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**The season  
of energy and  
renewal at  
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## Our Season of Renewal

In nature, the season of rebirth and renewal is the spring, when we are energized by new life and the end of winter. Here at the Law School, our season of renewal comes each August, when a new group of students and new faculty and staff join us at Mizzou.

This fall's entering class of JD students is both different and very much the same when compared with our recent classes of first-year students. The similarities? These new students have done quite well in their prior academic studies (with a median undergraduate grade point average of 3.49), and they have devoted themselves to many pursuits and causes well beyond the classroom. As is the case every year, this year's new 1Ls include men and women who have served in the military, raised children, excelled athletically and volunteered in their colleges and communities to make this a better world.

The major difference between this year's entering class and prior classes is that we have been able to lower the size of the entering class from 150 to 135 new students. We have done this pursuant to the Law School Enhancement Plan that the University last spring agreed to fund for at least the next four years. This plan allows us to "right size" the Law School to better reflect the major retrenchment within the legal profession — both nationally and in Missouri. Indeed, a recent study concluded that Missouri is 10th in the nation with respect to the excess of new law graduates over anticipated new legal positions, and two other Missouri law schools are also reducing their entering classes to reflect this new employment reality.

The second major reason for this reduction in the size of our entering classes is to allow us to provide more practical experience for our students, which can best be done with smaller courses that allow for faculty supervision and feedback concerning actual lawyering tasks. In recent years we have added new courses with significant practice components and added practice components to existing courses. For instance, our students now intern with Mid-Missouri Legal Services, representing clients in landlord-tenant matters in Boone County, while other students draft litigation holds and preservation orders in our course in electronic discovery. In some of our real estate courses, students can receive an additional hour of credit by opting for a supplemental class in which they draft practice documents relating to the material they are learning in the "regular" course. With the reduction in our entering class sizes, and

the smaller courses and lower student-faculty ratios that this will bring, we are planning to introduce even more such practice-oriented courses in the years ahead.

Not only do we have new classes of JD and LLM students, but several exciting new faculty and staff have joined us since last spring. As you will read in this issue of *Transcript*, the four tenure-track and three visiting faculty who join us this fall make our outstanding faculty even stronger. These men and women will have an immediate impact upon the Law School, and their influence — in our classrooms, across the nation and beyond — will grow in the years ahead.

As you'll also read in the pages that follow, we have enhanced our career services efforts through the hiring of some terrific administrators and staff, the addition of new career services programs and software, and the creation of a "smart suite" that employers can use to conduct video interviews of our students or talk with student law clerks from legal offices outside Mid-Missouri. These great new people and resources will help us to enhance our career services efforts both within our student body and with legal employers.

As I look forward to my final year as dean before returning to full-time teaching, I am excited about the changes and forward movement at the Law School. I encourage you to make a point this year to return to the Law School, attend one or more Dean's Tour or other alumni events, and otherwise follow our progress. Your support is crucial to our efforts, and I thank those of you who have been so generous in helping in so many ways.

The MU School of Law has been a great law school for almost 140 years because of the quality of its people. As we know from Ecclesiastes, "To everything there is a season." Building upon our historic strengths, we now are in a season of renewal and of change. It's an exciting time for all of us at the Law School, and I know that you will be just as excited as you see even greater progress in the years ahead.

Very truly yours,

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## Wilson Freyermuth

His ultimate reward is his interaction with students

**W**ilson Freyermuth, the John D. Lawson Professor of Law, stays busy. He serves as the executive director of the Joint Editorial Board for Uniform Real Property Acts. He's co-authored popular texts in property and secured transactions and is currently working on a real estate finance treatise. He's chaired the Real Estate Transactions Section of the Association of American Law Schools. He's a fellow in the American College of Real Estate Lawyers. You can see that he's active in the profession – but Freyermuth's passion is teaching.

A recipient of both the prestigious Kemper Fellowship and the Curators Teaching Fellowship for excellence in teaching, Freyermuth says that his own experience in law school led him to a teaching career. "Let's just say that some of the teaching was uninspired, and I thought, 'I could do better than that,'" he explains. He's humble about the awards, saying that the real reward is the interaction with students and the moment when "you can see the light bulb go on over the student's head."

Freyermuth's abilities as a teacher are apparent through the words of his former students. "I never found a professor more dedicated to his students than Prof. Freyermuth," says **Nikki Hininger Howell, '04**. His commitment to students outside of class and his desire for students to

understand the material have made Freyermuth a sought-after professor, and his students are loyal. "I rearranged my schedule several semesters just to take his classes," Hininger says. **Ryan M. Turley, '08**, says, "In my three years of law school, I had the pleasure of joining Prof. Freyermuth in almost every class he teaches."

These classes include property, real estate transactions, real estate finance and secured transactions. Freyermuth says that his writing and professional activities influence and improve his teaching abilities. In particular, he thinks that writing his property casebook, *Property and Lawyering*, "was something that was a fundamentally useful thing for my teaching. It took many years, and I'm grateful for the patience of all the students on whom I tried out the book as we drafted it."

Freyermuth also serves as chair of the Real Property Division Legal Education Committee for the American Bar Association's Real Property, Trust and Estate Law Section. In that role, he's currently working on a study to gather data about whether law schools are providing sufficient opportunities for students to study real estate law and develop real estate transactional skills. Freyermuth notes, "It's appropriate for an MU professor to be involved in this work, because MU has always had a legacy for having outstanding real estate teachers." He holds professors Dale Whitman and

Grant Nelson, with whom he now collaborates on their treatise on real estate finance law, in particularly high regard. "I've been very blessed to be mentored by the two leading scholars of real estate finance law," he says.

Freyermuth notes that it was Whitman's decision to leave MU in 1992 that opened up a position on the MU faculty. Freyermuth was in transition from private practice with the Womble Carlyle firm in Raleigh, N.C., and had spent one year as a visiting professor at the University of Denver. He was looking for a place he could teach property and real estate, and also for a place with a college town feel. MU was a perfect fit, and both he and his family enjoy living in Columbia. "I mean, it's not Chapel Hill, North Carolina, but we like it here," jokes the University of North Carolina alum. His wife, Shari, is an assistant dean in the MU College of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources. They have two children, Jacob (16) and Sarah (14).

A significant part of Freyermuth's professional service is his work with the Joint Editorial Board for Uniform Real Property Acts (JEB). The JEB is a national group of real estate experts that advises the Uniform Law Commission regarding real estate issues. As the executive director for the JEB, Freyermuth is responsible for setting the agenda for the JEB's semi-annual meetings, gathering background materials,

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and drafting any proposals the JEB makes to the Uniform Law Commission for new uniform laws regarding real estate.

One of the issues that the JEB has studied over the last few years is private transfer fee covenants. Freyermuth has written several articles about the danger of such covenants, under which the owner of a home must pay a percentage of the home’s purchase price to the developer every time the home is sold for a period of 99 years. He assisted in preparing a model statute banning the enforcement of such fees; within the past three years, 34 states have enacted the model statute or comparable legislation.

Freyermuth’s study of property and real estate is especially pertinent in the current real estate crisis. He is concerned about the prevalence of real estate-related fraud such as “foreclosure rescue” scams designed to take advantage of persons desperate to avoid losing their homes to foreclosure. He doesn’t see this climate changing anytime soon. “The market operated under unrealistic conditions for an awfully long time and created a bubble that’s still deflating,” he explains. He’s optimistic, though, that eventually the market can rebuild in a “more fundamental and more reasonably functioning” way.

All of this work is typical for Freyermuth, who graduated with highest honors from Duke University School of Law. He holds a bachelor’s degree in business from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and clerked for the late Hon. John D. Butzner for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit in Richmond, Va. He has taught as a visitor at law schools at Duke, UNC, Washington University in St. Louis and the University of Denver, and at the Owen Graduate School of Management at Vanderbilt University.

At the School of Law, Freyermuth teaches property, real estate finance, real estate transactions and secured transactions. ♦

## FACULTY IN THE NEWS

## Faculty in the News

MU School of Law faculty are regularly called upon by news outlets around the state and the country to provide expert opinion on a variety of topics. Here is a sample.

**Douglas E. Abrams**

- “Analysis: U.S. Racketeering Charges Unlikely to Bite News Corp” Reuters
- “Schultz Backs Change in State Supreme Court” *Reedsburg Times Press* (Wisconsin)

**Frank O. Bowman III**

- “At Federal Resentencing, District Court May Rely on Post-Sentencing Rehabilitation” *Criminal Law Reporter*

**Dennis D. Crouch**

- “A Few More Patent Law Students at the University of Missouri” *The Times of India*

**Larry Dessem**

- “Federal Judge in KC Plays an Important Role in NFL Lockout” *Kansas City Star*

**Carl H. Esbeck**

- Re: The Obama Faith-Based Initiative and efforts in Iowa to pass legislation protecting religious conscience KDCR-FM (Iowa)

**Paul J. Litton**

- “Missouri Searches for Solutions in Execution Drug Shortage” St. Louis Public Radio

**S. David Mitchell**

- Re: Remedying an overly harsh sentencing structure for crack cocaine convictions KRCU Radio (Cape Girardeau, Mo.), *Newsroom America*

**Philip G. Peters Jr.**

- “Missouri Conservatives Back State Health Insurance Exchanges” *Insurance Journal, Washington Examiner, The Oregonian, The Connecticut Post, WOKV* (Florida), *St. Louis Post Dispatch*
- “Mo. Conservatives Back State Health Insurance Exchanges Despite Efforts to Limit Federal Law” *The Republic* (Indiana)

**S.I. Strong**

- “Show-Me State Says ‘Me Too’ on Sharia Court Ban” *TPMMuckraker*

**Ben Trachtenberg**

- “Value of Life” *Inside Higher Ed, The Huffington Post*

**Rodney J. Uphoff**

- “Sour Grapes” *Milwaukee Magazine*
- “Credibility of Accuser Key to Strauss-Kahn Case” Reuters

**Dale A. Whitman**

- “Home Sellers Step Up as Last-Resort Lender to Poor-Credit Buyers” *Bloomberg Businessweek*

# New Faces at the School of Law



**CINDY BENTCH** joined the School of Law this fall as a visiting professor of law after serving as an adjunct professor of law. She earned a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Virginia Commonwealth University and her JD from the University of Virginia School of Law.

After graduating from law school, Bentch worked as a litigation associate at Haynes and Boone in Texas, and spent five years in the Republic of South Africa as a community development volunteer. Since returning to the United States she has worked in small firms and as a solo practitioner. Most recently Bentch was the assistant prosecuting attorney for Morgan County, Mo.

At the School of Law, Bentch teaches legal research & writing, advocacy & research, client interviewing and counseling, and trial practice.



**MARTHA BRENDEL** joined the Office of Development staff as special events coordinator this summer. She graduated from Mizzou in 1986 with a bachelor's degree in political science. She has worked as a writer for the MU News Bureau, director of communications for the Missouri Association of Realtors and editor for the University of Missouri System Office of University Relations. She and her husband, Bob, have three children: Bo (18), Cole (16) and Rose (11).



**BRAD M. DESNOYER**, '09, joined the School of Law faculty as an adjunct professor in 2010 and became a visiting professor in 2011. Previously, he served as a staff attorney to the Supreme Court of Missouri and

as a clerk to Judge Laura Denvir Stith of the Supreme Court of Missouri. While in law school, he served as an editorial member of the *Missouri Law Review*.

Desnoyer is an experienced legal writer and has extensive training and experience as an author. He has written nationally-published works of fiction, provided research to The History Channel and helped to research and draft the New York Times Bestseller *Heroes for My Son* and its upcoming companion *Heroes for My Daughter*.

Desnoyer received his journalism degree in 2006 and his law degree with distinction in 2009 from MU.

At the School of Law, Professor Desnoyer teaches legal research and writing, advocacy and research, writers' workshop, legal reasoning and moot court.



