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Message from the Dean

It is my great privilege to embark upon another year as your dean. In this time of change and challenges, I call upon all friends and alumni of the Law School to join us in shaping the future of our School and legal education. Profound and fundamental changes face the legal profession and our society. Let us meet these challenges together with the leadership and vision that characterize the very best of our School and our graduates.

For nearly two decades, the University has thrived under the leadership of President Edward T. (Tad) Foote II, earning a well-deserved place among universities of national and international reputation. President Foote's official retirement in June 1, 2001, will change but not end his long relationship with the University since he plans to remain as our chancellor for two more years.

We now join President Foote and our entire community in welcoming a new University president, Cabinet Officer Donna E. Shalala, the current (and longest-serving) Secretary of Health and Human Services. Secretary Shalala's appointment as president is an event of national note, generating excitement, admiration, and great anticipation for our University and our Law School. Her extraordinary career as an academician, a leader in education, and administrator make her ideally suited to assume the leadership of this University. We know her commitment to advancing the vision of our Law School, and we look forward to working with her.



One of the challenges that we will soon face is a campaign to increase the endowment of the University and the Law School. The educational mission of our Law School is grounded on the quality of our faculty and students and our educational programs. Student tuition alone does not and cannot fund the excellence in legal education to which we aspire. To achieve our goal, we must enlist the support and commitment of our alumni and friends to increase endowed programs and scholarships.

In the coming months, I will be meeting with alumni and friends to discuss our goals for the Law School and how you can help. We envision endowed scholarships named to honor the best and brightest in our legal community—individuals, law firms, accounting firms and other community organizations. These scholarships will be used to recruit and support the studies of the very best students for our

Law School, those who will become the leaders of our society. Of equal importance are endowment funds to attract and retain nationally recognized faculty and to improve our educational programs. We believe that such endowment opportunities will help us enhance our Law School mission, create a stronger legal community, and reach out more effectively to our society. To make these goals a reality, we need your help, your advice, your commitment.

In this issue of the *Barrister*, we honor alumni and friends of the Law School whose commitment and support are so important to all of us. Your friends and colleagues named in the annual Honor Roll of Donors are already part of this important journey. We welcome especially new members of the Dean's Circle, an outstanding group of donors who commit a gift of at least \$1,000 each year to the Law School's Annual Fund. For those of you whose friendship and commitment are recognized in the *Barrister*, please accept our gratitude and appreciation. For those who have not yet joined the community of Law School donors, I hope each of you will accept my personal invitation to work with us as we strive to achieve excellence in our community. Working together, we can accomplish anything.

Dennis O. Lynch
Dean



Alumna Goes Hollywood . . . at Least Online

Although she's never been an actress, director or film producer, Laurie Silvers, J.D. '77, is one of Hollywood's brightest stars—at least in the online world. As president and vice chairman of Hollywood.com, Silvers leads a \$130 million public company based in Boca Raton that delivers entertainment news, information and ticketing services to consumers and media businesses worldwide.

One of the pleasures of her phenomenal success, Silvers says, is the opportunity to give something back. During the past year, Silvers has generously donated a significant six-figure contribution to her alma mater, UM Law. She has agreed to take an active role as a member of the University's International Advisory Board and the Law School Visiting Committee.

Dean Dennis Lynch is pleased to welcome Silvers as a member of the Dean's Circle, a prestigious group of friends and alumni of the Law School who commit a gift of at least \$1,000 per year to the Law School's Annual Fund. The cover photo of Silvers and Dean Lynch was taken on Nov. 21, 2000, at a private reception for Dean's Circle members at the *Sheldon & Myrna Palley Contemporary Glass Collection: "Splendor in the Glass."* The Palleys, who are also Dean's Circle members, were present to walk guests through this remarkable exhibition at the Lowe Art Museum on campus.

Commenting on the future of Internet endeavors such as Hollywood.com, Silvers says, "It is without question that the dissemination of information and entertainment is a huge part of our culture today. I don't think the Internet is anywhere near its ultimate potential."

Born in Springfield, Illinois, Silvers graduated from the University of Miami with a bachelor's degree in psychology. Her father, Gordon Sherman, was a broadcaster whose broadcast properties included radio stations in Orlando, Daytona Beach and Melbourne. "My fa-



ther, who loved the law, but had no formal training, always enjoyed promoting family debates," Silvers recalls. "We would sit around the table and have these wonderful family discussions. That probably sparked my own interest in making the law part of my education."

Silvers came to the School of Law in the mid '70s under the late Dean Soia Mentschikoff. "She created an atmosphere that nurtured the flow of ideas and debates," Silvers says. "It was an exciting time to be in law school."

After graduation, Silvers practiced law in South Florida, representing media clients such as cable TV and radio station owners and operators. Mitchell Rubenstein, her partner at Rubenstein &

Silvers P.A., became her husband as well.

In the early 1980s, Silvers and Rubenstein acquired several cable TV systems. "I discovered, to my surprise, that I was an entrepreneur," says Silvers.

A few years later, Rubenstein and Silvers sold their holdings. "The cable TV industry was doing very well, and it was a sound business decision. But I had seller's remorse. I didn't want to get out of the cable industry."

So, Silvers and Rubenstein in 1988 began another media venture, developing the Sci-Fi Channel cable network. Six months prior to its launch in 1992, Silvers and Rubenstein sold out to the USA Network, but stayed on as co-vice chairmen for two years to help the new management.

Meanwhile, the partners were working on their next venture: Big Entertainment, a traditional retail company selling products from the world of pop culture. In keeping with that approach, Silvers created an intellectual property division to create books, CD-ROMs, videos and other proprietary products.

With the sudden rise of the Internet, Big Entertainment evolved into BigE.com, and then became Hollywood.com—an Internet portal with movie news and listings, and subsidiaries like Broadway.com, and MovieTickets.com. The company's business-to-business units also supply thousands of media outlets with information.

"We have become a major aggregator of entertainment and event information," says Silvers. "While we began as an e-commerce player, today that's an infinitesimal part of what we do." Recently, the company (NASDAQ: HOLL) voted to change its name to Hollywood Media Corp. to better reflect its integrated online and traditional media assets.

While Silvers no longer practices law, she believes her education at the Univer-
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UM Law Faculty, Alumni at Center of Vote Recount



"Democracy in Danger? Election 2000," part of UM Law's *American Justice Series*, featured the Hon. Gerald Kogan as moderator and a panel that included, from left, professors Terence Anderson, D. Marvin Jones, Stephen Halpert, and Patrick Gudridge. The November 20 event drew a standing-room-only crowd of law students, alumni, and news media to the Law School's student lounge.

As a fascinated and concerned nation watched the legal battles following the November 7 Presidential election, UM Law faculty and alumni emerged both as key players in the daily drama and as sources of legal insight for the print and broadcast media.

For instance, Florida Attorney General Bob Butterworth, J.D. 1969, as Al Gore's Florida campaign chairman, telephoned the Vice President late on election night to urge him not to concede the election. Butterworth was aware that George W. Bush's vote majority in Florida was shrinking steadily and that many votes in Miami-Dade and Broward counties remained uncounted. As attorney general, Butterworth has appeared frequently in the news since that time.



Prof. Patrick Gudridge worked with Harvard Law professor Lawrence Tribe on Gore's brief for the U.S. Supreme Court, and Prof. Stephen Halpert was academic chair and a member of the Ad-

visory Committee of Florida Lawyers for Bush and worked on the ballot count for Miami-Dade County.

Barry Richard, J.D. 1967, of Greenberg Traurig PA, in Tallahassee, headed Bush's legal team in Florida during the vote recount. Raquel A. Rodriguez, J.D. 1985, also worked with the GOP legal team, and Joseph P. Klock, Jr., J.D. 1973, represented Florida Secretary of State Katherine Harris.

Mark Wallace, J.D. 1992, was lead local counsel for the Bush/Cheney team in Palm Beach County throughout the entire post election process

Benedict P. Kuehne, J.D. 1977, was one of the leaders of the Democratic legal team in Florida. Other alumni on Gore's Florida legal team included Peggy M. Fisher, J.D. 1975, and Karen Gievers, J.D. 1978.

Harry Jacobs, J.D. 1975, filed a lawsuit to toss out absentee ballots in Seminole County because Republican operatives had been allowed to complete more than 2,000 flawed absentee ballot requests that originally had been rejected because of incomplete voter information.

Other key players included R. Fred Lewis, J.D. 1972, as justice of the Florida Supreme Court; State Senator Tom Rossin, J.D. 1965, a member of Florida's Select Joint Committee on the Manner of the Appointment of Presidential Electors; and Edward J. Pozzuoli, J.D. 1987, chairman of the Broward County Republican Party.

Joanne Harvest Koren, J.D. 1984, director of UM Law's Academic Achievement Program, was an official observer of Broward County's recount. Her photograph appeared in the November 18 *New York Times*.

John K. Shubin, J.D. 1988, served as legal expert for MSNBC.



‘Guerrilla Lawyering’ Leads to Florida Bar’s Most Outstanding Young Lawyer Award

Caryn Vogel describes what she does as “guerrilla lawyering.”

“My practice involves dozens of ground-level battles every day,” she explained. “AIDS law evolves continuously, and so do the ways I must serve the needs of my clients—all of whom are indigent people who have HIV or are affected by it.”

Vogel, a 1996 graduate of UM Law, is the executive director and sole full-time employee of H.E.L.P., Inc., (HIV Education and Law Project). At the Florida Bar Association’s annual meeting in June, the Young Lawyers Division recognized her as the state’s “Most Outstanding Young Lawyer” for her work.

“My father is a lawyer, and I always knew I wanted to be one,” she said. Her interest, from the beginning, has always been public interest law, and the death of a close friend the year before Vogel began law school sparked her interest in helping people affected by HIV. She began laying the groundwork for H.E.L.P. as a student in 1994 by volunteering in HIV and AIDS law and litigation projects.

A grant from the *echoing green* foundation enabled her to devote her efforts fulltime to H.E.L.P. soon after her graduation from law school.

“We’re now a full-service law firm, getting involved in everything from divorce and custody matters to housing, employment discrimination, wrongful insurance denials, social security appeals, contract disputes, and criminal defense,” she said. “I currently have approximately 200 clients, and I’m in court almost every day. Altogether, H.E.L.P. has served around 400 clients.

“We take a comprehensive approach to legal representation, which includes working with clients to solve their legal problems, creating partnerships with com-



munity AIDS organizations, and providing culturally sensitive prevention and education material to the South Florida community.”

By “we,” she means herself (working approximately 70-hour weeks), the two or three clinical placement students from UM Law who work with her each semester, and former classmates and other UM Law alumni who occasionally volunteer to help with some of her cases.

“The students I have had working with me have been phenomenal,” she said, “and I have a wonderful volunteer base

of friends from law school who can be called on to take on a simple divorce case or insurance dispute.”

Asked what is the most difficult aspect of her job, she replied: “Maintaining an emotional distance.

“It’s a difficult tightrope to walk because I must talk with my clients about some of the most private aspects of their lives. Through the court system, society opens up a person’s past and life styles, so clients must first open up to me in order for me to help them. To do that, they have

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Prof. Mary Doyle Completes Work For U.S. Department of Interior

Prof. Mary Doyle—former dean, currently on leave of absence from UM Law—soon will be on her way back to Florida. Her work as acting assistant secretary of the interior for water and science is nearly complete.



legislation is also breaking new ground in the area of federal-state relations.”

Asked about her post-Washington plans, Doyle said, “I’m looking forward to returning to the faculty at UM Law in

the Fall 2001 semester. In the meantime, I’m going to take two trips to Asia, where I’ve never been before, and write about my amazing opportunity to see up close how a bill becomes a law.”

As a new administration takes office in Washington in January, she will both leave that post and relinquish her responsibilities as head of the South Florida Ecosystem Restoration Task Force, the intergovernmental panel that is coordinating a new 20-year \$7.8 billion effort to restore the Everglades and ensure a long-term water supply for South Florida.

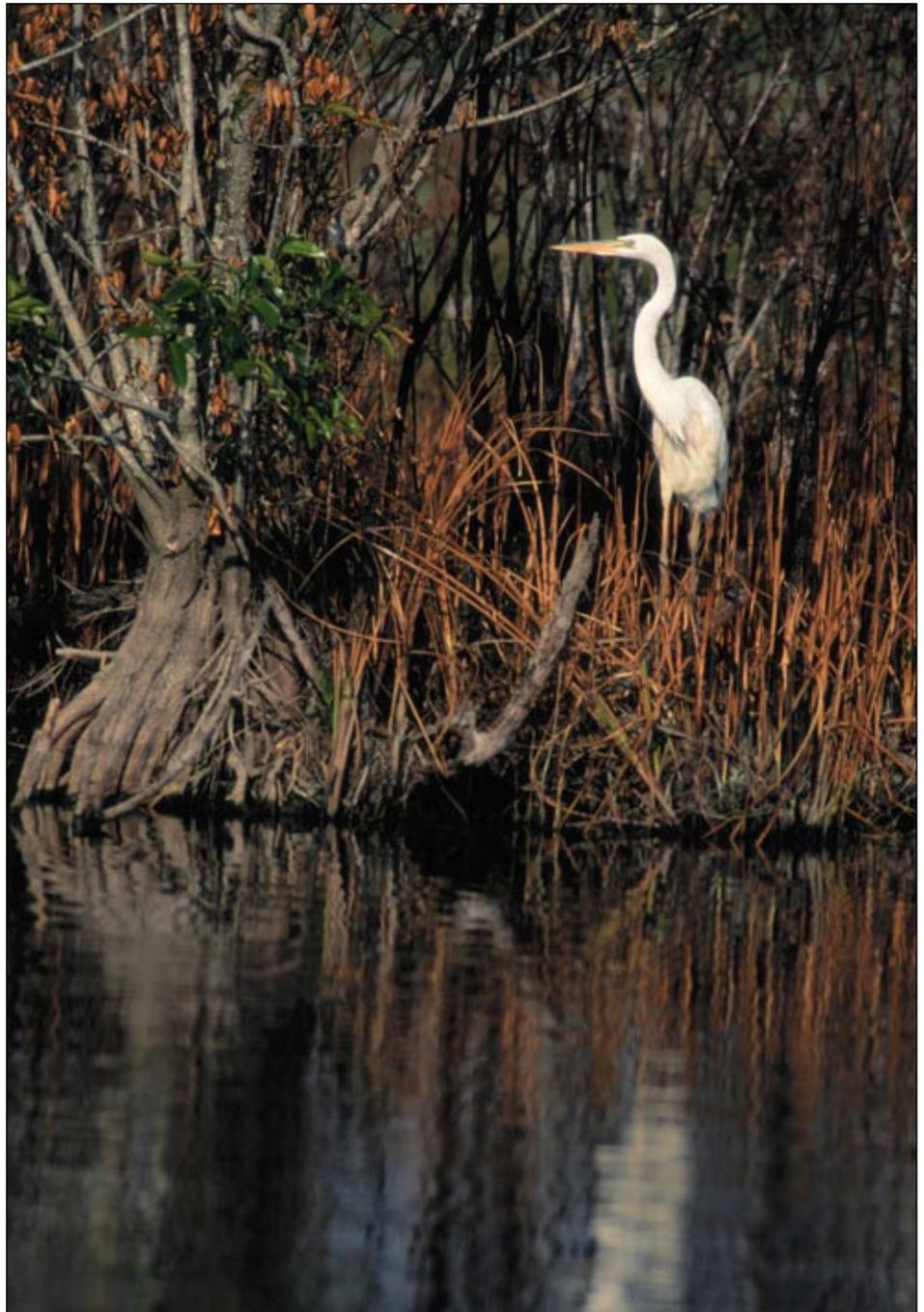
Doyle noted that her roles as assistant secretary and head of the task force were tied closely together in that, as assistant secretary, she was responsible for the Department of the Interior’s effort to secure passage of legislation authorizing the comprehensive Everglades restoration plan.

On November 3—four days before the general election—the U.S. House of Representatives passed the final version of a water projects bill, including the Everglades plan, by a vote of 312 to 2.

“The accomplishment of this administration and this Congress of which I will always be proud is the passage of that legislation,” Doyle said.

“It authorizes the single largest ecosystem restoration effort ever undertaken by humankind, and as such, it will serve as a model for similar efforts elsewhere.

“The nearly \$8 billion cost of the effort will be borne equally by the federal government and the State of Florida,” she pointed out. “This is an unusual financial partnership, and it means that the





Hispanic Business Magazine Proclaims UM Law Number One

The September issue of *Hispanic Business* magazine placed the University of Miami School of Law in first place on the publication's annual list of the "Top 10 Law Schools for Hispanic Students."

Following UM Law were the law schools at Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles, St. Mary's University in San Antonio, the University of Florida, Stanford University, the University of Texas at Austin, Texas Southern University, Fordham University, the University of Southern California, and Arizona State University.

The magazine's survey of law schools accredited by the American Bar Association ranked the schools according to five criteria: enrollment (incorporating both total and percent Hispanic enrollment), percentage of full-time faculty members who are Hispanic, student services (such as Hispanic recruitment programs, mentorship programs, and support organizations), retention rate, and reputation.

Pointing out that there are 238 Hispanic students among the 1,164 J.D. students at the University of Miami School of Law [1999-2000 statistics], the magazine quoted former Associate Dean Richard L. Williamson as saying, "We have a very active Hispanic Law Student Association. It is the largest association on campus . . . and it also includes mentoring programs."

