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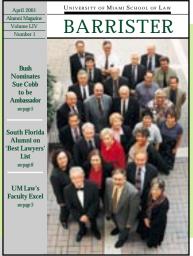
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Message from the Dean

I am happy to report that UM Law School is increasingly recognized as a national law school. Our pool of applicants to the Law School is up by 22 percent this year, with over two-thirds of our applicants from out-of-state. Our student admissions from other states and even other countries continue to grow each year.

As you will read in the pages of this issue of the Barrister, our talented Law Faculty continues its tradition of excellence in both the quantity and quality of its scholarly publications in the most respected law reviews and legal journals. Based upon a recent survey by author Brian Leiter, The New Educational Quality Ranking of U.S. Law Schools ranks our faculty 21st among the nation's law schools in terms of scholarly impact. John Hart Ely, present holder of the endowed Richard A. Hausler Chair at UM Law, is a nationally recognized constitutional scholar and author who is the fourth most cited legal authority of all time, just behind Oliver Wendell Holmes.

In addition, our faculty members continue to undertake important missions in the Miami community and the world at large. Prof. Lisa Iglesias recently traveled to Nicaragua as a member of the Miami-Dade Ethics Commission to assist nongovernmental organizations in combating corruption in their country. Prof. Iglesias and UM Law Prof. Frank Valdes helped found the LatCrit movement, which draws on a tradition in American legal theory that focuses on equality under the law for diverse so-



cial and cultural interests. They have been instrumental in organizing LatCrit annual conferences here and abroad, the most recent being LatCrit VI, held in Gainesville, Fla., on April 26-29, 2001.

Prof. David Abraham has accepted a one-year fellowship at Princeton University's prestigious Davis Center for Historical Studies, a leading research center. He will rejoin our faculty at the completion of the fellowship. During the fall 2000 semester, Prof. Jonathon Simon was a Senior Fellow with the Open Society Institute under a grant from the Soros Foundation. He has also been completing work on a book on the topic *Governing Through Crime*.

We welcome Prof. Mary Doyle and Prof. Samuel Thompson, Jr., both former UM Law School deans, back to campus for the coming academic year. Prof. Doyle will be continuing her work in the historic restoration of the Everglades ecosystem, teaching at the Law School and providing an interdisciplinary perspective on the world's most ambitious restoration effort. Prof. Thompson will return to teach in the Spring 2002 semester and continue as director of the Center for the Study of Mergers & Acquisitions and its two annual spring institutes. We also welcome Prof. Richard Williamson, our former associate dean, who will rejoin us next fall after a stimulating year as a Fulbright Scholar in Leipzig, Germany.

Our alumni continue to receive national and international recognition. It's almost impossible to recognize all our UM Law alumni who have achieved important professional recognition in their careers. In this issue of the Barrister, however, we print the lengthy list of those in South Florida recently honored in the publication The Best Lawyers in America 2001-2002, with congratulations to those named (and apologies to those who should have been on the list). I know you share my pride in the scores of our alumni who achieved this national recognition.

In the past two years as your dean, I have been gratified to learn about our alumni who are scattered throughout the world and occupy positions at the highest levels. For example, we have more than 700 alumni in the New York City area, and more than 300 in Chicago. I had the opportunity to visit with several of these alumni this spring, including associates and partners at major law firms in both cities, and I am inspired by their enthusiasm and proud of their many successes.

Janet Stearns, director of our International and Foreign Programs, arranged a reunion for international graduates on our campus in March. She is planning another reunion this summer in Munich, which many of our European graduates are expected to attend. Best of all, our alumni continue to offer their support to each other and to their alma mater.

As you may know, two of our UM Law alumni have recently been tapped by the George W. Bush Administration for important national positions. We congratulate Sue Cobb, JD '78, on her nomination as ambassador to Jamaica. As she prepares for Congressional hearings on her appointment, we send our best wishes for her success. The Bush Administration also announced the nomination of Richard Hauser, JD '68, as general counsel to the Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development. I know you join me in sending congratulations and best wishes to these outstanding alumni as they embark upon important national roles. I am happy to report that both Cobb and Hauser remain strong supporters of the Law School. We appreciate their loyalty and commitment and we are proud of their accomplishments.

We also congratulate José Astigarraga, JD '78, and Carolyn Lamm, JD '73, on their service to the prestigious Council of the American Law Institute. In this issue of the *Barrister*, UM Law Alumnus Frank Angones, JD '76, writes about his precedent-setting litigation on behalf of the families of Brothers to the Rescue fliers shot down over international waters by the Cuban Air Force. The list of alumni accomplishments goes on and on. Our alumni are truly the Law School's ambassadors to the world.

Reminder: Included in this issue of the *Barrister* is the ballot for the Law Alumni Association Board of Directors. Please remember to cast your vote in this important election.

I know you will agree with me that, by almost any measure, UM Law is truly a national law school. This is the result of years of hard work, planning, fund-raising for endowed scholarships and faculty chairs, distinguished faculty endeavors, and, most fundamental, the dedication and support of our loyal alumni. Your friends at the Law School thank you for your loyalty and your assistance.

As we celebrate the successes of our school and our alumni, we must also look to the future and rededicate ourselves to ensuring excellence in legal education at UM Law School. Now I ask you to join your friends and colleagues in increasing your support of our efforts and our vision for UM Law. Your assistance is more crucial than ever as we work to consolidate and expand our national reputation and to recognize and support our alumni and their achievements.

I am grateful to those of you who have accepted my invitation to become members of the Dean's Circle. We were pleased that more than 80 members attended our recent luncheon featuring attorney David Boies as guest speaker. I hope that more of you will join the Dean's Circle in the future.

Enclosed in this issue of the Barrister is a donation envelope for your use. Please take a moment to review it and, if possible, return it to us with a gift or a pledge. Please note that you can use this envelope to join the Dean's Circle or to direct a gift of any amount to the Law School endeavor of your choice: to any one of our endowed Faculty Chairs; to student scholarships in general or to a particular scholarship of your choice; to programmatic endeavors such as the Children and Youth Law Clinic: or to the Law School's Annual Fund, which enables us to support the school's mission where the need is greatest.

Please be sure to indicate your choice clearly on the donation envelope so that we can follow your wishes. Should you have any questions or wish to discuss giving opportunities, please call me personally, and I will be happy to talk with you.

As always, I welcome your comments and suggestions, and I look forward to hearing from you. I hope to see you at events on campus and in the community throughout the year.

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Dennis O. Lynch Dean



UM Law's Faculty Ranks Among Nation's Best

With varied legal backgrounds and a wide range of interests and expertise, UM Law's faculty comprise one of the School's strongest assets.

Faculty members are highly regarded nationally and internationally in such areas as taxation, estate planning, mental health law, constitutional law, legal ethics, litigation skills, and antidiscrimination law. The faculty is particularly strong in the area of international law. More than half of the faculty have written or taught in international or comparative law fields in the past five years.

UM Law faculty appear frequently in newspaper and magazine articles as well as on radio and television as reporters seek their legal insight on developing news. For instance, during the Elian Gonzalez events and during last fall's Presidential election vote count controversy, many of them were besieged by the nation's and the world's press on a daily basis.

The Law School also attracts visiting faculty from around the world, as well as adjunct faculty with experience in international transactions, adding even greater depth to the international and foreign programs.

A recent study of U.S. law schools by Brian Leiter, *The New Educational Quality Ranking of U.S. Law Schools*, ranks UM Law 21st among the nation's law schools in terms of scholarly impact.

Along with their work on high-impact litigation, advice to domestic and foreign governments, service on high-profile councils, and speaking engagements at national and international seminars, faculty members have become well known as authors of books and articles published in law journals. For instance, from 1998-2000, full-time UM Law faculty members



Cover Photo—UM Law's outstanding faculty includes, among others, (1) Daniel Murray, professor emeritus, (2) David Abraham, (3) Sally Wise, (4) Lili Levi, (5) Martha Mahoney, (6) Enrique Fernandez Barros, (7) Terence Anderson, (8) M. Minnette Massey, (9) Sharon Keller, (10) Robert Rosen, (11) Frances Hill, (12) Mary Coombs, (13) Ellen Bresler, assistant visiting professor, (14) Alan Swan, (15) Bernard Oxman, (16) Keith Rosenn, (17) Elliott Manning, (18) Michael Graham, (19) Patrick Gudridge, (20) Clark Freshman, (21) Anthony Alfieri, (22) William Blatt, (23) Tom Robinson, (24) Michael Fischl, (25) Michael Froomkin, (26) John Gaubatz, and (27) Edgardo Rotman.



published 44 law-related books and 254 articles. Visiting faculty members who were at UM Law during the 2000-2001 academic year published another 9 books and 17 articles during the three-year period. [See listing of publications in the back of this issue of the Barrister.]

The following are the regular faculty professors of law unless otherwise indicated—as well as recurring visiting faculty of the School of Law:

David Abraham, B.A., M.A., and Ph.D., U. of Chicago; J.D., U. of Pennsylvania. A scholar of the history of the Weimar Republic period in Germany, Professor Abraham is in great demand in the United States, Germany and Israel as a lecturer on immigration and the meaning of citizenship in modern societies. He teaches property law, immigration and citizenship law, and law and transition to capitalism and democracy in Eastern Europe.

Anthony V. Alfieri, A.B. Brown U.; J.D., Columbia U. Professor Alfieri is the director of the Center for Ethics and Public Service, which has won numerous state and national awards for innovative ethics and professionalism programs for students, lawyers and the public. He teaches civil procedure and professional responsibility.

Terence J. Anderson. B.A. Wabash C.: J.D., U. of Chicago. Professor Anderson is one of the few lawyers and the only academic to have served as principal counsel in an impeachment trial in the Senate, representing Alcee Hastings, now a member of the U.S. House of Representatives. Not surprisingly, Professor Anderson was in great demand by the media during the trial of President Clinton. During the vote count controversy surrounding the 2000 Presidential election, he was one of several UM Law professors to whom the nation's journalists turned day after day for legal perspective. He teaches evidence and elements.

William S. Blatt, A.B., Dartmouth C.; J.D., Harvard U. A former staff member of the Congressional Joint Committee on Taxation, Professor Blatt is an awardwinning author on tax legislation and policy. He teaches taxation and legislation.

Caroline M. Bradley, LL.M., Jesus College, Cambridge. Formerly a tenured law professor at the London School of Economics, she is an expert on European securities regulation and co-chair of the LL.M. program in International Law. Professor Bradley teaches European Union law, U.S. securities regulation, and business associations.

Hugo Caminos, visiting professor of law, is a judge at the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea, headquartered in Hamburg, Germany. He is professor of law emeritus at the University of Buenos Aires, former Argentine Ambassador to Brazil, and former General Counsel of the Organization of American States. Professor Caminos teaches law of the sea, international law, and the inter-American system.

Kenneth M. Casebeer, A.B., Georgetown U.; J.D., Harvard U. Professor Casebeer is a noted expert on the history of labor law and the U.S. labor movement and an authority on U.S. constitutional law, democracy, and the modern state. He teaches constitutional law, jurisprudence, and the law governing employment relations.

Donna K. Coker, B.S.W., Harding U.; M.S.W., U. of Arkansas at Little Rock; J.D., Stanford U. A nationally recognized legal expert in the field of domestic violence, she teaches courses in family law and substantive criminal law and seminars on domestic violence, race, gender, crime and the criminal justice system.

Mary I. Coombs, B.A., M.A. (sociology), M.A. (library science), and J.D., U. of Michigan. An expert in the fields of family and criminal law, Professor Coombs has developed innovative courses in women's law, reproductive technology and international criminal law. She teaches criminal law, family law and feminist jurisprudence.

Stephen M. Diamond, B.A., Swarthmore C.; certificate in social anthropology, Cambridge U.; A.M., Ph.D., and J.D., Harvard U. A legal historian with expertise in the history of local government, and in state and federal regulation of alcoholic beverages, Professor Diamond has testified before the Senate on the constitutionality of proposed changes in the federal liquor law. He is an expert in the field of food safety regulation *(Continued on page 16)*



Prof. D. Marvin Jones takes advantage of perfect weather to conduct his employment discrimination class outdoors.



Sue Cobb, JD '78, to Be Ambassador to Jamaica

President George W. Bush has nominated UM Law alumna Sue Cobb, JD '78, to be the U.S. ambassador to Jamaica.

"Sue Cobb's leadership, public service, and business experience will make her an outstanding ambassador to Jamaica," Bush said. "I am pleased that she has agreed to serve."

Cobb is managing director and general counsel of Cobb Partners, Ltd., a private investment firm in Coral Gables that provides venture capital and management expertise to companies in several industries, with an emphasis on real estate and resort development.

In 1998, she served as a personal advisor to Jeb Bush (with a focus on the vetting process) during his successful campaign to be governor of Florida. In 1999, Cobb served on the Bush-Brogan transition team and was appointed interim secretary of the Florida lottery. In July 2000, Governor Bush appointed her to the Florida Supreme Court Judicial Nominating Commission. She was also the primary coordinator of statewide attorney volunteers in the November-December 2000 Florida vote recount effort. She serves on the boards of directors of LNR Properties, Inc.; Durango Mountain Resort, LLC; and Kirkwood Associates, Inc.; and several other state and local organizations. Previously, she was the founding director of the Public Finance Department of the Greenberg Traurig law firm, and she served as chairman of the board of the Federal Reserve Bank Miami Branch for three terms.

Sue Cobb was a nationally ranked skier and tennis player and is an experienced mountain climber. She is the author of *The Edge of Everest*, which chronicles her attempt to be the first woman from the United States to reach the summit of Mount Everest. She has served as keynote speaker in various forums around the world, drawing on her mountain climbing experiences to frame a metaphor for all of life's challenges and rewards. She also has been commencement speaker at high schools and colleges and featured speaker at conferences for corporations and other groups.

Sue Cobb and her husband, Charles (who was ambassador to Iceland under the previous Bush administration), have been active fundraisers for the Republican Party at both the state and



federal levels and are active in business and civic affairs throughout Florida. She has received numerous honors, including the Order of the Falcon from the nation of Iceland, the Red Cross Humanitarian of the Year Award, the Silver Medallion Award from the National Conference of Community and Justice for contributions to civic causes and to humanity, as well as other legal and educational recognitions.

Mr. and Mrs. Cobb were recently named "Philantropists of the Year" by the National Society of Fund Raising Executives in Miami. Their primary residence is in Miami. They have been married 42 years and have two sons and six grandchildren.

Bush Taps Richard Hauser, JD '68, To Be HUD General Counsel

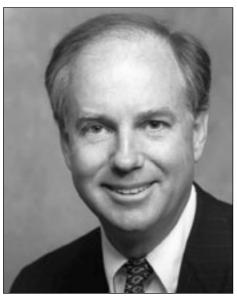
President George W. Bush has nominated Richard Hauser to be general counsel of the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Hauser, a 1968 graduate of the University of Miami School of Law, is a partner with the law firm of Baker and Hostetler and previously served as deputy White House counsel from 1981 to 1986. He was appointed by President Ronald Regan and reappointed by President George H. Bush to serve as chairman of the board of directors of the Pennsylva-

nia Avenue Development Corporation, a position he held until April 1996.

He served in the Justice Department from 1971 to 1975 as an attorney advisor to the deputy attorney general and later as deputy director of the office of Justice Policy and Planning.

He served as law clerk to the chief judge of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida from 1968 to 1970 and as assistant U.S. attorney for the Southern District of Florida from 1970 to 1972.





Prof. John Hart Ely Is 4th Most Cited Legal Scholar Ever

According to studies published in the University of Chicago's Journal of Legal Studies, the University of Miami School of Law's Professor John Hart Ely is the fourth most



frequently cited American legal scholar of all time.

With 3,032 cites, he comes just after Oliver Wendell Holmes (who was cited 3,665 times) and ahead of Roscoe Pound (who had 3,018 cites). Richard A. Posner was in first place with 7,981 cites, and Ronald Dworkin in second, with 4,488.

Moreover, Ely's 1980 book, Democracy and Distrust: A Theory of Judicial Review, is the most cited legal book since 1978. It has been cited 1,460 times. (Professor Dworkin's Law's Empire, which finished second, came in at 904 citations.)

One of the nation's foremost constitutional law experts and theorists, Ely is the Richard A. Hausler Professor of Law at the University of Miami School of Law. He also has been on the faculties of Harvard and Yale and dean of Stanford Law School.

Professor Ely is the author of On Constitutional Ground (1996), War and Responsibility (1993), and Democracy and Distrust, which won the Order of the Coif award as the best book about law published in 1980-82.

The author of the Journal of Legal Studies articles, Fred R. Shapiro, is assistant librarian for public services and lecturer in legal research at Yale Law School. He also is the editor of the Oxford Dictionary of American Legal Quotations and co-editor of Trial and Error: An Oxford Anthology of Legal Stories. Shapiro pointed out that the list of most cited scholars covers legal and social science articles indexed by the Social Sciences Citation Index from 1956 to 1999. More than 100 legal periodicals plus more than 1,000 periodicals from a wide range of social sciences are included in the index. Although coverage is worldwide, most of the journals included are American. Citations are for periodicals, books, articles, and other publications (even works published prior to 1956, but cited in that year or later).

The list of most cited legal books, Shapiro explained, is for books cited in legal scholarship, not in court decisions. He used 1978 as the starting point for his most-cited-book list "because of the limitations of the data" available about books published before that time.

He noted that citation counts are "relatively objective tools for assessing scholarly impact" and can be used "to gauge the impact of a given author or writing." His articles were printed in the January 2000 issue of the *Journal of Legal Studies*.

Prof. Abraham Accepts Princeton Fellowship

Prof. David Abraham has accepted a one-year fellowship at Princeton University's Davis Center for Historical Studies, a leading history research center.

While serving his fellowship, during the next academic year, he will conduct research and write on the issue of "The Decline of Citizenship in the U.S., Germany, and Israel."