**ERIKA SIMONE FADEL** became coordinator of student diversity programs at the School of Law after serving as a coordinator of career development. She joined the Office of Career Development in August 2010. In 1998, she received a JD from Southern Methodist School of Law and began her career as a corporate associate for Clark, Thomas & Winters, PC, in Austin, Texas. She also worked in the Dallas offices of Munsch Hardt Kopf & Harr PC, and K&L Gates, LLP. Fadel holds a master of divinity degree from Boston University and is an ordained elder in the United Methodist Church.

Fadel is married to Paul Joseph Fadel Jr., who is an associate professor in the MU Medical Pharmacology and Physiology Department. They are the parents of three children: Paul Joseph III (9), Olivia Simone (7) and Isaiah Adam (4).



**ERIN MORROW HAWLEY** was an associate in the national appellate practice at King & Spalding in Wash-

ington, D.C., before joining the law faculty. Previously she worked at the Department of Justice as counsel to Attorney General Michael Mukasey and at Kirkland & Ellis.

Hawley is a former clerk to Chief Justice John G. Roberts Jr. of the Supreme Court of the United States and Judge J. Harvie Wilkinson III of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit.

Hawley has briefed cases in the Supreme Court of the United States, as well as numerous federal courts of appeals and state courts of last resort. She has twice argued before the D.C. Court of Appeals and also represented the United States in oral argument before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit.

Hawley received her undergraduate degree from Texas A&M University and her law degree from Yale Law School, where she served as a Coker Fellow Teaching Assistant in constitutional law and on *The Yale Law Journal*.

At the School of Law, Hawley teaches federal income taxation, partnership tax, agricultural law and environmental law.



**JOSHUA D. HAWLEY** comes to the School of Law from Hogan Lovells US in Washington, D.C., where his practice spanned multiple fields of law, including the First Amendment, copyright, ERISA and criminal law.

Hawley also served as senior counsel to the Becket Fund for Religious Liberty, where he litigated groundbreaking First Amendment cases before the Supreme Court of the United States, in federal circuit courts and in state courts of last resort.

Hawley is a former clerk to Chief Justice John G. Roberts Jr. of the Supreme Court of the United States and Michael W. McConnell of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit.

He is the author of *Theodore Roosevelt: Preacher of Righteousness*, published by Yale University Press, and of numerous scholarly and popular essays on the American Progressives.



# New Faces at the School of Law

Hawley received his undergraduate degree with distinction and high honors from Stanford University and his law degree from Yale Law School, where he served as articles editor of *The Yale Law Journal* and as editor of *Yale Law and Policy Review*.

At the School of Law, he teaches constitutional law, torts and legislation.



## REBEKAH HODILL

joined the School of Law as administrative assistant in the Office of Development. Hodill has worked at MU for

four years. Before coming to the School of Law, she worked in MU Development in the Gift Processing Department. Originally from Florida, Hodill has called Columbia home for the last six years. Hodill is married and the couple has one dog.



**LISA E. KEY** returned to the School of Law as assistant dean for admissions, career development and student services.

Previously, she was a member of the faculty at the law school from 1993-2003, teaching courses in tax, disability law and family law.

Before entering academia, Key practiced tax and corporate law in Atlanta, first at King & Spalding and later at a smaller boutique firm. In 2003, she moved to Kansas City and opened a private practice focusing on family law. She later joined the firm of Krigel & Krigel, where she continued to practice family law until April 2011. While in Kansas City, Key also occasionally taught tax courses at the University of Kansas School of Law.

Key holds a bachelor's degree in social work from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and a law degree from Northwestern University School of Law.



## LAUREN B. MASSEY

joined the Office of Admissions in February as an admissions representative. She graduated with a bachelor's degree in

political science from the University of Kansas. While in school she fell in love with student affairs while working in admissions and academic advising.

In May she finished a master's degree in educational leadership and policy analysis with an emphasis in higher education administration at MU. While pursuing this degree, she worked in the MU registrar's office and student services in the College of Engineering.

Although she's a Kansas native, Massey says she loves Columbia and is proud to have earned a degree from Mizzou!



## EMANUEL O. "MANNY" NOLASCO

joined the School of Law's information technology department as an end user support analyst. Previously,

he was a lab attendee and helpdesk technician with the Columbia College IT Department, where he was named Student Employee of the Month.

Nolasco received an associate's degree from Moberly Area Community College and a bachelor's degree in English with an emphasis in creative writing from Columbia College. He was born in Cebu, Philippines, and moved to the United States when he was 18 months old. A Miami Dolphins fan, Nolasco has lived in Columbia since he was nine years old.



## SUSAN E. RAYL

returned to the School of Law's administrative services office in February. She worked for the school ten

years ago but was inspired by law students to return to school full time to complete her bachelor's degree. After graduating from MU, she taught high school in Mid-Missouri. Due to the decline of funding for education and district cut-backs, Rayl returned to her old desk in 203 Hulston Hall. Rayl describes herself as an avid sports fan, cheering for the Tigers, as well as the St. Louis Cardinals and Mexico Bulldogs.



## GRANT J. SHOSTAK, '96,

joined the School of Law as coordinator of professional development in August. After graduating from the

School of Law, he served as a law clerk to the Honorable Paul J. Simon at the Missouri Court of Appeals for the Eastern District. When his clerkship ended, he entered private practice, focusing on the trial of criminal and personal injury cases.

Shostak is a past president of the Missouri Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers and is also the chairperson of its Amicus Committee. ♦

# Alumni Sworn-In at Highest Court

Collection of the Supreme Court of the United States



On March 20, a group of 12 of the strongest supporters of the School of Law and their guests gathered at The Hay-Adams in Washington, D.C., to begin one of the most memorable trips of their lifetimes. These alumni and friends came to be sworn in at the Supreme Court of the United States. Dean Dessem moved the admission of the group in front of a full spectators gallery – and a bench of 9 very important justices.

The swearing-in was the highlight of a trip which included an informal appearance by Justice Elena Kagan, meals at some of Washington's power restaurants and a tour of the Newseum, an interactive experience featuring five centuries of news history, led by former director and Missouri School of Journalism alumna Peggy Engel.

An unscheduled bit of excitement occurred at The Hay-Adams, when guests of the trip encountered members of the Bush family in the hotel. President George H.W. Bush was honored by the Kennedy Center at the Points of Light Institute Tribute Event on March 21 for his "visionary leadership in the American service move-

ment." The president and members of his family were staying at The Hay-Adams to attend this event, to the delight of the MU Law contingent!

Our distinguished group included:

**Michael A. Bickhaus, '94**, with guest Kristine Bickhaus

**John M. Carnahan III, '74**, with guests Jenny, John and Molly Carnahan

**Geoffrey L. Gifford**

**Arthur Z. Guller, '59**, with guest Lois Guller

**Linda S. Legg**

**Teresa H. Martin, '77**

**Larry L. McMullen, '59**

**Michael C. McMullen, '85**

**John K. Pruellage, '65**

**Patrick B. Starke, '79**, with guest Debbie Starke

**Julius F. Wall, '60**, with guest Sally Wall

**Herbert C. Willbrand, '59**, with guest Lynn Willbrand

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## FACULTY NOTES



**S.I. Strong** served as a visiting fellow at the University of Cambridge during the summer. While in Europe, she spoke at the University of Frankfurt and the University of Passau in Germany and at the Summer Academy for International Commercial Arbitration in Austria.

Strong recently published two articles, one in the *Journal of Private International Law* and the other in the *ASA Bulletin*, and saw the second edition of her casebook on English tort law released by Oxford University Press. She was awarded fellow status by the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators.



**Ben Trachtenberg** published "Health Inflation, Wealth Inflation, and the Discounting of Human Life" in the *Oregon Law Review*. In this article, he argues that, during cost-benefit analysis proceedings, federal regulatory agencies undervalue the benefit of saving human lives, causing an underregulation of environmental harms and other health hazards.

Trachtenberg also posted a short related article, "How Bad Math at Federal Agencies Undervalues Human Life," on *RegBlog*, a publication of the University of Pennsylvania Program on Regulation. WAMC Radio produced an "Academic Minute" episode about the article, which was featured on Inside Higher Ed.

Trachtenberg presented at a new scholars workshop at the Southeastern Association of Law Schools annual meeting, discussing his work in progress on criminal procedure.



## Dean's Roundtable Program Connects Graduates with 1Ls

**“I come away from each one with an ever greater respect for the character and quality of our graduates.”**

Every year, first-year students at the School of Law have a chance to gain valuable career advice from MU Law alumni in an intimate setting, with a very small group of classmates and the dean. Several times during each academic year, the dean invites alumni to join him at mentoring luncheons in the school's Rare Book Room.

“At these roundtables, the students receive very helpful recommendations from alumni on law school and legal practice and frequently ask, ‘What should I do to create a practice like yours?’” Dean Larry Dessem says. “These lunches are always great fun for me as well, and I come away from each one with an ever greater respect for the character and quality of our graduates.”

**Thank you to our Dean's Roundtable hosts since the program's inception in 2003:**

### **2003-2004**

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### **2004-2005**

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Nanette K. Laughrey, '75  
Michael A. Middleton, '71  
Mary L. Rhodes Russell, '83

### **2005-2006**

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Dutro E. “Bruce” Campbell, '96  
Rodney E. Loomer, '74  
Bryan T. Pratt, '99  
Randa Rawlins, '82

### **2006-2007**

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### **2007-2008**

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Michael W. Atchison, '93  
Beverly T. Randles, '99  
Deborah Daniels, '77

### **2008-2009**

Keith A. Birkes, '73  
Glenn A. Norton, '85  
Megan E. Phillips, '97  
Beth S. Riggert, '97  
Sandra R. Stigall, '83

### **2009-2010**

Dennis K. Morgan, '72  
Richard M. Paul III, '95  
Susan Ford Robertson, '86  
Ann E. Thompson, '88  
Heidi C. Doerhoff Vollet, '00  
Harold A. “Skip” Walther, '79

### **2010-2011**

Allen W. Blair, '78  
Stephen L. Hill Jr., '86  
Sara E. Kotthoff, '87  
William S. Ohlemeyer, '84  
Robert M.N. Palmer, '82  
Roy L. Richter, '76

# Missouri Law Review Symposium: Evolving the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit and its Patent Law Jurisprudence

**THE COURT OF APPEALS** for the Federal Circuit approaches its 30th anniversary as the focal point of patent law policy in the United States. Many praise the court for its role in unifying and strengthening patent law doctrine. Others challenge the court's formalism and argue that a doctrine-specific solitary circuit leads to systematic failures in the development of the law.

In many ways, the court is operating in a power vacuum, with the U.S. Patent Office denied authority to substantively develop the law and Congress regularly withholding its guidance. Over the past few years, the Supreme Court has taken a more active role in deciding patent cases, but will that increased interest alter the jurisprudence of the Federal Circuit beyond the doctrinal holdings of the high court?

In February, the *Missouri Law Review* Symposium explored the ongoing role for the Federal Circuit as a developer of patent law policy, the structure of the court and its jurisprudential approach, the role of the court relative to other potential policymaking bodies, and the court's impact on innovation and in shaping the practice of law.

The symposium was moderated by Professor Dennis D. Crouch. Webcasts of all symposium panels are available at [law.missouri.edu/faculty/symposium/2011/webcast](http://law.missouri.edu/faculty/symposium/2011/webcast).

## *Structure and Jurisprudential Approach of the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit*



Lisa A. Dolak  
Syracuse University College of Law  
Lee Petherbridge  
Loyola Law School Los Angeles  
Elizabeth Winston  
Columbus School of Law  
Catholic University of America

## *The Court's Role in Developing Patent Law Policy*



Mark A. Lemley  
Stanford University Law School  
Peter Menell  
University of California Berkeley School of Law  
**Ryan G. Vacca, '04**  
The University of Akron School of Law

## *The Court's Impact on Innovation, Industry and the Practice of Law*



Christopher Holman  
University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law  
**Jason R. Mudd, '05**  
Shook, Hardy & Bacon  
Greg R. Vetter  
University of Houston Law Center



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## *A Tribute to Greg Scott*

**On Aug. 22**, Prof. Greg Scott collapsed on his way to teach his first class of the year. Attempts to revive him were unsuccessful.

