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CAMPAT

GOLDEN GATE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

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STUDENT SUMMERS

SUMMER WITH A "PEOPLE'S" LAW FIRM

At the end of my first year at GGU Law School, I felt that I accomplished the near-impossible when I was hired by a "People's" law firm, representing the interests of poor people, minorities, prisoners, and other "movement" causes. As a law clerk in this office in the Portrero District of San Francisco, I would be paid \$4.00/hr.

The first case that I became involved in was the case of Alfred Billingslea and Susan Savage Billingslea v. Ronald Reagan, Governor of the state of California; Louis S. Nelson Warden, California State Prison at San Quentin, et. al.

This case was and is important to the Prison Movement, first of all, because it is one of the very few cases in Federal history in which a family won a money award (\$50,000) for the death of a prisoner while he was in prison. Furthermore, the case, which originated from a 1970 incident had been fought over for eight years and was one of the last cases to be litigated from the San Quentin Six era.

In preparation for trial, among other tasks, I went to San Quentin in order to subpoena several witnesses, including past and present San Quentin guards and also in an attempt to subpoena former San Quentin warden, Louis S. Nelson. Unfortunately, Warden Nelson was on vacation in So. Dakota.

The case was settled out-of-court on June 10, 1978. After the settlement, and euphoria, I headed a publicity and news team which seminated information about the case to national and local media sources. Our efforts resulted in Billingslea stories appearing in almost every major newspaper in the county via the AP and UPI wire services. The story also received extensive Bay Area radio, TV, and newspaper coverage; a short story in the NLG's Conspiracy; and a photo and news brief in New Times magazine.

My second plunge into the world of "movement" law surrounded my attempts to be paid for my work on the Billingslea case. So far, this experience has proven to be more tedious, depressing, frustrating, futile, and certainly less rewarding than the first experience.

Per Aspera Ad Astra

LIKE MOTHER, LIKE DAUGHTER-BUT BETTER

Recently my daughter started law school, and the occasion brought back to me a memory I thought had been long lost.

During my first week as a freshman at the University of Chicago I went to see my adviser to discuss which major I had chosen and to lay out the required and elective courses for the coming four years.

There he sat-handsome (I thought) and terribly WASP (was his name Farnsworth?)-and there I sat, Amy Goldstein. I took note of his blue eyes, fair skin and freckled face, and he took note of my blue eyes, fair skin and freckled face. But what worlds separated us. His blue eyes had come from some socially acceptable long-ago English ancestors: my blue eyes had come from a strange genetic mix in a Latvian shtetel. Look-alikes we may have been, but I was the "black" and he was the "white" on that prewar campus.

Well, he asked, what would my major be? Pre-law, I rightly replied. There was a pause, a slight lowering of his blue eyes, some moving of papers around on his desk.

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CHILD CARE

NEW CHILD CARE COORDINATOR

The Child Care Committee has selected Susan Jones as the new Child Care Coordinator. Susan, who is also associated with the College of Marin as Director of the San Anselmo Coop Nursery, will be working closely with the Child Care Committee for the next five months in coordinating plans for the soon-to-be-opened Child Care Center. Welcome aboard, Susan!

CHILD CARE NOTES:

BAR RAFFLE WINNER. Congratulations to Kathy Crandall, a member of the first-year class, for winning the recent BAR raffle. Kathy's prize was a BAR course outline and outline on Professional Responsibility, worth \$130! Note: The raffle raised \$80, the proceeds of which will go to the Child Care Center.

SBA ACTION ON CHILD CARE. At its October 5th meeting, the SBA designated \$170, on an "immediate need basis," for purposes of paying the new Child Care Coordinator for the month of October. The SBA also passed a resolution of support on behalf of the child care effort. The Child Care Committee would like to thank the student community for its affirming response on the issue of child care.

A budgetary allotment for the balance of the Child Care Coordinator's salary will be among the items discussed by the SBA at their upcoming meeting. We urge people who share an interest in child care at GGU to express their support by attending the SBA's deliberations.