The holder of a Ph.D. in history as well as a J.D., Professor Abraham is a scholar of the history of the Weimar Republic period in Germany. Prior to entering law school, he taught for many years in Princeton's history department. He is in great demand in the United States, Germany, and Israel as a lecturer on immigration and the meaning of citizenship in modern societies.

At UM Law, he teaches property law, elements of the law, immigration and citizenship law, law and transition to capitalism and democracy in Eastern Europe, and legal history.

4 Professors to Leave

After years of little change in the makeup of UM Law's tenured faculty, four professors will leave the School following the Spring 2001 semester.

Prof. George Mundstock will join the faculty of the University of Minnesota Law School, where he will hold a chaired position.

Prof. Grayson McCouch will join the tenured faculty of the University of San Diego School of Law.

Prof. Susan Stefan and Prof. Wes

Daniels will move to the Worcester, Mass., area. Stefan will represent people in psychiatric facilities through individual and systemic litigation at the Center for Public Representation, a non-profit public interest law firm in Newton, Mass., and Daniels will teach high school social studies.

The University of Miami School of Law will hold a farewell reception to honor the four professors Thursday, May 10, in the University of Miami Faculty Club.



Nicaraguans Consult with Prof. Iglesias On Ethics and Public Trust

Last October, Prof. Lisa Iglesias traveled to Nicaragua at the invitation of the U.S. State Department in response to requests from Nicaraguan non-



governmental organizations involved in combating corruption in their country.

Along with Robert Meyers, executive director of the Miami-Dade Ethics Commission, she made presentations to law and journalism students and faculty at two universities, and met with officials from the office of Nicaragua's vice president, staff members from the anticorruption and justice committees of Nicaragua's National Assembly, officials in the Nicaraguan Inspector General's Office, several Supreme Court Magistrates, and officials at the U.S. embassy, the American Chamber of Commerce in Nicaragua, and the U.S. Agency for International Development.

According to Iglesias, the Nicaraguans—especially those from nongovernmental organizations—were especially curious about the Miami-Dade Ethics Commission and its role in reviewing and enforcing county and municipal ethics codes, conflict of interest ordinances, lobbyist registration and reporting ordinances, and Citizen's Bill of Rights..

Iglesias is one of five members on the Ethics Commission (also known as the "Commission on Ethics and Public Trust"), which was created by Miami-Dade's Board of County Commissioners to monitor and review the conduct of county public officials, government employees, lobbyists, and candidates for elected office.

"In Nicaragua, as in many Latin American countries, the corruption is at a very high level," Iglesias noted. "For that reason, it is very difficult to fight. However, there is a big anticorruption agenda being developed, much of it coming out of Washington. The intellectual and political origins of ideas are coming from our system."

She pointed out that many problems in Nicaragua and other Latin American countries can be attributed in part to the inability of citizens to challenge the actions of bureaucrats.

"Moreover, there are no money laundering laws and no procedures for protecting informants and far too much opportunity for bribery," she said. "And, there is no adversarial system with prosecutors and defense attorneys; the judge does the investigating during a trial." She noted that it was ironic that the same day she and Meyers left Nicaragua the Nicaraguan General Assembly voted against expanding the powers of the nation's comptroller general.

Iglesias emphasized that her trip to Nicaragua and her work on the Commission on Ethics and Public Trust relate closely to her involvement in the LatCrit movement, which she and UM Law's Prof. Frank Valdes helped found.

According to Iglesias, "LatCrit' refers to 'Latina/o Critical Legal Theory' and draws on a tradition in American legal theory that has included critical feminist and race theory and focuses on equality and the interests of different social and cultural identities. It seeks to recognize the limitation of various civil rights paradigms. For instance, language discrimination and immigration discrimination are not necessarily important issues for general civil rights, but they are very important for the civil rights of Latinos living in the United States."

The LatCrit movement, now in its sixth year, has evolved into an international endeavor, with about 150 law professors and community activists in the United States, Latin America, Europe, and South Africa attending annual conferences.

"Professor Valdes and I have put together the last three annual conferences, including LatCrit VI, April 26-29, 2001, in Gainesville, Fla. This year's event includes a substantial number of scholars from Spain," Iglesias noted. "Future annual conferences will be held in Nicaragua, Colombia, South Africa, Mexico, and Spain."

Judge Cristol To Publish Book

Chief Judge Emeritus A. Jay Cristol of the United States Bankruptcy

Court, Southern District of Florida, UM Law Class of 1959, has signed a contract with Brassey's Military Publishing Company, one of the world's oldest and most



respected military publishers, to publish his historical, nonfiction book, *The Liberty Incident*.

The book is based on 10 years of research, which earned Judge Cristol his Ph.D. from the Graduate School of International Studies at the University of Miami in 1997. It is a more readable version of that academic work and took an additional three years to complete. It is anticipated to be in print by Fall 2001.



South Florida Alumni on 'Best Lawyers' List

Editor's Note: This list includes only those UM Law alumni who are practicing in South Florida. Others who received the prestigious designation—such as Steven T. Mindlin, of Rose Sundstrom & Bentley, LLP, in Tallahassee—are not listed. Alumni who were named to the Best Lawyers list but are not included here are invited to send a letter, fax, or e-mail to the editor for inclusion in "Class Notes" in the next issue of the Barrister.

The recently published edition of *The Best Lawyers in America 2001-2002* lists scores of UM Law alumni practicing in South Florida as among the best practitioners in America in their specialties.

Published biennially since 1983, *The Best Lawyers in America* is widely regarded as the preeminent referral guide to the legal profession of the United States. The Best Lawyers lists, representing 27 specialties in all 50 states and the District of Columbia, are compiled through an exhaustive peer-review survey in which thousands of the top lawyers in the U.S. confidentially evaluate their professional peers. The current edition is based on more than 350,000 detailed evaluations.

The following UM Law alumni practicing in South Florida made the elite list:

Bankruptcy

- Janie L. Anderson (JD '86), Shook Hardy & Bacon, Miami.
- Howard J. Berlin (JD '79), Kluger Peretz Kaplan & Berlin, Miami.
- Jerry M. Markowitz (JD '74), Markowitz Davis Ringel & Trusty, Miami.
- Harold D. Moorefield Jr. (JD '77), Stearns Weaver Miller Weissler Alhadeff & Sitterson, Miami.
- Patricia A. Redmond (JD '79), Stearns Weaver Miller Weissler Alhadeff & Sitterson, Miami.

• Robert A. Schatzman (JD '71), Adorno & Zeder, Miami.

Business Litigation

- Richard H. Critchlow (JD '73), Kenny Nachwalter Seymour Arnold Critchlow & Spector, Miami.
- Richard M. Dunn (JD '70), Bilzin Sumberg Dunn Baena Price & Axelrod, Miami.
- Arthur J. England Jr. (JD '72) (appellate), Greenberg Traurig, Miami.
- Henry Latimer (JD '73), Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott, Fort Lauderdale.
- Joseph M. Matthews (JD '77), Colson Hicks Eidson, Coral Gables.
- Michael Nachwalter (JD '67) (antitrust, banking, commercial, securities), Kenny Nachwalter Seymour Arnold Critchlow & Spector, Miami.
- Brian F. Spector (JD '78), Kenny Nachwalter Seymour Arnold Critchlow & Spector, Miami.
- Harley Tropin (JD '77) (commercial litigation), Kozyak Tropin & Throckmorton, Miami.

Corporate Law

- Larry J. Hoffman (JD '54), Greenberg Traurig, Miami.
- Thomas R. McGulgan (JD '74), Steel Hector & Davis, Miami.
- Steven Sonberg (JD '72), Holland & Knight, Miami.
- C. Thomas Tew (JD '66), Tew Cardenas Rebak Kellogg Lehman DeMaray & Teague, Miami.

Criminal Defense

• Donald I. Bierman (JD '65) (federal court, nonviolent crimes, state court, white collar tax), Bierman Shohat Loewy & Klein, Miami.

- Melvin S. Black (JD '69), Melvin S. Black, P.A., Coconut Grove.
- Roy Black (JD '70), Black Srebnick & Kornspan, Miami.
- Irwin J. Block (JD '50), Adorno & Zeder, Miami.
- Jack M. Denaro (JD '68) (federal court, state court, violent and nonviolent crimes), Jack M. Denaro, P.A., Miami.
- Fred Haddad (JD '74) (federal), Haddad and Hester, Fort Lauderdale.
- Joel Hirschhorn (JD '68), Hirschhorn & Biever, Coral Gables.
- James J. Hogan (JD '62) (federal and state courts), Hogan Greer & Shapiro, Miami.
- Theodore Klein (JD '64), Bierman Shohat Loewry & Klein, Miami.
- Benedict P. Kuehne (JD '77) (appellate), Sale & Kuehne, Miami.
- Bruce M. Lyons (JD '67), Lyons and Sanders, Fort Lauderdale.
- Elliott H. Scherker (JD '75) (appellate), Greenberg Traurig, Miami.
- Edward R. Shohat (JD '72), Bierman Shohat Loewry & Klein, Miami.
- H.T. Smith (JD '73), H.T. Smith, P.A., Miami.
- Neal R. Sonnett (JD '67), Neal R. Sonnett, P.A., Miami.

Employee Benefits Law

- Sharon Quinn Dixon (JD '89), Stearns Weaver Miller Weissler Alhadeff & Sitterson, Miami.
- Robert J. Friedman (JD '58), Holland & Knight, Miami.
- Lawrence M. Ploucha (JD '80), Atkinson Diner Stone Mankuta & Ploucha, Hollywood.

Environmental Law

• James R. Brindell ('69), Gunster Yoakley, West Palm Beach.



Janet Reno Relates Thoughts on Law, Public Service, Years as Attorney General

You *can* go home again," said former Attorney General Janet Reno, rephrasing Thomas Wolfe, and from the welcome she received from the more than 200 UM Law students, faculty and alumni at the Law School Thursday, April 12, she was right.

Hosted by Miami Law Women, the event consisted of a 45-minute presentation by Reno to an overflow crowd in Room 352. Following a question-andanswer session, there was a reception in the Student Lounge, where students and members of the news media had the opportunity to speak with her individually.

Reno's presentation ranged from her love and respect for the law and for public service, to the importance of family, the Presidential election, and her appearance on *Saturday Night Live*.

"It's wonderful to be back," she said. Because of her years in Miami (including 14 as state attorney for Dade County) and her associations through the years with UM Law faculty and students, the Harvard Law graduate said, "I almost feel as if [UM Law] is my law school."

Referring to the controversy over her decision to return Elian Gonzalez to his father in Cuba, Reno spoke of coming "home to a community that had been torn by an action of mine.

"I am very sympathetic to the Cuban community," she said. "I did what I thought I had to do on evidence and the law, and tried to do what was right."

Although many disagreed with her, Reno said, she has felt welcomed back into the community since January 20, when "a great weight lifted off my shoulders" and she became a private citizen again.



Janet Reno spoke before an overflow crowd.



At the reception following her presentation, Janet Reno chats with Michelle Stroyer and SBA President Jeff Cazeau.

Janet Reno, second from left, with Miami Law Women leaders, from left, Tiffany Prow, past president; Shahar Vinayi, president; and Fara T. Gold, president elect.





David Boies speaks at March 29 Dean's Circle luncheon.

David Boies Says Rule of Law Evident in Election Controversy

David Boies, leader of Al Gore's legal team in the dramatic election 2000 controversy, told members of UM Law's Dean's Circle that he takes great pride in having been part of that process, which he termed "the rule of law at its best."

Speaking at the March 29 Dean's Circle luncheon at the Bankers Club in Miami, he said, "The hallmark of a democracy is that you accept the final judicial decision. When the U.S. Supreme Court makes that kind of decision, you respect it.... That is something we can be proud of in our country. Both sides agreed that there would be a final result, and both sides would abide by it. We accept the result that Bush is President. Even if the process was not perfect, at least we have a rule of law that has durability, stability, and predictability.

"We know which candidate got the majority of the popular vote. We may never know who really won Florida. What we do know is that the legal process determined the winner, and we can have confidence that the process worked, and that process is far more important than who is in the White House," he emphasized.

One of the brightest stars in the most publicized legal battle of our time, Boies has been dubbed the "Michael Jordan of the courtroom." During a legal career that spans three decades, he often has been in the spotlight in cases such as the Westmoreland libel suit, the Microsoft case, the Sotheby's/Christie's litigation, and the Napster case. In 1999, *The National Law Journal* named him Lawyer of the Year.

The Dean's Circle is made up of alumni and friends of UM Law who support the School with annual gifts of \$1,000 and higher. Each year, the School holds several events—such as the March 29 luncheon— for Dean's Circle members. (Continued from page 9)

Janet Reno Discusses Law, Public Service, Years in Cabinet

"The First Amendment is alive and well in Miami-Dade County," she emphasized. "To talk things out is the best way to deal with disagreement."

Laughter is also important, she said, referring to her *Saturday Night Live* appearance. "It is so important to laugh sometimes and so important for Americans to laugh together."

On her eight years as attorney general, she said it was "the greatest opportunity any lawyer could have to try to use the law in the right way. . . . [The experience left her] prouder to be a lawyer than ever before. I love the law, and I love lawyers."

Using last year's Presidential election as an example of the nation's strength as a democracy ruled by law, she said, "We may disagree with how the election process turned out, but the law worked, and this nation goes forward without crisis."

Reno emphasized the importance of public service and of ensuring that all segments of American society have a voice in the law. Stressing a multidisciplinary approach to solving violence and other problems facing today's society, she said lawyers can lead the way, working with professionals from such fields as health care, technology, and architecture.

"Law is a beautiful profession, but don't let it be your master; use it to serve others, and don't forget your family," she said.



Ellen Freidin, JD '78, Receives Lawyers in Leadership Award



From left, Geri Howell, Jason Kairalla, Ellen Freidin, and Jason Ming discuss aspects of Freidin's career that led to her receiving the Lawyers in Leadership Award.

UM Law's Center for Ethics and Public Services honored Ellen Freidin, JD '78, with its Lawyers in Leadership Award. The third member of the Florida Bar to be so recognized, she is of counsel to the law firm of Akerman Senterfitt.

The "Lawyers in Leadership" program invites prominent members of the community to UM Law for an informal discussion about their careers. The series, which offers a valuable learning opportunity for students in all fields of study, provides an in-depth look at the path taken by the honorees that led them to success in their careers. "I am honored to be selected by the Center for Ethics and Public Service," Freidin said. "I admire the work the Center does, and I thoroughly enjoyed my time with the students. We have much to be proud of, as these intelligent and inquisitive individuals represent our future."

Other recipients of the Lawyers in Leadership Award have been UM President Tad Foote and Joseph P. Klock, Jr., JD '73, chairman and managing partner of Steel Hector & Davis.

Freidin practices in the litigation group of Akerman Senterfitt's Miami office, focusing on employment matters and civil rights, as well as media law at the trial and appellate levels. Highlights of her career include graduating cum laude from UM Law, chairing the 11th Circuit Judicial Nominating Committee, serving on the executive board of the Dade County Bar Association, serving as Federal 11th Circuit Representative to the Federation of Women Lawyers Judicial Screening Panel, being instructor and adjunct professor at UM Law, chairing the Florida Bar Special Committee for Gender Equality, and serving as a member of the 1998 Constitution Revision Commission. She is well known for her work in securing equality for women.



A Response to World Terrorism: The Anti-**Terrorism and Effective Death Penalty Act of 1996**

By Frank Angones, JD '76

The author. UM alumnus

Frank Angones, and Armando Alejandre met in high school and became life-long friends. After Alejandre and three other volunteers working for Brothers to the

Rescue were at-

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Frank Angones

tacked and killed over international waters by the Cuban air force in February 1996, Angones offered his assistance to Alejandre's family. Eventually, his help extended to the families of all four victims.

Angones assembled and coordinated the legal team that successfully fought back against the Cuban government, resulting in the U.S. Treasury Department's decision in February of this year to release more than \$96 million in frozen Cuban funds to the slain men's families as sanctions and compensatory damages. The family of Pablo Morales did not participate in the lawsuit because he was not an American citizen. The legal team also included the firms of Poderhurst, Orseck, Josefberg, et al; Greenberg Traurig; and Colson Hicks Eidson.

Carlos Costa, Armando Alejandre and Mario de la Peña. three American citizens, and Pablo Morales, an American resident, were murdered by the Cuban government on February 24, 1996. They were killed over international waters while flying two small, unarmed civilian airplanes on a search and rescue mission for Cuban rafters in the Florida Straits. Cuban MiGs shot them down without any previous warning by firing air-to-air missiles that pulverized them and their aircraft. The Cuban government publicly stated that the shoot down was premedi-



Brothers to the Rescue pilot Ivan Domaniewicz, left, and co-pilot Carlos Costa fly over the Straits of Florida looking for people who might have been on makeshift rafts fleeing Cuba in this 1993 photo. Costa was one of the four men shot down by the Cuban air force on Feb. 24, 1996.

tated and accepted responsibility for the killings.

Carlos Costa, a pilot and airport administrator, was born in Florida; Mario de la Peña, an honors aviation college student, was born in New Jersey. Both pilots had spent hundreds of hours searching for rafters fleeing Cuba. Armando Alejandre came to the United States as a child, later became a Marine and volunteered and served his adopted country in Vietnam. At the time of his death, he was helping Cuban rafters stranded in the Bahamas. Pablo Morales, a former rafter who had been rescued in the Florida Straits, wanted to help others in similar predicaments; he gave up his free time to work as a raft spotter.

United States' and international condemnation of the shoot down came immediately. Congress called it "an act of terrorism by the Castro regime" (Libertad, 22 § 6061 No. 1). Numerous international organizations deplored the egregious act. Among them were the United Nations Security Council and the United Nations Commission on Human Rights, the European Union, the International Civil Aviation Organization and the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights of the Organization of the American States.

