inflation which has been at the rate of 6 percent for the San Francisco Bay

Area, and the addition of two faculty positions which are essential if we are to maintain and improve our academic standards must be met by a tuition increase.

We will be holding open meetings to discuss the budget and tuition with interested students. Members of the Budget Committee and I will be present to answer questions. Watch for announcements.

Judith McKelvey

TOILET LAUREAT OF THE WEEK

An ex-junkie decided he should Study law and go straight for good But reading the cases Put his head in worse places Than smack or crank ever could.

JUDGE PECKHAM SPEAKS TO OVERFLOW CROWD

Mark Derzon

Over 150 students jammed the auditorium last Wednesday to Hear Robert Peckham, Chief Judge, United States District Court, speak on the legal system in America. He covered several diverse topics in his speech and then fielded questions.

looking for ways to reduce it (e.g., the rule of 20).

Commenting on the criminal justice system, he noted that the prevailing view today is that rehabilitation does not work and that the main purpose for sentencing is now retribution. He advocated more standardized sentences and criticized the use of plea bargaining and sentence bargaining.

Commenting on competency of counsel, Judge Peckham stated that this is indeed a severe problem in the courts and suggested that more clinical experience in law school would be helpful.

During the question period, the Judge was asked whether he thought it would help relieve the courts' congestion by decriminalizing victimless behavior. He replied that San Francisco tried that when they in effect decriminalized prostitution, but that it created many problems. When asked about the death penalty, he declined to comment.

Judge Peckham talked about the abuse of discovery. He deplored the use of unnecessarily lengthy and costly interrogations and depositions as a means of pressuring a party into settlement. He stated that courts are now sensitive to that abuse and are

MORE SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION

Lawyers' Wives of Sacramento County will award a scholarship to a male or female '78-'79 graduating student in certificate form at our April 27th luncheon.

Students qualifying must:

1. Attend a Northern California Law School;
2. Have been a legal resident of Sacramento County for one year;
3. Have completed one year of day law school or two years evening law school;
4. Have need of financial assistance (middle income student may apply)
5. Submit a transcript of scholastic standing and three letters of recommendation, one from a professor of the law school;
6. Be available for a personal interview.

The grading factors used to determine the recipients of these scholarships will be:

1. Financial need;
2. Scholastic standing;
3. Recommendations.

Please see Molly in the Dean's office for application information.

Due date is February 28, 1977.

WHAT'S UP WITH WALLY?

PUBLIC INTEREST, PUBLIC SERVICE, LEGAL SERVICES, PUBLIC DEFENDER Directory is now available listing job opportunities across the land for students (including summer) and for graduates. Do take advantage of this valuable resource if you are interested in public service work.

SUMMER ORIENTATIONS --

1st Year Students on Monday, January 31, Noon to 1:00, Room 207.

2nd Year Students on Tuesday, February 1, Noon to 1:00, Room 205.

LETTER TO THE EDITORS

Dear Editors:

In response to Judge Peckham's speaking performance, it was great... but... I did not hear a word... In other words, the people in charge would do well to set up a microphone.

Name Withheld Upon Request

NOTICE

ATTENTION GRADUATING STUDENTS

All graduation memos which have not been picked up have been mailed.

If you are a 1977 grad and haven't filled out an application, please do so.

LAW REVIEW

The Law Review will hold a general staff meeting on Wednesday, February 2, 1977 in Room 207 at 3PM. Staff from Volume 7, #1, #2 and #3 should attend.

BARRISTERS CLUB OF SAN FRANCISCO FIRST YEAR TUTORIALS

Again this semester, the Barrister's Club Tutorial Committee sponsors tutorials for first year law students.

Third World Students Are Especially Welcome.

Tutorials are held each Wednesday, from 4:30 to 5:30 PM, in the following subjects and at the following rooms.

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Attorney-Tutor</u>	<u>Room</u>
Torts	Bob Brown	B-7
Torts	Charlie Bendis	301
Contracts	Bruce Corbridge	B-5
Contracts	Alicia Noyola/ Diana Richmond	B-8

If you wish tutorials on other first year subjects, please telephone Alicia Noyola at 445-7655 this week.