CHILD CARE -- TOP PRIORITY OF WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION. The Women's Association, at its most recent meeting, voted unanimously to endorse child care as one of the organization's key priorities this year.

PLANNING WORKSHOPS. The child care workshops, which were postponed two weeks ago due to last minute scheduling conflicts on the part of Childcare Switchboard, have been rescheduled for Thursday, October 19th and Wednesday, October 25th, at 3:00 PM in Room 203.

NEXT MEETING. The next Child Care Committee meeting will be held on Friday, October 20th, at noon, in Room 209. Items for discussion can be added to the agenda which is posted on the Child Care bulletin board.

LAW REVIEW

announces

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Articles by Prof. J. Kosel, "Municipal Debt Limitation;" M. Marowitz, "Berkeley Rent Control;" B. Ventresca, "ALRB v. Sup. Ct. (Access to the fields for organizing);" M. Lenell, "Lanterman-Petris-Short Act;" & R. Wagman, "Protecting Solar Access."

Copies available in the Bookstore.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

From the Dean's Office

LOCKERS: Locker list for additional lockers are posted on the Dean's Bulletin Board. Everyone who asked for a locker should now have one assigned.

I.D. CARDS: First year students, your cards are ready for pick-up.

DECEMBER GRADS: Applications for graduation are now due! Please pick one up (if you haven't already done so) and turn it in to the registrar, Room 200. This application triggers a personal appointment and guarantees that your name will be placed on the appropriate graduation list. We are in the process of interviewing students who anticipate graduation. This office will consult with each candidate so that we can ascertain if all required courses, residency requirements, and semester units necessary for graduation will be achieved. Wally Walker, Registrar

PRE-REGISTRATION IS COMING FOR SPRING '78! Watch Caveat.

FALL EXAM SCHEDULE: Some changes have been made in response to several student petitions. New schedules can be picked up outside the Dean's Office. A summary of changes follow:

Property A	Dec. 11	1 p.m.-4 p.m.
Evidence (Weiner)	Dec. 11	9 a.m.-12 noon
Criminal Law A	Dec. 20	9 a.m.-12 noon
Tax 1C	Dec. 21	9 a.m.-12 noon

For those students who have a conflict between Tax 1B and Fed. Jur., a make-up exam for Tax 1B will be given Dec. 18, 9 - 12 noon.

From the Financial Aid Office

SPRING FINANCIAL AID: For those students who have not already applied, the deadline for doing so is December 1. This includes NDSL, GGU tuition grant (handled by the Financial Aid Office), and work study.

Miscellaneous

ESSAY CONTEST: 1979 Federation of Insurance Counsel Foundation Student Essay Contest.

Time for Submission: On or before May 1, 1979

First Prize: \$2,000 **Second Prize:** \$1,000 **Third Prize:** \$500

Subject: Any Insurance related subject, including trial practice of insurance litigation.

Eligibility: All law students enrolled in their second or third years at law schools accredited by the American Bar Association.

Instructions: Essays should be about 10,000 to 12,000 words in length. An original copy, typewritten and double spaced, on 8-1/2" x 11" white paper, should conform to "A Uniform System of Citation".

Publication: No essay will be accepted unless prepared solely for this contest, has not been previously published, and is not to be submitted in any other contest. By submission, each entrant thereby assigns to the Foundation all rights to the essay. It is the policy of the Foundation to return all but the three winning essays and release the assignment of rights after the Judges have made their decision. The decision of the Judges shall be final.

Submission: Essays should be mailed to the President of the Foundation at the above address. If further information is needed, it may be obtained by writing to the President.

Charles B. Robison, 1639 Campbell Ave., Des Plaines, Ill. 60016 (312) 824-4697

WANTED: Walking mate to YMCA and back, 2-3 times/week between 6:30-9:00 p.m. Cara 841-4924 after 11 p.m. or see me eves in library, upstairs.