On April 24, 1996, Congress passed the Anti-Terrorism and Effective Death Penalty Act of 1996 (AEDPA), Pub. L. no. 104-132, § 221, 110 Stat. 1214. The AEDPA strips immunity from foreign states classified as terrorists by the U.S. Department of State for terrorist acts, and allowed the three American victims' families to seek redress in U.S. courts. Civil action against the Republic of Cuba and the Cuban Air Force was instituted in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida on October 31, 1996. The defendants failed to appear, and a default judgment was entered against both on April 23, 1997. But since this was a claim against a foreign state, it was still necessary to present evidence to satisfy the Court.

A trial was held on the issues of liability and damages. Factual testimony included flight details, descriptions of the murders and physical location of the shoot down; evidence of premeditation and identification of those intellectually and materially responsible for the crimes, from Castro on down to the MiG pilots; international reaction to the shoot down and Cuba's record as a terrorist country and as a consistent violator of human rights. Additional testimony was presented to support the claim for compensatory damages. This trial was the first legal action under the AEDPA and was followed by other AEDPA actions against the Republic of Iran.

On December 17, 1997, U.S. District Federal Judge James Lawrence King entered a final judgment. Judge King found that "the government of Cuba, on February 24, 1996, in outrageous contempt for international law and basic human rights, murdered Carlos Costa, Armando Alejandre, Mario de la Peña and Pablo Morales" (Alejandre v. Republic of Cuba, 996 F. Supp. 1239, S.D. Fall 1997). He awarded a total of \$187 million compensatory and punitive damages in the first judgment ever under the Anti-Terrorism Act. It constituted a satisfying moral victory for the families and one that broke legal ground.

Justice through the Anti-Terrorism Act, however, could not be complete without collection of the stipulated damages. The same Cuban government which had not shown up for trial and made no attempts to defend itself, the same government that had not cared when it was found guilty of terrorism in U.S. courts now strongly opposed paying the monetary consequences of its actions.

The collection process was long and arduous. It started in January of 1998 when the legal team asked the Treasury Department and the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) for guidance.

The team then followed Treasury and OFAC's recommendations and proceeded against the funds that various telecommunications companies owed the Cuban government for current service. At the same time they filed writs of execution on AT&T and other phone companies for the blocked assets owed by these companies to Cuba and held by the U.S. since 1963 under the Trading with the Enemy Act of 1917. Cuba, and the U.S., actively opposed the two approaches.

The families had originally been encouraged by the Clinton administration to file suit under the AEDPA, and their attorneys had asked for and received advice from the U.S. government on the collection issue. All were appalled to go to court and find the U.S. sitting at the same table with Cuba's attorneys to prevent this collection. The Anti-Terrorism Act, passed by Congress to protect American victims of terrorism, was being foiled by the other government entities.

It took almost three years of courtroom battles to make Judge King's judgment a reality. On the way Cuba rerouted all telephone communications to the United States and passed a law that would impose a surcharge on U.S. phone calls to the Island. There were arguments before the Appellate Court. Two legislative initiatives were completed with the help of Congress and in particular of Senators Connie Mack, Fla., Ret., and Frank Lautenberg, N.J., Ret. These included an amendment to the AEDPA in October of 1998 so it would be possible to execute the judgment, and the Justice for Victims of Terrorism Act passed by the

Senate and House in October of 2000, which supersedes the first bill.

A measure of justice now became possible for many. Valid judgments under the AEDPA against the Republic of Iran were held by various victims. These included the Flatow family of New Jersey, whose daughter Alisa had been killed in a terrorist bombing in Israel in 1995; Associated Press reporter Terry Anderson, kidnaped and held in Lebanon from 1985 to 1991; Joseph Cicippio and David Jacobsen, kidnaped in Lebanon in the mid-1980s, and the families of Sara Duker and Matthew Eisenfeld, who were killed together in a terrorist act in Israel in 1996. These judgments were satisfied in December of 2000.

The Justice for Victims of Terrorism Act formally concluded the collection process. Compensatory damages and sanctions against Cuba for discovery matters were paid on February of 2001, and the families retained future rights to punitive damages.

The Anti-Terrorism and Effective Death Penalty Act and the Justice for Victims of Terrorism Act set a national and an international precedent in the field of human rights and expanded the boundaries of the rule of law to the international arena. They protect American citizens outside the U.S. territory and proclaim to terrorist nations that if they choose to torture or murder American citizens they will have to pay the consequences. Hopefully, they will deter future terrorist acts against Americans.

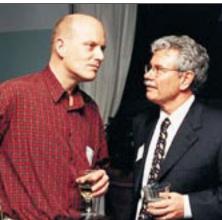
The families of Carlos Costa, Armando Alejandre and Mario de la Peña accomplished through this civil action what was within their power as American citizens. But they will continue to seek criminal indictments and prosecutions. Alejandre v. the Republic of Cuba will never be really over until those responsible for the murders of Carlos Costa, Armando Alejandre, Mario de la Peña and Pablo Morales are brought before U.S. courts and tried for their crimes. Only then will justice be complete.



Worldwide Reunion 2001









UM Law's international and foreign programs alumni paid tribute to the late Prof. Rafael C. Benitez at "Worldwide Reunion 2001" March 15-17.

In the photo above, Justice Gerald Kogan (JD '55) delivers the keynote address at the May 17 Reunion Dinner at the School of Law. On the easel at far left is a photograph of Professor Benitez.

Benitez's daughter, Peg Benitez Evans, chats with an alumnus, at left, prior to delivering a moving tribute to her father, in which she recalled the significant number of foreign students whom she always considered to be part of her extended family.

At far right, Dr. Klaus Hoenig (Germany, LL.M. 1990) talks with Dean Dennis Lynch about plans for a June 2001 alumni event in Munich.

In the bottom photo, from left, are program director Janet Stearns, Barbara Buitenhuis (Netherlands, LL.M. 1999), Luis Aparicio (Colombia, LL.M. 2000), Hjortur Sverrisson (Iceland, LL.M. 1998), Alexander Dorrbecker (Germany, LL.M. 1999), and Ninfa Urdaneta (Venezuela, LL.M. 1999).



Moot Court Board Unveils Alumni Wall of Fame



Moot Court Board's new Alumni Wall of Fame draws close attention following its unveiling.

This year's Moot Court Board, under the leadership of Tiffany Prow, began a new tradition at UM Law by presenting the School with an Alumni Wall of Fame. Winners of past Moot Court Board competitions can see their names displayed on the first floor of the Law Library.

At the wall's February 8 unveiling following a cocktail reception on The Bricks—Dean Dennis Lynch commended the Board for providing an opportunity to recognize and remember those who contributed so much during their years at the Law School.

Prof. M. Minnette Massey described the 25 years she spent as advisor to the Moot Court Board, all of the competitions and the efforts of the participants. She said she was proud to see the school develop such a fine program and was pleased to be part of it.

Judge Amy Dean, JD '76, of the 11th Circuit Court, a recipient of several competition awards while a student at UM Law, expressed her appreciation to the Moot Court Board, shared her experiences as a fierce student competitor and remarked on the wonderful friendships made at that time.

Marcia Reisman, chair of the event, thanked fellow student Santiago Gato for his research on past winners of the various Moot Court Board events. She also praised Dean William VanderWyden for his dedication to the project and the administration, alumni office, and library staff for assisting in making the project a reality.

"The Moot Court Board is aware that our list of previous winners is incomplete, and we would appreciate hearing from people whose names are missing from the Wall of Fame. Previous winners can check our Web site, then let us know if their names do not appear," Reisman noted.

Alumni who won moot court awards while in Law School and would like their names to be placed on the Wall should contact the Moot Court Board Office at 305-284-3170 or by e-mail at mcb@law.miami.edu.

SBA Requests Information

As the University of Miami celebrates its 75th Anniversary during the next academic year, UM Law's Student Bar Association (SBA) will be hosting a number of events looking back on its history and accomplishments.

Current SBA President Jeff P.H. Cazeau requests that anyone knowing the name or contact information of anyone who served on the SBA Executive Board or as class president, vice-president, secretary or treasurer in the 30s, 40s, 50s, 60s or 70s please let him know. The SBA is planning to memorialize its 75 years of leadership by creating a plaque that will be dedicated some time next year and hung in the student lounge. To contact the SBA with information or to donate funds to this endeavor, please contact Cazeau at 305-984-9552 or JC0132@law.miami.edu.



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UM Law's Faculty Ranks Among Nation's Best

in the United States and Europe and teaches state and local government law, alcohol and food law, tort law, and property law.

Mary Doyle, B.A., Radcliffe C.; LL.B., Columbia U. Professor Doyle has twice served as Dean of the Law School. On leave of absence to serve as acting assistant secretary of the interior for water and science, she will return to UM Law for fall semester 2001. Along with her Department of the Interior responsibilities, she headed the South Florida Ecosystem Restoration Task Force, the intergovernmental panel charged with coordinating a 20-year \$7.8 billion effort to restore the Everglades and ensure a long-term water supply for South Florida. She teaches property law, land use, and water law.

John Hart Ely, the Richard A. Hausler Professor of Law; degrees from Princeton U., Yale U., and the London School of Economics and Political Science. Professor Ely is one of the nation's foremost constitutional law scholars, and one of the five most commonly cited legal scholars. He has been on the faculty at Harvard and Yale, and dean of the Stanford Law School. He teaches U.S. constitutional law and cutting-edge seminars, such as "Judicial Behavior in the Context of Profoundly Immoral Regimes."

Marc A. Fajer, A.B. and J.D., Stanford U. Professor Fajer is a scholar in such diverse fields as antitrust, legal history, housing discrimination, and gay rights. He teaches property law, antitrust law, American legal history, constitutional law, elements, housing discrimination, and identity politics and law.

Enrique Fernandez-Barros, professor emeritus (Iowa); J.D. and Ph.D., U. of Havana; Ph.D., U. of Miami. Former professor of law at St. Thomas Villanova Law School in Havana, he is the founder and director of the Institute of Comparative Law. Professor Fernandez-Barros teaches obligations in the Spanish civil code and the Spanish and Venezuelan commercial codes (both in Spanish).

R. Michael Fischl, B.A., U. of Illinois; J.D., Harvard U. A former litigator for the National Labor Relations Board before Appeals Courts and the Supreme Court, Professor Fischl is an expert on domestic and international labor law. He teaches labor law, contracts and evidence.

Clark J. Freshman, A.B., Harvard U.; Honours B.A., University College, Oxford U. (where he was a Marshall Scholar); J.D., Stanford U. Formerly an entertainment lawyer at a prominent Los Angeles firm, Professor Freshman is an expert on negotiation, mediation, arbitration and other nontrial means of resolving disputes. He teaches civil procedure, alternative dispute resolution, arbitration, and civil rights.

A. Michael Froomkin, M.Phil., Cambridge U.; J.D., Yale U. Professor Froomkin has developed an international reputation as a leading expert on the law and the Internet, and was selected to be the public interest representative on a panel of the World Intellectual Property Organization. He teaches Internet law, law of electronic commerce, jurisprudence, administrative law, and constitutional law.

John T. Gaubatz, B.S. (Physics), Colorado St. U.; J.D., U. of Chicago. A nationally recognized authority on estate planning and author of multiple casebooks on estate planning subjects, Professor Gaubatz is also an expert on the use of moot court simulations to supplement more traditional instruction. He teaches trusts and estates, elements, federal estate and gift taxation, estate planning, employee benefits law, and patent law. Michael H. Graham, B.S.E., U. of Pennsylvania; J.D., Columbia U.; master's degree (criminology), Cambridge University; Fulbright Fellowship. One of the nation's foremost experts on evidence, Professor Graham is also responsible for the School's exceptionally successful London Summer Program. He teaches evidence, torts, civil procedure, and conflict of laws.

Patrick O. Gudridge, A.B. and J.D., Harvard U. The Law School's premier "utility infielder," Professor Gudridge is an expert in such highly diverse areas as constitutional law, jurisprudence, corporate law, and use of computers to analyze legal texts. He teaches business associations, constitutional law, agency, jurisprudence, and a reconstruction legal theory seminar.

Susan Haack, visiting professor of law/ professor of philosophy; M.A., Oxford and Cambridge; B. Phil., Oxford; Ph.D., Cambridge. One of 17 philosophers whose work was included in *Women Philosophers* (Mary Warlock, ed., 1996), Professor Haack teaches law students to explore formal logic and its uses and limitations in legal argument and reasoning.

Charles M. Haar, visiting professor of law, A.B., New York U.; M.A., U. of Wisconsin; LL.B., Harvard U. The Brandeis Professor of Law Emeritus at Harvard, Professor Haar has been assistant secretary in the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and has chaired several Presidential task forces on the environment and on model cities. He teaches and conducts research in the areas of property, land-use planning, real estate transactions, housing policies, land reform in developing countries, corporation law, mergers and acquisitions, and environmental law.

Stephen K. Halpert, A.B. and J.D., Harvard U., was a Harvard Scholar at Emmanuel College of Cambridge U. An expert in securities regulation and related subjects, Professor Halpert is in great demand as an arbitrator in securities cases.



He teaches business associations, securities regulation, bankruptcy, creditors' rights and remedies, and insurance. He is currently developing a new transactional skills program.

Frances R. Hill, B.A., U. of Denver; M.A., U. of Birmingham; Ph.D., Harvard U.; J.D., Yale U. The nation's leading expert on the tax status of not-for-profit entities, particularly those engaged in politically-related activities, Professor Hill has testified frequently before Congress on abuse of tax-exempt status. She teaches taxation, bankruptcy, and commercial law and directs the Graduate Program in Taxation.

Elizabeth M. Iglesias, B.A., U. of Michigan; J.D., Yale U. A leading figure in the emerging "LatCrit" movement, Prof. Iglesias is co-director of the Center for Hispanic and Caribbean Legal Studies. She teaches employment relations, criminal procedure, international trade and investments, antitrust law, and legal structure of economic democracy.

D. Marvin Jones, B.S., Union C.; J.D., New York U. A former antidiscrimination litigator for the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, Professor Jones specializes in antidiscrimination law and civil rights matters. He teaches constitutional law, criminal and civil procedure, and employment discrimination.

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Stanley I. Langbein, A.B., Yale U.; J.D., Harvard U. Author of a major treatise on international taxation, Professor Langbein is the leading expert on transfer pricing questions in international tax law. He teaches administrative law, federal income taxation, international tax, and banking law. Lili Levi, A.B., Bryn Mawr C.; J.D., Harvard U. After obtaining practical experience as an attorney with CBS, Professor Levi has become an expert on such cutting edge intellectual property issues as copyright, broadcast regulation, and defamation. She teaches broadcast and cable regulation, copyright law, defamation and privacy law, and business associations.

Dennis O. Lynch, B.A., U. of Oregon; J.D., Harvard U.; J.S.D. and LL.M., Yale U; dean. A nationally recognized authority on Latin American law, employment law, and labor arbitration, he was a Fulbright Scholar in economics in Venezuela. On the faculty of the University of Miami School of Law from 1974-90, he joined the University of Denver College of Law as dean in 1990 and returned to assume the Miami deanship in 1999. Martha R. Mahoney, B.A., Regents C.; M.A., Tulane U.; J.D., Stanford U. Professor Mahoney's extensive scholarship deals with questions of civil rights, housing discrimination, and women's rights. She teaches property and land use, race and urban development, and public interest law.

Elliott Manning, A.B., Columbia U; J.D., Harvard U. Professor Manning, a noted expert on both corporate governance and federal income tax, teaches taxation, business planning, business associations, and corporate finance.

M. Minnette Massey, B.B.A., M.A., and LL.B., U. of Miami; LL.M., New York U. (where she was a Kenison Fellow). Only the fifth woman to be a regular member of the law faculty in an American law school, Professor Massey, a civil



Prof. Michael Froomkin is a leading expert on Internet law.



procedure expert, is author of the leading treatise on civil procedure in Florida. The School's second endowed chair is named in her honor. She teaches civil procedure and federal jurisdiction.

Bernard H. Oxman, A.B., J.D., Columbia U. The Law School's senior expert on public international law, Professor Oxman is the director of the International Law of the Sea Institute and chairs the LL.M. program in Ocean and Coastal Law. He frequently advises the U.S. State Department and foreign governments on maritime boundary questions. Holder of the University of Miami's 1999-2000 Provost's Award for Scholarly Activity, he teaches international law, law of the seas, civil procedure, conflict of laws, and torts.

Thomas A. Robinson, B.S., U. of Idaho; J.D., U. of California at Los Angeles; B.Litt., Oxford U. Professor Robinson is the former director of the LL.M. programs in tax, estate planning, and real property development and is a national leader in using computers to teach law. He teaches courses in income taxation, estate planning, and the legal profession. Laurence M. Rose, B.A., SUNY-Stony Brook; J.D., New York U. Professor Rose is the award-winning director of UM Law's Litigation Skills program. The recipient of the Richard S. Jacobson Award for Excellency in Trial Advocacy, he is director of educational programs for the National Institute of Trial Advocacy, the premier provider of hands-on skills training for lawyers nationwide. He teaches beginning and advanced courses in litigation skills and supervises clinical placement.

Robert E. Rosen, A.B., J.D., Harvard U.; M.A., Ph.D., U. of California at Berkeley. Professor Rosen takes advantage of his education as a sociologist and an attorney to carry out detailed research on the legal profession. He teaches courses in professional responsibility, ethics, children and the law, sociology of law, and contracts, and a seminar on foster care.

Keith S. Rosenn, B.A., Amherst C.; LL.B., Yale U. Professor Rosenn, the School's senior expert in comparative law and one of America's leading experts on Latin American law, is chair of the LL.M.



Prof. Michael Fischl chats with students on The Bricks.

programs in inter-American law and in comparative law. He holds the Inter-American Jurisprudence Prize from the Inter-American Bar Association for his "distinguished contribution to the development and clarification of law" in the Americas, and the Congress of Colombia bestowed its Order of Congress Award on him in recognition of "his accomplishments and professional conduct." He teaches courses in constitutional law, comparative law, Latin American law, and international business transactions.