Almost immediately, condolences and memories were sent to the law school by students, alumni, former colleagues and members of the legal and Boy Scout communities. While the messages we received expressed sadness at the loss of this warm-hearted, generous person, most of them contained examples of Greg's legendary sense of humor.

Revered as a professor, admired as a Boy Scout leader and trusted as a friend, he will be missed.



# WHAT A GIANT OF A

✦ “Greg Scott’s passing is such a sad event. He was such a dear friend and such a great law professor.

Has there ever been a law professor who gave so much to his students? Most of us get distracted by the many legitimate duties we have outside the classroom, but the students were always first, last and everything in between for Greg.

Has there ever been someone so perfect to teach trial advocacy? Greg was superb at boiling down the craziness of trial practice into a form that newcomers could understand. When I teach trial advocacy, be it to students or experienced attorneys, the two experts I quote most often are Irving Younger and Greg Scott. That is pretty good company to keep.

Has there ever been someone who so enjoyed teaching at a law school? Greg was always ready to try something new if it would benefit the students. About five years ago, I told Greg about this crazy idea I had about creating history trials and asked if he would consider representing Meriwether Lewis with the student of his choice. ‘That sounds like a lot of fun!’ was his instant response. And he represented Capt. Lewis with creativity and verve.

What a giant of a man. What a hole he leaves in all of our lives.”

—Dean Stephen D. Eason, former member of the MU Law faculty

✦ “My first experience with Greg Scott was during the open house that Miz-zou Law hosts for prospective students. My husband and I drove in from Maryland to see what MU had to offer and we were leaving right after the events ended. At that time, MU was on my list of possible schools, but was not my first choice.

Then I sat through Prof. Scott’s mock torts class – and I was sold. He was so, so smart and engaging, but also had me terrified that he would cold call on me. His whip-like wit brought us all in and made us pay attention to our first law school ‘class.’ I immediately returned to Maryland and sent my application. Prof. Scott changed my destiny that day.

Over my three years at law school, Prof. Scott was a constant and enduring mentor. He was not my advisor, but I called him for registration advice and other law school questions. He also quickly became a personal advisor as well.

He was one of the best parts of being at MU Law and I will always miss knowing that he is there.”

—Carolyn R. Hamilton, ’10

✦ “I remember the night of the big blizzard this year. I was so excited I couldn’t sleep. Then, a legal research and writing-related e-mail appeared from Greg. It was one of the oodles of raucous e-lectures he would send as supplements to his students, graciously – a teacher to his core – blind-copying me so I could see how he approached a particular topic. I shot him a quick reply. And I sat by the window all night long, watching the snow grow heavier and wishing stupidly for blinding whiteness like you hear about in a novel or in a song, while Greg sat by his window across town, doing the same. We both could barely sit still. Every few minutes, another note. What’s it like there? Did you find a good satellite map? Where should we go sledding? Are you going to build an igloo? Are we all worked up over nothing? As always and more than once that night, he made me laugh, shake my head, shake my finger, and say: ‘SHAME on you, Professor Scott.’

This seems like such a bereft example, given how much he did for me. Greg was a true teacher, and gentle to his core. He was someone who encouraged you to share your inner child, with abandon. I hadn’t had a friend like him since I was a child, and a piece of my heart broke when I heard the news. And yet I am so grateful I was able to share even a moment of his rich life.”

—Rachel Heald, former member of the MU Law faculty



# MAN

✦ “My family has very fond memories of a vacation with Greg. A year or two after Greg joined us at Swanson, Midgley, a group of my family and friends, eight total, went on a week-long sailing trip among the Grenadine Islands in the south Caribbean.

I vividly recall him wearing just his swim trunks, sitting at the bow of the boat reading a dime novel. A squall came up that would have impressed even [Hurricane] Katrina survivors and Greg did not flinch, bow rising and crashing, rain coming down in sheets, cold, wind. Greg just kept reading, paperback was soaked, the rest of us doubled over laughing in the safe, dry galley. Afterwards he comes down looking like a soaked St. Bernard and just said, ‘This author is incredible. This storm comes up in the story and it’s the most vivid, riveting description of anything I’ve ever read...’

We did a little scuba diving on the trip and Greg brought along the most ancient scuba gear I’ve ever seen in my life, the generation just after that used by Kirk Douglas in “20,000 Leagues Under the Sea.” Being the consummate Boy Scout, he made it work of course, and was as competent a diver as there ever was, something he instructed in the Scouts.

My family and friends are grieving his loss.”

—Neil L. Johnson

✦ “I was an MBA student from 2004–2005 and had the opportunity to take a business law course starring (and I do mean starring) Prof. Scott.

This is an incredible loss. Prof. Scott clearly loved to teach and therefore his students loved to learn. He was committed to making sure every student walked away with a strong understanding of the concepts of business law, not just the facts. While those concepts are important, he also taught business students how to capture a room when facilitating, how to get input from those not proactively offering it and how to ensure that the knowledge needing to be transferred is done so efficiently. All of us in the business world are asked to ‘teach’ or facilitate (sell, present, etc.) at some point. I think we can all thank Prof. Scott for showing us how to be engaging and charismatic while ensuring the message we are sending is being received. Godspeed, Prof. Scott.”

—Nate Kelly

✦ “Prof. Scott was the most influential instructor, at any level, that I have ever met. Using a theme of ‘if you aren’t having fun, you aren’t doing it right,’ he transformed students into not only improved legal writers, but also into better lawyers than they ever could have been but for him.

I ask you to imagine a frightened and intimidated first-year law student, sitting in her legal writing class. There is a knock at the door and Prof. Scott enters the room transformed into Bubba Scott, Prof. Scott’s cousin. Bubba, a simple man wearing his best cowboy hat, has come to talk with the class, as each of us will be representing him in a lawsuit. Bubba speaks of his unfortunate incident with us, as his attorneys, and allows us to interview him about it. Little did we know that Bubba’s unfortunate incident would become the basis for our legal writing assignment throughout the semester. Before his exit, and Prof. Scott’s reappearance through the door (sans hat), Bubba gave us our first taste of real-life lawyering – and he made it fun.

Prof. Scott, however, labored far beyond the classroom, as he was available for students, quite literally, around the clock. He provided not only his e-mail, office hours and office telephone number to his students, but his personal home number as well. I used this personal number for countless hours as his student. His dedication and spirit of kindness to his students, and to his former students, was unparalleled and will be his legacy.”

—Sarah E. Lawrence-Lohse, ’03

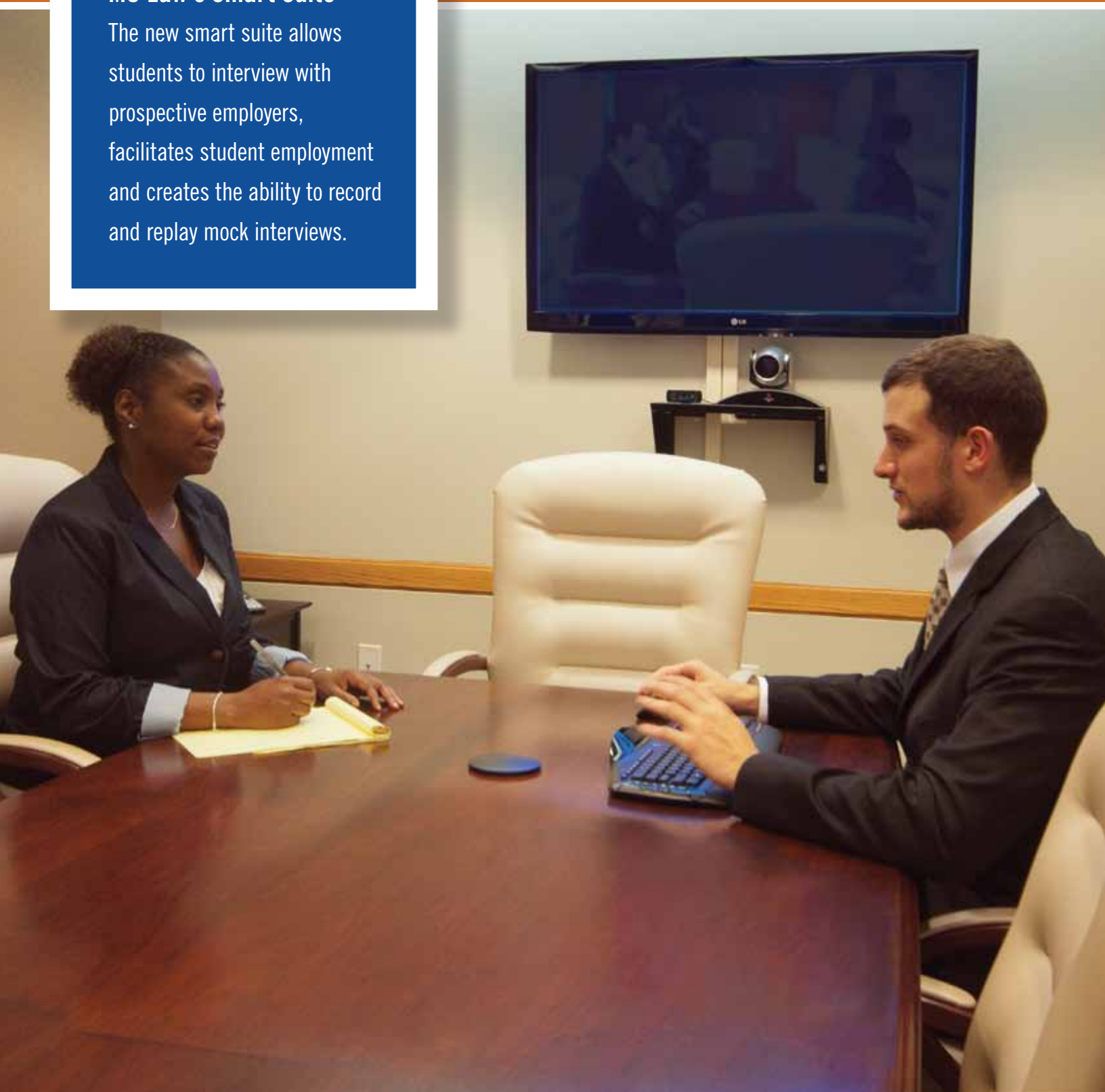
✦ “Prof. Scott was a terrific professor: dynamic, engaging, funny, practical and warm. As a law clerk this summer, I relied heavily on what he taught me. As I struggled to come up with the right answer to a legal research or writing problem, I’d figure it out merely by recalling issues he discussed with our class nearly two years earlier. That’s how vivid and effective his lectures were. I could practically hear his booming voice as I tackled a research project. To me, he was the dominant part of the law school experience. For those of us lucky to have him as a professor, he taught us how to read and brief cases and then write about them – all in his own inimitable, funny style that made everything he discussed so memorable.

But above everything else, Prof. Scott was an incredibly kind and generous man. He was always – without fail – encouraging, supportive and helpful to everyone. I remember how he calmed all of us down as we approached our first midterm, reminding us that while it was important to study hard, how we did would not make or break us. He made law school fun and worthwhile. I’m going to miss him.”

—Matt Pulle, 3L

## MU Law's Smart Suite

The new smart suite allows students to interview with prospective employers, facilitates student employment and creates the ability to record and replay mock interviews.



# The season of energy and renewal at MU Law

Every year, fall is the season of change in academia. The MU campus goes from a peaceful, sleepy village to a bustling, crowded city, complete with parking dilemmas and traffic jams. A new class of students and faculty bring fresh outside perspectives and a new enthusiasm.

This year, the season of change expands beyond the routine. From class size and curriculum to career development and communications, change abounds. This year, we learned of a change in our leadership – that hasn't happened in a decade.

And so we bring the change to you in this issue of *Transcript*. If you'd like to let us know what you think, send us an e-mail ([mulawalumni@missouri.edu](mailto:mulawalumni@missouri.edu)).

## Right-Sizing

When Dean Larry Dessem interviewed at the School of Law during the 2001–2002 academic year, the entering class size was 180. After his arrival, the class was strategically downsized to 150. For the 2011 entering class, we are downsizing again – to 135 students.