The article also noted that the president of the *Law Review* and the SBA president were Hispanic and that UM Law is known as a premier recruitment source for employers seeking bilingual graduates with a thorough knowledge of the legal systems of Latin America.

"Of course, the article could only mention a few of the reasons this is a great

place for both Hispanics and non-Hispanics to study law," UM Law's Dean Dennis Lynch emphasized. "For instance, we are ideally located in beautiful Coral Gables and take full advantage of South Florida's incredible cultural and commercial ties with Latin America and Europe.

"Our J.D. and LL.M. offerings in comparative law, inter-American law, and international law are among the most extensive in the country.

"In fact, we teach five law courses in Spanish—more than any other U.S. law school outside of Puerto Rico. Studying in the original language is a great way to develop a deep understanding of a legal system—an understanding that becomes essential for U.S. lawyers as more and more legal practices involve substantial contact with corporations and people from other countries," he pointed out.

"Although our faculty and our curricula are very strong in international subjects, we are just as strong in other areas, such as public interest and anti-discrimination law, tax law, estate planning, litigation skills, and many others," Lynch said. "Our students not only get a solid grounding in American law but also develop the sophisticated outlook they need to suc-

ceed in a rapidly changing legal environment."

Students whose native language is not English and whose undergraduate education is from outside the United States are required to present results of the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), as well as the Law School Admission Test (LSAT), to be considered for admission to the University of Miami School of Law.

Hispanic Business magazine, which now has a circulation of more than 200,000, began operation 20 years ago to create a national Hispanic identity by covering the Hispanic economy as one market rather than a series of local markets.





Kogan Co-Chairs National Group To Combat Wrongful Executions



With more than 40 years of experience with the nation's criminal justice system, Gerald Kogan, J.D. 1955, is well aware that the way the courts apply the death penalty is fraught with problems. As co-chair of a blue-ribbon panel of experts, he's now in a position to effect solutions.

Along with co-chair Charles F. Baird, former judge, Texas Court of Criminal Appeals, he heads the new National Committee to Prevent Wrongful Executions.

The committee—whose 23 members also include such well-known opinion leaders as Mario Cuomo, former governor of New York; Charles Gruber, former president of the International Association of Chiefs of Police; syndicated columnist Ann Landers; David Lawrence, former publisher of the *Miami Herald* and the *Detroit Free Press*; and William Sessions, former director of the FBI—is an initiative of Georgetown University Law Center's Constitution Project, which seeks to develop bipartisan solutions to constitutional and governance issues.

"Committee members include Republicans and Democrats, conservatives and liberals," Kogan noted. "We have people who are for the death penalty and others who are against it; however, we all agree

that the risk of wrongful executions in this country is too high, and we're working together to resolve that problem."

As co-chairs, Kogan and Baird frequently serve as spokespersons for the Committee.

"I estimate that I have participated in more than 10,000 criminal cases," Kogan told the U.S. House of Representatives Judiciary Subcommittee on Crime on June 20, 2000, testifying in support of the Innocence Protection Act of 2000, which would make DNA testing available for use in criminal cases. Kogan referred to his experience as justice and chief justice of the Florida Supreme Court, head of Miami-Dade County's capital crimes prosecution unit, defense attorney, and criminal court trial judge. He is now president of the UM Law-based Alliance for Ethical Government.

"During my years of service, I came to realize . . . that our capital sentencing system is full of errors at every level. Innocent men and women are sentenced to death for a plethora of reasons, including overzealous prosecutors and police officers, incompetent defense attorneys, and witnesses who testify in good faith but are simply mistaken or, like jailhouse informants, whose testimony is unreliable.

"Most of those involved in capital trials want to see justice done. Unfortunately, they are often unable to achieve this goal. Too often, the system fails to provide adequate resources to pay for defense attorneys and investigations," Kogan pointed out. "Honest mistakes can be made—mistakes that could be prevented if the system provided more resources. Sometimes, as we have unfortunately seen, the system suffers from complacency and an urge to convict someone—anyone—of a heinous crime where there is great public pressure. And,

sometimes, legislatures make the courts unavailable so that they are unable to correct mistakes when they occur.

"Many of these mistakes, mistakes which wrongly sentence people to death, require expensive and time-consuming retrials," he emphasized. "This means that the victims' families must re-live the crime, the wrongly condemned languish in prison for years, and the guilty remain free to victimize more innocent people."

In his testimony, Kogan called attention to a recent study by researchers at Columbia University Law School, which found that two-thirds of the nearly 6,000 U.S. trials that have ended in death sentences since capital punishment was resumed in the 1970s have been so flawed that re-trials have been ordered. In 82 percent of the cases that were re-tried, the defendants received lesser sentences, and in 7 percent of the cases, the defendants were found not guilty.

Along with legislation making DNA testing available and mandating that biological evidence be preserved, Kogan said, the law should also ensure that indigent defendants in all 50 states have competent counsel.

He said only lawyers with experience in capital cases should be appointed to represent defendants in death penalty trials. Additionally, he emphasized, jury instructions should be modified to advise jurors about the possibility of eyewitness errors in identification and about the credibility of testimony by jailhouse informants.

"Whether you're for or against the death penalty," Kogan said, "you have to concern yourself with the possibility of innocent people being executed. 'You can't go to a cemetery and dig up the coffin and say, 'Sorry, we made a mistake.'"



Class of 1950 Tells It Like It Was 50 Years Ago



Members of the Class of 1950 gather for a special 50th reunion lunch on Nov. 2, 2000, held in the Law School's faculty meeting room. From left to right are: Burton Young, Irving Weiner, Edward O'Flynn, David Lococo, Henry Reesburgh, Manuel Lubel, Walter Bell, Joseph Jennings, Denis O'Sullivan, David Levine, Don Mayerson, Hon. Peter Palermo, Mac Mermell, Ernest Ridarsick, Harry Smith, Sidney Efronson, Sarino Costanzo, Lt. Col. Billy Burton, Bennett Lifter, and Joseph Pardo. Missing from the photo are Irwin Block, the Hon. J.C. Henderson, and Joe Ludic.

Half a century ago, the University of Miami School of Law was very different from today's institution. Just ask the 21 members of the Class of 1950 who gathered with their spouses and guests in UM Law's Faculty Lounge for their 50th Anniversary Reunion Luncheon November 2.

"Fifty-three years ago, most of us had just gotten out of the service; we didn't need a four-year degree," remembered **Sidney Efronson**. "What a motley crew we were. No money. We lived on the G.I. Bill—\$85 if you were single, \$125 if you were married."

"I thought it would be great to go to school in Miami, but when I got here I was sent to the barracks," **Ernest Sidarsick** said. "The government provided our books, paid our tuition. . . . I

had a good time, studied hard, supported three children, and practiced law until 10 years ago."

"A lot of people are against big government," **Manuel Lubel** pointed out. "Thank God we had big government then, or we wouldn't have had the GI Bill of Rights."

"After freezing and starving in Louisville, Ky.," **Joe Ludic** said, "I decided to move to Miami and just starve.... There was a different attitude in our day; law graduates wanted to get out and make a living and help people. It wasn't the L.A. Law syndrome that we have today."

Don Mayerson said a friend of his father's, Dr. Bowman Ashe, helped him get into law school. "He asked me why I wanted to be a lawyer. So, I pulled out a card that said, 'You weigh 182 pounds, and

you have a judicial mind.' So, I got into law school."

Joe Jennings remembered that his four-year-old daughter went to law school with him, becoming a favorite of several members of the faculty.

Noting that the majority of his colleagues were retired, **Irwin Block** said, "I am still in the business; I'll give you my card." He added that one of his greatest pleasures was seeing his granddaughter come to UM Law on a full scholarship.

Harry Smith said that for his 70th birthday, he gave up working Fridays, but that his wife says he brings so much work home he might as well be at the office. "I have to go now and put in some billable time at the office," he joked.

"One of my biggest accomplishments is my 13-year-old son," said 75-year-old



Bennett Lifter. “I want my son to enroll here and become a lawyer.”

Matt Mermel said his five children were a reason he decided to go to law school—so that he could afford to educate them.

Irving Weiner claimed that he had celebrated his 20th birthday this year, explaining that his birthday is February 29. He said he still has Prof. Richard Hausler’s mimeographed outline of Federal Tax Procedure.

Bill Burton, who retired at 60, said he “had an enjoyable career in the Air Force” and had been a judge advocate and an assistant county attorney.

Ed O’Flynn, who is Burton’s neighbor in California, worked in domestic counterintelligence for the FBI after he graduated from UM Law. “Then, Hoover died and I figured it was time to move on.” He retired 20 years ago but still has a part-time tax and real estate business.

Referring to his law school days, **Sidney Efronson** said, “I am an organizer. . . . We had a baseball team. I was one of the founding members of the Society of Bar and Gavel. We started *Barrister* magazine. . . . Having been in Law School was the greatest experience. I probably knew every one of the guys by name. I remember incidents we were involved with.”

At 76 years of age, **Walter Bell** is still practicing law. “My father was a railroader, and my two brothers were railroaders, but I decided to go to the University of Miami,” he said.

Denis O’Sullivan also had a railroad connection. “I was working on the railroad as a brakeman, and I fell and landed on and broke the brake stick. I decided that was a hell of a way to make a living,” he remembered. “So, I went to Buffalo and took the GED. A friend said to go to the University of Miami, that classes were starting in November. So I applied and was accepted.”

Peter Palermo said, “I came here from Pittsburgh in 1947. I’m Italian. In Pittsburgh, I was a Yankee. Now, I’m

considered an Anglo in Miami. If you went back to Pittsburgh or New York and told them we were Anglos, they would have laughed.” He was elected mayor of West Miami. “My neighbors were Southern Baptist and Jewish, and they didn’t trust each other. They trusted me as the poor little Catholic boy,” he said.

“My great pleasure was working in the Law Library with Harriet French and Minnette Massey,” noted **Ross Costanzo**. “I can’t thank UM Law enough—it was a great experience.”

“Dean Lynch’s first mistake was to ask a bunch of lawyers to say a few words,” joked **Dave Levine**. He noted that he had originally planned to go to the University of Florida but went to the University of Miami instead and “I’ve been here ever since.”

Burton Young said he will be forever in the Law School’s debt—that life has been “totally rewarding and complete” because of the education he received at UM Law.

“I’m thrilled to see that we’re all alive,” emphasized **Joseph Pardo**. “It’s great to see everyone and that we’re still doing well.” During his career, he said, he “got to know a lot of judges and had the privilege of seeing how opinions were written. It was an honor to make the law, to practice the law, and to be part of the legal world.”



Harry Smith and Edward O’Flynn share memories of law school.

Conference To Analyze Role of Free Press

An exciting conference on the role of a free press in the development and consolidation of democracies in Latin American will bring some of the top thinkers on that topic to UM Law on January 26.

Put together by Prof. Irwin Stotzky, director of the Center for the Study of Human Rights, the conference will feature two panel discussions and the debut of a movie directed by Academy Award winner Jonathan Demme, director of *The Silence of the Lambs*, *Philadelphia*, and a wide range of other critically acclaimed dramas, comedies and documentaries.

The movie, a documentary titled *The Agronomist*, depicts the life of Jean Dominique, the Haitian journalist who was assassinated in Haiti last April.

Continuing Legal Education credits will be available for lawyers who attend the conference. For further information on the event, which will be free and open to the public, please contact Prof. Stotzky’s office at 305-284-4764.

The panelists’ papers and the transcript of the panel discussions will be printed in an upcoming issue of the *University of Miami Law Review*.



Class of '60 Remember Hard Work, Good Times



The Class of 1960 held its 40th reunion lunch in the Biltmore Hotel's lovely Altamira Room Friday, Nov. 3, 2000.

Memories of hard work, classmates, and brilliant professors dominated the conversation at the 40th Reunion Luncheon of the Class of 1960, November 3 at the Biltmore Hotel in Coral Gables.

"We are proud of our degree and proud to be graduates of UM Law," the Hon. **Marvin Gillman** told the 23 classmates and guests at the event, adding that many in the class had become members of the bench.

"[UM Law] made us better people and better lawyers," agreed Judge **Edward Middlebrooks**.

"There was a lot of quality . . . in our class," remembered **Joseph Segor**. "It was deep quality—everyone had ability and integrity."

Don McClosky, who attended school at night, noted that "classes were not too large, and they always touched on ethics."

Ronald Davis also was among the 29 evening division students who graduated with the Class of 1960.

"The Class of 1960 was a hardworking class," said **Kirk McDonald**. "I was a class agent for years. You may remember that I called you to raise money. . . . I appreciated your work ethic, since I would call between 7 and 9 p.m., and a third of you were still in the office or out at civic endeavors."

The Hon. **Martin Kahn** remembered a law student who would send his mother to class to take notes for him. "The joke was who would actually end up taking the bar exam—mom or student."

Jim Moore reminisced about an entrance interview with one of the deans. The dean was talking about another student, a music major, who had applied for law school and commented, "The next thing you know, we'll have physical

education majors applying." "Well, I was a physical education major," Moore said.

Professors Clifford Alloway and M. Minnette Massey "taught us how to analyze," noted **Lewis Cohen**. "If you can analyze your opponent's side, you have a great advantage."

Michael Slotnick remembered that Alloway "said you always need footnotes. He told us to drop a footnote that refers to another footnote, and then another one that refers to another footnote, and then one after that referring to an unpublished writing."

Hugh Maloney said Alloway "required the name of the case and what it stood for and would preach about the meaning of con law. . . . It escaped me then, and it escapes me now," he said.

"Wesley Sturges was the most memorable professor," **Milton Fried** stated. "He kept talking but made sure that everyone participated. He told us that it was most important to spot the issues."

Describing his early days at UM Law, **George Nachwalter** said, "I had no idea what to do. I had to learn a method; I had to figure out a way. . . . I wrote reams of notes and synthesized and re-synthesized everything."

The Hon. **Everett Dudley** went to law school at Boston University for two years, then joined the U.S. Marines. After completing his service, he returned to law school—this time to UM Law, and had to start over as a 1L.

Speaking for the whole class, **Mark Kay** concluded, "Many of us came from humble backgrounds, and we wanted to better ourselves. We had a burning desire to be lawyers and amount to something. We left UM with our entire mental process reconstituted. . . . I am proud to be a lawyer and hope the school inculcates the same spirit in its graduates today."



Lawyers in Leadership Award Honors President Foote



At the Lawyers in Leadership Award presentation are, from left, Jason Kairalla; Geri Howell; President Edward T. Foote II; Stephen Hauptman; UM Law's Dean of Students Jeannette Hausler; and Prof. Anthony V. Alfieri, Director of the Center for Ethics and Public Service. Kairalla, Howell, and Hauptman are Steel Hector Fellows at the Center.

UM Law's Center for Ethics and Public Service launched its Lawyers in Leadership Award Series October 10 by honoring University of Miami President Edward T. Foote II at an award presentation at the School of Law.

The Lawyers in Leadership series is a new program sponsored by the Center to honor leading members of the Florida bar and bench. The presentation events include informal discussions about the lives and careers of the prominent community leaders receiving the award. The series provides a unique learning opportunity for students in all fields of study, offering an up-close, personal look at the choices and decisions that have helped establish these leaders in their professions.

The recipient of the first Lawyers in Leadership Award, Foote has been president of the University of Miami since 1981 and will remain at the University

for two years as chancellor following his retirement as president on June 1, 2001. The University has thrived under his leadership.

A graduate of Yale University and the holder of law degrees from Georgetown and Washington universities, he has been a Marine Corps officer; a daily newspaper reporter; a law firm associate; vice chancellor and general counsel of Washington University; dean and law professor at Washington University School of Law; and chairman of a citizens committee to help prepare plans for desegregating St. Louis schools. In Miami, he is co-chair of the Alliance for Ethical Government and a member of the Miami Coalition for a Safe and Drug-Free Community.

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city of Miami School of Law played a fundamental role in her success as an entrepreneur. "In law school, you are trained to become issue oriented and focus in on the important issues in any transaction," she says. "I find I can look at a business concept or model and get right to what's really important."

A resident of Boca Raton and mother of three, Silvers is involved in educational and community activities in Palm Beach County as well as at her alma mater. She is a former board member of the Pine Crest Preparatory School, of the Executive Advisory Board of the School of Business at Florida Atlantic University, and a member of the Economic Council of Palm Beach County. She is also a founding board member of BRET, Boca Raton's educational television channel.