Edgardo Rotman, foreign and international law librarian; LL.B. (in law), LL.M. (in criminology), and Ph.D., U. of Buenos Aires; J.D., Suffolk U. Professor Rotman is a world-renowned figure in international penology and crime policy, and one of five individuals selected to help prepare a U.N. conference on the subject. Along with the director of the Federal Bureau of Prisons, he represents the United States on the Council of the International Penal and Penitentiary Foundation. Professor Rotman teaches research methods in international, foreign and comparative law, international moot court, prisoner litigation and post-conviction remedies, and comparative criminal law.

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Jonathan Simon, A.B., J.D., Ph.D., U. of California at Berkeley. Professor Simon is a highly regarded expert on criminal law and on the ways government increasingly relies on criminal law as a solution to social problems. He teaches courses in criminal law and pro-



cedure, constitutional law, and insurance law and policy.

Irwin P. Stotzky, A.B., Wayne State U.; J.D., U. of Chicago. Author of *Silencing the Guns in Haiti*, he has been an advisor to elected Haitian Presidents Aristide and Preval, and Argentine President Alfonsin. Professor Stotzky is one of the world's leading experts on the transition from dictatorship to democracy. Director of the Center for the Study of Human Rights, he has been heavily involved in precedent-setting litigation on the rights of immigrants and refugees.

He teaches constitutional law and theory, criminal procedure, and elements.

Alan C. Swan, B.A., Albion C.; J.D., U. of Chicago. The School's senior expert on private international law and international trade, Professor Swan is author of the most widely used text on international business transactions. He is co-chair of the LL.M. program in international law and teaches courses in international business transactions, international business transactions, international economic law, comparative antitrust, commercial law, constitutional law, and contracts.

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"LatCrit" movement and in gay rights scholarship. He is co-director of the Center for Hispanic and Caribbean Legal Studies and teaches civil procedure, comparative law, critical race theory, law and sexuality, law and film, and U.S. constitutional law.

Robert H. Waters, Ph.B., Northwestern U.; J.D., U. of Missouri. A respected former practitioner in sports law, Professor Waters heads UM Law's James Weldon Johnson Summer Institute. The Law School's Black Law Students Association's chapter is named in his honor. He teaches economic regulation of sports as well as courses in civil and political rights and Florida constitutional law.

Richard L. Williamson, Jr., A.B., U. of Southern California: M.A., American University; J.D., Harvard U. A former foreign service officer in the State Department and official of the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, Professor Williamson specializes in nuclear proliferation, international environmental protection, and toxic substance regulation. He teaches environmental law, administrative law, alternative dispute resolution, international law, and seminars on international law topics. For the past academic year, he has been on leave of absence from UM Law to teach and perform research at the University of Leipzig as a Senior Fullbright Scholar; he will return to UM Law for the Fall 2001 semester.

Bruce J. Winick, A.B., Brooklyn C. of City U. of New York; J.D., New York U. Author of numerous books and articles on mental health law and co-editor of *Psychology, Public Policy and Law*, Professor Winick is a founder of the therapeutic jurisprudence movement. In 1998, he received the Thurgood Marshall Award of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York in recognition of his work on the death penalty. He teaches civil and criminal procedure, constitutional law, and mental health law.

Sally H. Wise, B.A., Lake Forest C.; J.D., Seattle U. (formerly U. of Puget

Sound); Master of Law Librarianship, U. of Washington. Professor Wise is director of the Law Library and professor of law. She has been president of a chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries (AALL), chair of the Mid-America Consortium of Law Libraries, chair of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee of AALL, and an executive board member of the Law Libraries Section of the Association of American Law Schools, among other activities. She teaches advanced legal research.

Clinical Instructors

Michelle Greenstein, instructor of law; B.A., U. of Florida; J.D., U. of Miami, in addition to clinical responsibilities, teaches professional responsibility in the criminal law context.

Bernard Perlmutter, instructor of law and director of the Children & Youth Law Clinic; B.A., Bennington C.; J.D., U. of Miami.

Carolyn Salisbury, instructor of law and associate director of the Children & Youth Law Clinic, B.A. and J.D., U. of Miami.

Lee D. Schinasi, instructor of law; B.B.A., J.D., U. of Toledo. In addition to clinical responsibilities, teaches evidence and national security law.

The above list includes only UM Law's core faculty; it does not include most visiting professors, visiting assistant professors, and legal writing instructors. Outstanding visiting professors from throughout the nation and world and more than 100 distinguished judges, government officials and attorneys teaching as adjunct faculty vastly enrich the curriculum with their specialized expertise.

Together with the core faculty, they are a major reason the University of Miami School of Law is an excellent place for students to prepare for successful, productive careers in law.



UM Law Alumni Elected to ALI Council

The Council of the American Law Institute has elected UM Law alumni Carolyn B. Lamm, JD '73, and José I. Astigarraga, JD '78, to its ranks, to serve on an interim basis until the 2001 Annual Meeting in May, when their names will be submitted to the membership with the recommendation that they be elected for a regular term.

A partner since 1984 in the Washington, D.C., law firm of White & Case, Lamm joined the firm in 1980. Before that, she was employed by the U.S. Department of Justice under the Attorney General's Program for Honor Law Graduates and served as a trial attorney in the Fraud Section of the Civil Division before becoming assistant director of its Commercial Litigation Branch.

At White & Case, she concentrates in international commercial, arbitration, and trade matters, and has substantial experience in federal court litigation, administrative law, and government contracts. She has served as counsel in many significant international arbitrations. Appointed by President Clinton to the U.S. Panel of Arbitrators for International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID) arbitration. Lamm is on the American Arbitration Association's international list of arbitrators. She is a member of the U.S. Secretary of State's Committee on Private International Law.

A former president of the District of Columbia Bar Association, she is presently a member of the American Bar Association's House of Delegates and has served as chair and D.C. Circuit representative to its Standing Committee on the Federal Judiciary, chair of its International Litigation Committee, secretary and member of the council of its Section of Litigation, and member of the ABA's Commission on Multidisciplinary Practice and its Special Committee on Implementation of the Model Rules of Professional Conduct. She also chaired the ABA's Young Lawyers Division and a committee in its Section of International Law and Practice.

A Harvey T. Reid Scholar at UM Law, Astigarraga served as chief bailiff for the Miami-Dade County Juvenile and Family Court and subsequently as law clerk-bailiff for the 11th Judicial Circuit Court of Florida while a student at UM Law. After graduation, he joined the Miami firm of Steel Hector & Davis, where he became a partner in 1984 and eventually headed the firm's international litigation and creditors' rights groups. He left Steel Hector last year to become a founding partner of Astigarraga Davis Mullins & Grossman, PA, in Miami.

Astigarraga served from 1994 to 1997 as a United States representative on the NAFTA Commission's Advisory Committee on the Resolution of Private International Commercial Disputes, and he was named by the U.S. State Department a designated expert to represent the United States at the negotiations leading to the Sixth Conference of the Organization of American States on Private International Law (CIDIP-VI).

As consultant to the World Bank, he co-authored its recent publication, An Assessment of Latin American Insolvency Systems. He is a member of the American Arbitration Association's Panels for International and Commercial Financial Disputes and of the Panel of Arbitrators of the Commercial Arbitration and Mediation Center of the Americas (CAMCA), as well as a co-founder of the London Court of International Arbitration's Latin American Users' Council.

He presently serves on the board of directors of the National Law Center for Inter-American Free Trade and on the International Arbitration, Litigation and Insolvency committees of the International Bar Association and Uniform Commercial Code and Business Bankruptcy committees of the American Bar Association. Since 1989 he has been a trustee of the Florida International University Foundation and has served on its executive committee and as chair of its nominating committee.

Elected to the American Law Institute in 1995, Mr. Astigarraga was an Adviser to the ALI's recently completed Transnational Insolvency Project.

The American Law Institute, founded in 1923 and based in Philadelphia, drafts and publishes restatements of the law, model codes, and other proposals for legal reform "to promote the clarification and simplification of the law and its better adaptation to social needs, to secure the better administration of justice, and to encourage and carry on scholarly and scientific legal work." The Council, the governing body of the Institute, is a group of some 60 prominent judges, practicing lawyers, and legal scholars from every region of the country.

Reception to Honor Lamm, Astigarraga

UM Law will host a reception honoring Carolyn Lamm and José Astigarraga from 5:30-7:30 p.m., May 15, at the Offices of Morgan Lewis, 1800 M Street NW, Washington, D.C. Held in conjunction with ALI's annual meeting, the event will be open to all UM Law alumni and friends. To make reservations, please contact the Alumni Office by e-mail at alumni@law. miami.edu; telephone 305-284-4945; or fax 305-284-3968.

MISSION: KOSOVO

LL.M. Student Takes Break to Keep the Peace

Sometimes it makes sense to take a semester off. For Steve Janko, an LL.M. student in international law, it was the opportunity to help bring a lasting peace to one of the world's most troubled areas—Kosovo.

A member of the U.S. Army Reserve, he spent July through December last year at Camp Bondsteel in the southeastern area of the country as part of the United Nations effort to help refugees return to their homes safely and to establish an effective government free of human rights abuses.

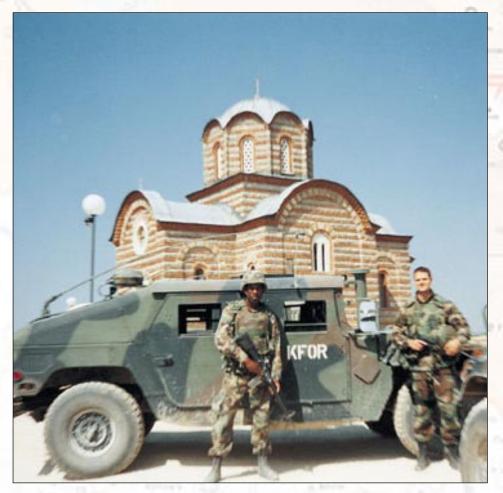
"The previous fall, I took an international law class with Prof. Hugo Caminos, and he talked a lot about the problems of displaced persons. That's where my heart lies, and I decided I should do something to help. Kosovo represented an opportunity to do something unselfish, for at least once in my life," he said.

"So, I called up U.S. Army headquarters in Europe and asked to be assigned to Kosovo as a peacekeeper.

"Because of my years as a reservist, 99 percent of the training I needed was already complete. I just needed some very brief training in Germany in such tasks as searching vehicles for weapons, searching for land mines, and reacting to sniper attacks," Janko said.

"All of my military training could be put to use in something I believe in strongly—peacekeeping. Peacekeeping is challenging, but I think it is a good use of our armed forces."

Approximately 40,000 troops from 40 different countries participate in the UN peacekeeping mission in Kosovo. Around 5,600 of them are from the United States. In addition, staff members from approximately 100 different



Steven Janko (right) standing guard with another U.S. peacekeeper in front of a Serbian church in eastern Kosovo.

NGOs (nongovernmental organizations) are also hard at work protecting human rights.

"Virtually the whole world showed up to help out," Janko said.

Sharing the responsibilities in the U.S. sector are troops from Russia, Greece, Poland, and the Ukraine.

"I worked closely with people from those countries as part of an effort to ensure that the October 28, 2000, municipal elections—Kosovo's first free elections in many decades—were conducted smoothly and safely. I never thought I'd ever be working with Russian soldiers," said Janko, whose parents escaped from Hungary during the 1956 revolution.

"Our work on the election project involved a lot of crisis management and making plans for such things as transporting ballots, response to possible terrorist attacks, and ensuring that the 80 polling places in the American sector were safe for voters," he noted. "It was also part of our job to ensure that the majority Albanians did not intimidate the minority Serbs."

Along with his work on the election process, he was involved in such activi-

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Steven Janko (rear left) encouraged local Albanians and Serbs to work together to attract international investors to Kosovo. He conducted four radio interviews with an Albanian translator (bottom left), interviewer (bottom right), and disk jockey.

ties as protecting churches from sabotage, searching vehicles for weapons, and promoting peace through interviews on Kosovo radio shows.

Giving a brief synopsis of the recent conflict, Janko explained that 88 percent of Kosovo's two million people are ethnic Albanians, while only 10 percent are ethnic Serbians. The Albanians had been pursuing a nonviolent separation from the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia until the movement erupted into an armed rebellion in early 1999. Yugoslavia's President Milosevic quickly began a brutal "ethnic cleansing" campaign, forcing more than one million Kosovo Albanian refugees to flee their homes and take refuge in Albania, Macedonia and Montenegro. The United Nations forced Milosevic's troops to withdraw from Kosovo, allowing the refugees to return to the province. Since then, an international effort, under the auspices of the UN, has been concentrating on nationbuilding, encouraging the two major ethnic groups to work together to secure peace.

Janko, who expects to receive his LL.M. next December, appreciated the support he received from Janet Stearns, director, international and foreign graduate programs, throughout his tour of duty in Kosovo. "She set me up with an advisor and ensured that everything was in place for me to begin work on my thesis when I returned to campus," he noted. Janko is writing his thesis on the role of the United Nations as a trustee-occupant to help foster newly created democracies.



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South Florida Alumni on 'Best Lawyers' List

- Donald C. McClosky (JD '60) (land use, zoning), Ruden McClosky Smith Schuster & Russell, Fort Lauderdale.
- Dennis D. Mele (JD '88), Ruden McClosky Smith Schuster & Russell, Fort Lauderdale.
- Eileen Ball Mehta ('77), Bilzin Sumberg Dunn Baena Price & Axelrod, Miami.
- Robert H. Traurig ('50) (land use, zoning), Greenberg Traurig, Miami.

Family Law

- Albert G. Caruana (JD '72), Caruana and Lorenzen, Miami.
- Marsha B. Elser (JD '75), Marsha B. Elser & Associates, Miami.
- Cynthia L. Greene (JD '79) (appellate), Cynthia L. Greene & Associates, P.A., Miami.
- Maurice Jay Kutner (JD '69), Maurice Jay Kutner & Associates, Miami.
- Andrew M. Leinoff (JD '74), Andrew M. Leinoff, P.A.
- Ray H. Pearson (JD '49) (child custody, divorce, equitable division, marital settlement agreements), Richman Greer Well Brumbaugh Mirabito & Christensen, Miami.
- Burton Young (JD '50), Young Berman Karpf & Gonzalez, North Miami Beach.

Health Care Law

- Ira J. Coleman (JD '88), McDermott Will & Emery, Miami.
- Lewis W. Fishman (JD '76), Lewis W. Fishman, P.A., Miami.

Immigration Law

• David S. Berger (JD '77), Bernstein & Berger, Miami. (Continued on page 24)



Barrister's Ball 2001 Honors Students and Faculty

More than 200 students and faculty enjoyed an evening of ocean-side cocktails, dinner and dancing at the Barrister's Ball March 31 in the Radisson Deauville Hotel's historic Le Jardin Room. The Ball, which is sponsored annually by the Honor Society of Bar and Gavel, paid tribute to the outstanding contributions of faculty and student leaders in the past year.

A highlight of the Barrister's Ball is the presentation of the Professor Richard A. Hausler Outstanding Professor/ Administrator of the Year Award, which this year went to Prof. Susan Stefan, who teaches civil procedure, mental health law, and a seminar on law and evil. Also nominated for this year's award were Prof. Marc Fajer and Assistant Dean of Students Joanne Harvest Koren. Fajer, who teaches property, antitrust, American legal history, constitutional law, elements, and housing discrimination, also is known for his annual drama productions, including this year's production of Macbeth. Koren is director of the Academic Achievement Program, which coordinates the Dean's Fellows Program, the Writing Program, and the 2L Study Group and Exam Workshop.

The Roger Sorino Outstanding Third Year Law Student Award was presented to Marcia Reisman. Reisman's involvement over the last three years includes her work as articles and comments editor of the Inter-American Law Review, secretary of Bar and Gavel, Honor Council member. Dean's Fellow for Torts and the Exam Workshop, chair of the Moot Court Board Alumni Wall of Fame, a Law School ambassador, and co-chair of the Barrister's Ball. She is also a member of Alpha Epsilon Lambda Honor Society of Graduate and Professional Students, and Omicron Delta Kappa National Leadership Honor Society.



Oswaldo Rossi, outgoing president of the Student Bar Association, at right, with the 2001-2002 SBA president, Jeff Cazeau.



Elizabeth Blanco, new president of Bar and Gavel, left, presents the Roger Sorino Outstanding Third Year Law Student Award to Marcia Reisman.

Oswaldo Rossi, co-chair of the Barrister's Ball and president of the Student Bar Association (SBA), shared his gratitude for his current SBA executive board: Hunter Chamberlin, vice president; Joshua Spector, secretary; and Jeff Cazeau, treasurer. He then presented 11 President's Pinnacle Awards to students who made significant contributions to the Law School during his administration. These included, 3L's Mark Black, Neil Cox, John Innes, Sanitha Narayan, and Marcia Reisman, and 2L's Elizabeth Blanco, D. Porpoise Evans, Rebecca Hain, Tiffany Prow, James Schooley, and Kristen Zayas.

Rossi concluded his remarks by handing the gavel of leadership over to Jeff Cazeau, the 2001-2002 SBA president; Joshua Spector, vice president; D.J. Johnson, secretary; and Jessica Becher, treasurer,

Neil Cox, outgoing president of Bar and Gavel, presented plaques to vice president Tiffany Prow (in absentia), secretary Marcia Reisman, and treasurer Jonathan Innes. He then welcomed the new leadership of the organization of student leaders by presenting the gavel to incoming president Elizabeth Blanco, vice president Kendra Davis, secretary D. Porpoise Evans, and treasurer Hassia Diolombi.

Together Cox and Blanco conducted the Annual Passing of the Gavel Ceremony, recognizing the current presidents of all the school organizations. They were joined by the newly elected 2001-2002 presidents, who passed the gavels to the incoming leadership of their organizations.

Jon Innes pulled the winning raffle for the Free Weekend at the Radisson Deauville Hotel (donated by the hotel). The winner was Neema Nair, a 2L.



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South Florida Alumni on 'Best Lawyers' List

 Magda Montiel Davis (JD '77), Montiel Davis & Woodward Kimber, Miami.