The reduction in student numbers is part of the Law School Enhancement Plan that will be funded by MU for the next

four years. While students won't immediately notice any difference in Hulston Hall, the benefits are numerous. The decrease addresses the excess of new law graduates over anticipated new legal positions, aided by two of Missouri's other three law schools and their decreasing class sizes. It will decrease faculty-student ratio, leading to an introduction of even more practice-oriented courses.

In two years, the size of the student body will be reduced by approximately 45 students. This will allow the law school to serve the students better in many ways, particularly in Career Development, where the staff to student ratio will also be improved.

The reduction in class size doesn't come with a reduction in credentials – statistically the entering class numbers are similar to previous years.

"We are thrilled to have matriculated another high-achieving, well-rounded entering class," Director of Law School Admissions Michelle Heck says. Students come from a variety of backgrounds, from a wide array of institutions, with undergraduate degrees in everything from political science, physics and German to international business and biology. More than 42 students have double majors, while

more than 15 have other graduate degrees. Some students matriculate directly from their undergraduate institutions, while others have served in the military, are married with children or are single parents, have had multiple careers or have lived abroad. According to Heck they have one thing in common – "They are ambitious, hard working, and excited to be a part of the MU Law family."

## Curricular Changes

One common theme in feedback from alumni and the legal profession is the need for increased practical experience for our students. Lowering our entering class size means a lower faculty-student ratio, resulting in smaller courses with increased faculty supervision and feedback. Our goal is to give students more hands-on lawyering experience, much like our clinical programs already do. This includes representing clients in Boone County court and drafting both litigation and transactional legal documents in law school classes. We hope to expand our course offerings with strong practical component in the years to come, to even better prepare our students to practice law.



Simply doing things the way they have always been done is no longer an option.



## Career Development: An Exciting and Challenging Time

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**IT IS AN EXCITING** and challenging time to be stepping into my new role as assistant dean for admissions, career development and student services. Law school applications are down across the country, and the job market for new attorneys is tighter than it's been in recent history. If we wish to continue to attract well-qualified students and, upon graduation, assure those students have jobs commensurate with their training and career goals, simply doing things as they have always been done is not an option. This challenge provides a unique opportunity to revisit how the Career Development Office operates, and to employ new and innovative means of helping our students find employment. This process is still in its infancy, but I would like to share with you some of the new strategies we are implementing.

First, what used to be the jury room has been transformed into a virtual office. The office has been outfitted with a conference table and chairs, a dual-camera Polycom videoconferencing unit, a large plasma display, a computer with a Bluetooth keyboard and mouse and Skype capability, and a high definition webcam. This room will allow students to interview with prospective employers who are not able to come to campus, facilitate student employment during the school year with employers located outside Columbia, and create the ability to record and replay mock interviews.

Second, we are exploring ways to increase alumni involvement and mentoring with current law students in a number of ways. You,

our alumni, are one of the School of Law's most valuable resources, and the success of these initiatives will depend largely on your willingness to become involved.

Last spring, we launched the MU School of Law Professional Network on LinkedIn, an online community designed for students, alumni, faculty and staff to network, share information and learn about ways to stay connected with each other and the law school. Already more than 340 members have joined.

We have also recently adopted an online information management system designed specifically for use by law school career services offices called Symplicity. Law students and alumni who are looking for employment will be able to search job postings based on individually specified criteria, such as practice area or geographic location. Users can upload documents to Symplicity, including cover letters, resumes and writing samples, and apply for jobs directly through the website. Symplicity will also allow us to track where our students are currently working or have worked in the past, and collect evaluations from them of their employment experiences.

We will also use Symplicity to create a database of our alumni that is significantly different from the database used by the School of Law's Office of Development and that will significantly enhance our ability to connect students with alumni based on their interests. Symplicity is configured to allow you to input information particularly relevant to our law students as they develop career plans and strategies.

If you are technology averse, but would like to be a part of this database, the staff in



## Helping Students Develop Career Skills

This year, eight MU Law students attended The Missouri Bar's 2011 Solo and Small Firm Conference at the Lake of the Ozarks. Special thanks to the alumni and friends who supported this event by sponsoring students – **Chad T. Courtney, '99**; Alan Gallas; **Dan R. Nelson, '83**; and **David W. Ransin, '82**.

The students took a break from networking to pose for a group shot with one of their sponsors.

BACK ROW, L-R:

**David W. Ransin, '82**; **Christopher D. Dandurand, '11**; **Terry L. Garner, '11**; Karma Johnson, 3L; **Garnett T. Matthews-Campbell, '11**; Josh Moore, 3L; and **W. Derek Hux, '11**.

FRONT ROW, L-R:

Career Development Coordinator Jennifer McGarr; Andrew Stashefsky, 2L; and Joe Meyer, 2L.

the Career Development Office is happy to input information on your behalf. This information will not only include the name and location of your current employer, but also information about your education, the nature of your practice and your work history. With your permission, this information will be made available to students in a searchable format, and students will be able to contact you if they have questions or would like additional information. You will also have the opportunity to indicate your willingness to be a mentor and provide assistance to a limited number of students as they navigate the job search process and move into the legal profession. I encourage you to be a part of this database, be a mentor and make a difference in the life of a law student.

*Lisa Key*

## Professor Dessem

The biggest change that will occur in the next year is the search for a new dean, a process that hasn't happened in ten years. In July, Dean Dessem announced that he would step down from the deanship after serving for ten years as dean at MU Law.

No, he hasn't accepted another deanship. No, he's not retiring to go hiking around the globe. He's not even "returning" to the classroom, as he's taught civil procedure to law students each spring for the last nine years. So what is he doing? He's returning to full-time teaching after a 20 year hiatus – and he's excited about it!

MU will begin a national search to fill this important position this fall.

## We Asked, You Responded!

This spring, the School of Law's Self-Study Committee distributed a survey to all alumni for whom the School of Law had valid e-mail addresses. The survey covered a variety of topics related to the school, such as level of preparation for entering the legal profession, the school's website, services offered to alumni and level of connectedness with the law school.

The survey response was strong, with more than 1,200 alumni participating. While the survey results were positive overall – 93.8 percent of alumni said they would recommend the law school to a prospective student – there is room for improvement. School of Law administrators will use survey responses to improve alumni relations, career development efforts, communications, the curriculum and co- and extra-curricular offerings.

The Self-Study Committee, led by Prof. **Melody Richardson Daily, '86**, was created to prepare for the School of Law's reaccreditation review by the American Bar Association and Association of American Law Schools. Each accredited law school undergoes a site visit by a team representing the ABA

and AALS to determine its fitness for reaccreditation every seven years.

If you did not receive the alumni survey, it means that the alumni office does not have a current e-mail address on file for you. If you'd like to receive periodic updates from the School of Law, please provide your e-mail address to [mulawalumni@missouri.edu](mailto:mulawalumni@missouri.edu) or [law.missouri.edu/alumni/update-form](http://law.missouri.edu/alumni/update-form). Use of the e-mail list is limited and addresses will not be sold.

## Keeping You Connected

This summer, we made some changes at the School of Law to improve the way we communicate with you.

Casey Baker, director of external relations, was asked to assume responsibility for school-wide communications, including oversight of print publications, the school website and social media. Before this change, we did not have a staff member dedicated to managing web content and social media. Centralizing these duties will allow us to do a better job of telling our story to the constituencies that matter most – alumni, donors, prospective and current students, and the legal profession.

Previously, Baker's primary job duties were focused on alumni relations and development, including alumni events and publications.

This summer, we unveiled a new website design at [law.missouri.edu](http://law.missouri.edu). The goals for the redesigned site were easier navigation and a cleaner and more modern look. We also changed the way we handle social media. Our Facebook and Twitter accounts are now more active and a new LinkedIn account will allow you to maintain your MU Law network in cyberspace. Like us, follow us, join our network! Visit our website for easy access to these great sources of current information.

Your input is important! Let us know if there's something we can do better by contacting Casey Baker at [bakercd@missouri.edu](mailto:bakercd@missouri.edu) or 573-884-7833.



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# Provide Impact, Leave A Legacy

by Janie Ausburn Harmon, senior director of development

Few choices are as personal as planning one's estate or as meaningful as selecting beneficiaries. You have many choices when selecting beneficiaries and we are honored by those of you who included the law school in your estate plans.

## Recent Legacy Gifts

The following alumni and friends left legacies to the School of Law by making arrangements prior to their passing. Their generosity can already be seen in student support and by building the Law School Foundation Endowment.

☞ **Lane D. Bauer, '52**, chose to support areas of greatest need by leaving a portion of his estate to the Law School Foundation Endowment.

☞ **Ezra Eli Borntreger, '79**, gave his farm and assets to the Law School Foundation to help students.

☞ **Florene B. Fratcher** established the William Franklin Fratcher and Florene Briscoe Fratcher Scholarship supporting outstanding students.

☞ **Cecil C. Orear Jr., '42**, was the last living member of his class and he provided for the Law School Foundation in his estate plan.

☞ **Robert A. Ryan Jr.** created the Robert A. Ryan, MD, Scholarship before his death and later increased support by including the School of Law in his estate.

## Recent Estate Gifts

The following alumni recently confirmed they have included the School of Law in their estate plans. There are a number of estate planning tools that may benefit both you and the School of Law. If you would like to make an estate gift to benefit future generations of MU Law students, please contact us.

☞ **James T. Buckley, '63**, of Sedalia, Mo., designates his estate gift for scholarships.

☞ **David L. McCoid, '68**, of Mount Pleasant, Iowa, provides in his estate plan a named scholarship with selection preference given to students who graduated from select Iowa colleges and universities.

# Own a Piece of Tate Hall

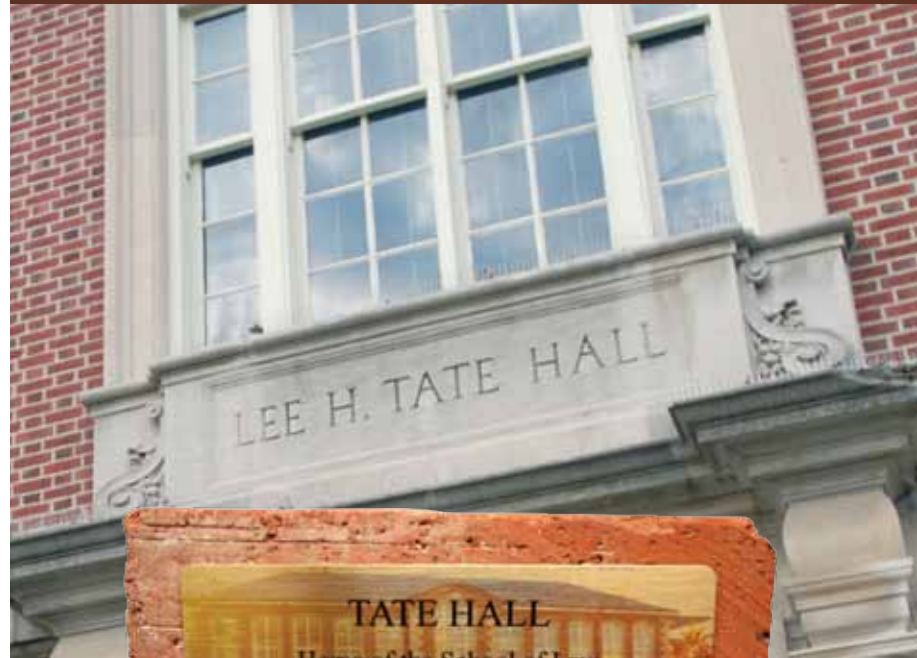
## Recent Gifts Made in Memory of Alumni and Friends

✂ The James R. Devine Scholarship fund was established after his death in May 2010. The fund has grown to nearly \$40,000 and will be used to support Jim's passion – the students.

✂ Dr. John Edward McDonald established the Carol McDonald Tomaszczuk Scholarship in memory of his sister, who was a member of the class of 1985. This scholarship gives special consideration to graduates of Texas Christian University or residents of the State of Virginia and will be awarded in 2012.