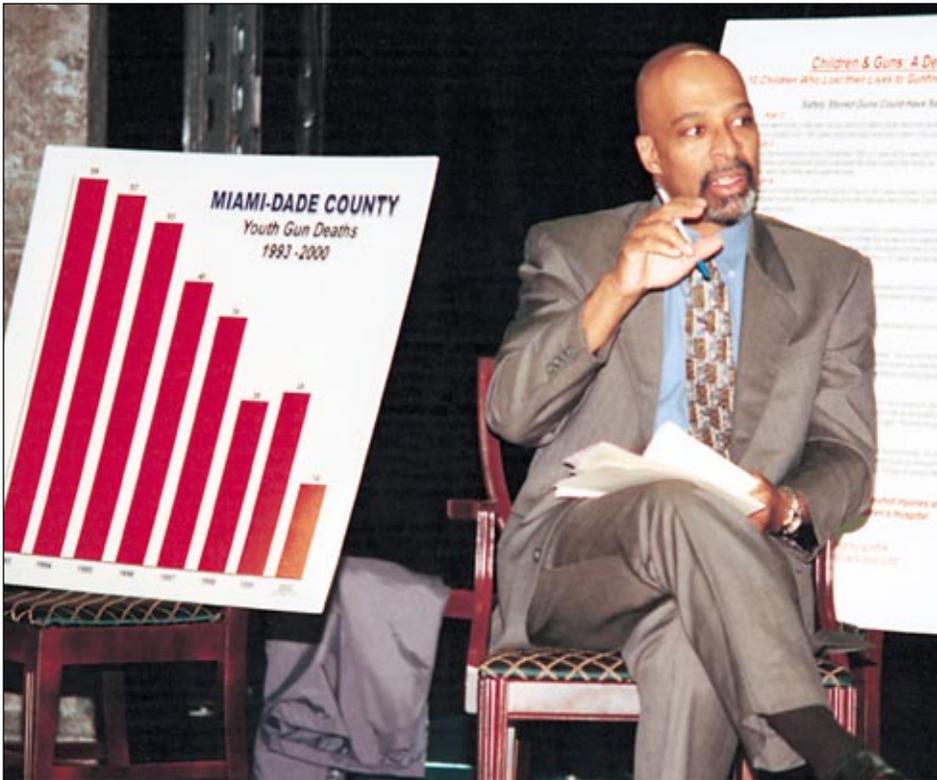
"The more you give, the more you learn," says Silvers. "I think it's important to realize that everything you do, every decision you make, has an ethical component. You always have to take that into consideration."

While Silvers is proud of her personal and professional accomplishments to date, she's not ready to sit back and relax. "I'm always thinking of what's next," she says. "I want to bring something new to the industry. I want to leave my fingerprints on it."

Dean Lynch adds, "Laurie Silvers is an inspiration to all her friends at the Law School. Not only has she achieved remarkable success, she also embodies the highest qualities of professionalism and commitment to her family, her community and her alma mater. We are delighted to have her support and affection for our Law School."



'First Monday' Panelists at UM Law Focus on Reducing Gun Violence



Miami Herald columnist Robert Steinback moderated the panel.



“A Columbine happens every day in America,” said Mimi Watson Sutherland, neurological coordinator at the University of Miami/Jackson Memorial Medical Center, during a panel discussion hosted by UM Law and focusing on reducing gun violence in America.

“Twenty-five years ago I came from Canada to Miami to work in neurosurgery at Jackson Hospital,” she said. “But I was not prepared for the violence and the carnage of the American handgun. Since 1990, 50,000 children have died as a result of handguns—my entire hometown.”

The panel discussion, moderated by *Miami Herald* columnist Robert Steinback and held at the University’s Ring Theatre, was one of many events hosted by hundreds of law schools and communities throughout the nation as part of the campaign, “First Monday 2000: United to End Gun Violence.” The campaign was this year’s version of a national initiative coordinated each year by the Alliance for Justice on the first day of the U.S. Supreme Court’s new session.

In addition to the panel discussion, the event included *America: Up in Arms*, a documentary narrated by actor Martin Sheen that portrays tragic incidents where guns killed innocent people.

Panelist included (from left): Earl Gallop, Don Gist, Joe Ramallo, Mimi Watson Sutherland, and Stephen Zack.



UM Law Alumni at Kozyak Tropin & Throckmorton



The Florida Commission on the Status of Women has recognized Kozyak Tropin & Throckmorton, P.A., as the “Best Florida Employer for Working Women” among firms that have fewer than 50 employees. The Miami law firm includes 11 UM Law alumni among its 16 attorneys. They are, seated from left, Harley S. Tropin, Gail A. McQuilkin, and Cheryl Glicker; and standing from left, Laurel M. Isicoff, Corali Lopez-Castro, Detra P. Shaw, Kenneth R. Hartmann, Jeannie M. Jontiff, David L. Rosendorf, Adam M. Moskowitz, and Marilyn G. Kohn. Laurel Isicoff, the most recent managing partner of the commercial litigation and bankruptcy firm, was named partner while working part-time. Corali Lopez-Castro was named partner while on maternity leave.

Panel on Women Trial Lawyers

A panel discussion sponsored by UM Law’s Center for Ethics and Public Service at the School of Law in late September explored issues related to women trial lawyers.

The panel of women attorneys, judges and a law professor discussed such topics as whether women are treated differently by judges, whether their gender influences their being chosen to try cases, what ethical issues arise that are unique to women, and needed changes.

Panelists included Ellen Freidin, of counsel, Akerman Senterfitt; Barbara Locke, executive partner, Holland & Knight; the Hon. Marilyn Milian, 11th Judicial Circuit; Sandra Miller, division



chief for Judge Milian, State Attorney’s Office; the Hon. Patricia Seitz, U.S. District Court, Southern Florida; Holly

Skolnick, partner, Greenberg Traurig; and Prof. Susan Stefan, University of Miami School of Law.



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'Guerrilla Lawyering' Leads To Fla. Bar's Most Outstanding Young Lawyer Award

to trust me, and they won't if I seem aloof.

"Most of them start crying at some point when they tell me their stories.

"I've been to a lot of funerals and seen a lot of children orphaned. In fact, I see a lot more reality on a daily basis than most people should have to.

"For self preservation as well as to serve my clients more effectively, I have to have it clear in my mind that this is work and that it must be separate from the rest of my life.

"What I feel good about is that I know my work makes a difference. The difference may be in helping them live with HIV (which today is very possible for people with access to health care and the legal system). Many of my clients have passed on, but I know I have helped them do it with dignity and with a voice."

Asked to describe her clientele, she said, "First, they're all indigent, and many of them are homeless. Maybe 10 -to- 15 percent are homosexual males and another 5 percent are intravenous drug users, but the vast majority are straight females with children.

To illustrate the problems faced by her clients, Vogel spoke of a single mother who discovered she had HIV only after seeing AIDS listed as the cause of death on the death certificate of her estranged husband, whom she had not seen in seven years. The client has no health insurance and thus has access to medical care only when she checks herself into a hospital emergency room. When she is away from home, her two teenage children will not go to school.

"Obviously, the problems experienced by that client and her family go well beyond the need for legal help; the needs also extend to social services, psychologi-



cal counseling, medical care, food and other areas.

"My goal for H.E.L.P. is for it to be able to provide more of these services under one roof," she said. "The biggest obstacle to that is the difficulty of finding enough funding."

Vogel spends a great deal of time working on grant proposals and fellowships. H.E.L.P. has received support from approximately 20 foundations, as well as monetary contributions from individuals and in-kind donations of furniture and computer equipment. H.E.L.P.'s annual "Night of Hope" fundraiser last April brought in \$17,000.

Miami-Dade County recognizes the organization as a service provider and gives technical support as well as financial reimbursement for some of the services rendered.

Someday, Vogel hopes, the organization will be able to afford a secretary or administrative assistant and other attorneys.

In the meantime, she takes comfort in knowing that H.E.L.P. is progressing steadily and making a strong, positive impact on the lives of people in desperate need.

Wall of Fame To Honor Moot Court Alumni

On Thursday, February 8, UM Law's Moot Court Board will unveil a "Wall of Fame" in the Law Library honoring Moot Court winners from previous years.

Categories include Advanced Moot Court, Mock Trial, Negotiation, Client Counseling, and Mediation Advocacy. The Wall will also cite individuals who represented the Law School at the regional, state and national levels of the various competitions.

A cocktail reception on the Bricks will precede the unveiling.

To ensure that the list of engraved names is complete, the Moot Court Board requests that all winners of Law School competitions and past representatives of UM Law at state, regional or national competitions notify the Board through e-mail at mcb@law.miami.edu or by phone at 305-284-3170.

The Moot Court Board also would appreciate monetary donations to help defray the cost of the plaques.





The Dean's Circle

Membership in the University of Miami School of Law Dean's Circle reflects a high level of commitment to the School and a shared vision for ensuring excellence in legal education.

By making annual gifts of \$1,000 or more to the Law Annual Fund, members place themselves at the head of a partnership of alumni, parents, and friends who, with the dean, students, faculty, and administrators, are dedicated to ensuring that the School takes its place among the nation's leading law schools.

Each year, the Law School holds several events especially for Dean's Circle members.

We thank all of our Dean's Circle members for their wonderful generosity and commitment to the Law School, and we extend a special welcome to our newest Dean's Circle members.

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Lewis Levey, J.D. '86, our newest Dean's Circle member, greets Professor Emeritus Daniel Murray, J.D. '49, at the November 9 Dean's Circle Luncheon held at the Banker's Club in Miami. UM Law Professor Michael Fromkin, Internet law expert, was the guest speaker.

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Sheldon & Myrna Palley proudly lead Dean's Circle members on tours of their fabulous glass collection displayed in the "Splendor in the Glass" exhibit at the Lowe Art Museum. A special reception for Dean's Circle members was held on November 21 at the Lowe.



Judge Robert and Myrna Shevin admire the Palleys' exquisite glass collection at the November 21 Dean's Circle reception.

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Mary Penn, of the Dean of Students office, assists Doug Hiller with his regalia at the Spring 2000 Hooding Ceremony.



Mariel Melissa Saunderson (Smith) Spencer Memorial Scholarship

July 6, 1971–December 8, 1999

On December 8, 1999, UM law graduate Mariel Melissa Spencer died tragically of complications from acute leukemia at the age of 28. Mariel enrolled in both the J.D. and LL.M. in Tax programs at the University of Miami School of Law, graduating in 1996 and 1998, respectively. Mariel enjoyed her association with UM, where she was a member of the *Inter-American Law Review* and where she discovered her passion for tax law. Upon graduating from UM, Mariel began her career working for PricewaterhouseCoopers in Miami as a state and local tax consultant.

To honor Mariel's passion for learning and her devotion to the field of tax, Mariel's husband, Kevin Spencer, JD '96, family and friends established a scholarship in her name at the Law School. The Mariel Melissa Saunderson (Smith) Spencer Scholarship will be awarded to a second- or third-year female J.D. student or a female LL.M. student who has at least a 3.0 grade point average, has an interest in practicing tax law, and demonstrates financial need.

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Memorial gifts were received in memory of many of the beloved members of our Law School family. This past year we were deeply saddened by the deaths of alumnus William "Bill" Colson on October 14, 1999, Professor Clifford Alloway on October 30, 1999 and Professor Richard Hausler on March 18, 2000. We thank the following contributors for their memorial gifts.

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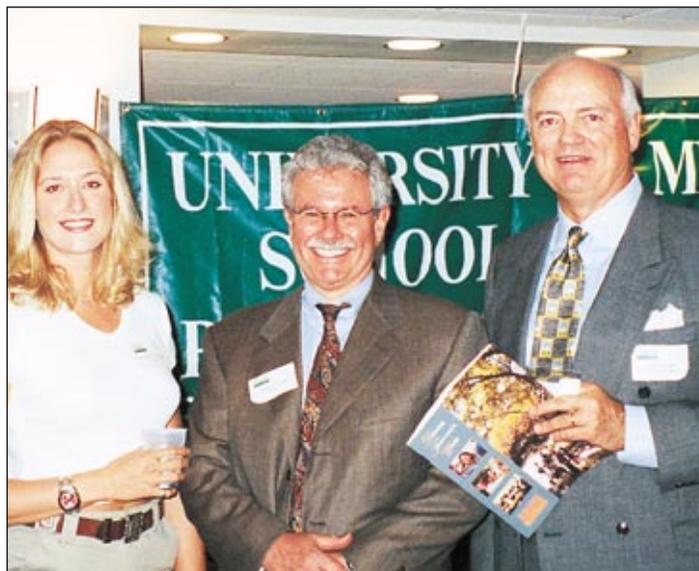
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Theodore Nestor
George Onoprienko
Anne Marie Papy
Courtney E. Parker
H. J. (Jack) Pflieger, Jr.
Jeanie Pflieger

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Tom Robinson
Barbara D. Ruud
Violet Susan Sable
Will Anthony Sekoff
Jenine Lister Silverman
Henry King Stanford
Ruth King Stanford
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Michael A. Goldberg
Betty Ann Good
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Melinda H. Harrison
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Glenn Lapides
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D. Stewart MacIntyre III
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Adela M. Maruri
Angel Maruri
Susan W. Minana
Susan J. Moll
Betty Roth Naster
Cynthia G. Pesetsky
Joanne M. Popper
Toni Porter
Sonya Dubbin Rapee
Marcia Reisman
Norma Reisman
Terry Milton Reisman
Andrea F. Rosenblatt
Elyse Ross
Ann Beth Simon Rubin
Madeline T. Sackel
Cecilia Sanchez-Galarraga
Joan Stankiewicz Scheer
Sandra Adelle Schneider
Iris D. Schnipper
David B. Schulman
Scott Seder
Jonathan Steven Simon
David P. Skerry
Martin Sloan
Susan Zeientz Slotnick
Beverly B. Snyder
Eleanore Soto
Karen L. Spigler
William Joseph Stanton
Janet E. Stearns
Edmund H. Stewart, Jr.
Maria R. Tigri
Wendy Traurig
Eduardo Waite
Carol F. Weinstein
Linda S. Weisenberg
Nancy Freedman Weissman
Helene 'Lee' R. Wiener
Beverly S. Wiesner
Margaret K. Wilson
Jack B. Yaffa
Jane Marcus Yaffe
Roberto Carlos Zaldivar
Myra Zale
Bernard Joseph Zumpano
Charles Michael Zyne



Faculty in the News

While UM Law's constitutional law faculty was busy talking with the press about the Presidential election,



Prof. **Michael Froomkin** continued to be in demand as one of the nation's primary authorities on Internet law. In recent

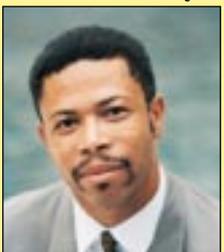
months, he has been quoted in such publications as the *Washington Post*, the *Wall Street Journal*, *USA Today*, the *Economist*, the *Guardian* (United Kingdom), the *Miami Daily Business Review*, the *Broward Daily Business Review*, the *Industry Standard*, the *South Florida Sun-Sentinel*, *ICANN Watch*, the *Cook Report on Internet*, and the *National Law Journal*.

Prof. **David Abraham** was also quoted in an Internet-related article when *Miami Today* published an article on "Dot-Coms Here Inflate Demand for Immigration Specialists."

Wired Magazine sought Prof. **Caroline Bradley's** opinion in an article about Sealand, a tiny island in the North Sea that may be transformed into an electronic data haven outside the jurisdiction of national governments.



The University of Miami's *Miami Magazine* featured Prof. **D. Marvin Jones** in an article on faculty members for whom the challenge of bridging the



gap between academic research and reality has direct impact on their lives.

Prof. **Enrique Fernandez-Barros** has become associated with the law firm of Ruden, McClosky, Smith, Schuster & Russell, P.A., as an advisor in foreign law, helping the firm establish business and governmental relationships in Latin America.



In September, Prof. **Michael Fischl** hosted a symposium on Duncan Kennedy's book, *A Critique of Adjudication*. Papers from the three-day event will be published in the *Cardozo Law Review*.

Prof. **Edgardo Rotman** participated in an international symposium of experts on "Crisis of Criminal Law and Crime Policy" and in an international workshop, "Toward the Global Abolition of Capital Punishment." Both events were in Germany in October. Following his participation in the second event, at the Max Planck Institute for Criminal Law, the director of the Institute, Prof. Hans-Joerg Albrecht visited UM Law to make a presentation to the faculty on "Trends in Crime, Causes of Crime, and the Role of Criminal Policy." Prof. **Jonathan Simon** organized the November 10 event.



In her recently published book—*Unequal Rights: Discrimination Against People with Mental Disabilities, and the Americans with Disabilities Act*—Prof. **Susan Stefan** emphasizes that discrimination against people with psychiatric disabilities is pervasive throughout American society.

Informative, readable and useful to the general public as well as to lawyers, policymakers, and mental health professionals, the book covers disability discrimination in a myriad of applications (insurance, child custody, institutionalization, professional education and discipline, and other categories).

"Laws that prohibit much of this discrimination have been passed; it is up to all of us to learn them, understand them, take them seriously, and enforce them," Stefan says in the book's introduction. "These laws will not eradicate discrimination, but we must at least try to hold this country to the promises embodied in its laws."

Unequal Rights is published by the American Psychological Association. A companion volume by Stefan—*Employment Discrimination Against Americans with Mental Disabilities, and the Americans with Disabilities Act*—will be published in 2001.

In early December, the Dade County Psychological Association



presented Prof. **Bruce Winick** with an award for "Significant Contributions to the Field of Psychology and Law." Continuing his heavy

schedule of speaking engagements, Winick has participated in conferences in Dana Point, Calif.; Grand Rapids, Mich.; Arlington, Va.; Marathon Key, Fla; Miami Beach; Coral Gables; San Diego; and other cities during fall 2000.



CLASS NOTES

Class of 1950



SABRINO R. COSTANZO was formerly senior partner in the law firm of Walters, Moore &

Costanzo, later Walters Costanzo & Zyne, then considered to be the largest immigration law firm in the southern United States, and is now associated with Sidney Efronson, Esq., where he specializes in immigration and naturalization, real property and corporations. He and his wife, Ingrid, are the proud parents of Laura and Laurance and grandparents of Nicholas Cortes.