Labor and Employment

- James S. Bramnick (JD '75), Muller Mintz Kornreich, Miami.
- Henry Latimer (JD '73), Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott, Fort Lauderdale.
- Howard S. Susskind (JD '74) (labor), Sugarman & Susskind, Coral Gables.

Legal Malpractice Law

- Richard H. Critchlow (JD '73), Kenny Nachwalter Seymour Arnold Critchlow & Spector, Miami.
- Edward A. Moss (JD '61) (plaintiffs), Shook Hardy & Bacon, Miami.
- Michael Nachwalter (JD '67) (defendants), Kenny Nachwalter Seymour Arnold Critchlow & Spector, Miami.

Personal Injury and Civil Litigation

- Dean C. Colson (JD '77) (commercial litigation, product liability, professional malpractice), Colson Hicks Eidson, Coral Gables.
- Gil Haddad (JD '55) (plaintiffs), Gil Haddad, P.A., Coral Gables.
- Stuart Z. Grossman (JD '73) (medical malpractice, plaintiffs), Grossman and Roth, Miami.
- Arno Kutner (JD '62) (plaintiffs), Kutner Rubinoff & Bush, Miami.
- Edward A. Moss (JD '61) (plaintiffs), Shook Hardy & Bacon, Miami.

- Stanley M. Rosenblatt (JD '60) (airplane collision, plaintiffs, professional malpractice), Stanley M. Rosenblatt, P.A., Miami.
- Elliott H. Scherker (JD '75) (appellate), Greenberg Traurig, Miami.
- Sheldon J. Schlesinger (JD '54) (plaintiffs), Sheldon J. Schlesinger, P.A., Fort Lauderdale.
- J.B. Spence (JD '51)(plaintiffs), Leeds Colby & Paris, Miami.
- Joe N. Unger (JD '60) (appellate), Joe N. Unger, P.A., Miami.

Real Estate

- E. Richard Alhadeff (JD '74), Stearns Weaver Miller Weissler Alhadeff & Sitterson, Miami.
- David S. Kenin (JD '63), Greenberg Traurig, Miami.
- Donald C. McClosky (JD '60), Ruden McClosky Smith Schuster & Russell, Fort Lauderdale.
- Donald S. Rosenberg (JD '56) Peckar Abramson Rosenberg Reisman & Stein, Miami.
- Harry B. Smith (JD '50), Ruden McClosky Smith Schuster & Russell, Miami.
- Barry E. Somerstein (JD '75), Ruden McClosky Smith Schuster & Russell, Fort Lauderdale.
- Roger H. Staley (JD '56), Saunders Curtis Ginestra & Gore, Fort Lauderdale.
- Robert H. Traurig (JD '50) (zoning), Greenberg Traurig, Miami.

Tax Law

- Robert A. Chaves (JD '80), Tescher Chaves Rubin & Forman, Boca Raton.
- Harry Friedman (JD '81), Greenberg Traurig, Miami.
- Dennis Ginsburg (JD '77), Packman Neuwahl & Rosenberg, Coral Gables.

- Shepard King (JD '66), Greenberg Traurig, Miami.
- Charles E. Muller II (JD '77), Muller & Lipson, Miami.
- Martin J. Nash (JD '61), Adorno & Zeder, Miami.
- Barry A. Nelson (JD '87) (estate planning), Nelson & Levine, Miami.
- Robert E. Panoff (JD '76) (compliance, tax litigation), Robert E. Panoff, P.A., Miami.
- H. Allen Shore (JD '71) (tax planning), Akerman Senterfitt, Miami.
- Samuel C. Ullman (JD '75) (corporate and partnership transactions, state tax, tax disputes), Steel Hector & Davis, Miami.

Trusts and Estates

- Michael A. Dribin (JD '79), Broad and Cassel, Miami.
- Douglas Kniskern (JD '78), Zack Kosnitzky, Miami.
- Ronald T. Martin (JD '77) (estate planning), Martin and Rubin, Boca Raton.
- Charles E. Muller II (JD '77), Muller & Lipson, Miami.
- Barry A. Nelson (JD '87), Nelson & Associates, Miami.
- H. Allan Shore (JD '71) (estate planning), Akerman Senterfitt, Miami.

Workers Compensation

- H. George Kagan (JD '75) (defendants), Miller Kagan Rodrigues and Silver, West Palm Beach.
- Steven P. Kronenberg (JD '75), Kelley Kronenberg Kelley Gilmartin Fichtel & Wander, Miami Lakes.
- Ramon Malca (JD '75) (claimants), Malca & Jacobs, Miami.
- Richard A. Sicking (JD '63) (claimants), Richard A. Sicking, P.A., Coral Gables.



Mentors Answer HLSA's Call

When first-year law student Elizabeth Blanco read the Hispanic Law Student Association (HLSA) bylaws last year, she was happy to see that they called for a mentoring program, pairing UM Law alumni with current students.

When she discovered that the onceactive program no longer functioned, she resolved to bring it back to life.

Last summer, after volunteering to chair the mentoring program, she sent more than 850 letters to Hispanic alumni in South Florida, asking them to participate.

"I got acceptance from approximately 35 alumni, which I'm told is a phenomenal response rate," Blanco, now a 2L, said. "The volunteers range from recent graduates to people who were here in the '70s. We have judges, state attorneys, lawyers with large firms, lawyers with small firms, the FBI, the Department of Transportation—a very wide range."

Drawing from a list of HLSA members (most, but not all, of whom are Hispanic) who had filled out applications to receive mentors, she attempted to pair each student with a mentor who is working in the student's area of interest. When that was not possible, she looked for other areas of common interest, such as hobbies.

"We had a few more students than mentors, but our president, Angela Puentes, was able to recruit enough additional alumni to ensure that every student who wanted a mentor got one," she noted.

Blanco said most of students were in their first year of law school, but that a few were in their second.

In October, students and mentors met for a reception at the University of Miami Faculty Club.

"We let each mentor-student team devise its own program. Some have gotten together for lunch. Some students have spent a few days at their mentors' law firms. The important thing is that the mentors be available to give advice or information that they feel would have benefited them when they were students," she explained.

Asked why mentors would want to be involved, she said, "One of the alumni, Barbara Areces, told me she is still friends with someone who unofficially mentored her, and she would like to do the same for someone else."

Although the mentoring program calls for one-year relationships and has no specific goals for helping students find employment after graduation, many of the relationships could serve as excellent contacts, Blanco pointed out. Plus, "many firms are always looking for bilingual employees, and some of the mentors could be interested in using the program for recruiting future associates," she hypothesized.

Blanco said HLSA plans to expand the mentoring program, getting more people involved. She noted that the Cuban-American Bar Association of Miami-Dade County has expressed interest in participating in the future.

A few of the UM Law alumni currently serving as mentors include: Peter R. Abesada (JD '89), Francis E. Rodriguez (JD '98), Pury Lopez Santiago (JD '88), Miriam Alfonso (JD '98), Antoinette Diaz (JD '99), Juan Carlos Campos (JD '96), Jorge Espinosa (JD '88), Jose Sepulveda (JD '98), and Patricia Hernandez (JD '96).

If attorneys who are not UM Law alumni would like to participate in the program, their help is also appreciated, Blanco noted. One such attorney currently serving as a mentor is Antonio Castro, a 1993 graduate of Georgetown School of Law.

UM Law alumni and others interested in learning more about the HLSA mentoring program can contact Ms. Blanco by e-mail at EB9220 @students.law.miami.edu.

UM Law Events Calendar

April 2001

Thursday, 4/5

Honor Council Student/Alumni Banquet, 7 p.m., Faculty Club

Friday, 4/6

Hispanic Law Students Banquet, Keynote Speaker Hon. Adalberto Jordan, JD '87, 7 p.m., Coral Gables Women's Club

Tuesday, 4/10

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

Thursday, 4/12

Class of 1951 Reunion Social Event (February 1951 graduates), 6 p.m., Coral Reef Yacht Club

Tuesday, 4/17

Friends of the Law School Lunch featuring Larry Coker, Noon, Family Courthouse, 175 NW First Ave.

Thursday, 4/19

Law Review Alumni Reception, 6-8 p.m., The Commons, UM Rosenstiel School, 4600 Rickenbacker Causeway, Key Biscayne

Wednesday, 4/25

Law Alumni Association/Student Leaders Recognition Reception, 5:30-7:30 p.m., UM Faculty Club

May 2001

Tuesday, 5/15

5:30-7:30 p.m. Washington, D.C. alumni reception, at the offices of Morgan Lewis, 1800 M Street, NW 10th Floor-North, Washington, D.C.

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UM Law Events Calendar

Friday, 5/18

Friends of the Law School Lunch, featuring Coach Jim Morris, Noon, Broward County Courthouse

Saturday, 5/19–Sunday, 5/20 Class of 1951 50th Reunion Celebration Hooding Ceremony, James L. Knight Center

Thursday, 5/24 – Friday, 5/25 Dean Lynch visits alumni in Denver

June 2001

Thursday, 6/7

Fifth Annual Broward Judicial Reception, 5:30 p.m., The Tower Club, Ft. Lauderdale

Thursday, 6/14 & Friday, 6/15 11th Bankruptcy Skills Workshop, UM Law

Thursday, 6/21 Alumni Reception at the Florida

Bar Annual Meeting, honoring Todd Aronovitz, 6:30-7:30 p.m., Orlando World Center Marriott, Orlando, Fla.

Friday, 6/29 – Saturday, 6/30 International Alumni Reception Bayerischer Hof, Munich, Germany

SAVE THE DATES!

Wednesday, 10/31 – Friday, 11/2 Fourteenth Institute on Real Property Law and Twenty-Sixth Institute on Condominium & Cluster Developments Miami Airport Hilton & Towers, Miami, FL

Saturday, 11/3

53rd Annual Homecoming Breakfast, 8:00 a.m., Morning Spirits, Law School Courtyard, 9:30 a.m., breakfast in the UM Food Court (the old Ibis Cafeteria)



UM Law Alumni and Friends You are cordially invited to join us as we honor Todd Aronovitz, JD '74 president-elect of the **Florida Bar Association Thursday, June 21, 2001** 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. **UM Law Alumni Reception Annual Meeting of The Florida Bar Orlando World Center Marriott Orlando**, Florida **Please RSVP by June 15 by phone:** 305-284-4945, fax 305-284-3968 or e-mail alumni@law.miami.edu



Law Alumni Association Nominees for Director 2001–2002 Ballot

Vote for Six (6)

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ATTENTION: Please mail or fax this 2001-2002 Ballot form to the Office of Law Development & Alumni Relations, P.O. Box 248087, Coral Gables, FL 33124-8087, FAX 305-284-3968. If you have any questions, please call 305-284-3470 or send an e-mail to *alumni@law.miami.edu*

LAW ALUMNI ASSOCIATION 2001-2002 BALLOT

NOMINEES FOR DIRECTORS

The following candidates have accepted nomination to serve on the Board of Directors of the University of Miami Law Alumni Association.

Six (6) are to be elected to serve threeyear terms.

Elizabeth Anon, JD '88

Supervising Division Attorney for the Department of Children and Families; Liaison on the Florida Bar Commission on Legal Needs of Children.

Angela Alvero-Cartolano, JD '90

Assistant District Counsel, Department of Justice, INS; former Assistant Public Defender, Miami-Dade County Public Defenders Office; Board of Directors, Law Alumni Association; member FAWL; Society of Bar and Gavel; Vice President, Hispanic Law Students Association (1989-1990).

Kenneth R. Harrison, Sr., JD '96

Associate, Sugarman & Susskind, P.A.; BB.A., University of Miami (BB.A., 1975); Biscayne College, (M.B.A., 1980); University of Miami (J.D., 1996). Bar & Gavel; Moot Court Board; Roger Sorino Award, 1996; Equity Playhouse. Retired, City of Miami (Florida) Police Department; served as trustee for Miami's Police and Fire Pension Funds; Reserve Officer, United States Coast Guard, Seventh District Legal Office; Dade County Bar Association (Professionalism Committee); Coral Gables Bar Association (Board of Directors); Law Alumni Association (Class Agent).

Gennivieve O. L. Henriques, JD '92

The Henriques Group, P.A.; Yearbook of International Law; American Inns of Court; Bar & Gavel; School Honors in Business; Dean's List; Beta Alpha Psi; Phi Kappa Phi; Beta Gamma Sigma; The Wall Street Journal Award; Phi Theta Kappa; Florida, Georgia, D.C. & American Bar Associations; Attorney, CPA Association; Law Alumni Association Director, Presidential Appointment.

Michael J. Higer, JD '85

Born Miami Beach, Florida, November 24, 1960; admitted to bar, 1985, Florida, U.S. Supreme Court, U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida, U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida including Trial Bar and U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit. Education: University of Florida (B.A., 1982); University of Miami (J.D., cum laude, 1985). Executive Editor, University of Miami Law Review, 1984-1985. Co-Author: "Florida Provides Safe Haven for Forum Shoppers," The Florida Bar Journal, October 1995. "Prejudgment Interest: Uncertainty and Inequity," The Florida Bar, Business Law Section, The Quarterly Report, March, 1994; "From the Mailroom to the Boardroom; Deason and the Scope of the Attorney-Client Privilege in the Corporate Context," The Florida Bar Journal, January, 1995. Participant, Leadership Miami, 1996. Board of Directors, University of Miami Law School Alumni Association. Florida Liaison, Business Litigation Committee, Defense Research Institute. Member: American Bar Association (Member: Intellectual Property Section; Litigation Section; Intellectual Property Committee); The Florida Bar (Member: Business Law Section; Intellectual Property Committee; Chair, Business Litigation Committee, 1997-1998); American Intellectual Property Law Association; The Association of Trial Lawyers of America; Academy of Florida Trial Lawyers; Florida Bankers Association. Fellow. American Bar Foundation.



Lewis J. Levey, JD '86

Levey, Airan, Brownstein, Shevin, Friedman, Roen & Kelso, LLP; Managing General Partner of the Firm, is a graduate of the University of Miami School of Law and has been active as a trial lawyer in the State of Florida since 1986. He is a member of the Commercial Law League, the Dade County, South Miami-Kendall, and American Bar Associations, the Association of Trial Lawyers of America, and is Past President of the Coral Gables Bar Association following nine years of service on the Board of Directors as a Director and Officer. He is a member of the Florida Bar. the Federal Bar of the United States District Court of the Southern District of Florida. the Federal Bar of the United States Bankruptcy Court in and for the Southern District of Florida and is admitted to practice before the United States Court of Appeals for the 11th Circuit. Mr. Levey serves as an arbitrator on the Eleventh Circuit's Fee Arbitration Committee and is also a member of the Board of Arbitrators for the National Association of Securities Dealers and the Board of Commercial Arbitrators for the American Arbitration Association and is presently judging or has judged numerous securities cases and attorney's fee disputes. Mr. Levey serves as a Director of the Executive Committee of the University of Miami Law Alumni Association and is a member of the Miami-Dade County branch of the B'nai B'rith Bench and Bar. Mr. Levey serves on the Professional Committee of the Dade County Bar Association and is a member of the Federalist Society, the Florida Supreme Court Historical Society, Big Brothers Big Sisters Committee of 100, the American Jewish Committee and the Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity.

Nikki B. Lewis, JD '99

Associate, Steel Hector & Davis LLP; admitted to bar, 1999, Florida. Education: Florida A & M University (B.A., cum laude, 1994); University of Miami (J.D., cum laude, 1999). University of Miami Law Review, Dean's List, Moot Court Board, Dean's Scholar, Florida Education Fund Scholar, James Weldon Johnson Fellow. Member: America Bar Association; The Florida Bar (Member: Media and Communications Law Committee, 2000-01); Black Lawyer's Association; Dade County Bar Association. Glendale Missionary Baptist Church.

Wendell T. Locke, JD '97

Associate, Holland & Knight LLP; admitted to bar, 1997, Florida; 1998, U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida; 1999, U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida; 2000, U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit; registered to practice before U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Education: Florida A&M University, Pharm.D., cum laude, 1994; University of Miami (J.D., 1997).

Barbara Perez, JD '93

Partner, Aronovitz & Associates, P.A.: admitted to bar. 1993. Florida: 1994. U.S. District Court. Southern District of Florida; 1995, U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida; 1996, U.S. District Court, Northern District of Florida; 1997, U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit. Education: Florida International University (B.S., 1990); University of Miami (J.D., 1993). Member: Moot Court Board: Executive Board, Student Bar Association. President 2000-01, Dade County Bar Association, Young Lawyers Section; Member, Cuban American Bar Association.

T. Nicole Saunders-Meske, JD '96

Saunders-Meske, P.A.; Sugarman & Susskind, PA; Director, Miami Council for International Visitors. Admitted to the Florida Bar. Dan Bradley Scholar; Dean's Scholar; Moot Court, 1994; Negotiation, 1995, 1996; Mock Trial, 1995; International Moot Court, 1995, 1996. Yearbook of International Law, Member, 1994-96; International Law, Member, 1994-96; International Moot Court Board, Member, 1995-1997; Finalist, 1996; Student Bar Association: Senator, 1993-94; Treasurer, 1994-96; *Res Ipsa Loquitor*: Editor and Staff Writer, 199495: Phi Beta Delta: Member. Honor Society for International Scholars. Chair, Dade County Bar Association, International Law Committee; Director, Coral Gables Bar Association; Voluntary Bar Liaison, Florida Association of Women Lawyers. Kids Voting Dade County; One Nation: Pediatric Mobile Clinic: Community Partnership for the Homeless; President, Democratic POWER; Administrative Vice President, Dade County Young Democrats; Delegate, Florida Democratic Party Convention, 1997; Recording Secretary, Democratic Women's Club of Florida; American Association of University Women.