STUDENT MEMBERS OF FSC COMMITTEES

Academic Standards:

Daniel Hernandez (FSC)	2nd yr. day
Linda Franklin	3rd yr. night
Liz Hendrickson	3rd yr. day

Admissions:

Diane Ritchie (FSC)	3rd yr. day
Dennis Kruszynski	1st yr. day
Joe Lopez	1st yr. day

Curriculum:

Leslie Warder (FSC)	2nd yr. night
Natalie Modro	2nd yr. night
Margaret Petrie	3rd yr. day

Clinic:

JoAnne Frankfurt	3rd yr. night
Holli Ploog	2nd yr. day
Margarita Altamirano	3rd yr. day

Hiring:

Robert Haden (FSC)	2nd yr. day
Sandra Moreno Kirkpatrick	2nd yr. day
Vivian Zaloom	3rd yr. day

Evaluations:

Amy Rodney (FSC)	3rd yr. night
Connie Tavel	3rd yr. day

Budget:

Michael Pitts (FSC)	2nd yr. day
Dick Grosboll	1st yr. day

Placement Center News

OCTOBER INTERVIEWS: Sign up sheets for October interviews are posted on the door of the Placement Center. These are the agencies coming to campus in October:

October 17 FBI

October 24 Bechtel

Primarily interested in meeting 2nd year students for summer clerkship positions. Resumes MUST be submitted to me by Thursday, October 19.

October 31 Department of Justice, Civil Division, U.S. Attorney's Office.

Second year students are encouraged to interview for summer clerkships; second and third year students can interview for Spring Semester part-time clerkships on work-study or clinical basis.

AVISO

Lost and found items will be kept in the Dean's office in the "lost and found box" for one week; thereafter, they will be sent to the supply room in the basement.

STUDENTS! 

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Letters

Dear Students,

I have been at Golden Gate for three months and it is appropriate to reassess with you the first 90 days and to inform you about upcoming Placement programs.

I have enjoyed meeting those of you who have dropped by to discuss your job hunting problems. Feel free to continue to chat with me when you need to, especially for advice on your resume before you print up hundreds of copies. Make an appointment with me if there is a specific area you want to discuss in depth.

I presented a resume workshop at noon a few weeks ago and very few students showed up. Last week in the late afternoon we hosted a panel of attorneys who presented an interviewing workshop with similar lackluster attendance. Frankly, I never attended self-help workshops when I was a student but now that I'm running these programs it is very frustrating (and embarrassing when I've asked attorneys to donate their time to us) to have such a pitiful response. These events were publicized in the Caveat and on a large poster in the hallway. What's the problem? Please give me some feedback.

We have had a few firms and agencies come to campus to do interviews in September and several more will be coming through in October. I apologize for the small number of on-campus interviews scheduled; I need more lead time (in the spring) to get in touch with the appropriate people and inspire them to come to GGU. Next fall I will have that time and we will have our new facilities which will make on-campus interviewing more feasible.

The job board next to the placement center lists not only part-time and permanent employment, but also announcements regarding fellowships and Federal Government jobs. Most applications for the latter are due now, so if you're thinking about working for the government, check those out immediately. Regarding the part-time positions, I am aware of the large number of work-study jobs I have listed. I hope you realize that this category is not formulated by me or by GGU. Employers who call up with work-study jobs to list generally do not have the funds to hire students except under the auspices of this program. I have begun to ask these employers if they can accommodate non work-study students, and although the response is usually "no", I request that they consider the idea if they are unable to attract enough work-study students. I have a list of students who have received work-study awards this Fall, but the list does not indicate whether the students have found placement. If you have an award but no job, please see me.

To briefly summarize future activities: I am organizing a student/alumni program (similar to last year's) in which I will maintain a list of GGU grads who are willing to meet with you for advice on getting jobs in specific fields. I am researching the possibility of a Spanish class to prepare you to meet bi-lingual job requirements. I am organizing a new Graduate Directory so that you can track down alumni in various cities and areas of practice. In the Spring, we'll host informal discussions with lawyers from various areas of practice to help you make a decision about your career. And I am open to suggestions on programs you want the Placement Center to host. Keep in touch with me.