Class of 1951

The Class of 1951 will hold its 50th Reunion Celebration next year. Members of the class who are interested in helping plan the event for their class should contact Cynthia Sikorski, director of alumni relations, 305-284-4935, with their ideas and suggestions.

ROBERT J. NOVAK practices law out of daughter Mila's office in Melrose Park, Ill. Although her practice is almost all Spanish-speaking, both Novak and his daughter belong to the Bohemian Lawyer's Association and are now entertaining several Bohemian law students who are visiting from the Czech Republic. Novak resides in Elmhurst.

ANDREW R. SABLE passed away on August 17, 1978, at age 66. His sister, Violet, remains among the list of donors, contributing to UM Law in her brother's memory.

Class of 1952

HARRY M. COVEN retired after 40 years with the Chicago law firm of Gould & Ratner. His wife, Ludmilla Ross Coven, Ed.D., was a special educator for 20 years at New Trier High School in Winnetka, Ill., and currently serves as an adjunct faculty member at National-Louis University in Evanston. All four children are married: Maia is advertising art director at Princeton University Press; Jonathan is in real estate development in New York City; Jessie is a communication representative for the southeastern states, based in Atlanta; Daniel is in finance in New York City.

Class of 1956

The Class of 1956 will hold its 45th Reunion Celebration next year. Members of the class who are interested in helping plan the event for their class should contact Cynthia Sikorski, director of alumni relations, 305-284-4935, with their ideas and suggestions.

Class of 1957

BEN DANIEL, a federal prosecutor with the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Florida, was camp director this summer at Camp DEFY (Drug Education for Youth). His leadership began as an assignment from his boss, then U.S. Attorney THOMAS E. SCOTT, JD '72, but Daniel later reported that "it was the most important thing I did all year." The camp was a collaborative effort of the U.S. Attorney's Office; Miami Weed and Seed, a federal crime prevention program; the U.S. Coast

Guard; the Miami Police Department; and the Miami Parks & Recreation Department.

TALA ENGEL recently returned from a two-month trip to the Ukraine, Russia and Poland, where she located and photographed her mother's and father's houses. Engel resides in Washington, D.C.



SONIA PRESSMAN FUENTES was the first woman attorney in the Office of the General Counsel at the

Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) in 1965; one of the founders of the National Organization for Women (NOW) in 1966; the highest paid woman at the headquarters of two multinational corporations, GTE and TRW; and an international speaker on women's rights for the United States Information Agency. "Sex Maniac," her piece on the second wave of the women's movement and her role in it, is online again at <http://www.wordwrangler.com/sonia.html>. Sonia can be contacted at sfuentes@erols.com.

Class of 1961

The Class of 1961 will hold its 40th Reunion Celebration next year. Members of the class who are interested in helping plan the event for their class should contact Cynthia Sikorski, director of alumni relations, 305-284-4935, with their ideas and suggestions.

Class of 1962

HERBERT ODELL has become a member of the law firm of Miller & Chevalier, Chartered, as a result of the merger of Odell & Partners, LLP, and Miller & Chevalier. Miller & Chevalier is a 90-lawyer firm in Washington, D.C., where half of its attorneys are engaged in tax practice. Odell has four tax attorneys, with offices outside Philadelphia.

Class of 1963

ARDEN M. SIEGENDORF is the recipient of this year's seventh Excellence in Conflict Resolution Award, presented by the Florida Conflict Resolution Consortium. This award recognizes the contributions made by outstanding mediators in resolving public disputes.

Siegenderf is recognized as one of the most accomplished circuit court mediators and has developed a well-deserved reputation for helping to settle complex public disputes relating to growth, development, transportation and environmental issues. The Conflict Resolution Consortium also recognized Siegenderf's work as chair of the Mediation Grievance Committee of the Florida Bar. Based in Tallahassee, Siegenderf has served as an arbitrator and mediator since 1989. In 1992, he founded and became president of Tallahassee Mediation Center, Inc., after serving in Miami-Dade County as both a circuit court and county court judge.



Class of 1964

DAVID N. NISSENBERG introduced the second edition of his book, *The Law of Commercial Trucking: Damages to Persons and Property*, published by Lexis Publishing last year. It is widely used throughout the country by attorneys involved in truck accident litigation. In the past three years, Nissenberg has presented CLE seminars on this subject matter in 40 states. He is a partner in Truck Injury Lawyers, LLP, a national firm based in San Diego that represents victims of catastrophic truck crashes. He can be reached at 800-292-5855.

Class of 1965



LEONARD FRISHMAN is an arbitrator and mediator in Miami. He reports that he is divorced and is available for special occasions. He enjoys boating and flying.

Class of 1966



LEONARD T. HELFAND is completing his first year as associate general counsel for the Florida Board

of Regents, in Tallahassee, where he specializes in labor law. He and his wife, Dr. Jolie Pestella, and children Melissa, age 13, Noah, age 10, and Sara, age 9, live on a farm in Madison, Fla. Helfand is also a mediator for the Key Bridge Foundation, which handles mediation of Americans with Disabilities Act disputes for the U.S. Department of Justice.

Class of 1967



GARY F. CANNER was recently appointed circuit mediator for the U.S. Court of Appeals for

the 11th Circuit. Staffing the Miami office, Gary will be mediating federal appellate cases. The Circuit Mediation Office of the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals was created in 1992 to help resolve civil cases on appeal in Alabama, Georgia and Florida. The Court now has five circuit mediators and offices in Atlanta, Tampa and Miami.

JOEL WEISS has become a member of the law firm of Miller & Chevalier, Chartered, as a result of the merger of Odell & Partners, LLP, and Miller & Chevalier. Miller & Chevalier is a 90-lawyer firm in Washington, D.C., where half of its attorneys are engaged in tax practice. Odell has four tax attorneys, with offices outside Philadelphia.

Class of 1968

THOMAS E. CHAMBERS recently retired from practice in Dade County. He now resides in Fall Branch, Tenn.

Class of 1970



GEORGE "ROCKY" HARPER joined Kilpatrick Stockton, LLP, in the firm's expanding

international practice in Miami. Harper is a long-standing leader in counseling businesses in connection with major Latin American transactions, including

operating and finance equipment leases, foreign debt renegotiations, asset based lending, distribution agreements, franchising, licensing and commercial transactions. He gained recognition as a leading commercial aviation attorney when he served as co-chair of the international practice group at Steel Hector & Davis, LLP, in Miami and previously as a senior partner at Paul, Landy, Beiley & Harper. Kilpatrick Stockton is a full-service international law firm with more than 475 attorneys in 10 offices in Miami, Fla.; Atlanta and Augusta, Ga.; Charlotte, Raleigh and Winston-Salem, N.C.; Washington, D.C.; London; Brussels; and Stockholm.

Class of 1971

The Class of 1971 will hold its 30th Reunion Celebration next year. Members of the class who are interested in helping plan the event for their class should contact Cynthia Sikorski, director of alumni relations, 305-284-4935, with their ideas and suggestions.

Class of 1972

BARRY J. CLYMAN passed away on February 6, 2000. He was formerly general counsel for Leavitt Management Group, Inc.

RICHARD N. KRINZMAN, a shareholder and director of real estate and finance for the Miami office of Holtzman, Krinzman, Equels & Furia, P.A., was elected chairman of the Friends of WLRN, the financial and community support organization for the public radio and television station. Krinzman concentrates his practice on transactional matters in the areas of real property, banking, commercial law and complex commercial

real estate transactions and loan documentation. The firm has offices in Miami, Orlando, Tallahassee and Houston and represents clients in corporate and international business transactions, government relations, real estate banking, intellectual property, insolvency, litigation and immigration.



The Honorable MARK KING LEBAN was appointed to the Miami-Dade County Court in 1995

and elected without opposition in 1996 and 2000. He serves as district vice president of the Florida Conference of County Court Judges and lectures at the Florida College of Advanced Judicial Studies. He resides in Coral Gables.

Class of 1973

ROBERT S. HOROWITZ is deputy chief counsel with the U.S. Coast Guard in Washington, D.C., and resides in Falls Church, Va.

Class of 1974

JOHN BASTEK retired as captain from the U.S. Coast Guard after 30 years of service. He now works as vice president of the International Council of Cruise Lines in Washington, D.C.



GARY CARMAN, a senior litigation partner and head of the litigation group of the

Miami office of Broad and Cassel, is president of the Law Alumni Association for 2000-2001. Carman practices in the areas of civil trials, arbitrations and lobbying and negotiation



of corporate transactions. He lobbies before Miami-Dade County and the City of Miami Commission for various corporations regarding zoning, retail space issues at Miami International Airport, and other matters.



STEPHEN NAGIN, a trial lawyer with the law firm of Nagin, Gallop & Figueredo, P.A., in Miami,

tries patent and antitrust cases. This year, Nagin became board certified in antitrust and trade regulation law and was selected as chair of the Antitrust & Trade Regulation Committee of the Florida Bar. He also authored the chapters on antitrust litigation and on patent litigation for the Florida Bar's CLE manual, *Business Litigation in Florida*, to be published in 2000.

J. RONALD SKIPPER is board certified in wills, trusts and estates and was recently elected a fellow of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel. He practices estate planning in Sarasota.

Class of 1976

The Class of 1976 will hold its 25th Reunion Celebration next year. Members of the class who are interested in helping plan the event for their class should contact Cynthia Sikorski, director of alumni relations, 305-284-4935, with their ideas and suggestions.

Class of 1977

LINDA KLUGER BARTLETT is a partner in the New York law firm of Bartlett, Bartlett & Ziegler, a practice primarily engaged in labor and employment law, construction law

and commercial litigation. Bartlett serves on the American Arbitration Association commercial panel, the employment list, and as an arbitrator and mediator. She holds the position of chair-elect of the Labor and Employment Law Section of the New York State Bar Association and resides in Stamford, Conn.

WILLIAM RICHARD BLOOM has the same first name, middle initial and last name as **WILLIAM ROBERT BLOOM**, JD '77, who practices in Miami. Immediately following his graduation from UM Law, William Richard Bloom moved to Portland Ore., where he practiced family law until earlier this year, when he hung up his briefcase. He is now back in school full-time in pursuit of a master's degree in computer science and an MBA. He expects to learn the skills necessary to engage in an interesting and challenging second career in the high-tech industry. His studies should be completed prior to the class reunion in 2002, at which time he expects to renew friendships with his law school classmates.

JAMES S. CARMICHAEL is a rear admiral in the U.S. Coast Guard and is assigned as chief counsel responsible for the delivery of legal services in support of Coast Guard operations through 200 military and civilian attorneys. As a Coast Guard officer for 30 years and a law specialist since 1977, he has had many operational assignments, including command of a Coast Guard cutter, as well as various legal assignments. He has an LL.M. in environmental law from George Washington University and resides in Clifton, Va.

The Honorable **ERNEST G. MAYO** is judge of the municipal court of Warren, R.I., and

is also assistant professor of legal studies at Johnson & Wales University in Providence.

Class of 1978

PAUL FAHRENKOPF has joined the law firm of Barnes & Thornburg in its Washington, D.C., office after 20 years with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO). The firm has over 300 attorneys, with offices in Indianapolis, Chicago, Washington, South Bend, Elkhart and Fort Wayne. While at the PTO, Fahrenkopf was most recently the trademark spokesperson, the administrator for communications and quality in the office of the assistant commissioner for trademarks, and the trademarks curator of the Patent and Trademark Museum. Prior to that, he was a trademark managing attorney for 12 years and the trademark examining attorney for over three years. He and his wife, Terry Holtzman, now a judge with the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board, reside in Alexandria, Va.

WILLIAM GAMBLE is a principal in the firm of Emerging Market Strategies in Providence, R.I., where he studies the impact of legal infrastructure on economic growth. His article, "The Middle Kingdom Runs Dry," appeared in the November/December 2000 issue of *Foreign Affairs*, vol. 79. It concerns the terminal dysfunction of the Chinese tax system and its effect on the eventual demise of the present government of China.

The Honorable **MICHAEL E. JONES** authored the book, *Sports Law*, published in 1999 under the Prentice-Hall imprint of Simon & Schuster. Judge Jones is also a tenured full professor of legal studies

and economics at the University of Massachusetts—Lowell, where he teaches sports law. He sits on the Salem District Court in Salem, N.H.

JIM LANARD formed a partnership with former New Jersey governor Jim Florio to assist clients in the areas of government and community relations, strategic planning and communications. The firm, FLG Strategies, LLC, and the Florio Group, LLC, have offices in Philadelphia. Lanard resides in Cherry Hill, N.J.

MICHAEL SALES is vice president, associate general counsel and general patent counsel at Hughes Electronics in El Segundo, Calif.



MARCELA "MARCY" B. STRAS joined the Washington, D.C., office of Thompson Coburn, LLP,

as partner in the firm's immigration and international trade practice. Her background includes more than 20 years in business immigration, import-export international trade issues and customs law. She has lobbied and advised on trade legislation and negotiated and drafted international business agreements. Thompson Coburn has 272 attorneys nationwide, with offices in St. Louis, Mo.; Washington, D.C.; Billings, Mt.; and Belleville, Ill.

Class of 1979

The Honorable **CINDY S. LEDERMAN**, administrative judge of the juvenile division of the 11th Judicial Circuit in Miami-Dade County, Fla., spoke at the workshop on children and domestic violence abuse sponsored by the National Academy of Sciences National Research



Council and Institute of Medicine on April 10, 2000, at the National Academy of Sciences in Washington, D.C. Judge Lederman discussed the justice system's response to children exposed to violence. She also spoke at the National Juvenile Justice Summit, in celebration of the 100th anniversary of the juvenile court in America, about juvenile delinquency and "Equal Justice for Delinquent Girls in the Juvenile Justice System."

ANNETTE STAR LUSTGARTEN and her husband relocated five years ago to beautiful Sedona, Ariz., from Mount Dora, Fla. She commutes daily to Flagstaff, where she practices family law and government law at Mangum, Wall, Stoops & Warden. The couple has their first grandchild, Joshua Alexander Book.

CHRISTINA M. O'NEILL resides in Laconia, N.H., where she has served the surrounding communities in the judiciary. From 1987 to the present, she has served as probate judge in Belknap County, and since 1993 she has been the presiding justice. She has also served as acting justice in the Rockingham County Probate Court and as family court judge in Grafton County. "I would like to publicly thank the Honorable Catherine Pooler, who was my inspiration throughout law school," she said.

RICHARDE E. WARNER has his own firm in Marathon, Fla., where he practices estate planning and probate. He is a chair of the probate law committee of the State of Florida and is founder and president of the Monroe County Estate Planning Council.

ABIGAIL WATTS-FITZGERALD left the law firm of Steel Hector & Davis, LLP, to start a corporate practice for the new Miami office of Hunton & Williams, a Richmond, Va., firm. The Miami office of the firm has 12 lawyers. Watts-Fitzgerald has done much work for the National Football League on their stadium agreements and represented the NFL in local negotiations for Super Bowl XXXIII in Miami last January.



BRIAN ZIEGLER is justice for the village of Woodsburgh, N.Y. He is a corporate partner at the

East Meadow law firm of Certilman Balin Adler & Hyman, LLP, where he provides counsel to corporations, partnerships and limited liability companies in all areas of law. A lifelong resident of the five towns area, Ziegler resides in Woodsburgh with his wife, Andrea, and their daughters, Jeri, Carly and Ali. Certilman Balin Adler & Hyman, known also as "The Personal Lawyers with the Firm Commitment," has grown into one of Long Island's largest full-service law firms, with more than 60 attorneys.

Class of 1980

ANDREW CAVERLY has opened a practice in Andover, Mass., specializing in antitrust and trade regulation. He had previously been head of the Federal Trade Commission's New England regional office and a trial attorney at the antitrust division of the Department of Justice in Washington.

The Honorable **HENRY LEYTE-VIDAL** was appointed to the Miami-Dade County

Court by Governor Jeb Bush and is currently assigned to the criminal division.

HOWARD S. MITCHELL is currently CEO of the Jamaica Lottery Company, Ltd., now one of the most successful lotteries in the Caribbean. Mitchell practiced as an attorney for 25 years and established the firm of Mitchell Henson & Co., to which he remains a consultant. He co-authored "Doing Business in Jamaica" for the Centre for International Legal Studies in Salzburg, Austria, and is chair of the St. Patrick's Foundation that maintains centers for the upliftment of the poor. He resides in Kingston.

Class of 1981

The Class of 1981 will be the honored class at Homecoming 2001, holding its 20th Reunion Celebration. Members of the class who are interested in helping plan the event for their class should contact Cynthia Sikorski, director of alumni relations, 305-284-4935, with their ideas and suggestions.

BRUCE CAROLAN is head of the department of legal studies at the Dublin Institute of Technology, in Ireland. Carolan moved to Ireland in 1992 as part of an exchange between Cork City, Ireland, and San Francisco, Calif., where he was deputy city attorney. He returned to school and obtained an LL.M. in European Community law at the University College, Dublin. Since that time, he has taught in Ireland and London, and, in 1997, was appointed head of a new law school at the Dublin Institute of Technology. Carolan welcomes contact from former UM Law classmates and can be contacted at Bruce.Carolan@dit.ie or through the Dublin Institute of Technology, +353-1-402-3000.

CRAIG R. DEARR has his own firm in the Datan II Center in Kendall. He is president of the bench and bar unit of B'nai B'rith, founding member of the Miami-Dade County Domestic Violence Oversight Board, a board certified circuit civil and family mediator, and on the board of directors of the Dade County Trial Lawyers Association.