Marjorie Hellman Shoureas, JD '97

Sole practioner in Fort Lauderdale, concentrating in the areas of family law and employment discrimination; admitted to practice in federal court in the Southern and Middle Districts of Florida and the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals in Atlanta; member, Broward County Bar Association, Florida Academy of Trial Lawyers, and the Association of Trial Lawyers of America. Scheduled to speak at the annual convention of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America in July in Montreal on the topic "Sex **Discrimination: The Difference Between** Sex and Gender." While at UM Law, was recognized as a Student Leader and served two years as Treasurer of Phi Alpha Delta law fraternity. Presidential appointment to UM Law's Law Alumni Association Board of Directors for 2000-2001. Goal is to continue providing service to UM as a director of the Law Alumni Association and to represent Broward County alumni.

Marva L. Wiley, JD '95

Miami Partners for Progress; Secretary, Black Lawyers Assn.; Leadership Miami; Iron Arrow; Bar & Gavel; Roger Sorino Award; Phi Alpha Delta; President, Black Law Students Assn.; and Southern Regional Dir., 1994-95; Mofsky Book Award; Board of Trustees, Cap, Inc.; Board of Dirs. Women's Chamber of Commerce, FCAA; Law Alumni Assn. Director, Presidential Appointment.



Faculty in the News

UM Law professors continue to appear frequently in newspaper and magazine articles as reporters and editors turn to them for legal perspective on breaking news.

In an article about a Florida Supreme Court justice taking issue



with legislation aimed at the judiciary, the Miami Daily Business Review quoted **Prof. Tony Alfier**i as say-

ing, "In circumstances of political furor, both federal and state agents often seek to either curtail the powers of the courts or seek to render courts more accountable to legislative and executive and popular will." In his role as director of UM Law's Center for Ethics and Public Service, the *Miami Herald* quoted him in an article about a lawsuit by a children's football coach who was fired from his volunteer position for running up the score in a championship game.

The Herald turned to **Bernard Perlmutter**, director of the Children and Youth Law Clinic, for his insight into the legal accountability of the mother of 12-year-old Lionel Tate, who was convicted of murdering his 6-year-old playmate.

Prof. Donna Coker, an authority on domestic violence, family and criminal law, was interviewed by the *Miami Herald* in an article about a domestic battery case against Miami Mayor Joe Carollo. In an article about the search for a new president for the University of Miami, ________ the Miami Daily



cepted an offer to replace retiring President Tad Foote.

Prof. Michael Froomkin testified before



the U.S. House of Representatives Subcommittee on Telecommunications in February, giving his views on the effect ICANN's new generation of

Business Review re-

lated that Prof.

Mary Doyle served

as a go-between for

the search commit-

tee to approach

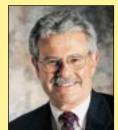
Donna Shalala,

who ultimately ac-

Internet domain name selection would have on competition and offering an alternative approach. He continues to generate extensive news clips related to the Internet, appearing recently in such media as the Washington Post, USA Today, the Miami Herald, the Wall Street Journal, the Deseret News (Salt Lake City), the Associated Press, the Business Wire, News.com, The Economist, The Register (United Kingdom), Network World, ICACC Watch, and the Industry Standard.

Last fall, **Charles M. Harr**, visiting professor of law, was appointed by President William Clinton to the newly formed U.S.-Israel Binational Commission on Housing and Community Development. The commission is designed "to enlarge the framework for policy research studies on affordable housing and related community development . . . and to strengthen relations with the State of Israel for the mutual benefit of the citizens of both countries." An article about the appointment appeared in a publication of Harvard Law School, where Harr is Brandeis Professor of Law Emeritus.

Dean Dennis Lynch was quoted in



the Miami Herald in an article about how a new law school at Florida International University is likely to affect UM Law and

South Florida's other law schools.

A column in the *Miami Herald* described **Carolyn Salisbury's** role at the Children and Youth Law Clinic as "a voice for unempowered children." Salisbury is associate director of the clinic. Another *Herald* article, about a bill before the Florida legislature that critics charge could lead to a proliferation of orphanages, quoted her as saying that children "have a right to grow up with a single set of parents, not an ever-rotating set of staff members."

Prof. Bruce Winick continues to



serve as a legal expert for media, appearing recently on an Australian radio broadcast and in the Washington

Post, the Miami Herald, the Palm Beach Post, the St. Louis Post Dispatch, the South Florida Sun-Sentinel, and the University of Miami's Veritas.



CLASS NOTES

Class of 1950

LESTER GOLDSTEIN, a partner at the Miami law firm Bilzin Sumberg Dunn Baena Price & Axelrod, is presidentelect of the Builders Association of South Florida. A real estate, land use and zoning attorney since 1978, Goldstein once was a principal and partner with his father, Max Goldstein, in Jim Kay Homes.

Class of 1951

The Class of 1951 will hold its 50th Reunion Celebration this spring. For the first time in recent history, members of the 50th Reunion class are invited back to the School of Law during the weekend of graduation festivities, to participate with the graduates in the Hooding Ceremony on May 20, 2001, at the James L. Knight Center in Miami. Members of the class will be given a tour of the campus. participate in the reception for graduates and the hooding ceremony, and attend a special reunion luncheon where they will share stories of UM Law in the early 1950s.

Class of 1952

The Class of 1952 will hold its 50th Reunion Celebration during graduation weekend in May 2002. Members of the class who are interested in assisting in the planning of the events for their class should contact Cynthia Sikorski, director of alumni relations, 305-284-4935, with their ideas and suggestions.

Class of 1953

The Honorable ARTHUR SNYDER, after five years as the first mayor of the city of Aventura, Fla., is trading one gavel for another. He was recently appointed to serve as a criminal court judge in Miami-Dade County's 11th Judicial Circuit. Snyder already served three terms as mayor of North Miami Beach (1963-65, 1965-67 and 1979-81). Before that, he served as a municipal judge from 1955-1963 and as a circuit court judge from 1981-1996.

Class of 1956

The Class of 1956 will hold its 45th Reunion Celebration this fall. Members of the class who are interested in assisting in the planning of the events for their class should contact Cynthia Sikorski, director of alumni relations, 305-284-4935, with their ideas and suggestions.

Class of 1957

SONIA PRESSMAN FUENTES has published memoirs that are being adapted for the stage by a playwright, Christina Hamlett under the title, And So It Begins.

Class of 1961

The Class of 1961 will hold its 40th Reunion Celebration this fall. Members of the class who are interested in assisting in the planning of the events for their class should contact Cynthia Sikorski, director of alumni relations, 305-284-4935, with their ideas and suggestions.

Class of 1964

ALAN I. GOULD is now a



sole practitioner in Wildwood, N.J., after several years as a partner in larger firms in Atlantic City.

He has been very active in the New Jersey Bar Association, having served as a trustee to the Bar Association for a number of years and as chair of the prestigious committee known as the Judicial and **Prosecutorial Appointments** Committee, which considers and recommends for approval or disapproval every judge and prosecutor to the governor. He was a trustee and chair of the clients protection fund, Iolta, and a member of the editorial board, as well as numerous Supreme Court committees and presently serves as a member of the commission on professionalism in the law and on the advisory committee on professional ethics. Gould was the recipient of the Professional Lawyer of the Year award by the Commission on Professionalism and received the medal of honor from the New Jersey State Bar Foundation, given each year to two people in the state for contributions to the law. He resides in Wildwood Crest with his wife, Joyce, nee FEINSTEIN, JD '65. Joyce served their community as an elected borough commissioner for 12 years, having served as mayor for four of those years. The couple has one daughter, Traci, who lives with her husband, Gary Miller, and their pride, Sammy Miller, the only grandchild.

STANLEY M. NEWMARK was recently selected by Miami Metro Magazine as one of South Florida's best family lawyers. He has his own practice in the Dadeland area.

Class of 1968

ROBERT R. COOMBES, of Lake Worth, Fla., died on January 8, 2001, in Boca Raton. A friend reports, "I know that the thing that Bob was proudest of in his entire life was probably his being able to write 'J.D.' after his name. He always spoke in terms that made me think that his most rewarding years were spent at law school at the University of Miami."

Class of 1969

THOMAS R. SPENCER was named chair of the National Business Intelligence & Law Symposium held May 4, 2001, in Washington. The symposium is sponsored by the Association of Former Intelligence Officers (AFIO), of which Spencer is a board and life member. He is a partner in the Miami firm of Spencer & Klein, P.A., and resides in the Village of Pinecrest.

Class of 1971

The Class of 1971 will hold its 30th Reunion Celebration this fall. Members of the class who are interested in assisting in the planning of events 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 died of cancer on February 6, 2000, at the age of 52.

ROBERT A. DULBERG is



a partner in Salmon & Dulberg Mediation Services, Inc. He is also a fellow of the American College of

Civil Trial Mediators and a diplomat of the Florida Academy of Professional Mediators.

Class of 1975

PEDRO FREYRE, of counsel to Akerman Senterfitt in Miami, was among five people honored by the Florida Immigration Advocacy Center at its annual awards dinner in February. He was selected for his pro bono work in helping immigrants, including children and those held in INS detention.

HENRY LATIMER recently joined the Fort Lauderdale office of Greenberg Traurig, taking with him a thriving labor and employment practice from the Broward office of the Pittsburgh firm. Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott. Latimer's areas of expertise include complex commercial litigation and representation of individuals, cities and corporations litigating civil rights, wrongful discharge, sexual harassment. age discrimination and legal malpractice actions.

BARRY E. SOMERSTEIN headed the Ruden McClosky team representing the board of directors of Mount Sinai Medical Center of Florida, Inc., in the hospital's recent

acquisition of the Miami Heart Institute. Somerstein is a transactional attorney with Ruden, McClosky, Smith, Schuster & Russell. P.A., a fullservice Florida law firm with offices in Ft. Lauderdale. Miami, Naples, Port St. Lucie, Sarasota, St. Petersburg, Tallahassee, Tampa and West Palm Beach. Somerstein previously served as general counsel to the Houston Rockets and is currently a member of the advisory board of the Daily Bread Food Bank. the Broward County Bar, the Florida Bar, and the American Bar Association.

Class of 1976

The Class of 1976 will hold its 25th Reunion Celebration this fall. Members of the class who are interested in assisting in the planning of events for their class should contact Cynthia Sikorski, director of alumni relations, 305-284-4935, with their ideas and suggestions.

The Honorable BONNIE LANO RIPINGILLE has been named Volunteer of the Year by the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice for her work with delinquent girls in residential commitment programs in Miami-Dade County. The program she founded, Sisters of the Heart, links delinquent girls with female role models.

ALAN ROSENTHAL joined the law firm of Adorno & Zeder, P.A., as a shareholder in the commercial litigation department, where he specializes in civil litigation, intellectual property, domestic relations, banking and lending issues, communications law, libel privacy, and First Amendment matters for broadcast and print media. Rosenthal has practiced in South Florida for 25 years and has been an active volunteer for 30 years for the March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation and was past chairman of the Miami-Dade Public Health Trust.

Class of 1978

JOSÉ L ASTIGARRAGA was elected to the Council of the American Law Institute (ALI) for an interim term until the Institute's annual meeting, where he will be recommended for election to a regular term. The Council is a group of some 60 prominent judges, practicing lawyers and legal scholars from every region of the country and is the governing body of the Institute. After many years at the Miami office of Steel Hector & Davis, Astigarraga left last year to become a founding partner of Astigarraga Davis Mullins & Grossman. P.A., in Miami.

FELICE K. SCHONFELD has joined the Miami firm of Lucio, Bronstein, Garbett, Stiphany & Allen, P.A., as of counsel.

Class of 1979

KATHERINE C. PEARSON



was promoted to full professor with tenure at the Dickinson School of Law of Pennsylvania State

University, effective July 1. Professor Pearson joined the Dickinson faculty in 1995 to work with students on practice-related skills. Following a federal judicial clerkship, she was a trial lawyer in private practice, with many jury trials in personal injury and employment litigation. From 1992 to 1994, she was head of the civil rights division of the Albuquerque Legal Department, representing police charged with constitutional violations. Recently, she has worked with students in Dickinson's Family Law Clinic. She teaches evidence, conflict of laws, and elder law, and assists with the trial advocacy program.

WARREN WHITNEY SAWYER (LL.M.—Estate Planning) died on Dec. 20, 2000. He lived and worked in Mount Clemens, Mich.

ROBERT SCHWARTZ



joined the Ft. Lauderdale office of Ruden, McClosky, Smith, Schuster & Russell, P.A.,

as a partner and will head the firm's intellectual property practice group. Schwartz has more than 20 years of experience in patents, trademarks and copyrights, computer law, and unfair competition matters. He is also a member of the Florida Bar. the American Intellectual Property Law Association, the International Trademark Association. the B'nai B'rith Bench and Bar Unit and is a founding member of the Patent Law Association of South Florida. Ruden, McClosky, Smith. Schuster & Russell, P.A., 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.



Class of 1980



LYNDALL "LYNDY" LAMBERT was named to the aviation litigation team at the Miami office of

Holland & Knight, LLP. Formerly with Barwick, Dillian, Lambert & Ice, P.A., Lambert has nearly 20 years experience in federal and state court defending commercial airlines in complex multidistrict litigation arising from mass air disasters. She represented airlines in the 1985 crash of Delta Flight 191, in the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland, in 1988, and in the crash of American Flight 965 near Cali, Colombia, in 1995. She also has significant experience in product liability cases. Holland and Knight, LLP, is a commercial law firm with more than 1.150 lawyers in 22 offices in the United States and in Rio de Janeiro. Sao Paulo, Mexico City and Tokyo, with representative offices in Caracas and Tel Aviv.

LAWRENCE A. SAICHEK. a Florida Supreme Court certified mediator since 1992, was approved by the U.S. Postal Service as a mediator in its Redress Program. Saicheck, who has offices in Miami and Boca Raton, is a practicing attorney and a certified public accountant specializing in real estate and corporate law, business transactions, mediation and arbitration and tax matters. He mediates cases ranging from commercial and contractual disputes to divorce, domestic violence and civil rights.

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 assisting in the planning of events for their class should contact Cynthia Sikorski, director of alumni relations, 305-284-4935, with their ideas and suggestions.



CAROLAN is head of the department of legal studies at the Dublin Institute of Technology.

In addition to his administrative duties. he teaches European Community law to future Irish lawyers. Carolan moved to Ireland in 1992 as part of an exchange between Cork, Ireland, and its sister city, San Francisco, where he was deputy city attorney. He received his LL.M. in European Community law from the University College, Dublin, in 1994. He taught law at University College, Cork, and in London, England, before accepting his current position in 1997. He was a visiting professor of legal studies at the Warrington School of Business at the University of Florida during the Spring 2001 term. Carolan is also finishing a textbook on European Community law. He welcomes contacts from friends and fellow alumni at bruce.carolan@dit.ie.

STEVEN M. TAZBIN died on September 30, 2000, following a brave two-year battle with a rare type of cancer. He and wife Marcia Haupt Tazbin had just celebrated their sixth anniversary in early September. He graduated from



Lafayette College in 1977 and Fordham University Graduate School of Business in 1998. He most recently practiced law for the Nine West Group. He is survived by wife Marcia and three-vear-old twins. Daniel and Emily. An educational fund has been established for the twins through the New York College Savings Program, managed by TIAA-CREF. Anyone wishing to make a contribution may send checks made payable to Marcia Tazbin/NY College Savings Fund. Marcia's address is 159 Brush Hollow Crescent, Rye Brook, N.Y. 10573.

Class of 1983

CATHERINE B. PARKS ioined the Miami firm of Quintairos, McCumber, Prieto & Wood, P.A. The firm concentrates in nursing home defense and medical malpractice defense and has offices in Tampa and Jacksonville. Parks is also a registered nurse.

ROSELYN SANDS was admitted to the Paris Bar in December 2000 and was selected as legal counsel for a second term to American Democrats Abroad France, She practices at Proskauer Rose and resides in Paris.

JAY A. STEINMAN practices



at the Miami office of **Carlton Fields** and resides in the Village of Pinecrest.

Class of 1984

IAN COMISKY will partici-



pate in the American Bar Association Criminal Justice Section and the Center for Continuing Legal

Education's 15th Annual Institute on White Collar Crime 2001. He will be a panel member for the session "Here Today—Gone Tomorrow: Seizing, Freezing and Forfeiting Assets." 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 twovolume treatise. and is a member of the American College of Tax Counsel.

PHILIP RAUCH is a senior staff attorney with the Legal Aid Society in New York City, where he also resides.

DIANA SANTA MARIA



spoke at the **Academy** of Florida Trial Lawyers Workshop Seminar on February 1, 2001. at the

Contemporary Resort in Orlando. Santa Maria spoke on the topic of Frye and Daubert Hearings and Issues. She also participated in a women's caucus panel discussion on the topic of "Doing it All." She's a trial lawyer in



Fort Lauderdale, practicing in the areas of plaintiff personal injury, wrongful death and medical malpractice. She serves on the board of the Academy of Florida Trial Lawyers.

Class of 1985

JOHN H. FRIEDHOFE a shareholder in Fowler, White, Burnett, Hurley, Banick & Strickroot, P.A., in Miami, was awarded an honorary membership in the Association of Fellows and Legal Scholars of the Center for International Legal Studies. Friedhoff practices in the areas of corporate, real estate, intellectual property and international business law. He is among the first group of attorneys to receive certification as a specialist in international law by the Florida Bar.

MICHAEL J. HIGER, of



Mintz. Truppman, Clein & Higer, North Miami, was reappointed to serve on the ad hoc committee

on rules and procedures for the United States District Court. Southern District of Florida, and was elected to serve as the vice president of the Intellectual Property Law Association of Florida. Higer concentrates his practice in the area of commercial litigation, including litigating intellectual property law (patents, trademarks and copyright) matters.

THOMAS E. ICE was named



to the aviation litigation team at the Miami office of Holland & Knight, LLP. Formerly with

Barwick, Dillian, Lambert & Ice. P.A.. Ice has extensive experience in high-profile, wrongful death cases, including the Delta Flight 191 case, the case involving the American Flight 965 crash near Cali. Colombia. in 1995. and the crash of American Eagle Flight 4184 near Roselawn, Ind., in 1994. Ice has capitalized on an engineering background to successfully represent multinational companies in numerous product liability matters pertaining to elevators, escalators, tires, engine parts and cranes. Holland and Knight, LLP, is a commercial law firm with more than 1,150 lawyers in 22 offices in the United States and in Rio de Janeiro, Sao Paulo, Mexico City and Tokyo, with representative offices in Caracas and Tel Aviv.