SPEAKER

Sheriff Richard Hongisto will speak on Wednesday, February 9 from 12:30 to 1:30. Room has not been scheduled yet. Watch Caveat for further details.

(The Caveat encourages student contributions and in particular would like to hear reaction to speakers on campus. Please keep your letters as short as possible.)

TUITION INCREASE MEETING

Meeting about tuition increase will be held Tuesday, February 1, Noon in Room 209. Another meeting will be held the same day from 4:45 PM in Room 207. Budget Committee will be there and the Dean has been invited.

LOAN-FORGIVENESS MEETING

Unless one has a secret hoard of wealth, the greatest obstacle facing a soon to be community lawyer is financial debt. Often times agonizing decisions must be made in light of glaring reality, i.e. loans due to B of A, Wells Fargo, etc. Various solutions have emerged to combat this problem, the most obvious being bankruptcy. Bankruptcy is not the solution as the effect is detrimental to those who subsequently apply for loans. At various times through the years suggestions have been bantered about to institute a loan-forgiveness program for lawyers and this supplement legal services to low income people. I would like to solicit support from all interested students to form a national lobbying group to see that a loan-forgiveness program becomes a reality rather than remain an idea.

If interested, come to a meeting on Wednesday, February 2 at 3:30 PM in Room 205.

Vicenta Montoya

FIRST YEAR ISSUES SOFTBALL CHALLENGE

The first year class has challenged the rest of the law school, faculty included, to a softball game. The challenge was immediately accepted by Gary Reing who will captain the upperclassmen. When asked to comment on the fact that his team will be entering the game as heavy underdogs, the usually reserved Reing blurted, "Odds ain't worth shit!"

Ricky Rosen, the quickhanded shortstop from the first year squad talked about his team. "Our main concern now is not to get overconfident. When you are great and you play against a weak opposition, there is a tendency to take them too lightly."

The upperclass team is weak in several positions and will be looking to the faculty for help. That help could come from Larry Jones who has performed consistently well in center field this year. Bill Weiner could add some much needed power to the line-up. The game marks the return to the lineup of Perry Hedin. Hedin comes off the disabled list to play in his first game in over a year. Tickets are \$5.50, \$4.50, and \$3.50, and are available through Bass and Ticketron outlets, and at the Oakland Coliseum box office.

Western Trial Lawyers Association is sponsoring a Scholarship Competition.

Prize is \$1,000 cash and expense id trip for two (air transportation hotel) to WTLA Annual Convention at Caesar's Palace Hotel, Law Vegas, NV on April 27 to May 1, 1977. (It is contemplated that the winner will be asked to read his (sic) paper to the convention.)

Any full time student enrolled at an accredited law school covered by the WTLA who will not graduate prior to December 1, 1977 is eligible. (California is covered.)

The WTLA Scholarship Committee will determine the winner based on a suitable essay on the subject "Medical Malpractice." The essay may include a discussion of the social and/or legal issues relating to the recent enactment (or the failure to enact) of medical malpractice legislation either by the states or Federal Congress. The essay should be prepared in general law review style, with appropriate citations. The paper should be typewritten, double-spaced and (excluding citations and bibliography) no more than 3,000 words.

The determination of the Scholarship Committee will be final. All papers submitted shall be deemed to include a request for publication of same in a publication of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America. All papers must be received by the Scholarship Committee no later than April 1, 1977, to be considered. Please include address and telephone number. Mail all entries to:

Frank Lewis, Chairman
WTLA Scholarship Committee
1400 Arizona Title Building
Phoenix, AZ 85003

WARNING: The Surgeon General Has Determined That Reading The Caveat Is Dangerous To Your Health.

For the next issue of Caveat, turn in all items for publication by Noon on Thursday, February 3, 1977 to the faculty center east in the Caveat box or to one of the editors.

Please bear in mind that the views expressed in the Caveat are not necessarily those of the Law School, Student Bar Association or the Editors.

Editors: Diana Baker
Cindy Duncan
Carlos Kaslow

Staff: Marc Derzon (Will he ever give up?)