DEBORAH ENIX-ROSS was appointed by the U.S. Departments of Commerce and State as one of eight U.S. members of the trilateral NAFTA Advisory Committee on Private Commercial Disputes. She is a fellow of the American Bar Foundation, a member of the advisory board of the Institute for Transnational Arbitration, and a member of the board of directors of the American Arbitration Association. Prior to joining the World Intellectual Property Organization in 1998, Enix-Ross was the director of international litigation for the Dispute Analysis and Corporate Recovery Services Group of PriceWaterhouseCoopers, LLP, and before that served as the American representative to the International Chamber of Commerce, International Court of Arbitration.

JEFFREY MARCUS was appointed assistant general counsel of Hay Group, Inc., a management consulting firm headquartered in Philadelphia with offices worldwide. Marcus is responsible for contracts and intellectual property, as well as counseling the E-business unit. He is married with two sons, ages 4 and 2, and resides in Villanova, Pa.

LYNNE OSWALD was appointed by the Florida Board of Governors to a four-year term on the Judicial Nominating Commission for



the First Judicial Circuit, which includes Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa and Walton counties.

Oswald has her own firm in Milton, Fla., and she formerly worked as a felony division chief in the State Attorney's Office in Orlando. Anyone having questions or input regarding future nominations can contact her at 850-626-1444.

Class of 1982

GARY M. HELD was appointed first assistant city attorney for Miami Beach, where he serves as counsel to the city's planning board, board of adjustment, design review board and historic preservation board as well as the city commission on land use matters. Held also has a master's degree in urban and regional planning from UM and has become an avid golfer.

ANA LANDA-GOLDBERG is in-house counsel for Aerolease International, Inc., an aircraft leasing and sales corporation in Aspen, Colo.

JOHN PAUL PARKS (LL.M.—Taxation) has relocated to Scottsdale, Ariz., and formed a professional limited liability company that is of counsel to the Scottsdale law firm of Lowry, Clements & Powell, P.C. Parks is admitted to practice in Arizona, Florida and the District of Columbia and concentrates his practice in business law, estate planning, wills, trusts, probate and trust administration, and related litigation. Parks can be reached at ArizFlaLaw@aol.com

SUSAN REISS is senior counsel for the Walt Disney Company in Anaheim, Calif. She resides in Marina del Rey.

JEREMY A. SPECTOR is partner in the public finance department of the Philadelphia office of Blank Rome Comisky & McCauley, LLP. He co-chaired the Georgetown University Law Center Continuing Legal Education Tax-Exempt Bonds Institute on Dec. 7-8, 2000, in Washington, D.C., featuring IRS officials, Treasury and SEC officials, bankers and securities experts and 15 leading practitioners. Spector heads Blank Rome's public finance tax practice and counsels clients in all areas of tax law relating to municipal bonds, including governmental, utility, transportation, housing, health care, industrial and infrastructure development operations. The firm has over 400 attorneys in Philadelphia, Allentown, Media, Cherry Hill, Trenton, New York, Wilmington, Baltimore, Washington and Boca Raton.

Class of 1983

LISA C. BERRY is general counsel at Juniper Networks, Inc., a Mountainview, Calif., firm engaged in Internet infrastructure solutions. She resides in Saratoga.

ERIC R. BILLINGS has taken a new position at Merrill Lynch as counsel to Merrill Lynch Bank USA, a Utah industrial loan corporation. He works in downtown Salt Lake City and resides in suburban Sandy, Utah.



ROBERT M. BOVARNICK joined the law firm of Montgomery, McCracken, Walker & Rhoads, LLP, as

of counsel in the bankruptcy section in the firm's Philadelphia office. Bovarnick concentrates his practice on

the representation of debtors, creditors and committees, for businesses and individuals in all facets of workouts and bankruptcies, and he also represents clients in commercial litigation matters. He is currently treasurer of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania Bankruptcy Conference and serves on numerous ABA committees. Montgomery, McCracken, Walker & Rhoads has offices in Philadelphia, Cherry Hill, N.J., and Newark, Del.

FRANCIS CITERA joined the Chicago office of Greenberg Traurig as a shareholder in the firm's litigation practice after serving as chair of the product liability practice group at Foley & Lardner. Citera focuses on class actions, mass torts and commercial litigation and is vice-chair of the Chicago Bar Association Class Litigation Committee and a member of the ABA Section on Litigation, Committee on Class Actions. He has also been active in pro bono litigation for the American Civil Liberties Union.

MICHAEL DENNIS, after practicing law for 13 years, fulfilled a life-long dream of owning and operating a summer camp for children, Spring Mountain Camp in Lower Gwynedd, Pa.

CHERYL GREEN-BARNETT has her own practice in Childersburg, Ala, and she is married to Paul, with three children ages 14, 11 and 9. The family resides in Sylacauga, Ala.

WILLIAM E. GREGORY has been practicing workers' compensation law since graduating from UM Law, representing both claimants and employer/carriers all over the state of Florida, from Panama City in the Florida

Panhandle to Key West in the Florida Keys. Gregory recently got together with another Class of 1983 alumnus, ROBERT C. MEYER, who handles bankruptcy and taxation matters, to purchase the building located at 2223 Coral Way, where they have their separate law firms. Gregory took over the handling of defending all workers' compensation cases in the state of Florida for AMS Staff Leasing out of Dallas, Tex., and Pacesetter Adjustment Company, headquartered in Baton Rouge, La. This has provided him with an opportunity to handle cases in many different jurisdictions and to appear before various judges within the workers' compensation system. Gregory reports that "at the ripe age of 38, he married Deanna Page and the couple has two children, Arielle, age 2, and William Edward, Jr., born on Sept. 5, 2000. He spends his free time playing golf and volleyball and deep sea fishing. If any classmates are in the area, both Gregory and Meyer invite them to stop by.



JOANNE HARVEST KOREN is director of the Academic Achievement Program at the University of

Miami School of Law. Koren coordinates a nationally recognized program of assistance by upper-level students for first-year law students that enables the students to acclimate to the varied demands of the law school curriculum. Commonly known as the "Dean's Fellows," the student assistants act as mentors for assigned courses in each first-year section.

GARY W. PALMER currently serves as deputy director of Coast Guard International



Affairs in Washington, D.C. He formerly spent two years as the Coast Guard representative at the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy. Palmer resides in Owings, Md.



MOHAMED A. TUMI (LL.M.—Comparative Law) is an attorney and legal consultant with the

firm of Moh'd Tumi & Partners in Tripoli, Libya. After leaving UM Law, Tumi received an LL.M. with highest honors from George Washington University.

Class of 1984



DANIEL F. BEASLEY recently moved from Miami, after 14 years with Fowler, White, Burnett,

Hurley, Banick & Strictroot, P.A., to join the firm of Lanier Ford Shaver & Payne, P.C., in Huntsville, Ala. This move places him, his wife, Tammy, and their two boys, Adam and Luke, closer to their extended family and a family farm. Beasley continues to practice civil litigation.

DAVID BERNSTEIN, a partner with the law firm of Ruden, McClosky, Smith, Schuster & Russell, P.A., was recently appointed to the Mobile Home Task Force Committee for the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners, a 10-member committee that provides for the protection of property rights of individual mobile home owners when the underlying land transitions to a different use. Bernstein has a national mobile home park practice, represents mobile

home park owners statewide and assists residents in converting their communities to resident ownership.



IAN COMISKY spoke on the legislative developments in tax, money laundering and asset and

forfeiture areas at the Civil and Criminal Tax Penalties Meeting of the ABA Tax Section on May 13, 2000, in Washington, D.C. Comisky is a partner in the law firm of Blank Rome Comisky & McCauley, LLP, where he concentrates his practice in the area of white-collar criminal defense of corporations and individuals, including criminal and civil tax litigation. Comisky is a former assistant U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of Florida and practices in the Philadelphia and Boca Raton offices of the firm. He is co-author of *Tax Fraud & Evasion*, a two-volume treatise, and is a member of the American College of Tax Counsel.

JEROLD P. DORNBUSH is a partner at Dornbush Mensch Mandelstam & Schaeffer, LLP, specializing in real estate and corporate law. The Manhattan firm is a general practice firm specializing in corporate and commercial matters. Dornbush resides in East Hills, N.Y.

ROBERT O. DUGAN recently joined the Coral Gables law firm of Parenti, Falk, Waas, Hernandez & Cortina, P.A., where he practices in the areas of general liability, auto negligence and medical malpractice. Prior to joining Parenti Falk, he was senior trial counsel for FPL.

JERALD M. GOODMAN was named managing partner at Schnader Harrison Segal & Lewis, LLP, a 250-lawyer firm with a national and international practice, founded in Philadelphia in 1935 and serving clients in more than 30 areas of law. The firm has additional offices in New York, Georgia, California, Washington, D.C., New Jersey, and throughout Pennsylvania. Goodman is a partner in the real estate and financial institutions practice groups and is admitted to practice in Pennsylvania and Florida.



MICHAEL KOSNITZKY, one of the founding partners of Zack Kosnitzky, P.A., in Miami, has

been named managing partner. Kosnitzky is a board certified tax attorney. Zack Kosnitzky is a full service law firm with particular concentrations in corporate securities and transactional law, federal and state taxation, complex commercial litigation, health care law, pension plans, trusts and estates, entertainment law, intellectual property law, and real estate law.

LAURIN D. QUAIT is partner in the Denver office of Baker & Hostetler, LLP, where he concentrates his practice in the area of construction litigation, including suretyship matters and commercial and domestic litigation. Baker & Hostetler is among the nation's largest law firms, with more than 500 attorneys in offices in Beverly Hills, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, Denver, Houston, Long Beach, Los Angeles, Orlando, and Washington.



DIANA SANTA MARIA co-chaired the Academy of Florida Trial Lawyers 2000 Annual

Convention held at the Tampa Convention Center from June 14–17. During the presidential luncheon at the convention, she received the "Staff Appreciation Award" from the Academy of Florida Trial Lawyers. She was also honored by EAGLE (Endowment for Academy Giving to Law and Education) with the "Wings of Justice" award on June 15, and she was appointed by Florida Bar President Herman Russomanno to the Florida Bar's Citizens Forum. Santa Maria is founder and managing partner of the Law Offices of Diana Santa Maria, P.A., located in Davie, Fla., which specializes in all areas of personal injury, wrongful death and medical malpractice.



WILLIAM P. VANDER WYDEN III is associate dean of students at the University of Miami School of Law,

where he has served the UM Law community for 13 years. While continuing to address the needs of students, he also works with the Dean in the area of development and alumni relations. He coordinates UM Law's Partnership for Professionalism effort to involve judges, attorneys and students in discussing issues of ethics and professionalism. The program sponsors events each October and March.

DAVID M. ZINDER, formerly assistant corporation counsel for the City of Chicago in its



individual defense litigation division, has formed the Law Offices of David M. Zinder where he is engaged in the general practice of law with special emphasis in general civil, business and commercial litigation, civil rights litigation, employment law litigation, discrimination litigation, law enforcement liability defense and municipal tort liability. Zinder is also of counsel to Wolf, Moskowitz and Holland, which practices general business, tax, estate planning, probate and real estate law. He can be reached at 205 West Wacker Drive, Chicago 60606, and at 312-920-0632.

Class of 1985

MARSHALL I. FARKAS is a general master in the family law division of the 13th Judicial Circuit in Tampa. He resides in Brandon.



ERVIN A. GONZALEZ is partner in the Miami law firm of Colson, Hicks, Eidson et al, where his practice

focuses on civil trial law. Gonzalez is board certified as a specialist in civil trial law by the Florida Bar and the National Board of Trial Advocacy, and he is also board certified as a specialist in business litigation law by the Florida Bar. He is president of the Dade County Bar Association, past president of the Dade County Trial Lawyers Association, a subcommittee chair in the Florida Bar's Rules of Civil Procedure Committee, former director of the Academy of Florida Trial Lawyers, and a member of the Academy's CLE Committee and Constitutional Challenge Committee. Gonzalez is an

adjunct professor at the University of Miami School of Law for the trial skills civil litigation program. He wrote a chapter on "Expert Testimony" in the *Lawyers Cooperative Practice Guide*, and on "Evidence" in the *American Inns of Court Civil Procedure Series*. Gonzalez has also written numerous articles on legal issues and is a frequent lecturer for the Academy of Florida Trial Lawyers, the Dade County Bar Association and other bar associations.



MICHAEL J. HIGER, a partner in the North Miami firm of Mintz, Truppman, Clein & Higer, P.A., was

appointed to serve as treasurer for the South Florida Patent Law Association. Higer is a commercial litigator who practices in both state and federal courts.

JEFFREY A. MOWERS joined Pyszka, Blackmon, Levy & Mowers, P.A. He was formerly with Peters Robertson Parsons Mowers & Passaro, P.A.



ALEXANDER PENELAS was reelected mayor of Miami-Dade County without a run-

off, facing a slate of contenders in the Sept. 5, 2000, election.



AMY D. RONNER, law professor at St. Thomas University School of Law, has co-

authored an article with UM Law professor Bruce J. Winick, entitled, "Silencing the Appellant's Voice; the Antitherapeutic Per-

Curiam Affirmance," which will appear in *24 Seattle University Law Review* (2001). Ronner was also featured on the television show, *Lifetime Live*, discussing issues raised in her article, "Women Who Dance on the Professional Track: Custody and the Red Shoes," published in *23 Harvard Women's Law Journal* (2000). She recently did a presentation on appellate therapeutic jurisprudence at the International Alliance of Holistic Lawyers Conference in Chicago. Another recent article, "Punishment Meted Out For Acquittals: An Antitherapeutic Jurisprudence Atrocity," can be found in *41 Arizona Law Review* (1999).

Class of 1986

DONNA BALLMAN, a Ft. Lauderdale attorney, as been named to the advisory board of Leading Florida Attorneys, which surveys over 20,000 attorneys to name the top attorneys in their respective fields. Less than 6 percent of the attorneys licensed to practice in Florida have been selected, and Ballman has been named a Leading Florida Attorney in the area of employment law since 1996. She is a solo practitioner whose practice includes both plaintiff and defense of employment discrimination, employment litigation, sexual harassment, and housing discrimination. She also serves on the employment arbitration and employment mediation panels for the American Arbitration Association. For her service to the African-American community, Ballman has received three awards from PULSE, a consortium of most of the African American churches in Miami-Dade County that deals with issues of discrimination. She also serves as counsel to the Federation of Black Employ-

ees and has written numerous articles and taught seminars on sexual harassment, employment discrimination, election law, and starting businesses.

DONALD P. DUFRESNE, a practicing attorney with the West Palm Beach office of Broad and Cassel, was recently appointed to the Palm Beach County Sports Commission, a private/public partnership. Dufresne practices in all areas of business, real estate and equine law.

GERALYN M. PASSARO, formerly a shareholder at Peters Robertson Parsons Mowers & Passaro, P.A., has joined the firm of Stephens Lynn Klein, P.A., as a partner in its Ft. Lauderdale office. She is also the proud mother of a three-year-old daughter, Jadia, and resides in Tamarac.

JOHN E. TOBER was named partner and chair of the transactional and business law department at the Miami firm of Zack Kosnitzky, P.A., where his practice includes general counsel representation, general corporate and commercial law, foreign and domestic transactions, private offerings, federal and state securities regulatory matters, mergers and acquisitions and business planning and venture capital transactions for developing stage companies. Zack Kosnitzky is a full service law firm with particular concentrations in corporate securities and transactional law, federal and state taxation, complex commercial litigation, health care law, pension plans, trusts and estates, entertainment law, intellectual property law, and real estate law.

Class of 1987

DAVID M. HUTT is partner at the law firm of Hutt & Shimanowitz in Woodbridge, N.J. The firm concentrates in



areas of real estate, land use and real estate related litigation. He and his wife, Sara, reside in Edison, N.J., and are celebrating the birth of their first child, Daniel Ryan Hutt.

JEFFREY W. JOHNSON resigned from Hinshaw & Culbertson to be a co-founder of the Ft. Lauderdale law firm of Johnson, Leiter & Belsky. His two partners are STEVEN J. LEITER, JD '92, and ERIC G. BELSKY, JD '93. The partners will continue the practice of being a full service insurance defense firm, specializing in automobile, premises, products liability, legal malpractice, insurance coverage and appeals. Johnson resides in Boca Raton.

STEVE ROSSI is a board certified criminal defense attorney and is local legal counsel for the Broward Teachers Union. He practices in the Ft. Lauderdale firm of Braverman and Rossi.

SCOTT SAUL has had his own practice since 1991. His practice, following his work as a state prosecutor from 1987-1991, is limited to criminal defense. He tries cases all over the country and is a member of several state and federal bars. Scott has tried over 170 trial to verdict, and several cases have received media attention. In addition to being a busy lawyer, he also has been married since 1988 and has four children. He is active in children's sports leagues by coaching tackle football, baseball and soccer.

KIMBERLY TENDRICH is chief legal counsel to A.G. Holley State Hospital in Lantana, Fla. A.G. Holley is the only freestanding tuberculosis sanatorium in the United States, treating the most difficult cases of tuberculosis in Florida. Prior to joining A.G. Holley, Tendrich was chief legal

counsel of the Broward County Health Department.

Class of 1988



The Honorable BETH BLOOM is on maternity leave after giving birth to her second child, Oliver Louis, on August 20, 2000. Oliver joins sibling Jacob, age 4, in the family.