EDWARD A. JEREJIAN and **RITA T. JEREJIAN have** formed Jerejian & Jerejian, LLC, in Hackensack, N.J. Jerejian specializes in criminal defense. has tried to a verdict more than 25 homicide cases and currently represents the alleged "Bride Killer" in the case that has received international publicity.

AMY D. RONNER, professor



University School of Law, "Fleeing While Black: The Fourth

Amendment Apartheid," appearing in 32 Columbia Human Rights Law Review (2001). In May, Ronner also spoke about collaborative law and collaborative divorce at the Second International **Conference on Therapeutic** Jurisprudence.

Class of 1986



JOHN W. **PERLOFF** was selected as attorney cochair of the Realtor-Lawyer Committee of

the Realtor Association of Greater Fort Lauderdale. He was also appointed to the Bar Grievance Committee #17E of the Florida Bar.

Class of 1987

BARBARA EHRICH LOCKE was appointed executive partner of the Miami office of Holland & Knight LLP, a full service international law firm with approximately 1200 lawyers.

The Honorable ANA MARIA PANDO, of Coral Gables, was invested as a county court judge by Chief Judge Joseph P. Farina on Friday, January 26, 2001, in a ceremony at the Miami-Dade County Courthouse. Judge Pando most recently served with the City of Miami's legal department. Chief Judge Farina has assigned Judge Pando to the criminal division of the county court.

JONATHAN H. PARKER, senior vice president of investments at the Miami office of Paine Webber, Inc., was named chairman of major gifts for the American Cancer Society Florida Division. Parker resides on Miami Beach.

JAMES WEINKLE specializes in commercial, trademark and copyright law with the firm of Isicoff & Ragatz. He is an active member of Temple Israel of Greater Miami, where he has served as executive director, associate executive

director, a member of the board of trustees. a vouth advisor and a teacher. His other Jewish communal activities have included the Greater Miami Jewish Federation's Young Leadership Division, Synagogue-Federation Task Force, and Leadership Foundation. He also made an impact in the secular community as a board member of Save Dade and has served on the City of Miami's Cemetery Historic Preservation Task Force and on the board of directors of Planned Parenthood of Greater Miami.

Class of 1988

MARK L. JACOBSON recently joined the firm Cole White & Billbrough, P.A., as an associate.

F. CHET TAYLOR recently was named chief litigation and compliance counsel for Stockwalk.com Group, a holding company for five brokerage firms based in Minneapolis, Minn. He lives in Minneapolis with his wife, Holly, and two children, Josie and Mary Beth.

Class of 1989

MARCY G. BLITZ is a partner in the law firm of Michaud. Buschmann, Fox & Mittlemark, P.A., in Boca Raton. Fla. The firm practices insurance defense. and specializes in medical malpractice defense law. Blitz resides in Boca Raton.

BONNIE S. CROUCH practices at the Miami firm of Seipp, Flick & Kissane, and she resides in Coral Gables.

SUZANNE M. DRISCOLL was elected to the partnership at Shutts & Bowen, LLP, a full service law firm with offices in Miami, Fort Lauderdale, West

at St. Thomas has a new article.



Palm Beach, Orlando, Tallahassee, Amsterdam, and London.

CATHERINE F. HOFFMAN ioined the Miami law firm of Devine Goodman Pallot & Wells, P.A., practicing business litigation. She and her husband, GREGORY MAYBACK, JD '92, are the parents of daughters Morgan and Rowan, born Nov. 14, 1996.

ALEXANDER I. TACHMES is a solo practitioner in downtown Miami concentrating in the areas of commercial transactions, real estate, municipal and other governmental matters, including lobbying, land use, and civil litigation.

Class of 1990

DAN A. MITTMAN was appointed executive director and chief operating officer of the mergers & acquisitions group for the Americas at UBS Warburg LLC, a global investment bank, in its New York office. Mittman also resides in Manhattan.

Class of 1991

The Class of 1991 will hold its 10th Reunion Celebration this fall. Members of the class who are interested in assisting in the planning of events for their class should contact Cynthia Sikorski, director of alumni relations, 305-284-4935, with their ideas and suggestions.

PATRICIA CICCHETTI JASON is now associate dean for student and administrative affairs at the Shepard Broad Law Center, Nova Southeastern University.

CHRISTINE Q. McLEOD, a partner with Saliwanchik, Lloyd & Saliwanchik, recently relocated her practice to the firm's Orlando office. She continues to concentrate in electronic, software patent law and Internet issues and is adjunct professor at the University of Florida. She resides in Windemere, Fla.

ROBERT A. TORRICELLA, JR., became a partner at his law firm, Anania Bandklayder Blackwell Baumgarten & Torricella, in Miami, where he continues his practice in the areas of commercial, civil, aviation. insurance and appellate litigation. He and wife Denise are expecting their second child in April 2001.

Class of 1992

JOHN E. CALLES was



manager of Union Central's Miami agency, a financial services firm specializing in

life insurance, disability insurance, group benefits, and retirement planning. Calles resides in Coral Gables.

NORMAN FLEISHER has joined the Miami law firm Ferrel Schultz Carter Zumpano & Fertel as a partner in the firm's probate, trust and estate litigation and administration department. Fleisher was formerly a partner and probate attorney in the Fort Lauderdale office of Ruden McClosky Smith Schuster & Russell.

DAVID HOWARD has joined Seiden Alder Rothman Petosa & Matthewman, in Boca Raton, where he focuses primarily on criminal defense, but will also contribute to the firm's civil practice. Formerly, Howard was an assistant federal public defender in Washington, D.C., and Miami.

GARY S. LESSER and

JENNIFER KAUFMAN LESSER, JD '94, just had their second daughter, Josie Paige Lesser. He is the managing partner of Lesser & Lesser, P.A., which continues to concentrate in wrongful death, and personal injury cases on referral. He is also the current chair of Outreach for Jewish Federation of Palm Beach County.

NEIL F. McGUINNESS was named an associate in the labor and employment practice group at Baker & McKenzie. Formerly with Broad and Cassel. McGuinness has eight years litigation experience.

YVETTE OSTOLAZA was recently named partner in the Dallas office of Weil, Gotshal & Manges, LLP, where she concentrates in the trial and supervision of complex civil litigation in state and federal courts throughout the United States. Ostolaza has significant experience in business torts, constitutional, contracts, employment, fiduciary duty, advertising/sweepstakes, class actions, trademark, antitrust, real estate, fraud, good faith, securities fraud, and accounting malpractice litigation.

LEE ROSENBERG RUBIN and her husband, Dr. Robert Rubin, had their first child, Lisbeth Grace, on May 15, 2000. Rubin, formerly associate counsel to the School District of Palm Beach County, is currently in practice representing parents of students with disabilities. They reside in Wellington, Fla.

ADAM SABEN is an associate at the general-practice law firm of Wolfson & Grossman in North Miami, and he resides on Miami Beach.

JENNIFER M. SMITH became



a partner of Holland & Knight LLP, one of the largest law firms in the world, on January 1,

2001. After graduation from Hampton University, Smith attended the University of Miami School of Law. after which she clerked for the Honorable Joseph W. Hatchett, U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit. Smith joined Holland & Knight's Washington, D.C., office in January 1994 and handled commercial litigation matters. Smith took a threemonth leave of absence from the firm in 1995 to volunteer with the Legal Resources Centre in Johannesburg, South Africa, to provide legal services to impoverished South Africans. When she returned to the firm. she established an employment law practice and founded the Washington Bar Association Young Lawyer's Division. which is dedicated to serving the needs of young black lawyers. In May of 2000, Smith was selected to serve for 18 months as the assistant to Chesterfield Smith, the principal founding partner of Holland & Knight. Smith has since relocated to the firm's Miami office. She currently serves as associate general counsel for the National Bar Association. She may be reached at jensmith@ hklaw.com.

AMY SPIGEL-LINK is a fulltime mother of two adorable girls, ages 3 ¹/₂ and 18 months, and a part-time employee of the Florida Bar, doing prosecution in the unlicensed practice of law division. Amy reports that she is trying to juggle a



career and a home-life and is having fun doing both.

GREGORY A. WALD is enjoying San Francisco with his wife, Ingrid, and son, Dean. Wald practices employmentbased immigration law with the firm Fragomen, Del Rey, Bernsen & Loewy.

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LISA ASKOWITZ and her husband, Anthony, announce the birth of Natalie Taylor on January 12, 2001. Natalie joins big sisters, Rachel, 5 1/2, and Danielle, 3. Askowitz practices employment law, part-time, with Morgan, Lewis & Bockius in Miami.

BOB GRIFFIN is a partner in the Billings, Mont., office of Crowley, Haughey, Hanson, Toole & Dietrich, PLLP., where he practices in the areas of commercial litigation, products liability, and insurance defense.

STACEY A. GIULIANTI, who began his third year as a traffic magistrate in Broward County, has joined with Brian Kopelowitz, Gary Gelch and Greg Taylor to form Gelch Taylor Giulianti & Kopelowitz in Fort Lauderdale. The firm will practice in the areas of insurance denial litigation, personal injury claims, real estate closings and commercial litigation.

ADAM M. MOSKOWITZ is a shareholder at Kozyak, Tropin & Throckmorton. He is an adjunct professor at University of Miami School of Law, teaching class action litigation and serves as chairperson on numerous NASD arbitrations. He practices class action and complex commercial litigation.

MARA SCHLACKMAN recently became an associate in Conroy Simberg Ganon Krevans & Abel's appellate department after five years at Montero, Finizio & Velazquez, P.A., in Fort Lauderdale. She will be practicing in the Hollywood office of this statewide insurance defense firm.

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STACY BERCUN BOHM married MARK BOHM, JD '94, on June 3, 2000. Stacy has been associated with Akerman Senterfitt for two years, and Mark recently became a partner at Thornton, Davis & Fein. P.A.

ANDREW FROMAN joined Brown Clark, P.A., in Sarasota, as head of its labor and employment law practice, in October 2000. Previously he was a solo practitioner with the Law Office of Andrew Froman, P.A., and was an associate at Kandrel, Miller, & Hament. P.A.

MARK LIEBLICH was elected



directors of the Seminole County/Lake Mary Regional Chamber of Commerce. a group that is

committed to providing optimum member services, being proactive on issues that impact the community, promoting and supporting the business community, creating networking opportunities for members and supporting the quality of life in Seminole County. Lieblich is a real estate attorney in the Orlando office of Baker & Hostetler, LLP. Baker and Hostetler, with approximately 500 lawyers, is among the nation's largest law

firms, with offices in Orlando, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, Denver, Houston, Beverly Hills, Long Beach, Los Angeles and Washington.

MARNI STARGER

SCUDERI joined the firm of William G. Morris, Attorney at Law. on Marco Island. **DAVE SCUDERI serves as an** assistant state attorney in Naples. Their first child, Jake Anthony Scuderi, was born on May 10, 2000.

Class of 1995

SHARON BOOTH, coordinating attorney for the Volunteer Lawyers Project at Central Florida Legal Services, Inc., has been selected to develop and manage a legal advice hotline for three Legal Services programs serving 22 counties in Central Florida.

JEFFREY S. GELLER joined Edwards & Angell in Palm Beach as an associate, where he practices civil litigation. He was formerly with Hodgson Ross in Boca Raton.

SETH R. LEECH continues his practice with Whiteman Osterman & Hanna, the largest law firm in Albany, N.Y. He and wife SANDRA M. LEECH, JD '96, and daughter Isabela reside in Albany.

MARNI C. LENNON and husband, Jason, announce the birth of Jared Matthew Lennon, on March 26, 2001. The young lad weighed in at 5lbs., 10 oz., and all are doing well. Marni is on maternity leave from UM Law, though she carries out many of her duties as assistant dean of students from her computer terminal at home.

PATRICIA A. LEONARD and her husband, Tim, announce the birth of their first child,

Richard Grey, born on December 23, 2000. Patricia is an associate with Gunster, Yoakley & Stewart, P.A., in the West Palm Beach office. They reside in Palm Beach Gardens.

MARIANNES, RANTALA (formerly NAJMABADI) opened her own law firm in Boca Raton focusing on state and federal criminal defense, after one and one-half years providing independent contract services for Black, Srebnick & Kornspan, P.A. She also practices in the area of family law.

Class of 1996

The Class of 1996 will hold its 5th Reunion Celebration this fall. Members of the class who are interested in assisting in the planning of events for their class should contact Cynthia Sikorski, director of alumni relations, 305-284-4935, with their ideas and suggestions.

LEYZA FLORIN BLANCO was named senior associate in the bankruptcy and the corporate and technology practice groups at the Miami office of Holtzman, Equels & Furia. Before joining Holtzman, Equels & Furia, Blanco focused on bankruptcy. creditor's rights, commercial litigation and real estate while working as a senior associate at Tabas, Freedman & Soloff, P.A. Last year, Blanco received the pro bono service award from the Dade County Bar Association for its "Put Something Back" program. Holtzman, Equels & Furia is a Florida-based practice with offices in Miami. Orlando. Tallahassee and Houston. representing clients in corporate and international business transactions, litigation, real estate, banking, insolvency, government relations, intellectual property and immigration.



STEVEN COHEN is responsible for the development and production business and legal affairs for the Walt Disney Company's syndicated television division, overseeing the business affairs of shows such as "Who Wants To Be A Millionaire," "Win Ben Stein's Money," "Live with Regis" and others. He resides in Woodland Hills, Calif., and works in Burbank.

CHRISTOPHER R. ECK, director of the historic preservation division for the office of community and economic development for Miami-Dade County, was recently named by the secretary of state to the Miami Circle Oversight Board, a group that will form a management plan for the historic Miami Circle site.

SANDRA M. LEECH is now working as an attorney with the New York State Assembly in Albany, N.Y. She and husband SETH R. LEECH, JD '95, and daughter Isabela reside in Albany.

ELIZABETH NEVINS recently joined the Law Offices of Lawrence Taylor in Long Beach, Calif., where she practices DUI criminal defense. The firm is California's largest law firm devoted exclusively to defending drunk driving cases. Nevins resides in Irvine.

HAROLD "HAL" PALMER has been a felony attorney in the First Circuit since October 2000. He will be in Miami visiting friends in June. Palmer resides in DeFuniak Springs, Fla.

JEFF ROBERTS finally got off his duff and got engaged to LORI ARVANTIDIS, JD '99, after a five-year courtship. Lori is doing well with the firm of Preston, Gates & Ellis, a Seattle-based firm, at their Irvine, Calif. office. Jeff hopes to quit the practice of law and become a man of leisure.

MARCI ROSENTHAL now works at the office of the general counsel at the U.S. Department of Education. She and her husband had a son, Jacob Adam Rosenthal, on Nov. 4, 2000.

DAVE K. ROY, founder of Dave K. Roy & Associates, P.A., has relocated the firm's offices to the Village Commerce Center, 440 Columbia Drive, Suite 300, in West Palm Beach.

MARIANNE SALAZAR was appointed by Governor Bush to the Continuing Care Advisory Council. The Council is under the Department of Insurance and deals with the continuing health care needs of the state's elderly population. Salazar has her own firm in Kendall.

WILLIAM SMAIL is working for Bradford & Barthel in Rancho Cucamonga, Calif., where he works primarily in the field of worker's compensation. He recently married Tamara, and the couple is enjoying the new arrival of their first child, William Smail, Jr.

JEFFREY D. WEINSTOCK was named assistant general counsel of Cyber-Care, Inc., based in Boynton Beach. Cyber-Care is a technology assisted health management company with three business lines. The company's electronic HouseCallT System, a patented Internet-based technology system, provides for the remote monitoring of individuals for health care purposes. In addition, Cyber-Care operates physical, occupational and speech therapy centers, and an institutional pharmacy.

Class of 1997

LAURA BERLOWE-HEINISH became associated with the firm of Entin, Margules & Della Fera in November 2000. The firm specializes in family and criminal law.

JAMES DeCHURCH is an associate in the Miami office of Fowler, White, Burnett, Hurley, Banick & Strickkroot, P.A., specializing in litigation.

MARIE CLAIRE PITOCHELLI

ESPENKOTTER accepted a clerkship position with the Honorable Stanley Marcus of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 11th Circuit. She and ALEX ESPENKOTTER, JD '97, LL.M. '98, were married in Jacksonville on Oct. 23, 1999. MARK L. PATEMAN, JD '97, and ERIC J. SPETT, JD '97, were groomsmen. The couple will be relocating from Palm Beach County to Miami Beach this summer.

WILLIAM KARGER is an associate with Akin, Gump Technology Ventures in McLean, Va., which is the technology division of Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld. He specializes in intellectual property. He and wife Stacy, JD '97, had a baby girl, Taylor, in October 2000. They currently reside in Rockville, Md.

MINH T. LE has been practicing civil and criminal litigation at Markcity Rothman & Cantwell, P.A., in Plantation, Fla.; she resides in West Palm Beach.

JEFFREY C. LYNNE is practicing with the law firm of Ullman & Ullman, P.A., where he is a trial attorney specializing in complex commercial litigation. He recently left the State Attorney's Office in Miami, where he was prosecuting Internet fraud within the economic crimes unit. He currently lives in Boca Raton with fiancée, Michelle Duchan.

MATTHEW A. PATER is an associate in the intellectual property practice group at Swidler Berlin Shereff Friedman, LLP, in Washington, D.C., focusing primarily on trademark, copyright and litigation matters. The firm has a wide range of practice areas, including telecommunications, corporate, litigation, energy, antitrust, bankruptcy, real estate, government affairs, and environmental and has offices in Washington and New York, with about 250 attorneys in the Washington office and 150 in the New York office. Pater recently purchased a home in Alexandria, Va.