✂ After the death of **Ronald E. Smull, '66**, family and friends made memorial gifts in his memory to fund the Ron Smull Scholarship, which was awarded for the first time this fall. At Smull's direction, the scholarship supports a student whose spouse works to support him or her just as his wife, Annette, supported him during law school.

✂ In addition, meaningful memorial gifts were made honoring others including *Robert M. Lande*, the late father of Professor John M. Lande. The elder Lande generously established the Robert M. and Anita Lande Memorial Scholarship to support LLM students, with preference given to students from South Africa. **Richard L. Wieler, '68**, was an impressive attorney who overcame a lifetime of challenges after being paralyzed as a result of polio. Memorial gifts made in his honor support the Timothy J. Heinsz Scholarship because Mr. Wieler gave to this fund himself.



Own your very own piece of Lee H. Tate Hall history! Make a contribution of \$250 or more (plus \$12 shipping) to the Law School Foundation for the Tate Hall Scholarship Fund and receive a brick that was removed from the building during recent renovation. We have a limited supply of these keepsakes. Act now to reserve your piece of law school history.

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## FACULTY NOTES



**Douglas E. Abrams** published "Justice Jackson and the Second Flag-Salute Case: Reason and Passion in Opinion-Writing" in the

*Journal of Supreme Court History*. His 167-page chapter, "Child Abuse and Neglect," appears in the fourth edition of *Missouri Juvenile Law*, published by The Missouri Bar. He also co-authored the fourth edition of *Children and the Law in a Nutshell* (West).

Abrams' article, "Recognizing the Public Schools' Authority to Discipline Student Cyberbullying Sent from Off-Campus," appears in the *New England Journal of Criminal and Civil Confinement*. The article is based on the talk he delivered at a cyberbullying symposium at New England School of Law.

He continues to write an article on legal writing in each issue of *Precedent*, The Missouri Bar's quarterly magazine. His article, "What Great Writers Can Teach Lawyers and Judges: Wisdom from Plato to Mark Twain to Stephen King," has also appeared in the *Texas Bar Journal*, the *New Hampshire Bar Journal*, the *Tennessee Bar Journal*, the *Colorado Bar Journal* and the *New Mexico Bar Journal*. His most recent *Precedent* article is "Effective Written Advocacy Before Generalist Judges: Advice from Recent Decisions."

Abrams serves on The Missouri Bar Special Committee on Adoption Issues, which the bar appointed to "identify issues related to the termination of parental rights and propose ideas and solutions that would address those issues." He spoke at The Missouri Bar CLE program "United States Supreme Court Highlights: The 2010-2011 Term and Its Implications."

He was recently reappointed to a second three-year term on the university's Intercollegiate Athletics Committee.



Full information about the Center for the Study of Dispute Resolution

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## *Border Skirmishes:* The Intersection Between Litigation and International Commercial Arbitration **October 20-21, 2011**

**THIS FALL**, the School of Law will host 30 speakers from more than ten countries for the Center for the Study of Dispute Resolution Symposium.

On October 20, academics and practitioners from across the globe will present their upcoming scholarship in a works-in-progress conference, culminating in a capstone presentation from the International Chamber of Commerce on the newly-revised ICC Rules of Arbitration.

On October 21, seven arbitration experts, including keynote speaker Gary Born, who was recently named International Advocate of the Year by Global Arbitration Review, will present "Border Skirmishes: The Intersection Between Litigation and International Commercial Arbitration."

Additional information and online registration is available at:  
[law.missouri.edu/csdr/symposium/2011](http://law.missouri.edu/csdr/symposium/2011).

### Staff Notes



**JANIE AUSBURN HARMON**, senior director of development, is a member of the 2011 class of the Administrative Leadership Development Program hosted by the University of Missouri System. The program's goal is to build management and leadership skills through colleague and self-study surveys, and group and individual training sessions.

Harmon serves as the chair of the MU Development Professional Development Committee, which plans training and educational sessions for the 200-member MU Development and Alumni Relations division.



**MICHELLE HECK**, director of law school admissions, was a finalist for the 2011 Mick Deaver Memorial Award. This award was established in 1980 by the

MU Staff Advisory Council to honor a staff member who exemplifies Deaver's concern for fostering good relations with students. Major Mick Deaver was the associate director of the University Police Department at the time of his death in 1980.

## FAMILY VIOLENCE CLINIC: MIRACLE MISSOURI ADOPTION



Full information about the Family Violence Clinic  
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A happy day for the Family Violence Clinic and one Missouri family – the day an adoption was finalized. Family Violence Clinic director Mary Beck and Judge **Leslie A. Schneider, '79**, join the family and then-students **Chinerem U. Chukwu, '11**, (far right) and **Jill D. Parks, '11**, (second from left) at the Boone County Courthouse.

**MU LAW** Family Violence Clinic students routinely participate in community projects, including drafting bills for legislatures in New Jersey, Hawaii, Oregon, South Dakota, Alaska and Vermont. As a student, **Elizabeth A. Russell, '11**, drafted such legislation and testified before the South Dakota judiciary committee. She also completed an internship with the Congressional Coalition on Adoption Institute in Washington, D.C., last summer and continues to do adoption related research supporting SB 939/HB 6298.

Clinic participants **Linda Man, '11**; **Garnett T. Mathews Campbell, '11**; 3L David Ma; **Chinemerem U. Chukwu, '11**; and **Jill D. Parks, '11**, completed the Missouri adoption of an African infant born with a genetic disorder, Robinow Syndrome, that nearly claimed his life in his home country.

The child's biological parents located the Robinow Syndrome Foundation and an associated Belgium research team via the internet and ultimately traveled to Minnesota for specialized health care. Upon

realizing that their baby could only survive with sophisticated stateside health care, they located a couple in Missouri who enthusiastically agreed to adopt the African baby.

Clinic students conducted extensive research into federal and state laws affecting adoption and immigration as well as financial issues, before completing the adoption to the rural Missouri family. Multi-state physicians provide health care free of charge. The baby now has a brother who also has Robinow Syndrome.

The baby's Missouri and African families and the clinic students conducting the adoption stayed in contact frequently by e-mail and Skype. The two families recently celebrated the baby's first birthday via the internet, singing "Happy Birthday" in different languages. Multicultural law students, interstate medical professionals and cross national families came together using technology, within and across continents, to solve a problem for a baby and came away changed people.

## FACULTY NOTES



**John Lande** recently published *Lawyering with Planned Early Negotiation: How You Can Get Good Results for Clients and Make Money*, (ABA 2011); "An Empirical Analysis of Collaborative Practice," 49 *Family Court Review* 257 (2011); "The Uniform Collaborative Law Act's Contribution to Informed Client Decision Making in Choosing a Dispute Resolution Process," 38 *Hofstra Law Review* 611 (2009) (with Forrest S. Mosten); and "How Neutrals Can Provide Early Case Management of Construction Disputes," *JAMS Global Construction Solutions*, Spring 2011.

Lande gave a lecture at Huazhong University of Science and Technology in Wuhan, China; taught a master class on mediation for the Alberta Arbitration and Mediation Society; and was a presenter at the annual meeting of the Association of American Law Schools, American Bar Association Section of Dispute Resolution annual conference; and a symposium on forecasting the future of alternative dispute resolution at LaVerne College of Law. He made CLE presentations for The Missouri Bar Association ADR Section and the Dallas Bar Association Collaborative Law Section.



**Rigel C. Oliveri** spoke at the University of California-Irvine School of Law's conference on race, socioeconomics and the law. Her presentation

focused on residential segregation and the role that community development grant money can play in combating it. She also spoke at the City of Columbia's Fair Housing Symposium and moderated a panel discussion on promoting faculty scholarship and productivity at the Southeastern Association of Law Schools' annual meeting.

## LLM PROGRAM IN DISPUTE RESOLUTION

## FACULTY NOTES



**David English** was a visiting professor at Aoyama Gakuin University in Tokyo during the summer. He presented a series of lectures on the Uniform Trust Code, lectured at the University of Tokyo and Chuo University, gave a public lecture on the use of trusts for disabled adults and worked with a former student on an article comparing the guardianship law of the United States and Japan.

English was appointed by the Uniform Law Commission to a committee charged with drafting a uniform act on powers of appointment and by the president of the American Bar Association (ABA) to serve another term as a member of the ABA's Commission on Law and Aging.



**Martha J. Dragich** is a visiting scholar at the University of Arkansas for the fall semester and is enrolled in the university's LLM program in food and agricultural law.

Her article, "Back to the Drawing Board: Reexamining Accepted Criteria for Regional Structure of the Courts of Appeals," is forthcoming in the *Journal of Appellate Practice and Process*.



**Troy A. Rule** presented his research on land use conflicts in renewable energy development at the Association for Law, Property and Society

Annual Meeting. He also served as a guest blogger on the Land Use Prof Blog throughout the month of May. Among other things, he blogged about land use issues associated with the Joplin tornado and with the intentional breach of the Birds Point levee in Southeast Missouri.

Full information about the LLM Program

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## LLM Program Welcomes New Director



**L-R:** Administrative Assistant Laura Coleman, Program Director Paul Ladehoff and Karen Neylon, program coordinator

**PROFESSOR JOHN LANDE** has served as director of the School of Law's master of laws (LLM) in dispute resolution program since 2000. This innovative program, the first of its kind in the nation, provides a unique opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of theoretical, policy and practice issues in the dispute resolution field.

Under Lande's leadership, the program has attracted attorneys from across the nation and all over world, who come to the School of Law to study with the nationally-acclaimed faculty members of our Center for the Study of Dispute Resolution (CSDR). After 11 successful years as director, Lande is stepping down from his administrative role. He continues to teach LLM courses, including the dispute system design course this semester.

The new director of the LLM Program is Paul Ladehoff, who has served as training coordinator for the CSDR and director of the MU Campus Mediation Service for seven years. Ladehoff teaches media-

tion at the School of Law and a course on group dynamics and conflict resolution for the MU Harry S Truman School of Public Affairs.

Ladehoff graduated with honors from the University of Nebraska College of Law; served as a trial attorney for the U.S. Department of Justice, Environment and Natural Resources Division; and directed several community-based mediation centers in Nebraska. He maintains many of his current duties – most notably his service as director of the Campus Mediation Service – while taking over the leadership of the LLM Program.

"This transition is a natural opportunity to take stock and think about any changes or new opportunities that could make this great program even better," Ladehoff says. "I would welcome hearing comments and suggestions from alumni and friends of the School of Law." Ladehoff can be reached at [ladehoffp@missouri.edu](mailto:ladehoffp@missouri.edu) or 573-884-7813.

## STUDENT NEWS

## Historical and Theatrical Trials Society



IN FEBRUARY, the Historical and Theatrical Trials Society featured a new kind of character in its annual trial. Rather than use an actual historical figure as the defendant, as previous trials have done with Lewis and Clark, Al Capone and Missouri Gov. Thomas Crittenden, this year's character was from literature.

"Creating Life and Death: The Trial of Dr. Victor Frankenstein" showcased the trial of Dr. Victor Frankenstein for the wrongful death of his assistant, Igor, who was murdered by Frankenstein's monstrous creation. The trial raised the question: Is Dr. Frankenstein responsible for the actions of his creation or should this "creature" be considered a human adult that is solely responsible for its own behavior?

HATTS is a group of students and faculty dedicated to exploring the intersection of law, history and theatre. Each year, members organize a trial that could have happened but didn't, involving members of the law school, Columbia and legal communities, who bring the subject matter to life by dressing in costume.

## Student Bar Association



THE 7TH ANNUAL Tim Heinz Memorial 5K Run/Walk and First Jim Devine Memorial Dog Walk was held in April, raising more than \$23,000 to benefit the Timothy J. Heinz Scholarship Fund at the School of Law. Make plans now to join us for next year's run/walk, to be held on April 21.