MARIA T. CURRIER has joined the Miami office of Hunton & Williams as a partner on the corporate and finance staff, focusing on health care and international transactions.

ROY KOBERT chairs the bankruptcy practice management group for Broad and Cassel and is based in the firm's Orlando office.

ALIX MICHEL is shareholder in the law firm of Fowler White Burnett Hurley Banick & Strickroot.

F. CHET TAYLOR is chief litigation counsel for Stockwalk.com Group, Inc., an investment banking firm in Minneapolis. He resides in Maple Grove, Minn.

Class of 1989

BRIAN E. BOMSTEIN was appointed senior vice president and general counsel at Bayview Financial Trading Group, a leader in the mortgage banking service industry, where he is responsible for all legal matters and transactions concerning the company and its affiliates, management of in-house and outside legal counsel, and oversight of the internal regulatory compliance department. Bayview Financial has over 500 employees

with offices in Miami, New York, Los Angeles, Houston, Foxborough, Philadelphia and Washington.



The Honorable CARROLL J. KELLY serves as county court judge in Miami-Dade County, presiding over domestic violence, criminal and traffic cases. She is president elect of the Law Alumni Association.

AMANDA BERLOWE JAFFE practices in the field of employee benefits and executive compensation in the firm of Pitney, Hardin, Kipp & Szuch, with offices in Florham Park, N.J., and Manhattan. She is active in the local community of benefits professionals and has authored or co-authored several articles on benefits issues, including a recent article that appears in the *Journal of Compensation and Benefits*. She lives in Maplewood, N.J., with her husband, Mark, and her son, Ian.

GLENN LEVINE was named co-chair of the Center for Strategic and International Studies' US-EU-Poland border crossing working group, which is advising the Polish government on border crossing and customs matters with Russia, Ukraine, Belarus, Lithuania, Slovakia and the Czech Republic. Levine works and resides in Washington, D.C.

TODD S. PAYNE is partner in the Hollywood, Fla., firm of Zebersky, Payne & Kushner, LLP. The firm practices in the areas of probate, wills, trusts, estate planning and tax matters, along with a continued focus on plaintiff's personal injury, commercial litigation, corporate and

transactional matters. Payne is vice president of the UM Law Alumni Association.

JULIE TEAMKIN PRONESTI is assistant state attorney. She and her husband, Tom, announce the birth of Blaise David Pronesti, on July 31, 2000. The family resides in Aventura.

Class of 1990

STACEY A. GIULIANTI began his second year as a traffic magistrate for Broward County, Fla., hearing traffic and boating infractions at the South Satellite Courthouse. Giuliani is a partner in the Hollywood firm of Zebersky & Giuliani, P.A., specializing in nursing home negligence, personal injury, PIP insurance denials and commercial litigation.

KATHLEEN E. KARELIS was named partner at the Washington, D.C., office of Crowell & Morning, LLP, a full service firm of 240 attorneys, with offices in Washington, D.C.; Irvine, Calif.; London; and Brussels. Karelis specializes in federal health care matters, counseling Medicare, Medicaid, TRICARE, FEHBP, and Medicare risk contractors and providers on the full range of regulatory issues.

KAREN JOSEFSBERG LADIS has served as a coordinator of the "Put Something Back" pro bono project of Miami-Dade County since 1991. She is pleased to announce the birth of her fourth child, Ross, born Sept. 21, 2000. Young Ross joins siblings Ilana, 5, Matthew, 4, and Kayla, 2, in their Pinecrest home.

JODI SEITLIN serves as assistant district legal counsel at Child Welfare Legal Services for the State of Florida Department of Children and



Families, District 12, in Daytona Beach.

Class of 1991

The Class of 1991 will hold its 10th Reunion Celebration next year. Members of the class who are interested in helping plan the event for their class should contact Cynthia Sikorski, director of alumni relations, 305-284-4935, with their ideas and suggestions.



SPENCER ARONFELD returned to Gerry Spence's Trial Lawyers College as an instructor this past summer.

Aronfeld has his own litigation firm in Coral Gables and has been seen recently on many news and magazine programs with stories of his clients' struggles to obtain justice.

RAPHAEL M. BASTIAN and her husband, JAMES N. BOINK, JR., JD '93, welcomed their second daughter, Marika Bastian Boink, on Feb. 28, 2000. Raphael is currently general counsel and secretary for SAT Group, Inc., and James, who earned his MBA in 1998, is a senior business analyst for Royal Caribbean Cruises, Ltd., in Miami. The family lives in Pinecrest.

BRIAN D. BOCK practices labor and employment law at the firm of Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo in its Riverside, Calif., office. The firm also has offices in Cerritos, Pleasanton, Sacramento, San Diego and Solana Beach.

JOHN L. DiMASI practices at Miller, South & DiMasi, P.A., in Winter Park, Fla.

CHRISTOPHER N. FOUNTAS is partner in the

Orlando office of Baker & Hostetler, where he has specialized in corporate and securities law since 1991. He also became one of the firm's leading technology associates. In April 2000, Fountas became general counsel for Military Commercial Technologies, Inc. (MILCOM), headquartered in Maitland, Fla. MILCOM is one of the largest defense technology incubators in the United States. It creates and develops companies in the communications field based on proven technology originating from the defense industry.

DAVID L. GLAZER is managing partner of Behar, Gutt & Glazer, P.A., with offices in Aventura and Boca Raton, which he founded in 1991 with classmate, IRA GUTT, JD '91. Glazer heads the elder law, trusts and estates and real estate departments in this six-attorney firm and manages the firm's business affairs. Ira Gutt is national counsel to Dent Wizard International and heads the firm's commercial litigation department.

KAREN KATONAH recently accepted a position at the West Palm Beach firm of Searcy, Denney, Scarola, Barnhart & Shipley, P.A., as the senior research associate. She and her husband adopted an infant girl from Vladimir, Russia, on May 3, 2000. The couple traveled to Russia for a week and returned with daughter Larissa Nicole. Karen reports, "We are both extremely fortunate to have her. She is a wonderful child!"

GARY S. KLEIN is a partner in the Stanford, Conn., law firm of Sandak Friedman Hennessey & Greco, LLP.

ROSANNE MODEL has been "loaned" by her employer, Texaco, to its affiliate, Caltex

in its Singapore headquarters. Until February, Model was senior attorney with Texaco, concentrating on Texaco's operations in the Caribbean, France and West Africa. She was then assigned to the Texaco/Chevron joint venture, Caltex, the oldest joint venture in business history. It was formed in the 1930s and operates in Asia, Africa, and the Middle East with over 8000 employees. Model concentrates on corporate transactions and compliance. She is enjoying the Southeast Asia experience and welcomes any of her classmates who are visiting the region. She can be reached by e-mail at RosanneModel@hotmail.com.

TERESA J. MOORE is partner in the West Palm Beach office of Greenberg Traurig, where she specializes in environmental and land use law. She was formerly compliance counsel to American Bankers Insurance Group in Miami.

DEBORAH MORDECAI EDWARDS practices at the Miami firm of Edwards & Carstarphen, P.A.

KENNETH L. SCHWARTZ is partner in the New York-based international law firm of Grant, Herrmann, Schwartz & Klinger LLP, where he concentrates on private equity investments, mergers and acquisitions, and securities transactions involving emerging and established Latin American companies. Prior to joining the firm, Schwartz was a foreign associate at the Mexican law firm of Bryan Gonzalez Vargas y Gonzalez Baz in Mexico City and Ciudad Juarez, where he concentrated on strategic investments by U.S. multinational corporations in Mexican telecommunications and cable television companies. He met his wife, Maryela, while working in Mexico.

KIMBERLY NOWORYTA SUNNER is shareholder of Gray, Harris & Robinson, P.A., in Orlando, where she concentrates in the areas of real estate transactions and financial institutions and lender representation.

RUSSELL M. VERONA and ASA B. GROVES, III, JD '85, are pleased to announce the formation of Groves & Verona, P.A., in Miami. The firm concentrates in civil trial practice in state and federal courts.

EDWARD H. ZEBERSKY is partner in the Hollywood firm of Zebersky, Payne & Kushner, LLP, that specializes in the areas of probate, wills, trusts, estate planning and tax matters, along with a continued focus on plaintiff's personal injury, commercial litigation, corporate and transactional matters.

Class of 1992



ROBERT BIRCH is an associate at the Philadelphia law firm of Mesirov Gelman Jaffe Cramer &

Jamieson, LLP, in the wealth transfer and tax department and concentrates his practice in the areas of tax and estates. His experience also includes tax planning and compliance, as well as estate planning and administration.

JERRY P. BRODSKY is partner at Ruden McClosky Smith Schuster & Russell, in Fort Lauderdale, where he specializes in construction, real estate, transportation and commercial litigation.

SCOTT BROOK and his wife, Brenda, had their second child, Samantha. In March



2000, Brook opened his own law practice specializing in workers' compensation and recently began a mediation practice as well. He has also established the Brook Foundation to assist in connecting mentors with children in Broward County. Classmates are encouraged to call Scott at 954-757-5551 or e-mail him at ScottJBrook1@msn.com

STEVEN G. CALAMUSA practices with the firm of Davis, Gordon & Doner, P.A., in West Palm Beach.

TAMARA CARMICHAEL is partner at the Miami office of Broad and Cassel, where she specializes in intellectual property, commercial litigation and dispute resolution.

MARTIN MOSS FREEMAN (LL.M.—Taxation) was awarded the bronze medal by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for his work on the President's Lands Legacy Initiative and reauthorization of the Coastal Zone Management Act. Freeman serves as attorney advisor in the NOAA's Office of the General Counsel and resides in Silver Spring, Md. The bronze medal is the highest honorary award given by the NOAA, an agency of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

BROOKE FRIED is assistant general counsel at the University of Miami.

DON HOWARD heads the legal department at Elamex, S.A. de C.U., a Mexican company that helps United States and other foreign companies establish factories in Mexico. Howard works in Ciudad Juarez and resides in El Paso. All UM Law alumni are welcome to call and visit any time they are in the El Paso/Juarez area.

ERIC S. KLEINMAN is partner in the Miami firm of Adorno & Zeder, where he practices in the firm's insurance and personal injury defense department. Kleinman specializes in civil trial practice, representing insurance companies and corporations in connection with personal injury, property damage and insurance coverage issues at both the claims and litigation stages. He also handles matters in the fields of commercial, professional, premises, auto and products liability.

TODD F. KOBRIN is partner in the Orlando office of Holland & Knight, LLP, concentrating his practice in commercial, construction, and real property litigation.

ANTHONY M. LAWHON is a shareholder in the Naples law firm of Parrish, White, Lawhon & Moore, P.A., where he continues to concentrate his practice in the areas of commercial litigation and appellate practice.

STEVEN J. LEITER is a co-founder of the Ft. Lauderdale law firm of Johnson, Leiter & Belsky. His two partners are JEFFREY W. JOHNSON, JD '87, and ERIC G. BELSKY, JD '93. The partners will continue the practice of being a full service insurance defense firm, specializing in automobile, premises, products liability, legal malpractice, insurance coverage and appeals.

FLEUR J. LOBREE serves as an attorney with the Third District Court of Appeal in Miami.

JOHN CYRIL MALLOY III is a litigation partner with the intellectual property firm of Malloy & Malloy, P.A., in Miami.

LEANA VASTINE MARKS and her husband, STEVEN C. MARKS, JD '85, had their first child, Camden Marie, on March 22, 2000. Leana works as the volunteer legal counsel to the Junior League of Miami.

ERIC J. MATHESON recently received the LL.M. in Estate Planning from the University of Miami and expanded his office in Palm Beach. He continues to practice in the areas of business, estate planning and administration, and real estate law. Eric, his wife and five-year-old son live in Boca Raton, where the firm has a second office.

GREGORY MAYBACK joined the Hollywood, Fla., law firm of Lerner and Greenberg, P.A., specializing in patent, trademark and copyright law and computer law and is executive vice president of the Patent Law Association of South Florida.

GAIL A. McQUILKIN became a shareholder in the Miami firm of Kozyak Tropin & Throckmorton, P.A.

JACLYN MUSKAT, after practicing law in New York for seven years, has relocated back to Florida and begun a law practice with partner Marni Belkin, Muskat & Belkin, P.A., located in Boca Raton. Muskat specializes in personal injury and product liability, and Belkin concentrates in commercial and corporate law. The partners have also opened a title insurance company, Fortune Title Services, LLC, and have begun an extensive real estate practice. Muskat resides in Boca Raton.

SCOT PATRICK O'BRIEN is partner in the Miami office of Akerman Senterfitt, where he practices corporate and securities law. He was formerly an associate with the firm's

corporate practice group and an associate with the Miami office of Broad and Cassel.

JOHN M. QUARANTA is partner at the Miami firm of Rodriguez and Angelo, where he specializes in commercial litigation. He was formerly a senior associate at Tew Cardenas Rebak Kellogg Demaria & Tague.

JEFF SPIGEL practices at the Washington, D.C., office of Atlanta's King & Spalding and specializes in the area of antitrust law.



LINDA M. THOMAS, a Colson scholar, graduated with a Ph.D. in architecture from Georgia Institute of

Technology in August 2000 and has accepted a research and teaching faculty appointment at Tech, where she will teach in the areas of architecture, civil engineering and building construction. Her areas of research include sick building syndrome, indoor air quality, cost engineering, construction law and building rehabilitation. She continues to practice law and consult in the areas of construction claims and construction litigation.



OLIVER WRAGG opened his own trial and litigation practice in Miami last year, where he

specializes in personal injury, product liability, commercial litigation and the education of children with mental disabilities. He is currently editor-in-chief of *The Bulletin* of the Dade County Bar Association.



ANDRE J. ZAMORANO joined the Miami office of the Washington, D.C., firm of Verner Lipfert Bernhard McPherson and Hand as an associate in the firm's litigation department. He was formerly an associate at Shutts & Bowen, LLP.

Class of 1993

ERIC G. BELSKY is a co-founder of the Ft. Lauderdale law firm of Johnson, Leiter & Belsky. His two partners are JEFFREY W. JOHNSON, JD '87, and STEVEN J. LEITER, JD '92. The partners will continue the practice of being a full service insurance defense firm, specializing in automobile, premises, products liability, legal malpractice, insurance coverage and appeals.

KEITH JEFFREY BLUM (LL.M.—Taxation) has been named a partner in the health law department of the Miami firm of Zack Kosnitzky, P.A., where he focuses his practice on corporate and transactional representation of a variety of health care providers and other business organizations, with a concentration in mergers, acquisitions, reorganizations, taxation, other affiliations and contract and document negotiation.

JULIE BRAMAN KANE is partner at the Miami firm of Colson Hicks Eidson Colson Matthews Martinez Mendoza Kalbac & Kane, where she was formerly an associate. She specializes in product liability, medical malpractice and general personal injury litigation.

SARAH B. CLASBY is partner in the Miami law firm of Hector & Harke, LLP. The firm specializes in commercial litigation, product liability, securities, business torts,

insurance defense and general liability.

MARIAN HARDING COCHRAN married Steven Lee Cochran of the U.S. Air Force, in 1995. She gave birth to a baby girl last year and is now working as general counsel for Atico International USA, Inc., a consumer goods import corporation in Fort Lauderdale, where her practice centers on administrative law, intellectual property and general corporate matters.

WILLIAM J. CROWLEY, after working in Boston for the past two years, has transferred to the New York City office of PriceWaterhouseCoopers, LLP, where he practices in the area of mergers and acquisitions. He resides in Manhattan.

ANNE MARIE ESTEVEZ is partner at the Miami office of Steel Hector & Davis, LLP, where she was formerly an associate. She specializes in litigation, employment, labor and admiralty.

MARGARET HALEY and KEN VALENTINI announce the birth of Haley Marcella Valentini, born on July 9, 2000.

DONALD O. JOHNSON, an associate in the litigation department in the Washington, D.C., office of McKenna & Cunico, LLP, recently earned an LL.M. in trial advocacy at Temple University School of Law. He concentrates in the area of commerce litigation and is currently representing policyholders in Y2K insurance recovery cases. He resides in Silver Spring, Md.

HARRIS B. KATZ practices at the Miami Beach office of Grover, Weinstein & Trop, P.A. The firm also has an office in Naples.

PATER A. MATOS became a partner with the firm of Malloy & Malloy, P.A., a patent, trademark and copyright law firm with offices in Miami and Ft. Lauderdale. Matos will continue to concentrate in patent prosecution, licensing and litigation.

GARY M. MURPHREE is partner at the Miami law firm of Ferrell Schultz Carter & Fertel, where he specializes in bankruptcy law. He was formerly partner with Coll Davidson Carter Smith Salter & Barkett.

HERNAN PANTALEON (LL.M.—Comparative Law) is now a local partner in the Buenos Aires office of Baker and McKenzie.

RAYMOND M. RANELLUCCI is a financial advisor in the Brickell office of Morgan Stanley Dean Witter.

LAUREN B. ROSENBERG joined Drinker Biddle & Reath, LLP, as an associate in the litigation department in the firm's Philadelphia office. She formerly worked as a litigation associate with the Miami office of Akerman, Senterfitt & Eidson, P.A., where she was involved in all aspects of commercial, employment and civil rights litigation.

Class of 1994

JEFFREY S. BAILEY is associate general counsel for Del Monte Fresh Produce Company, one of the world's largest producers and marketers of fresh fruit. Prior to his recent move, he was a senior associate at the law firm of Akerman Senterfitt.