JULIE K. RANNIK has joined the Miami law firm of Bilzin, Sumberg, Dunn, Baena, Price & Axelrod, LLP, as an associate in the firm's litigation department. Prior to joining Bilzin, Rannik was an associate at Keller & Houck, P.A., in Miami, where she was involved in all stages of state and federal court litigation, including products liability claims, personal injury, cargo, yacht and insurance claims.

PETER R. ROSENZWEIG



joined the firm of Spector Gadon & Rosen, P.C., and focuses his practice primarily on private sector owment law

labor and employment law matters at the federal, state,



and administrative agency level. He has been admitted to the bars in Pennsylvania, New Jersev. and Florida. the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, the U.S. District Court of New Jersey, and the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida. Prior to joining Spector Gadon & Rosen, Rosenzweig practiced at boutique labor and employment law firms in Miami and Philadelphia. He is a member of the Pennsylvania State University School of Labor and Industrial Relations' Affiliate Program Group and the Philadelphia Bar Association's Labor and **Employment Law Committee**, the American Bar Association, the Pennsylvania Bar Association, and the Dade County Bar Association.

ELIZABETH F. SCHWARTZ proudly announces the formation of her law firm. located on Lincoln Road in Miami Beach, where she specializes in alternative family law, estate planning and probate, conflict resolution, and the formation and maintenance of small businesses, with an emphasis on the legal representation of gays, lesbians, and other sexual minorities. In addition to serving on the executive committee of the Dade Human **Rights Foundation and on the** board of the National Lesbian and Gay Law Association, she writes columns and lectures nationally about legal issues confronting the gay community. For more information, or to contact Elizabeth, check out the firm's Web site, www.sobelaw.com.

ALBA VARELA is an associate in the Miami office of Broad and Cassel specializing in complex commercial litigation and personal injury. ARND WEISNER (LL.M.— Comparative Law) joined the corporate law department of the German law firm of Hoffmann, Liebs, Fritsch & Ruhe in Duesseldorf. He was admitted to the New York and German Bar.

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JOHN BOLANOVICH is



teaching "The Legal Environment in the Hospitality Industry" at the University of Central Florida School

of Hospitality Management in the Spring 2001 semester. He practices in the Tampa office of Allen, Norton & Blue, P.A.

CARLOS I. CARDELLE was recently named associate U.S. Counsel for LanChile Airlines based at its North American headquarters at Miami International Airport.

ELIZABETH HONKONEN has joined Kenny Nachwalter Seymour Arnold Critchlow & Spector in Miami, where she practices in the area of commercial litigation. Prior to Kenny Nachwalter, she was with Weil, Gotshal & Manges in Silicon Valley doing patent litigation. She resides in Coral Gables.

JASON LAESER, former felony prosecutor for the Miami-Dade County State Attorney's Office, has relocated to Northern Virginia with his wife Alyssa. He currently practices in the litigation group at Baker & McKenzie in Washington, D.C. He resides in Reston, Va., and may be reached at 202-452-7000.

DOUGLAS MELAMED

recently moved back to South Florida from Jacksonville and has taken an associate position at Michaud. Buschmann. Fox & Mittelmark, P.A., in Boca Raton, where he practices commercial and construction litigation, securities, and corporate law. His wife, Lisa, is graduating from the University of Florida Levin College of Law and will also be practicing in the Palm Beach County area. The couple just celebrated their third wedding anniversary. Contact them at dmelamed@michaudlaw.com.

DARWIN E. "SPACE" PACE has been named regional director of government relations for the Assurant Group, an international insurance concern headquartered in Miami and Atlanta. He is responsible for legislative and regulatory matters in 17 states. He resides in Coral Gables.

DENISE ROSENTHAL has joined the firm of Adorno & Zeder, P.A., as an associate in the commercial litigation department.

JAMES E. TILL practices in the Portland, Ore., office of Perkins Coie LLP, where he specializes in bankruptcy and business law. Prior to his recent appointment, Till served as a law clerk to the Honorable Leslie Tchaikovsky, United States Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of California, and as a law clerk to the Honorable William T. Bodoh, United States Bankruptcy Court. Northern District of Ohio. Perkins Coie is the largest law firm in the Pacific Northwest. with more than 525 attorneys in 14 offices in North America and Asia, including Anchorage, Bellevue, Boise, Denver,

Hong Kong, Los Angeles, Menlo Park, Olympia, Portland, San Francisco, Seattle, Spokane, Taipei and Washington, D.C.

ELLEN J. VON GEYSO has joined Gunster, Yoakley & Stewart, P.A., as an associate and member of the corporate department, where she will concentrate her practice in the areas of immigration and corporate law. She is admitted to the practice of law in Germany and Florida. Gunster, Yoakley & Stewart is a full-service law firm with offices in Fort Lauderdale. Miami, Palm Beach, Stuart, Tallahassee, Vero Beach, and West Palm Beach.

Class of 1999

LORI ARVANTIDIS is engaged to JEFF ROBERTS, JD '96, after a five-year courtship. She is working at the Seattle-based firm of Preston, Gates & Ellis, at the Irvine, Calif., office.

ERRIN E. CAMNER has joined the law firm of Zack Kosnitzky, in Miami, as an associate. Camner will work in the corporate, finance and taxation department.

JOHN D. COLEMAN was named an associate at the firm Cole White & Billbrough, P.A.

JOHANNA S. EADIE ended her clerkship with Judge Gauvey, U.S. magistrate judge for the district of Maryland and is now working for the Washington, D.C., office of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe, LLP, where she worked in 1998 as a summer associate. Eadie is in the structured finance group, and she is finding the work to be both challenging and interesting in its complexity.



SUSAN ESCALERA-GREEN serves as a public defender in the Broward County Public Defender's Office. She resides in North Miami Beach.

DELAILA J. ESTEFANO has her own firm in Kendall, where she specializes in intellectual property, real estate and commercial litigation.

LELENIA EVANS is an associate at the firm Cole White & Billbrough, P.A.

FRANK GATTO serves with the JAG Corps of the United States Navy in Jacksonville, where he is defense counsel and does administrative separation boards and courts martials. Formerly he performed in the area of legal assistance, where he handled a variety of services, including wills, trusts, divorces, civil claims, and landlord-tenant issues. He resides in Jacksonville.

MILANDA LOUIMA is a staff attorney in the Brooklyn neighborhood office of the Legal Aid Society's civil division. She practices landlord-tenant law and resides in Queens. Louima was recently awarded a Melvin C. Steen Fellowship, a grant that is awarded annually to new hires in their first two years of service at the Legal Aid Society. The Legal Aid Society provides legal representation to the indigent through the five boroughs of New York City in its civil, criminal defense, and juvenile rights divisions.

MARILEN MARNETT was named an associate at the firm Cole White & Billbrough, P.A.

STEVE W. MARSEE opened his own office in Orlando, where he focuses his practice

on complex criminal, civil, family and immigration law. after working in the law firm of Horwitz & Fussell. During the past year, Marsee worked with attorney F. Lee Bailey on some important matters, and he credits his UM Law education for his many successes: "The litigation and legal reasoning skills that I learned there were absolutely second to none. I've found that when I've been pitted against other non-UM lawyers, I do much better than they do in court...thanks for the great education." Marsee and Reyna Romero were married on Dec. 21, 2000.

KYLE NICKEL and KARA STANDEN (now Kara Nickel) were married at Walt Disney World on Sept. 4, 2000. Kara is an associate with Morgan, Lewis & Bockius, LLP, specializing in labor and employment law. Kyle is a law clerk for the Honorable David Levy, Third District Court of Appeal.

ROBERT RIGHTMYER joined the Miami firm of Lucio, Bronstein, Garbett & Stiphany, P.A., as an associate. He resides in Pembroke Pines.

CHAD J. SCHATZLE is an associate at the firm Cole White & Billbrough, P.A.

RICHARD J. SHOOP continues his work with Legal Services of North Florida. in the Quincy office, where his caseload keeps him very busy. In May, Shoop will sit for the federal bar exam so that he can do bankruptcies, as he expects to being doing many in the near future. His work manages to assist in helping many people, though he has little trial experience because nearly all of his cases settle. He and his wife, Wendy, live in a quaint old house in a quiet neighborhood near Lake

Jackson in Tallahassee, and she is pursuing her degree at Florida State University.

MIA SINGH is assistant public defender in Broward County, and she reports, "I love, love, love my job and will be a judge and in the senate one day." She resides in Weston.

Class of 2000

STACEY R. ANTOINE is defending the constitutional rights of juveniles as a public defender in Broward County, Fla.

ELIZABETH A. BLIEMEL practices at the law firm of Dunton, Simmons & Dunton, LLP, in White Stone, Va., and she is getting married to Michael T. Hurd on June 23, 2001.

ARDITH BRONSON is an associate practicing commercial litigation in the Miami law firm of Weil, Gotshal & Manges, LLP.

LYNN D. CARRILLO is practicing communication and commercial litigation at the law firm of Heinrich Gordon Hargrove Weihe & James in Fort Lauderdale. She resides in Coral Gables.

MARIA CASTNER is an associate practicing intellectual property law at the law firm of Morgan, Lewis & Bockius in Washington, D.C.

BRAD E. COREN has been



appointed an associate at the law firm of Bernstein and Maryanoff, P.A., in Miami, where he will concentrate

his practice in the areas of personal injury, medical malpractice and products liability. Coren was admitted to practice in Florida in September 2000 and is a member of the American Bar Association, the Association of Trial Lawyers of America, and the Golden Slipper Club & Charities, a 900 member charitable and fraternal organization that provides services to the youth, elderly, and needy. Bernstein and Maryanoff is a full service law firm with offices throughout southeast Florida.

ERNESTO F. DURAN practices commercial and contract law in the law firm of Arias, Fabrega & Fabrega in Panama.

DAVID S. FARBER is an associate at the firm Cole White & Billbrough, P.A.

SABRINA G. FERRIS is an associate in the Miami office of Greenberg Traurig and remains involved with UM Law in her capacity as former editor of the University of Miami Law Review.

DEAN H. FREEMAN is an associate at the firm Cole White & Billbrough, P.A.

NICHOLAS GUNIA practices in the investment management group at Davis Polk & Wardwell, in New York City, where he deals primarily with funds and other types of investment vehicles. Formerly he did a six-month rotation in the mergers and acquisitions practice group at the firm.

MARA J. HORNSTEIN was named an associate at the firm Cole White & Billbrough, P.A.

BROOKS HOLCOMB is an associate at the law firm of Quarles & Brady in Phoenix, and he resides in Tempe, Ariz.

SEVERA IMPERIALI (LL.M.—Comparative Law) has returned to Rome where



she will practice on the mergers and acquisitions and corporate departments of Gianni, Origoni & Partners.

GEOFFREY ITTLEMAN is an associate in the law firm of Elder, Kurzman & Vaccarella in Miami.

SAMUEL LEDWITZ is practicing in the area of estate planning with the law firm of Kavesh, Minor & Otis in Torrance, Calif., where he also resides.

TERRANCE McWHORTER is a sole practitioner in Chicago focusing on tax and other related matters. He resides in Olympia Fields, Ill.

ANDRE PIERRE has his own firm, the Law Office of Andre Pierre, P.A., in Miami, and teaches immigration and nationality law and business organizations at Barry University's Miami Shores campus.

LISA Y. PITELL practices taxation and estate planning at the Law Office of Daniel C. Perri, PLLC, in Shalimar, Fla. She resides in Niceville.

MARIA C. RAMOS joined Zack Kosnitzky, in Miami, where she works in the in the litigation department.

JOHN LAURANCE REID serves as a legislative assistant for Florida Senator Geller, and he divides his time between his work at the Hallandale and Tallahassee offices and his home in Sunny Isles Beach.

Following the July 2000 bar exam, he campaigned for the Democratic Executive Committee in Miami-Dade County. He won the election with nearly 80 percent of the vote. He was recently appointed to the position of

chairman of the Rules and Bylaws Committee for the Miami-Dade Democratic Party. Even while running for these offices and holding meetings for local democratic groups, he worked tirelessly for the Gore/ Lieberman Presidential Campaign. He was the cochair of the Gables/Grove/ Brickell for Democratic Victory 2000 organization, which hosted a rally for U.S. Senator Bill Nelson in Miami. John became the point person for the Miami visit of Karena Gore Schiff, Al Gore's daughter and served as press lead for U.S. Senator Joseph Lieberman on his visit to South Florida. Additionally, he assisted in the formation of the Young Democrats Clubs throughout Miami-Dade County, including a chapter at UM Law.

Since that time, Reid has used his political wits to become more involved in the process of law and crafting the law as well. John was hired as the legal counsel/legislative assistant to Florida State Senator Steven Geller of the 29th District and performs a multitude of tasks for the senator. He does everything from speaking on Geller's behalf at functions, to presenting bills before Senate committees, to meeting with lobbyists and constituents to solve problems. He spent March through May in Tallahassee helping Senator Geller with issues and legislation, such as Youthful Offender Facilities, Citrus Canker Compensation, and Internet/Child Pornography Criminal Law.

MONICA L. RODRIGUEZ is an associate at the firm Cole White & Billbrough, P.A. JORDAN SILLS is practicing in the area of property development with JZ Properties in San Francisco.

ORLANDO E. SILVA, M.D., is the new director of breast cancer education for the University of Miami Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center.

ZEL SACCANI recently started "Saccani Legal and Business Translations," a translation company, servicing corporations and law firms with their linguistic needs in Spanish, German, Italian, Portuguese, and French. He works and lives in Coral Gables.

JAY SILVER practices worker's compensation and insurance defense at the law firm of Rissman, Weisberg, Barrett, Hurt, Donahue & McLain, P.A., in Orlando.

ADAM J. STEINBERG was named an associate at the firm Cole White & Billbrough, P.A.

PIERRE M. VOGELBACHER is an associate at the law firm of Harper, Kynes, Geller, Watson, and Buford, P.A., in Clearwater, Fla.

JASON S. WEISS is an associate at the law firm of Mitrani, Rynor, Adamsky, Macaulay, Zorrilla, P.A., in Ft. Lauderdale. He resides in Pembroke Pines.

KIRA E. WILLIG is associated with the firm of Elena B. Langen & Associates, P.A., in downtown Miami, where she practices exclusively in the areas of marital and family law.

BEN WOLKOV is an associate at the law firm of Hunton & Williams in Miami.

Class of 2001

JAMES D. CARLSON will serve a tour of duty as a legal specialist in the U.S. Coast Guard seventh district legal office in Miami. The office provides legal counsel to the district commander, a Coast Guard rear admiral, and to Coast Guard field units in the southeast United States and Caribbean. Carlson will be in the general law section, focusing primarily on administrative law.

CARLTON GREER will be joining the New York office of Holland & Knight, LLP, following graduation. His special interests are in corporate law international law.

APRIL GROMNICKI, third year evening student, was promoted to Everglades policy coordinator for the National Audubon Society. She serves as Audubon's lead advocate for Everglades restoration at the state and federal levels. working out of the Florida State headquarters located in downtown Miami. She was actively involved in the historic Restoring the Everglades, an American Legacy Act, approving the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan (CERP), passed by Congress in December 2000. The plan anticipates spending over \$8 billion on restoration projects over the next 30 years to restore, preserve, and protect the natural system, while providing for other water-related needs of the region.

RACHEAL C. IRIZARRY will be returning home and starting as an associate with the firm of Harter, Secrest & Emery, in Buffalo, N.Y.

MARCIA M. REISMAN will be a judicial clerk for Judge David Gersten at the Third



District Court of Appeals in Miami. Reisman is winner of the Roger Sorino Outstanding Third-Year Student Award; she is the Articles and Comments Editor of the Inter-American Law Review, Dean's Fellow for torts and the exam workshop, secretary of the honor society of Bar and Gavel, Law School ambassador. Moot Court Board member and chair of the Moot Court Alumni Wall of Fame, co-chair of the Barrister's Ball, member of Alpha Epsilon Lambda graduate honor society, and Omicron Delta Kappa national honor society.

MELISSA M. RUTH will be starting this fall as an associate at Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen & Hamilton, in Washington, D.C., where she hopes to focus on transactional work.

THOMAS R. YOUNG has taken a job at United Talent Agency in Beverly Hills, Calif.

Class of 2002

ELISABETH PORTER works at *The Miami Herald/El Nuevo Herald* in the Advertising Department and receives a modest tuition reimbursement from Knight Ridder. She is hoping for a matching award from the University of Miami School of Law or one of its alumni.

Class of 2003

JOAQUIN J. ALEMANY, also a certified public accountant, will be working in house with BellSouth at their Atlanta headquarters.

AMY BANN will be a summer legal intern in Washington, D.C., at EarthRights International, an international human rights non-governmental organization.

The organization has offices in Washington, Bangkok, and Seattle and is currently involved in several lawsuits against oil and gas companies for human rights and environmental abuses that occurred in Burma, Nigeria, and India. A few of the cases have been granted jurisdiction in U.S. district courts under the Alien Tort Claims Act, which is a cutting-edge legal development in this area because multinational companies can be prosecuted in the U.S. for abuses committed abroad against non-U.S. citizens. Bann will also be working on a resource center that helps link global activist movements and the International Right to Know Campaign in conjunction with the UN and other nonprofits.

She is very excited to use the skills learned during the first year.



Correction: Sabrina G. Ferris, center, was identified incorrectly when this photo appeared on page 24 of the December 2000 issue of the *Barrister*. Congratulating her as a recipient of the Louis Phillips Memorial Scholarship are Dean Dennis Lynch and Barbara Phillips. A member of the Class of 2000, Ms. Ferris was editor-in-chief of the *University of Miami Law Review* and is now an attorney with Greenberg Traurig, P.A., in Miami.

Miami Law Alumni Want to Know

From all reports, the most avidly read section of the *Barris*ter (for both the printed and the Web site versions) is "Class Notes." The Law School's more than 14,000 alumni want to know what their classmates have been doing—about the awards they've received, high-profile cases they've won, law firms or cities they have moved to, pro bono activities they have undertaken, spouses they have married, etc.

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