## Women's Law Association

EACH YEAR, the Women's Law Association holds an auction, the proceeds of which benefit causes important to members of the group. This year, beneficiaries included the School of Law Family Violence Clinic, WLA Public Service Scholarship and Happiness for Health, a program started at MU Children's Hospital by Prof. Doug Abrams to provide toys, games and parties to hospitalized children. Last spring, WLA members **Katie A. Hardt, '11**, and **Lindsay A. Ponce, '11**, presented a ceremonial check to the MU Children's Hospital mascot, TJ, representing money raised for the Happiness for Health fund.



## FACULTY NOTES



**Wilson Freyeremuth** was reappointed chair of the American Bar Association's Real Property Division Legal Education Committee for

2011-2012. He continues to write and speak on the subject of private transfer fee covenants (including a CLE program sponsored by the American College of Real Estate Lawyers); during the past year, an additional 18 states have adopted statutes banning the enforcement of such covenants, bringing the total to 34 states adopting such bans.

Freyeremuth's recent article "Does a Federal Tax Lien Take Priority over a Mortgagee's Lien on Rents: *Bloomfield State Bank v. United States*" appeared in the September/October 2011 issue of *Probate & Property*. He also serves as an observer to a Uniform Law Commission study committee on relocation of easements.



**Carli N. Conklin** gave a talk on the historical meaning of "the pursuit of happiness" in the Declaration of Independence to the Regent University

Undergraduate College. In her talk, she stated that while "the pursuit of happiness" has a variety of meanings today, its placement and meaning in the Declaration are best understood when the phrase is viewed within an 18th Century legal, scientific, religious and philosophical context. While at Regent, Conklin also presented a lecture, "Cold War Rhetoric and the Language of Liberty," to a class of students in the Department of Government, History and Criminal Justice.

Conklin is currently completing her doctoral dissertation on "the pursuit of happiness" through the University of Virginia.

## Koster Addresses May Graduates

Photo courtesy of Grad Images



**CHRISTOPHER A. KOSTER, '91**, the 41st attorney general of the State of Missouri, served as the 2011 commencement speaker for the School of Law. He told his story of life in politics, of changing political parties while serving in the Missouri Senate, and shared this encouragement about the impact of an MU Law education:

You're going to find that you made a great decision to become a lawyer, and the career that is about to unfold in front of you will forever be enhanced by the work you've completed here today. The practice of our profession remains, now and forever, the cornerstone of this modern world. Everything in our society, every business, every contract, every relationship, the protection of every right guaranteed and the aspiration of every right yet achieved, is founded on the principals you learned here. Whether you practice law, enter business, become an entrepreneur or – God forbid – a politician, you're going to find that this place changed you, has made you sharper, and prepared you for the world in ways you can't even yet perceive. The first thing I want to say is that 40 years from now, every single one of you will say that getting this law degree was one of the best and most important decisions of your life.

Before becoming attorney general, Koster represented the 31st district in the Missouri Senate and was the prosecuting attorney for Cass County, Mo. He received his undergraduate and law degrees from MU and an MBA from Washington University in St. Louis.



### Rule Receives Teaching Award

**TROY A. RULE**, associate professor of law, received the 2011 Gold Chalk Award from the MU Graduate Professional Council. The award is presented to graduate/professional school professors who have made significant contributions to the education and training of graduate and professional students. Recipients are nominated by students in their respective schools.

At the School of Law, Rule teaches land use, secured transactions, sales & leases, and real estate transactions.

# The Law Society

## Celebrates 27 Years



At the annual celebration of The Law Society, new members receive commemorative personalized medallions in honor of their commitment to the School of Law. **BACK ROW (L-R)** Julius Wall and his wife, Sally. **FRONT ROW (L-R)** Scott Wright and his wife, Shirley; Tom and Mary-Michael Sterchi; Rod Uphoff.

In March, the School of Law celebrated 27 years of The Law Society and its members with a reception and dinner at the Clubhouse on Baltimore in Kansas City. The evening's highlight was the recognition of new and newly-elevated members, listed at right with their areas of support.

Since its inception in 1984, The Law Society has welcomed 257 members. This year's honorees represent \$330,000 in gifts and pledges to the School of Law.

### *Special thanks to the evening's sponsors*

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# Honor Roll

The School of Law recognizes the following individuals who provided financial support during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010, and ending June 30, 2011.

We'd like to provide special recognition to two recent classes, who had impressive participation rates despite their proximity to graduation and sizable debt loads. The Class of 2000 had 12 percent participation and the Class of 2009 had 13 percent participation.

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# Alumni Notes



**Walter D. McQuie Jr., '53**, flew his MU flag with pride for a visit with Senior Director of Development Janie Ausburn Harmon (pictured) and Director of Development **Mark Langworthy, '90**.

## 50s



**Isaac N. "Ike" Skelton, '56**, was named to the American Battle Monuments Commission by Pres. Barack Obama. The ABMC oversees the operation and maintenance of U.S. Armed Forces cemeteries and memorials abroad.

Skelton was also invited to join the American Lung Association President's Council by ALA Pres. and CEO Charles Connor. The Council promotes the ALA's mission to improve lung health and prevent lung disease.

Skelton received the title of honorary admiral from the U.S. Navy Supply Corps in Washington, D.C., for his support of their supply operations during his service in Congress.

Skelton is a partner of Husch Blackwell, working primarily out of the firm's Washington, D.C., office. He concentrates his practice on legal and public policy issues, particularly matters related to national defense, small business and international trade. Skelton is a former U.S. representative and House Armed Services Committee chairman.

**David P. Anderson, '58**, and his wife, Carlene, recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. The Andersons have two children, three grandchildren and two step-grandchildren. They were married in Taneyville, Mo., and currently reside in Springfield, where he is a circuit judge.

## 60s



**John Fox Arnold, '61**, received the John H. Poelker Levee Stone Award from the Partnership for Downtown St. Louis. This award recognizes leadership, extraordinary vision and personal commitment in advancing

the revitalization of downtown St. Louis. His contributions to downtown St. Louis, as well as the region of the state, span decades. He has guided the evolution of the Partnership for Downtown St. Louis almost since its inception. Arnold is the chairman of Lashly & Baer in St. Louis.



**Harvey L. Kaplan, '68**, was named for the fourth consecutive year as *Who's Who Legal's* Global Product Liability Lawyer of the Year. Kaplan serves as chair of the Pharmaceutical and Medical Device Litigation Division of Shook, Hardy & Bacon in Kansas City, Mo. He represents many multinational companies in significant litigation. His clients include some of the world's largest pharmaceutical and medical device companies, as well as companies in other industries.

**Laurence R. Lerner, '68**, has retired after 37 years of practice in California. He was the senior partner in Lerner, Moore, Silva, Cunningham and Rubel, and the

past president of the California Applicants' Attorneys Association. He also served for more than 10 years as a worker's compensation arbitrator.

## 70s

**Craig A. Van Matre, '70**, was appointed to the University of Missouri Board of Curators by Gov. **Jeremiah W. "Jay" Nixon, '81**. The board oversees the operation of the four-campus University of Missouri System. Van Matre is president of Van Matre, Harrison, Hollis and Taylor in Columbia.

**Michael G. Goldstein, '71**, has teamed with Summit Alliance Financial of Dallas to form Summit Alliance Executive Benefits. Goldstein works with companies of all sizes to attract and retain key personnel with carefully crafted benefit programs. Previously he was the senior vice president and national director of strategic development at Clark Consulting.

**Richard B. Scherrer, '72**, was recently featured in an article in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch for his work with the nonprofit organization Second Ranger Battalion Assistance Foundation. On July 16, the newspaper ran "Army Rangers, Families Get Help After Injuries," featuring the group, which provides financial assistance to Rangers and their families for special needs or emergencies. Sherrer became involved to honor his son, who served with the Second Ranger Battalion. He is a partner with Armstrong Teasdale in St. Louis.

**Burton Newman, '72**, has been appointed to the board of the Missouri Budget Project, which provides independent research on complex state policy issues. He is in private practice in St. Louis and is an adjunct professor at Washington University School of Law.

**David K. Frankland, '73**, is serving his third term as the Edwards County resident circuit judge for the Second Judicial Circuit in Illinois.

**Michael K. Whitehead, '75**, was appointed to the Jackson County (Mo.) board of election commissioners by Gov. **Jeremiah W. "Jay" Nixon, '81**. The board works to provide a secure and confidential right to the pub-



**Robert L. Langdon, '72**, and members of his firm were victorious in the annual Hospital Hill half marathon competition in Kansas City. Through the race's charitable arm, the entry fees raised funds for several nonprofit organizations. Langdon (standing at left) is pictured above with members of the team, including summer associate and second-year law student Reginald J. Stockman (kneeling at left).

lic to exercise the right of suffrage and maintain accurate and current registration data, all in accordance with statutory authority, and to carry out its mission with the highest degree of courtesy and professionalism to members of the general public and all who contact its office.

**Donald J. Farish, '76**, was appointed president of Roger Williams University in Rhode Island. He has 40 years of experience as an educator and previously served as president of Rowan University in New Jersey. Roger Williams University has approximately 3,000 undergraduate students and has the state's only law school.

**John W. Kurtz, '76**, received the Congenial Counselor Award from the Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association (KCMBA). The recipients of this award are KCMBA members who consistently demonstrate the characteristics of professional gallantry, peacemaking, harmony and friendship. Kurtz practices with Hubbard & Kurtz in Kansas City, Mo.

**Christopher J. Miller, '76**, announces the opening of his law office, Christopher J. Miller, PC, in Doniphan, Mo. He concentrates his practice in general civil trial practice, real estate, probate, commercial and family law. Previously Miller practiced with Maness & Miller and was prosecuting attorney of Ripley County, Mo.

**Garrett W. Walton, '76**, was recognized as Community Leader of the Year by the Pensacola (Fla.) Area Chamber of Commerce. This award is given annually to one individual who has "distinguished himself or herself through outstanding contributions in the form of a special project or service or a series of projects or services on behalf of the community and who exemplifies the true spirit of service." Walton was recognized for persistence in seeing the state's hurricane evacuation route widened to four lanes, his leadership in rebuilding Northwest Florida and its emergency preparedness and for his efforts to eliminate the "blue roofs" (blue tarps denoting damage) following hurricanes.



**William E. "Bill" Evans, '77**, was elected to the position of international vice-president of the International Brotherhood of Magicians (IBM). He also received the board of trustees' nomination

for international president-elect for 2012, and was given a Presidential Citation for his work in redrafting the organization's bylaws and standing rules. The IBM is the world's largest magic organization with 12,000 members in 73 countries. Evans is a shareholder at Carnahan, Evans, Cantwell & Brown in Springfield, Mo.

**Michael W. Bradley, '78**, was appointed by Gov. Jeremiah W. "Jay" Nixon, '81, as associate circuit judge for Boone County, Mo. Previously he served as chief counsel for the Missouri Gaming Commission.



**Gerard T. Noce, '79**, became a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, which is composed of the best of the trial bar from the United States and Canada. Fellowship is extended by invitation

only and after careful investigation, to those experienced trial lawyers who have mastered the art of advocacy and whose professional careers have been marked by the highest standards of ethical conduct, professionalism, civility and collegiality. Membership cannot exceed one percent of the total lawyer population of any state or province. Noce is a partner of HeplerBroom in St. Louis.



**Mark A. Shank, '79**, has been designated a name partner in the Dallas law firm now known as Gruber Hurst Johansen Hail Shank, a 21-attorney firm. Shank is board certified in civil trial law and labor

employment law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization.

## 80s

**Walter H. Bley, Jr. '80**, formed Bley & Evans in Columbia.

**David C. Agee, '80**, was named to the inaugural *Springfield Business Journal's* "Men of the Year" class. The class of 20 southwest Missouri men is chosen by an independent group of judges for their professional and civic accomplishments. Agee is a partner at Husch Blackwell in Springfield, where he's a member of the firm's Corporate Department and chair of the aviation practice group.

**Donald L. Cupps, '81**, was confirmed by the Missouri Senate as a member of the board of curators of the University of Missouri System. He practices with Ellis, Cupps and Cole in Cassville, Mo.