PETER J. BEDARD has joined the Chicago office of Vedder, Price, Kaufman & Kamholz in the firm's general litigation practice. Bedard handles all aspects of complex construc-

tion and commercial litigation, including mechanic's lien and surety claim enforcement. Prior to joining Vedder Price, he was an associate with Levinson, Murray & Jensen, P.C., in Chicago. Vedder Price is a full-service law firm with approximately 180 attorneys in Chicago and New York City.



BRIAN H. BIEBER specializes in deceptive trade practices at the firm of Joel Hirschhorn, P.A., in Coral Gables, and has become a partner in the firm that is now known as Hirschhorn & Bieber, P.A.

SUSAN K. BOZORGI recently opened her own law firm, Susan K. Bozorgi, P.A., on Brickell Ave., in Miami, specializing in criminal defense. Bozorgi left the Miami-Dade County Public Defender's Office after practicing as an assistant public defender since graduation from UM Law.

KIM GALSKY COHEN and her husband, Andrew, announce the birth of their first child, Adam Joshua Cohen, on June 29, 2000. Kim is a member of the Nevada Bar and resides in Las Vegas.



TANYA DOMINICK is president and CEO for the American Center for Conflict Resolution,

located in Cleveland, Ohio. She now serves as a mediator and arbitrator for the Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court, the Better Business Bureau, the U.S. Postal Service and private companies. She



has also completed her masters degree in dispute resolution at Pepperdine School of Law. Dominick's company has been approved by the Ohio Supreme Court to train others as certified mediators. She resides in Cleveland and would enjoy hearing from her colleagues at 216-574-9043.

JONATHAN FRIEDLAND has been an associate for the last five years in the Miami firm of Merl, Burstyn & Associates, P.A., a plaintiff's personal injury/medical malpractice law firm. He and his wife, Nicole, a media relations consultant at the University of Miami, reside in Pinecrest.

JOACHIM HOFMANN (LL.M.—Comparative Law) joined Novartis AG in Basel, Switzerland, where he specializes in trademark law. He resides in Loerrach, Germany.

CHRISTIN LAHIFF SEMPREBON has been working for the past five years as a Vermont state attorney for child support and collections and enforcement. She and her husband, Jeffrey Semprebson, happily report the birth of their first child, Laurel Katrina, on Feb. 8, 2000. They live across the Vermont border in Claremont, N.H., and enjoy their rural setting and the fantastic New England autumn.



MARK LIEBLICH was elected to the board of directors of the Seminole County/Lake Mary Regional

Chamber of Commerce. He practices at the law firm of Baker & Hostetler, LLP, in its Orlando office.

WILLIAM R. LOWMAN has been named a shareholder in the Orlando firm of Zimmerman, Shuffield, Kiser & Sutcliff, P.A., where he is a member of the firm's commercial section. He focuses his practice in the areas of corporate, tax and business planning, mergers and acquisitions, high net worth, business succession and estate planning, charitable organizations and planning, and international business.

DAVID E. LURIE joined Zurich, US, a member of the Zurich Financial Services Group, as professional liability claims counsel in the New York, N.Y., specialties home office, where he concentrates in architects and engineers professional liability. He was previously associated with Bruce Somerstein & Associates in New York, N.Y. He resides in Forest Hills, N.Y.

KENNETH F. MONEY, JR., was recently admitted to the Massachusetts Bar. His firm is located in Portsmouth, N.H., where he concentrates his practice in the areas of estate planning, probate and trust administration, and business law. Money is also admitted to practice in New Hampshire, Maine and Florida.

LESTER J. PERLING was elected partner, effective in January of this year, at the Fort Lauderdale office of Broad and Cassel, where he practices health law, representing all types of health care providers and concentrating in health care fraud and abuse, regulation and government reimbursement. He was formerly an associate with the firm and was a hospital administrator for 10 years before becoming an attorney. He resides in Hollywood.

ANDREW F. RIER and JAMES N. DOHERTY, JD '94, formed a partnership in the law firm of Rier & Doherty, located in Miami, where they focus on civil litigation, family and criminal law.

IAN M. SIROTA practices at the Westmont, N.J., office of Margolis Edelstein and resides in Mt. Laurel, N.J. He would enjoy hearing from fellow UM Law alumni, by telephone, 856-869-6704, or e-mail: isirota@margolisedelstein.com.

SARAH STEINBAUM opened her own firm, Sarah Steinbaum, P.A., across from the Miami-Dade County courthouse in Miami.



LAURA STUZIN joined the law firm of Rumberger Kirk & Caldwell, P.A., after four years

as an assistant state attorney at the Miami-Dade County State Attorney's Office. Stuzin specializes in insurance defense and products liability. She and her husband, Daniel Bernstein, became the parents of a baby boy, Eric Charles Bernstein, born July 21, 2000, and reside on Miami Beach.

ERIC ZIMMELMAN and his wife, Nicole, announce the birth of their son, Sam Zimmelman, born June 12, 2000. Eric continues to publish his guides to collegiate cities (Boston, Miami, and Orlando) and to disseminate discount card mailers in residential markets. They reside in Coconut Grove.

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DANIELLE D. CAMNER joined the U.S. Department of State as a special assistant to the Under Secretary of State

for Economic, Business and Agricultural Affairs. Her portfolio holds a wide range of international trade issues, including the export finance agencies, Latin America and Asia, and relations with the U.S. business and agricultural communities. Prior to taking this appointment at State, Camner was the country manager for North Africa and the Middle East at the U.S. Trade and Development Agency. She resides in Washington, D.C.



MARNI CHAPLIN LENNON serves as assistant dean of students and director of disability

services at UM Law. She also coordinates H.O.P.E. (Helping Others through Pro bono Efforts), a community service endeavor for the Law School community.



STEVEN REED COHEN started his own firm after graduating in 1995, where he has a general

practice and concentrates in the areas of real estate law and wills and trusts. He recently hired a UM Law graduate who will be the firm's first associate after she passes the bar exam. The firm operates in Pembroke Pines and serves Miami-Dade and Broward counties.

JORDAN A. FISCH joined the Hackensack, N.J., firm of Cole, Schotz, Meisel, Forman & Leonard, P.A., as an associate in the corporate law department, where he will continue to focus his practice on general corporate and transaction law, including mergers and acquisitions,



commercial lending and corporate finance. The firm is one of the largest law firms in New Jersey, with more than 80 attorneys. Fisch was formerly with Ravin, Sarasohn, Cook, Baumgarten, Fisch & Rosen, P.C. He resides in New York City.

ROBERT S.M. GORMAN has joined the New York office of the international law firm of Fulbright & Jaworski, LLP, where he practices in all areas of intellectual property law, with a primary emphasis on high technology patents, particularly regarding electrical and computer-related inventions. Prior to joining the firm, Gorman was associated with the law firm of Hedman, Gibson & Costigan, P.C., in New York. Fulbright & Jaworski was established in Houston in 1919 and has more than 670 attorneys in its Austin, Dallas, Houston, Los Angeles, New York, San Antonio, Washington, Hong Kong and London offices.

ROBERT S. GROSSMAN has his own firm in Garden City, N.Y., where he specializes in commercial litigation, real estate, estate planning and estate administration. He would enjoy hearing from his UM Law colleagues by telephone, 516-745-1700, fax, 516-745-1715, or e-mail, rsgpcny@aol.com



CARY B. HALL, after practicing for five years in Maryland, has relocated to Pennsylvania, where he is

associated with the law firm of Powell, Trachtman, Logan, Carrle, Bowman & Lombardo, P.C., in King of Prussia, Pa., and focuses his practice on commercial litigation. Hall met his wife during the

London Summer Program at UM Law, and their subsequent marriage has resulted in two children, Luke and Tess.

MARK M. HEINISH has become associated with the law firm of Ritter Chusid Bivona & Cohen, in Boca Raton, specializing in insurance defense and commercial litigation. He resides in Cooper City.

JEANNIE M. JONTIFF practices in the Miami firm of Koyzak, Tropin and Throckmorton, P.A., where she focuses on commercial litigation and bankruptcy. She is a director of the Dade County Bar Association, and she is mother to Lauren, 7, and Matthew, 5.

MAITRI "MIKE" KLINKOSUM is an associate with the law firm of Vannoy, Colvard, Triplett & Vannoy, PLLC, in North Wilkesboro, N.C., practicing in the areas of plaintiff's litigation and domestic relations. Klinkosum returned to North Carolina after practicing for two years as an assistant public defender in Cook County (Chicago), Ill. Before assuming his current position, Klinkosum practiced with the North Carolina firm of Willardson, Lipscomb & Beal, LLP, in the areas of insurance defense, subrogation, and criminal defense.

MARK D. PASSLER joined the West Palm Beach office of Quarles & Brady, LLP, where he concentrates on patent, trademark, copyright and licensing law. Before joining Quarles & Brady, Passler worked as an attorney in the U.S. Air Force's Electronics Systems Center in Boston and as a special assistant U.S. attorney for the District of Massachusetts. Quarles & Brady is a full-service law firm with 350

attorneys practicing in West Palm Beach, Naples, Chicago, Milwaukee, Madison and Phoenix.



NUNOTTE ZAMA returned to Boston after serving for almost four years as a diplomat in

the rank of counselor to the permanent mission of Haiti to the Organization of American States. She opened the Law Office of Nunotte Zama in Cambridge, Mass., where her practice consists of immigration, personal injury, family law and mediation. Last year, she gave birth to a lovely daughter, Rebecca Nicole. She resides in Melrose, Mass.

Class of 1996

The Class of 1996 will hold its 5th Reunion Celebration next year. Members of the class who are interested in helping plan the event for their class should contact Cynthia Sikorski, director of alumni relations, 305-284-4935, with their ideas and suggestions.

JOYCE ACKERBAUM COX is an associate in the Orlando office of Akerman Senterfitt & Eidson. Since graduating from UM Law, she has practiced primarily in the field of labor and employment law, and she resides in Orlando with her husband, Matt.

CONSTANCE L. BRANDENBURG established her real estate practice in Pinecrest soon after graduation. Tiring of the commute, she recently moved her practice to her hometown of Miami Springs, where the two-minute commute to her lovely office surely beats the traffic on the Palmetto expressway.

STEVEN COHEN lives in Los Angeles and works as director of business and legal affairs for USA Broadcasting, where he runs the West Coast business and legal affairs department, overseeing production, programming and broadcast operations legal and business concerns. He was formerly with Polygram/Universal television, and he resides in Woodland Hills, Calif.

WILLIAM J. DENIUS is an associate with Gray, Harris & Robinson, P.A., in the firm's Melbourne, Fla., office. The firm also has offices in Orlando and Tallahassee. He previously served as a public defender for the 18th judicial circuit of Florida.

CHRISTOPHER R. ECK is director of the Division of Historic Preservation for Miami-Dade County. Both prior to attending UM Law and afterwards, he worked as an archeologist and historian, and he now oversees the management and designation of countywide historical and archeological sites, including the renowned "Miami Circle." In the Spring 2000 semester, he taught a course at UM Law: Introduction to Historic Preservation Law. He resides with his wife, Tracy, in Fort Lauderdale.

DENISE GARNO (formerly GUNN) married GREGORY M. GARNO, JD '96, on Sept. 9, 2000, after they met while studying at UM Law. Denise is practicing products liability defense at Wilson, Elser, Moskowitz, Edelman & Dicker, LLP, in Miami, and Greg practices in the area of commercial litigation at Navon, Kopelman, O'Donnell & Lavin.

MICHAEL C. KLASFELD has taken over the office of veteran attorney Philip



Berman in Pompano Beach, Fla., forming the law firm of Michael C. Klasfeld, P.A., practicing largely within the realm of real estate law, with a focus on investor interests, or more specifically, quiet title of real property. Klasfeld also handles bankruptcy, family law, and wills, trusts and estates. Recently separated from his wife, he resides in Boca Raton.

DONNA K. KNAPTON is an enforcement attorney with the U.S. Securities & Exchange Commission in Washington, D.C., and she resides in Arlington, Va.

STACEY A. KOCH joined the Kansas City-based law firm of Shook, Hardy & Bacon, LLP, as an associate in the national products liability litigation division of the Miami office. Prior to joining the firm, Koch practiced in the Miami office of Hinshaw & Culbertson.

GARY LEIBOWITZ is an associate in the Baltimore office of Saul, Ewing, Weinberg & Green, where he practices in the litigation department, focusing on commercial litigation. The longtime Baltimore firm of Weinberg & Green recently merged with Saul, Ewing, Remick & Saul in order to form the new mid-Atlantic regional firm, consisting of more than 225 attorneys, with offices in Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York, Princeton, Wilmington, Harrisburg and Berwyn. Leibowitz lives in Baltimore.

SPENCER G. MORGAN joined the Miami-based firm of Cohen Berke Bernstein Brodie & Kondell as an associate, where he focuses on civil litigation.

ELIZABETH NEVINS practices criminal defense at Bridgeman, Morkin & Shapiro in Fountain Valley (Orange County), Calif.

LOREN DONALD PEARSON recently joined the Hollywood law firm of Lerner & Greenberg, P.A., where he practices in the areas of patents, trademarks and copyrights. He resides on Miami Beach.

TOMAS A. PILA has his own firm, Pila & Associates, located in the Roads section of Miami.

JEFFREY T. ROBERTS practices both criminal defense and civil litigation in the Jeff Roberts Law Firm in Newport Beach, Calif. He maintains contact with many UM Law alumni in southern California.

MARCO RUBIO serves the people of the State of Florida as a representative in the state legislature.

ADAM M. SCHENCK co-authored the "Pre-Mortem Estate Planning Checklist," published by the ALI-ABA Committee on Professional Education. This is a single resource containing over 3,000 individual checklist items and hundreds of citations to cases, the Internal Revenue Code sections and regulations, and secondary sources to help answer tough questions. The entire "Checklist" is also on CD-ROM, which allows estate planners to search for key issues and terms and to adopt the "Checklist" to each client's situation. Schenck is an attorney in the Law Offices of Edward S. Schlesinger, P.C., in Hastings-on-Hudson, N.Y.

ANNA SELDEN is the faculty manuscript editor at Georgetown University Law Center in Washington, D.C., where she edits any manuscript (journal articles, speeches, texts, and treatises) prepared by faculty members. She resides in Arlington.

TRACY L. SMITH, after three years as program planning attorney in the continuing legal education department at Georgetown University Law Center has made a move. Still in Washington, D.C., she is now a grievance attorney at the American Foreign Service Association, the labor/management union for foreign service employees.

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HENRIK ADAMSEN (LL.M.—Comparative Law) is an associate with the law firm of Bertel Rasmussen & Fialin, a member of the Advodan Society of law firms which is a loose association of about 50 law firms throughout Denmark. Adamsen's main area of work is general practice, including litigation, corporate and private law, and also sports and international law. He resides in Svendborg, Denmark.

CHRISTINE L. AGNEW recently joined the Houston office of Weil, Gotshal & Manges, LLP, where she practices in the tax department, focusing on corporate and partnership tax issues.

DONNA BOSTIC WARD is an associate in the litigation department of Baker & Hostetler and resides in Missouri City, Tex.

STEPHEN L. COHEN joined the U.S. Department of Justice as a trial attorney in Washington, D.C., last year. He spent the previous year as a law clerk for the Honorable Ursula Ungaro-Benages in the Southern District of Florida. Cohen resides in Washington.



ROBERT S. DONALDSON practices corporate law, municipal law, and civil and

criminal defense in the Hollidaysburg, Pa., law firm of Evey, Routch, Black, Dorezas, Magee & Levine, LLP.



JUSTIN B. ELEGANT and his wife, Jennifer, proudly announce the birth of their first child,

Luke Andrew, on July 13, 2000. Luke was born weighing 7 lbs. and was 20 inches in length. Jennifer is an adjunct professor of psychology at Miami-Dade Community College, and Justin is a civil trial attorney with William L. Petros, P.A., in Coconut Grove. The family resides on Miami Beach.

CHARLES J. FOSCHINI is vice president of L.J. Melody & Company, a CB Richard Ellis Company headquartered in Houston. The company is one of the largest real estate investment banking firms in the U.S. and operates offices in 30 major metropolitan markets and maintains an asset management portfolio totaling over \$14 billion. Foschini operates from the Miami office on Brickell Avenue.

SABIHA GHOGHAWALA is primarily involved in drafting and negotiating licensing agreements and other corporate contractual matters as an in-house contracts attorney at Portal Software, Inc., in Cupertino, Calif., and she resides in Santa Clara.

JUDD A. GILEFSKY works as a tax consultant at the Los Angeles office of Arthur Andersen, LLP. He resides in Hermosa Beach.

ADAM D. HARMELIN recently left the Broward County Public Defender's Office to open his own firm in



Ft. Lauderdale, concentrating on criminal defense in the South Florida area. Harmelin resides in Dania Beach.

IAN HOCHMAN married Katherine Ardalan Hochman, a 1999 UM Medical School graduate, on May 29, 1999. After completing a judicial clerkship with the Honorable Lacey A. Collier in the U. S. District Court for the Northern District of Florida, he is now a third-year associate in the litigation department at Willkie Farr & Gallagher in New York City, where the couple resides.

MICHAEL P. INDERBITZIN (LL.M.—Comparative Law) has joined the corporate finance department of Shearman & Sterling in New York.