Laura Greenfield, Placement Director.

P.A.A.A. cont'd

(Strange how every detail comes back with such clarity...)

He cleared his throat and ponderously regarded my high-school transcripts and university entrance-examination scores. Kindly though he appeared considering his position of power, he did not hesitate to inform me of the facts of life: It was almost impossible for a woman to get into law school-any law school. Maybe, just maybe, if I became a Phi Beta Kappa...very quizzical eyebrows...did I think I could manage that? True, I had been a good student in high school, but...hmm...not that good, his polite tone implied. I well knew my competition at the University of Chicago (all National Merit Scholarship winners), but still I said...ah, ah, sir, I really want to be an attorney.

After another moment of silence, he continued to tell me how hard law school was and what a risk women were in "the professions," since, after taking jobs away from men, they all got married and dropped out anyway. Even if the impossible were accomplished and I did somehow manage to get into law school, graduate and pass the Bar-a feat that, his voice made clear, he could hardly imagine-I would never be hired by...well, my dear..."anyone". For a brief moment he looked conscience-stricken, then he added...well, possibly a Jewish firm would give you some lowly position, but even there...being a woman...doubtful.

I sat and looked at him and listened and grew up a little. At 18 I suddenly felt as old as time itself. I knew he was "right" for that time, even though morally wrong. I had to face the fact that my father had barely recovered from the Depression, and, although he was paying my tuition (sometimes in weekly installments), I'd had to find a library job to take care of my other expenses. I had a Saturday job too. It was possible that I might not make it even through undergraduate school, much less the improbable possibility of law school. Fighting the system seemed impossible-grades, money, quotas, prejudice all conspired to discourage me. Good heavens! A Jewish woman attorney!

Being young and resilient and terribly excited about going to the university anyhow, I "forgot" the whole incident. I did get a bachelor of science degree, which, I had decided, snob that I was, was superior to a bachelor of arts. Of course, when I was graduated I could no more get a job with a BS than with a BA, so I went to business school to learn typing and shorthand like a good girl. (How the young women of today would laugh at me.) I even worked my way through business school. As the young say today, survival is the name of the game, and I survived.

Now I rejoice with my daughter over how wonderfully different it has been for her. Law school wanted her- and for all the right reasons.

Written by Amy Philipson, the mother of Alice Philipson, a GGU night student. This article also appeared in the Los Angeles Times.

PAD NEWS

PHI ALPHA DELTA has scheduled three meetings on Tuesday in order to accommodate its growing membership of evening, as well as day students. In addition to membership expansion, the list of profession-related activities on the current agenda requires special preparation for the general meetings because of its increasing length.

PAD MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, OCT. 17TH.

12:00 Noon - Executive Committee; Room 503

3:00 P.M. - General Meeting, Day; Room 209

6:15 P.M. - General Meeting, Night; Rm.209

PHI ALPHA DELTA NIGHT BAKE SALE, THURSDAY, 19TH
The baked goods sale which was so well received by the day students and faculty will be continued in a night version this Thursday. Please bring your craving for sweet, delicate pastries with you that night and gobble some goodies for our fund-raiser!!

PREZ'S CORNER



YMCA PASSES: NEW PICK-UP AND RETURN HOURS:

Starting today the new hours will be M-F 10:15-10:45 a.m. (this will replace the noon-12:30 time), 2:45-3:15 p.m., and 6:15 to 6:45 p.m. (these last two times remain the same). I need students to hand out the passes during these times. If you can help, please leave me a note in the SBA box or tell me when you come to pick up a pass. Passes will again be distributed in the SBA office until another place can be found. So far, 2 Y passes have been stolen from the SBA office. Would the people who took the passes return them immediately. You are ripping off the students for your own benefit.