**Stephen G. Jeffery, '81**, practices with the Jeffery Law Group in St. Louis, representing clients before state and federal agencies, in litigation in state and federal courts and in real estate and business transactions. Previously he was a partner with Thompson Coburn and was general counsel of the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. Jeffery has helped solve problems involving agency disputes, air, asbestos, Brownfields, CERCLA, endangered species, enforcement defense, hazardous waste, landfills, sustainability, waste disposal, water and wetlands.



**Benjamin B. Capshaw, '84**, published his first novel, *Red Roger*, a detective thriller set in the nation's capitol. Capshaw is a retired officer of the U.S. Navy and is a criminal defense attorney in St. Louis. The book is available from the author or on amazon.com for the Kindle.

**Sidney T. Pearson III, '82**, has been appointed as prosecuting attorney for Dent County, Mo., by Gov. Jeremiah W. "Jay" Nixon, '81. Pearson previously served as prosecuting attorney for Crawford County, Mo.



**Barry R. Langford, '83**, received the Trustees' Award for Teaching Excellence from Columbia College in Columbia. He is chair of criminal justice administration at the college.

**Mary L. Rhodes Russell, '83**, was made an honorary member of the Rollins Society, which recognizes community members who have made a significant contribution to the educational experience of students at the University of Missouri. Rhodes Russell is a justice of the Supreme Court of Missouri.

**Dayla Bishop Schwartz, '83**, has been appointed city counselor for the city of Independence, Mo. She has worked for the city for 26 years, as assistant and deputy city counselor.



**William M. Corrigan Jr., '85**, was named to the St. Louis board of Old Newsboys Day, which raises funds for approximately 250 area children's charities. He is a partner at Armstrong Teasdale in St. Louis, where he's been elected to another three year term on the firm's executive committee.

**Stephen J. Stark, '86, LLM '00**, is president of the Association of Missouri Mediators. He practices with Turnbull & Stark in Jefferson City, Mo.

**Rodney D. Gray, '85**, is managing partner of Polsinelli Shughart in Jefferson City, Mo. He is a registered lobbyist and has extensive governmental relations and public policy experience.

**David B. Pursell, '88**, was selected as vice chair of the Hospitals and Health Systems' Fair Market Value Affinity Group of the American Health Lawyers Association. The group works to promote dialogue on the various methods for developing hospital and referral source transactions' fair market value. Pursell is a partner with Husch Blackwell in Kansas City, Mo.



**Bradley C. Tuck, '88**, practices with Evans & Dixon in Springfield, Mo., in the firm's civil litigation practice group. He was previously a sole practitioner.

## 90s

**Paul I.J. Fleischut, '90**, was awarded an honorary professional degree in metallurgical engineering from the Missouri University of Science and Technology. These degrees are awarded by the university based on faculty nominations of those whose professional achievements are a credit to the university. Fleischut received his bachelor's degree in metallurgical engineering from Missouri S&T. He practices with Senniger Powers in St. Louis.

**Timothy W. Burns, '91**, was elected to The American Law Institute (ALI), the leading independent organization in the United States producing scholarly work to clarify, modernize and otherwise improve the law. He practices with Perkins Coie in Madison, Wisc.



**Jennifer K. Huckfeldt, '91**, has been named a fellow of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel. Members are elected by their peers for

outstanding contributions to the practice of estate and trust law. She is a shareholder at Carnahan, Evans, Cantwell & Brown in Springfield, Mo.

**Steven T. Knuppel, '91**, has opened the Law Offices of Steven T. Knuppel in Danville, Calif., where he focuses on plaintiff's personal injury and small business litigation.

**Paul C. Wilson, '92**, practices with Van Matre, Harrison, Hollis and Taylor in Columbia. Previously he served as a circuit judge in the 19th Circuit of Missouri (Cole County) and was a deputy chief of staff for litigation in the Missouri Attorney General's Office. He works to expand the litigation practice at the Van Matre firm, with an emphasis on commercial, regulatory and constitutional law.

**Jacquelyn A. Jones, '94**, was honored by the De La Salle Middle School in St. Louis as the first individual recipient of the school's Guiding Star award. She was recognized for her continuous assistance to the school, which educates underprivileged youth in the St. Louis area, since 2003. She serves on the school's board of directors and is treasurer. Jones learned of the school and its mission from **Chris P. Sweeny, '94**, whose brother, Bob Sweeny, founded the school in 2001. She is vice president for contract management of Patriot Coal Corp.

**Steven G. Kaufman, '94**, is a partner of Brinker & Doyen in St. Louis. He concentrates his practice on insurance defense, including automobile and premises liability litigation.



One of our alumni enjoyed the company of royalty at Variety's Venture Capital and New Media Summit in July. **Chad Troutwine, '97**, joined the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge during their visit to Los Angeles. Troutwine, co-founder of Veritas Prep and producer of "Freakonomics," moderated the summit, which "explore[ed] how the investment community is driving technology innovation." After the event, Troutwine joined California's governor, Jerry Brown, soccer star David Beckham and the royal couple at a private dinner.

**Jordan M. Humphreys, '95**, works for the Missouri Department of Social Services in the Legal Services Division in Jefferson City. He focuses on the Missouri HealthNet Division Medicaid programs and cost recovery. He previously practiced with Ford, Parshall & Baker in Columbia.

**Timm W. Schowalter, '96**, was elected chair of the Private Business Practice Group at Lashly & Baer in St. Louis.

**Christina Kunza Mennemeyer, '97**, was named to the *Missouri Lawyers Weekly* "Up and Coming 2011" list. She is in private practice at Chris Kunza Mennemeyer LLC in Troy, Mo.

**Mary Elizabeth Phillips, '97**, has been nominated by Pres. Barack Obama to serve on the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Missouri. This is the second nomination Phillips has received from Pres. Obama—she became U.S. attorney for the Western District of Missouri in 2009.

**Jenifer R. Valenti, '97**, is the ombudsman and public liaison officer for the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph (Mo.). She investigates reports of inappropriate behavior and sexual misconduct by clergy, employees and program volunteers. Valenti previously worked for the Jackson County (Mo.) prosecutor's office.

**Alexandria Zylstra, '97, LL.M. '01**, has published "A Call to Action: A Client-Centered Evaluation of Collaborative Law," 11 *Pepperdine Dispute Resolution Law Journal* 547 (2011), cautioning against advocacy of collaborative law without comprehensive studies. Zylstra is an associate professor of legal studies at Stephens College in Columbia.

**Roger D. Nail, '98**, received the Thomas J. Conway Award from the Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association for exemplifying traits of the late Tom Conway — outstanding trial skills and the ability to be a fierce advocate, while simultaneously a good friend to opposing counsel. He was also listed in "40 Under 40" by *Ingram's* magazine. He practices with Goza & Honnold in Leawood, Kan.

**Stephen S. Davis, '99**, practices with Davis Schleiffarth in St. Louis. Previously he was an assistant U.S. attorney and chief clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives. He concentrates his practice in trial and appellate litigation and government and administrative law.



**Justin M. Dean, '99**, practices with Ogletree, Deakins, Nash, Smoak & Stewart in Kansas City, Mo. Previously he was assistant general counsel at the Federal Reserve Bank in Kansas City, where he

handled all types of labor and employment advice and litigation. Earlier in his career, he was an associate with Shook, Hardy & Bacon and served as a law clerk to Judge **Nanette K. Laughrey, '75**, of the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Missouri.

**Andrea Mazza Follet, '99**, is legal counsel to the Missouri Council of School Administrators. In her capacity at MCSA she provides legal advice concerning state laws and educational issues. She previously served as a coordinator of professional development and an adjunct associate professor at the School of Law.

**Mary S. Kivlighan, '99**, was appointed assistant dean in the School of Public Health at the University of Maryland, where she teaches public health law and ethics.

## 00s



**Courtney E. Goddard, '00**, was promoted to associate vice president and general counsel for Park University in Parkville, Mo. Previously she served as assistant general counsel for the university.

**Matthew B. Uhrig, '00**, was reelected to a second term on the board of alderman for the City of Ashland, Mo. He also serves as mayor pro tem. Uhrig practices with the Law Office of Matt Uhrig in Ashland.

**Heidi Doerhoff Vollet, '00**, was named to the *Missouri Lawyers Weekly* "Up & Coming 2011" list. She practices with Cook Vetter Doerhoff & Landwehr in Jefferson City.

**Gretchen L. Yancey, '00**, established The Yancey Law Firm in Columbia, focusing on family law matters and mediation services.

**Matthew L. Dameron, '02**, was named to the *Missouri Lawyers Weekly* "Up & Coming 2011" list. He is the chief of staff to Missouri Attorney General **Christopher A. Koster, '91**.



**Patrick R. Douglas, '02**, and his wife, Melissa, announce the birth of their daughter, Leighton Victoria Douglas, on June 24, 2010. He is a member of Blanton, Rice, Nickell,

Cozean & Collins in Sikeston, Mo., where he concentrates his practice in the areas of commercial litigation, medical malpractice defense, personal injury and products liability defense. He was named an Outstanding Young Missourian by the Missouri State Jaycees and awarded the Sikeston Area Chamber of Commerce Jaycee Distinguished Service Award. Douglas and his wife are expecting their second daughter in October.



**Brett A. Emison, '02**, was named to the *Missouri Lawyers Weekly* "Up & Coming 2011" list. He was also elected to the executive committee for the Missouri Association of Trial Attorneys, which is the main

governing body of the organization. In addition, Emison was appointed to the American Association for Justice's marketing and client service committee at the group's annual meeting in New York. He practices at Langdon & Emison in Lexington, Mo.



**Courtney L. Hill, '02**, was named to the Leadership St. Louis Class of 2011-2012. Those selected for the program must possess strong leadership skills and a dedication to improving the quality of life in their region. Hill will spend nine months learning about regional issues. She practices with Husch Blackwell in

St. Louis, where she focuses on real estate and development law.

**J.D. Luhning, '02**, was named to the *Missouri Lawyers Weekly* "Up & Coming 2011" list. He practices with Pitzer Snodgrass in St. Louis.

**Michele L. Mekel, '02**, is an assistant professor at the Southern Illinois University School of Law and an assistant professor in the Department of Medical Humanities of the Southern Illinois University School of Medicine.

**Jalilah C. Otto, '02**, was named to the *Missouri Lawyers Weekly* "Up & Coming 2011" list. She practices with the U. S. Attorney's Office in Kansas City, Mo.

**Marc W. Vander Tuig, '02**, is a partner at Senniger Powers in St. Louis. He has litigated patent cases at the firm for nine years.

**Richard A. Voytas, '02**, established Eason & Voytas in St. Louis. The firm prosecutes wrongful death and consumer class action matters on behalf of plaintiffs.

**Laura E. Krebs Al-Shathir, '03**, is an associate of Capes, Sokol, Goodman + Sarachan in Clayton, Mo. She concentrates her practice in the area of tax law, including tax planning, criminal and civil tax controversies, business and finance, and real estate.

**Timothy A. Garrison, '03**, is a judge advocate in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve and was promoted to major in February. In addition to his duties as a Marine officer, he is a federal prosecutor with the U.S. Attorney's Office in Springfield, Mo.

**Michael S. Hamlin, '03**, is a partner of Pitzer Snodgrass in St. Louis.

**Jared V. Vessel, '03**, and **Ross A. Bridges, '10**, formed Vessel Bridges Law Offices in Columbia. Their practice focuses on workers' compensation, Social Security, firearms law, family law and minor criminal matters. Both were formerly with Atwill & Montgomery in Columbia.

**Mark G. Boyko, '04**, served as a deputy reporter for the CPR International Institute's Commission on Facilities for the Resolution of Mass Claims, whose master guidebook on mass claim resolution facilities was published in April. He practices class action and ERISA litigation at Schlichter, Bogard & Denton in St. Louis.

**Kerry R. Bush, '04**, formed Bush & Patchett in Columbia. Previously he practiced with Powell, Bush & Patchett.

**J. Chandler Gregg, '04**, was named to the *Missouri Lawyers Weekly* "Up & Coming 2011" list. He practices with Strong Garner Bauer in Springfield, Mo.