MICHAEL MIRER, a former assistant state attorney in Miami-Dade County, is now practicing criminal defense with the Miami law firm of Jeffrey S. Weiner, P.A. Mirer resides in Aventura.



H. JOHN RIZVI practices patent, trademark and copyright law as a litigation associate with Fish & Neave

in New York City. Rizvi's article, "Lost Profits in Cyberspace," appeared in the September 2000 issue of *Intellectual Property Today*. Founded in 1878, Fish & Neave has 170 attorneys, who practice exclusively in the area of intellectual property. The firm's long history of protecting innovative technology includes patenting of the Wright Brothers' airplane, Thomas Edison's lightbulb, and Henry Ford's Motel "T." Rizvi was recently married to Saba Zehra, a dentist with

Bronx-Lebanon Hospital in New York, and he would love to hear from his classmates by telephone, 212- 596-9012, or e-mail, Hrizvi@FishNeave.com. John and Saba reside in Clifton, N.J.

BRANDON A. ROTBART practices at the Law Offices of Alan E. Weinstein, in Miami Beach.

JOSE SAUD serves as trade developer with the Trade Mission Center of the Americas through the office of the mayor of Miami-Dade County.

JENNIFER SCHWARTZ is director of business development at EverAd, Inc., an Internet technology firm in New York City. After practicing law in Florida for two years, she passed the New York bar exam and relocated to New York City.

LARRY A. SCHWARTZ recently moved to Los Angeles and began working at Lewis, D'Amato, Brisbois & Bisgaard, LLP, a full-service law firm with more than 200 attorneys in six offices throughout California, where he practices in the areas of construction defense and professional liability defense. Prior to joining the firm, Schwartz was an associate at Allison & Roberts, P.A., in Miami. He is licensed to practice in both Florida and California.



DAVID M. SCOTT is associated with the law firm of Alley, Maass, Rogers & Lindsay, P.A., in Palm Beach,

where he practices in the area of admiralty and maritime law. He is also active in the guardian ad litem program as an advocate for dependent children at the appellate level.

David and his wife, Josephine, live in South Miami.

CARL-CHRISTIAN THEIR (LL.M.—Comparative Law) was elected president of the German American Commerce Council of Central Florida. He is of counsel with the law firm of Hendry, Stoner, Sawicki & Brown, P.A., in Orlando, where he specializes in international business law. He is licensed to practice in Germany and in New York.

SUSIE WEISENBERG is an associate in the environmental litigation and regulatory practice group at Haight, Brown & Bonesteel, LLP, in Santa Monica, Calif., and lives in Hermosa Beach.

AFSHIN YAZDIAN was named vice president of business development and mergers and acquisitions for eConception, a growing venture capital firm. Yazdian began his career in the corporate, securities and e-business group of Waller Lansden Dortch & Davis, Nashville's largest law firm. His responsibilities at eConception include assisting with the development of the incubated companies and the coordination of all acquisition activity relating to eConception and the incubated companies.

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MARVE ANN ALAIMO (LL.M.—Estate Planning) is a new mother to Charles Salvatore Alaimo, born April 27, 2000.

STEPHEN R. ASTLEY joined the Judge Advocate General's Corps of the United States Navy, where he practices federal criminal defense. He recently married his long-time love, Dawn Gonzalez, and

together they live in Honolulu. Dawn and Stephen will return to Miami in 2002, when Stephen begins his clerkship with the Hon. Peter T. Fay, senior judge, United States Court of Appeals for the 11th Circuit.

SHELDON BLUMLING is an associate with the Atlanta office of Jones, Day, Reavis & Pogue, practicing in the area of ERISA/employee benefits.

JOHN BOLANOVICH practices labor and employment law defense in the Tampa office of Allen, Norton & Blue, P.A. Bolanovich, his wife, and their one-year old son, Noah Jullian, reside in Orlando. He was a featured speaker this fall at the Florida Restaurant Association's annual trade show and convention in Orlando.

J. ANTHONY BRADLEY (LL.M.—Taxation) is an associate with Glankler Brown, PLLC, in Memphis, Tenn., where he practices in the areas of corporate and estate tax.

CARLOSI CARDELLE is a staff attorney with Lan Chile, at its office located at Miami International Airport.

SARAH (LANZETTI) COE was appointed to a position in the office of the general counsel at the U.S. Department of Commerce in Washington, D.C.

THIERRY DESMET practices white-collar criminal defense and business litigation in the Miami office of Zuckerman Spaeder. He recently published an article, "The Economic Espionage Act of 1996: Are We Finally Taking Corporate Spies Seriously?" in *The Houston Journal of International Law*.



GERALD S. DUTY is an associate with the Miami law firm of Whisenand & Turney, P.A., which specializes in international business transactions, finance and banking. He resides in Coral Gables.

ALEX ESPENKOTTER joined the law firm of Ruden, McClosky, Smith, Schuster & Russell, P.A., as an associate in the Ft. Lauderdale office. Espenkotter is in the firm's trusts and estates practice group, where he concentrates his practice in estate and gift tax planning, trust administration, generation-skipping transfer tax and charitable giving. Ruden McClosky is a full-service Florida law firm with offices in Ft. Lauderdale, Miami, Naples, Port St. Lucie, Sarasota, St. Petersburg, Tallahassee, Tampa and West Palm Beach.

JOSHUA P. FEILER joined Ruden, McClosky, Smith, Schuster & Russell in Fort Lauderdale as an associate, where he will concentrate his practice in the areas of federal and state income tax and state corporate and partnership law.

JASON P. HERMAN joined the Orlando firm of Longwell & Cairns, P.A., as an associate, where he will continue to practice criminal defense.

SHAWN M. JORDAN does plaintiff's litigation in the Miami office of Murray Gordon.

JULIAN T. KEMP is a legal specialist with the fair employment practices division in the office of the county manager for Miami-Dade County.

ANNA KRIMSHEIN and her husband, Jesse Lugo, became the proud parents of Jacob Alexander Lugo, born Feb. 23, 2000. Since graduation, Anna has been with the

firm of Baker & McKenzie, in the Miami office, where she concentrates in corporate and securities law.

TIMOTHY C. LINCOLN is legal counsel for Marquette Realty, Inc., a real estate management firm in Fort Lauderdale, where he has served in various management roles since 1995.

JORGE A. LOPEZ returned to Miami in the litigation department of Akerman Senterfitt, after serving for two years as a judicial law clerk for Justice Harry Lee Anstead at the Supreme Court of Florida.

JOEL McTAGUE is an associate with English McCaughan & O'Bryan in their Fort Lauderdale office, where he concentrates in finance, securities, corporate and intellectual property law. He resides in Boca Raton.

REINCE R. PRIEBUS is an associate at Michael Best & Friedrich in Milwaukee, where he works in the business/corporate litigation practice area. The firm has more than 230 attorneys in offices in Milwaukee, Chicago, and Madison, practicing as a full-service business/corporate law firm. He and his wife, Sally, live in Racine, Wisc.

SUAN WISE ROGERS has been working at the Hollywood, Fla., law firm of Larry S. Davis, P.A., concentrating in criminal defense and mental health law since graduation and has been involved in several murder cases that have been publicized in Broward. Her son will graduate from high school this year and is one of Miami-Dade's top cross-country runners. She resides in Aventura and would enjoy hearing from her classmates.

JOEL ROSE serves as an assistant general counsel to the Edison Project, the nation's largest private manager of public schools, located in New York City.

CARL ROSEN (LL.M.—Estate Planning) and his wife announce the birth of their second child, Rachel Lyndsay, on March 25, 2000.

K. DENISE RUCKER, after spending two years in the U.S. Coast Guard office of legislation, now works as special assistant to the director of the Commandant's international affairs staff in Washington, D.C. She resides in Alexandria, Va.



JOHN P. RUTLEDGE (LL.M.—Real Property and Development), while remaining general counsel to

Dead End Street Publications, LLC, the premier e-publisher of alternative literature based in Hoquiam, Wash., has recently become associated with Donahue, Gallagher, Woods & Wood, LLP. The highly regarded northern California-based firm handles intellectual property work for many of the world's largest software companies (including Microsoft, Autodesk, Macromedia and ASP-ONE) and most popular entertainers (including Carlos Santana, the Grateful Dead and Phish). Rutledge handles software anti-piracy matters, drafts software and web site development agreements, OEM, ASP and webcasting agreements, patent and merchandise licenses, terms of use, privacy statements, promissory notes and security agreements. He has published recent articles and is a columnist, presenter,

speaker and panelist in the Bay Area. He resides in San Rafael, Calif.

BRIAN L. SMITH has joined the Orlando office of Adams, Hill, Reis, Adams, Hall & Shieffelin as an associate. The firm is a general litigation law firm involved in virtually all areas of civil litigation, with concentrations in medical malpractice defense, medical staff litigation, antitrust, health care law, product liability and general liability.

CRAIG SOHN (LL.M.—Estate Planning) and his wife, Yolanda, celebrated the birth of their first child, Grace, on Feb. 28, 2000.

RICHARD L. STEINBERG continues to serve the people of South Florida as an attorney and as a volunteer in the community. He is a member of the board of directors of the Dade County Bar Association, a member of the Mt. Sinai Hospital Young Presidents, and a Big Brother with Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Greater Miami.

HARRY TEICHMAN completed his LL.M. in Taxation at New York University and is employed by Hunton Williams in Atlanta, where he focuses his practice on tax controversy and planning. Teichman was formerly at the Tampa office of Fowler White, and he reports that he is still "as good looking and single as ever."

BERT E. UEBELE IV is associated with Glick & Retamar in Boca Raton, Fla.

CATHY M. WAGGONER was recently named general counsel for the Copa Casino in Gulfport, Miss., where she handles all legal business for the casino. She resides in Biloxi.



TODD L. WALLEN joined the Miami office of Shook, Hardy & Bacon, LLP, as an associate in the tort section. Shook, Hardy & Bacon is an international law firm of more than 420 attorneys, based in Kansas City, with additional offices in Overland Park, Houston, Miami, Washington, D.C., San Francisco, London, Zurich, Geneva, Buenos Aires and Melbourne.

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JOHN ALBERT is assistant state attorney in the 18th Judicial Circuit in Viera, Fla., and resides in Merritt Island.



STEPHANIE L. BANDY is an associate at the Miami office of Walton, Lantaff, Schroeder &

Carson, P.A., and resides in Miami.

KRISTI J. BOMAR represents domestic violence victims at Bay Area Legal Services, Inc., in NewPort Richey, Fla. She resides in Tampa.

LAETTITIA C. BONA is associated with the Miami law firm of Hoffman & Hoffman, specializing in corporate litigation, commercial litigation, insurance defense, aviation law, bankruptcy and civil litigation.

STEVEN K. BRUMER is an associate at the Miami firm of Hightower & Rudd, P.A., and he lives in Coral Gables.

JEFFREY W. BUTCHER is an associate at the Coral Gables law firm of Pearson & Mayer, P.A.

SCOTT CARTER is an associate in the Boston office of Nixon Peabody, LLP, where

he practices in the area of affordable housing tax credits. He is admitted to practice in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The firm has more than 400 attorneys working in offices in New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, Washington, D.C., and Virginia. Carter resides in Charlestown with his wife, Cristie.

MICHAEL J. CIACCIO is an associate in the New York firm of Proskauer Rose, LLP, and he lives in Mineola, N.Y.

HAROLD "HAL" DAVIS joined Arter & Hadden, LLP, as an associate in the firm's Washington, D.C., office, where he practices in the labor and employment group. Established in 1843, Arter & Hadden has offices in Cleveland, Columbus and Dayton, Ohio; Austin, Dallas and San Antonio, Tex.; Irvine, Los Angeles, Sacramento, San Diego, San Francisco and Woodland Hills, Calif.; and Washington, D.C.

EDUARDO de la CRUZ-MUNOZ is an associate in the Miami civil litigation firm of Mario Tacher & Associates, P.A.

BETH A. DeSANTO is working at Clifford Chance, a Wall Street firm that handles mergers and acquisitions with a specialty in technology-related transactions and e-commerce. She resides in Manhattan.

CHRISTINE A. DIXON has moved from Miami to El Paso, Tex., and practices with the EEOC. She is busy with a full caseload, but is enjoying the scenery and the change in temperature and humidity.

LAURENCE J. EDSON is an associate at the Alexandria, Va., firm of Parkhurst &

Wendel, LLP. He resides in Arlington.

ANTHONY J. FANTAUZZI, III, is an associate with Bavol Bush & Sisco, P.A., a civil litigation firm in Tampa, specializing in medical malpractice and product liability claims. He resides in Brandon and asks his classmates to contact him through his email address, afant@bbs-law.net

MARLENE A. FERNANDEZ is an associate in the Miami office of White & Case, LLP.

DANA FOSTER is an associate in the Miami office of White & Case, LLP.

RICHARD FOWLER practices at the law firm of Behar, Gutt & Glazer, P.A., in Aventura.

DEBRA FRANK practices in the Miami law firm of Genovese Lichtman Joblove & Battista, P.A., where she focuses on commercial litigation.

RICHARD N. FREETH passed the New York bar exam and is practicing at the Wall Street firm of Cheven, Keely & Hatzis.

JILL GOLDBERG CARMEL is associate corporate counsel with Ryder System, Inc., in Miami. She resides in Aventura.

TRAVIS GODWIN has been appointed state liaison for the Defense Research Institute's Medical Liability Committee, a national membership organization for defense, insurance and corporate counsel. Godwin is associated with the Tampa office of Ruden, McClosky, Smith, Schuster & Russell, P.A., where he concentrates his practice in commercial and liability litigation, professional licensure defense, administrative law, and health care law.



ADRIANA GOMEZ joined the Orlando firm of Hill, Reis, Adams, Hall & Shieffelin, P.A., as an

associate working in the areas of medical malpractice and insurance defense. The firm is a general litigation law firm involved in all areas of civil defense litigation. Concentrations include medical malpractice defense, health care law, nursing home defense, and hospital antitrust litigation.

LISA HALPERN is an associate in the New York law firm of Spielman & Kassimir, P.C., and she also resides in Manhattan.

DAVID A. JAGOLINZER is an associate in the civil litigation firm of Ferraro & Associates, P.A., and he resides on Miami Beach.

KEITH JARET is a conversion administrator with Morgan Stanley Dean Witter in Jersey City, N.J. He resides in Ronkonkoma, N.Y.

SAGI KFIR practices in the Miami law firm of Avania Bondklayder, Blackwell & Baumgarten, and he lives in Aventura.

MARILYN G. KOHN joined the Miami firm of Kozyak Tropin & Throckmorton, P.A., as an associate.

JANET SANDRA KREDI is a senior associate with Arthur Andersen, LLP, in Miami, which provides tax and legal advisory services.

RYAN KROIZ is an associate tax consultant with PriceWaterhouseCoopers in New York, and he resides in Manhattan.



RYAN KUHL is a deputy county attorney in the Maricopa County Attorney's Office in Phoenix, Ariz.

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BLANCA SORDO, a December 1999 graduate, practices with the Law Offices of Stuart A. Goldstein, located in Kendall.

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SONIA ZELEDON relocated to Ann Arbor, Mich., after receiving a National Association of Public Interest Lawyers (NAPIL) fellowship. She will be working with farm workers.

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UM Law Events Calendar

January 2001

Monday, 1/8, to Friday, 1/12

35th Annual Philip E. Heckerling Institute on Estate Planning
Fontainebleau Hilton Resort and Towers, Miami Beach

Wednesday, 1/10

Alumni Reception, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Heckerling Institute on Estate Planning

Thursday, 1/18

Law Alumni Association Executive Board Meeting, 8 a.m., Broad & Cassel

Tuesday, 1/23

Law Alumni Association Faculty Speaker Series, CLE
Noon, Broward Location TBA

Friday, 1/26

Conference on Role of Free Press and Freedom of Expression in
Developing Democracies, School of Law

February 2001

Friday, 2/2, to Sunday, 2/4

MacBeth, 8 p.m. (2/2-3), 2 p.m. & 7 p.m. (2/4), School of Law

Thursday, 2/8, to Friday, 2/9

Fifth Annual Institute on Mergers & Acquisitions: Corporate, Securities &
Related Aspects, Eden Roc Resort & Spa, Miami Beach

Tuesday, 2/13

Law Alumni Association Board of Directors Meeting, Noon, Broad & Cassel

Sunday, 2/18 to Monday 2/19

Dean Lynch visits alumni in Los Angeles

Thursday, 2/22

Miami Spring Social Event, Location TBA

March 2001

Wednesday, 3/7

Partnership for Professionalism, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Faculty Club

Thursday, 3/8 to Friday 3/9

Fourth Annual Institute on Tax Considerations in Mergers & Acquisitions
Eden Roc Resort & Spa, Miami Beach

Thursday, 3/15 to Saturday, 3/17

International and Foreign Law Alumni Reunion, School of Law

April 2001

Monday, 4/1 to Friday 4/6

New York and Washington, D.C. Alumni Visits

Tuesday, 4/10

Law Alumni Association Board of Directors Meeting
Noon, Broad & Cassel

Thursday, 4/12

Law Review Alumni Reception, 6-8 p.m., Location TBA

Tuesday, 4/17

Law Alumni Association Faculty Speaker Series IV, Noon, Location TBA

Wednesday, 4/25

Law Alumni Association/Student Leaders Recognition Reception
5:30-7:30 p.m., Location TBA

May 2001

Sunday, 5/20

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