VOLLEYBALL: A number of faculty members are interested in having a weekly volleyball game at the Y. Students who are interested in playing volleyball with the faculty on a regular basis should leave me a note in the SBA box with your name and number. We will try to work out a deal with the Y to use the gym on Mondays from 4-5:30 p.m. This is the best time for the faculty members interested.

LAST SBA MEETING: At the meeting on 10-5 the child care committee presented a request to the SBA for funding the child care coordinator's salary for the new child care center. \$170 was approved. An additional request for \$850 was also submitted for a total request of \$1,020. We will consider the additional \$850 at the 10-31 budget hearings. The \$850 is also for the coordinator's salary. At this meeting the SBA also approved a budget procedure whereby budget requests from organizations will be considered at the beginning of each SEMESTER with additional budget requests being heard at the first SBA meeting of each month for items and projects that were not approved at

the beginning of each semester. The SBA will begin considering budget requests starting Tues., 10-31. Student organizations should decide what items they will request funding for for this semester. David Cooper will contact each group this week to tell you how to write up your request according to the new budget procedures. BUDGETS WILL HAVE TO BE SUBMITTED BY WED., noon, 10-25 in SBA BOX so the requests can be published in the 10-30 Caveat. More details in next week's Caveat about the new budget procedures.

NEXT SBA MEETING: This Tuesday, 10-17, 5 p.m., room 203. Agenda items include scheduling committee, Y passes, place for students to keep bicycles, student locator, financial aid committee, by-law revision, and election procedure revision, and approval of final standards for budget requests.

SCHEDULING COMMITTEE: No one has indicated an interest yet in sitting on the scheduling committee. This committee is important because they decide what courses will be offered, the day and time the course will be offered as well as whether it will be offered spring or fall semester. We need one rep for each class (1st & 2nd (day and night each) and 1 3rd yr. night). Most of the work will begin next semester with the bulk of the work taking place this summer. Last year's student members on the committee were Elliot Smith, Margaret Petrie, Amy Rodney, Frank Free, and Liz Shivell. Students are encouraged to contact these people by leaving a note on the student message board to find out more about the committee. In the past students have always been upset when the course schedule comes out. This is your chance to have some say in what the schedule looks like. Almost all the work on the committee consists of meetings where the schedule is discussed and courses and times, etc. are jockeyed around. Student members will also be expected to conduct a survey of students to find out what the needs of the students are in terms of scheduling. Please put your name and number and year in school on the sign-up sheet on the vending machine. We will decide at the SBA meeting this week how selection will take place.

Alice M. Montgomery

TIDBIT

You know that faculty-picture board that has just appeared near room 203? Some of you might have noticed that it sat in Marge Holmes' office for a few weeks. Funny thing, since Marge doesn't need to familiarize herself with who's who. It seems that by popular faculty sentiment Marge held off putting it up until the pictures could be safely encased under glass (or plastic). The teachers were afraid that...

INTERNATIONAL LAW MOOT COURT COMPETITION

Students interested in participating in the 1979' Jessep International Law Moot Court Competition please contact Joel Marsh at the Law Faculty Center or call (days) 834-2822.

This is a national and international competition providing law students with an opportunity to argue timely questions of international law. This year's problem concerns an international dispute involving transfer of technology between countries.

Teams of two to five students from each participating law school will present briefs and oral argument for both sides of the problem. The competition is sponsored by the American Society of International Law, and last year included teams from 170 law schools in 25 different countries.

Following an intramural competition in January, the Golden Gate team will participate in a Western Regional Competition in March. The regional round is followed by the national and international competition in Washington, D.C.

FOR WOMEN...

A name directory has been established of women who have expressed an interest in participating in the Women's Association. It is located in a 3x5 card index box in the second floor women's lounge. Any woman who is not included in the index, or for whom the information listed is incorrect, is welcome to fill out a blank card and add it to the file. In addition, if you have particular skills which might be helpful to the Women's Association as various projects come up -- for example, experience with lay-out, accounting, editing/proofing, PR, public speaking -- we would like to encourage you to note them on your card.

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