**JR Swanegan, '04**, is the study abroad director for the MU College of Engineering. Previously he served as the director of diversity and outreach initiatives for the college.

**Jennifer L. Thompson, '04**, practices with Thompson & Ostrom in St. Louis.

**Betsy K. Loomer, '05**, was named to the *Missouri Lawyers Weekly* "Up & Coming 2011" list. She practices with Commerce Bancshares Inc. in Kansas City.

**Marissa Todd, '05**, is development director for the Alzheimer's Association in Columbia.

**Jason D. Sapp, '06**, was named to the *Missouri Lawyers Weekly* "Up & Coming 2011" list. He practices with Gray Ritter & Graham in St. Louis.

**David R. Wallis, '06**, is the district defender for the Boone County (Mo.) Public Defender's Office. Wallis joined the Missouri Public Defender System in 2007 in the Jefferson City office before transferring to Columbia in 2009.

**Adam D. Woody, '06**, was named to the *Missouri Lawyers Weekly* "Up & Coming 2011" list. He practices with the Law Offices of Dee Wampler & Joseph Passanise in Springfield, Mo.

**Christina Eberhard Devine, '07**, is volunteer lawyer project coordinator at Mid-Missouri Legal Services Corp. in Columbia. Previously she was a staff attorney of Missouri Protection & Advocacy Services in St. Louis.

**Daniel P. O'Hearn, '07**, now practices with Dan O'Hearn, LLC, in Columbia. He was previously a staff member at the Supreme Court of Missouri.

**Thomas C. Venneman, '07**, joined the staff of Legal Services of Southern Missouri in the juvenile unit, providing legal assistance to low-income parents of minors in abuse and neglect cases.

**Bryan M. Clinton, '08**, practices with the Hess Corporation in Houston as associate counsel for exploration and production. He is engaged to Addie Broussard of Lafayette, La.



**Eric E. Dearmont, '08**, is an associate with Williams Venker & Sanders in St. Louis, where he practices primarily in the asbestos practice group. Previously he was legal counsel to the Missouri Public Service Commission and executive director of the Columbia (Mo.) Police Officer's Association.

**Nathan D. Leming, '08**, practices with Brinker & Doyen in St. Louis. He concentrates his practice in the areas of civil litigation, insurance and personal injury defense.

**Richard D. Worth, '08**, is an associate with Weiss & Associates in St. Louis. He focuses his practice on litigation, general business practice and real estate. He has a background in insurance defense, as well as employee benefits and securities litigation.

**Ben J. Hodges, '09**, was awarded the John R. Essner Young Lawyer of the Year Award from Legal Services of Eastern Missouri for his pro bono work with that organization.

**Adam J. Kliethermes, '09**, now has a solo practice in Columbia. He previously practiced with Cripps & Simmons in Columbia.

**Jason R. McClitis, '09**, is an associate with Brown Law Office in Columbia, where he concentrates his practice on business and litigation.

**Calan T. McConkey, '09**, opened the Law Office of Calan T. McConkey in Excelsior Springs, Mo. The firm

provides services in the fields of intellectual property law and other general practice areas.

## 10s

**Ross A. Bridges, '10**, and **Jared V. Vessel, '03**, formed Vessell Bridges Law Offices in Columbia. Their practice focuses on workers' compensation, Social Security, firearms law, family law and minor criminal matters. Both were formerly with Atwill & Montgomery in Columbia.

**Lucas Haley, '10**, is an investment advisor and trust representative with the Bank of Missouri in Cape Girardeau, Mo.

**Carolyn R. Hamilton, '10**, is registrar at Vanderbilt Law School in Nashville, Tenn. She previously worked at the School of Law Library at MU while pursuing an advanced degree in library science.



**J. Ryan Boatright, '10**, and **Shaina E. Shorr Boatright, '11**, were married on Aug. 27. They met during their first year at the School of Law. He is an associate in taxation at Gilmore & Bell in Kansas City, Mo. She is an attorney in the Office of Chief Counsel of the Internal Revenue Service in Kansas City, Mo.

## LLM

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**Paula M. Young, LLM '03**, presented a workshop, "Integrating the Three Apprenticeships in an Insurance Practice Course," at the Summer Conference of

the Institute for Law Teaching and Learning in New York City. She published "Teaching Professional Ethics to Lawyers and Mediators Using Active Learning Techniques," published in 40 *Southwestern Law Review* 127 (2010). The article is part of a series about the use of active learning to teach the core values of mediation – mediator impartiality, party self-determination, confidentiality and quality of the process, and concludes that instructors can create enthusiasm in students for professional ethics by providing well-designed training programs that use active learning techniques. She is an assistant professor of law at Appalachian School of Law.

**James W. Reeves, LLM '04**, is president-elect of the Association of Missouri Mediators. He operates Conflict Management Systems in St. Louis.

**Nivedita Gutta, LLM '06**, practices with Meta-Culture, an alternative dispute resolution firm based in Bangalore, India.

**Zain Satardien, LLM '08**, practices with Edward Nathan Sonnenbergs Inc. in South Africa, where he concentrates his practice in commercial litigation, dispute resolution and antitrust law. He was admitted as an attorney of the Supreme Court of South Africa and was appointed as the manager of the International Trade Commission of South Africa in the legal services division. Satardien also published "South Africa's International Trade Laws and its Guillotine Clause" in the *Manchester International Journal of Economic Law*. In December 2010, he married Ayesha, an aspiring chef.

**Szu-Liang "Caillou" Chen, LLM '09**, is one of four individuals accepted for the doctoral program at the National Chung Cheng University in Taiwan. He was also one of a select few elected by the attorney association of Taichung as one of the arbitrators who will work for the Taichung government.

**Dongdong Song, LLM '10**, received a master's degree in law from Huazhong University of Science and Technology and will continue in the doctoral program at the university. His thesis is titled, "A Study on U.S. Alternative Dispute Resolution Mechanisms: Analyze the Operation Mode of U.S. National Conflict Resolution Center."

**Shengming Zheng, LLM '10**, completed an internship with the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York and Sills, Cummins & Gross in New York, then became the head of dispute resolution with Burkhardt, Boehland & Partners in Shanghai, China.



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Greene County (Mo.) Sheriff's Office

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The Robertson Law Group - Kansas City, Mo.

### Enterprise

**Janet Robey Alonzo, '82**

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## Alumni Memoriam

### 30s

**Oscar S. Brewer, '37**, of Kansas City, Mo., died April 14, at age 95. Following graduation from law school, he joined the Warwick law firm in Kansas City before co-founding Brewer & Myers. He was a managing partner of that firm and succeeding law firms. During World War II, he served as an officer in the U.S. Navy. He was operations officer of LST (Landing Ship Tank) Flotilla 13 and took part in the invasions of five major Japanese-held islands in the Pacific Ocean. Brewer was an avid duck and quail hunter, as well as owner and trainer of championship Labrador retrievers, and was elected to the Retriever Hall of Fame.

### 40s

**Jack B. Robertson, '47**, of Kansas City, Mo., died April 21, at age 90. He served in U.S. Army Intelligence during World War II, then attended law school. He was a practicing attorney until retiring at the age of 86. During his legal career, he served as attorney for the Clay County (Mo.) board of election commissioners.

**James P. Aylward Jr., '49**, of Kansas City, Mo., died April 17, at age 92. He began his legal education at the University of Michigan, but interrupted his studies to join the Army after the attack on Pearl Harbor in 1941. While in the Army, he attained the rank of major, served in the European Theater of Operations during World War II and participated in battles in Normandy, Northern France, Ardennes, Rhineland and Central Europe. He received the Bronze Star for valor at the Battle of the Bulge. Following his graduation from the School of Law, he served as a law clerk to a U.S. District Court judge and then practiced law in downtown Kansas City. During his legal career he also served as first assistant county counselor in Jackson County, Mo., Jackson County tax collector and public administrator of Jackson County.

**Kathleen "Kay" Marley Somerville, '49**, of Chillicothe, Mo., died Feb. 22, at age 88. A veteran of World War II, she served as a lieutenant junior grade with one of the first contingents of U.S. Navy WAVES (Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service). In 1948, she married classmate **Ronald Lee Somerville, '49**, and served as a teacher, homemaker and volunteer in Chillicothe and Livingston County (Mo.) civic activities. She was a member of Grace Episcopal Church, the Olive Prindle Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Colonial Dames of the 17th Century, Livingston County Republican Women and the Girl Scouts, among others. She was the mother of **Peter Marley Somerville, '79**, and **Kimberly Somerville Hughes, '74**.

### 50s

**Montgomery "Monty" L. Wilson, '52**, of Maryville, Mo., died June 12, at age 86. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corp and was a World War II veteran, discharged in 1946. He practiced law from 1952 to 1958 and was the Maryville city attorney. He also farmed in the Skidmore, Mo., area for most of his working life. Wilson was elected to the bench in 1958 as the probate magistrate judge (now the associate circuit judge), a posi-

tion he held for 18 years. He then spent 12 years as the 4th Judicial Circuit judge and retired from that position in 1988. He was active in several organizations in Maryville and Skidmore, including the First United Methodist Church in Maryville, Maryville Host Lions Club and the Skidmore Missouri Masonic Lodge.

**Paul Arthur Hanna, '53**, of Prescott, Ariz., died Jan. 20, at age 93. During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army, attaining the rank of major. He was business manager at MU from 1946 to 1954, earning his law degree in 1953. In 1954, he moved to Dearborn, Mich., to work in the office of general counsel for Ford Motor Co., and then to California to assume a series of positions with Ford Aerospace, Aeronutronic Division. Hanna was in private practice in Newport Beach and Costa Mesa, Calif., from 1966 until his retirement in 1982.

**Walter L. Walker, '53**, of Neosho, Mo., died Aug. 20, 2010, at age 82. He was a veteran of World War II and the Korean War, during which he was wounded in action. He was awarded the Purple Heart, Combat Infantry Badge and the Bronze Star. Following his graduation from law school, he established a law practice in Neosho and practiced until his retirement in December 2005 after 52 years. He was a member the Stella Masonic Lodge and served as grand master for the Grand Lodge of Missouri A.F. and A.M., and was a member of the Neosho Lions Club, Disabled American Veterans, American Legion of Neosho, 40 and 8 of Joplin and the First Christian Church.

**Patrick A. Woodley, '53**, of Adrian, Mo. died on May 8, at age 57. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus in Clinton, Mo., and was previously active in the Cub Scouts with his two sons. He was also a member of the Lions Club and the Elks Lodge, and was a high school soccer referee.

**Harold L. Volkmer, '55**, of Hannibal, Mo., died April 16, at age 80. He was appointed assistant attorney general of Missouri until he entered the Army. Following his military service, he moved to Palmyra, Mo., where he entered private practice. He served as county prosecutor from 1960 to 1966, when he was elected to the Missouri House of Representatives. In 1976 he was elected to Congress, where he served on several committees and was known for his support of gun rights. After his service in Congress, he served on the National Rifle Association (NRA) board of directors for 12 years and was on the NRA executive council at the time of his death.

**Jackie "Jack" Dean Lukehart, '59**, of Brunswick, Mo., died April 25, at age 75. He practiced law for 52 years. He was a member of the Keytesville (Mo.) Masonic Lodge and Ararat Shrine Temple and was instrumental in starting the Brunswick Pecan Festival and the Brunswick Swim Club.

**Lowell R. McCuskey, '59**, of Linn, Mo., died July 7, at age 80. He was a colonel in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict. He served as a member of the Army and later the Army National Guard for 41 years. He was also the owner of the Osage County Abstract Office. He belonged to St. John's United Methodist Church in Linn, the VFW, the American Legion, Linn Lions Club and

the Reserve Officers Association of the United States. He was the past president of the Missouri Republican Party and also served as the Osage County, Mo., prosecuting attorney.

### 60s

**Jack J. Isgur, '60**, of Kansas City, Mo., died April 15. He was an attorney and also served as the women's volleyball coach at the University of Kansas and coached women's volleyball for several years. Isgur, a native of Sedalia, Mo., was supportive of the Sedalia community, and also supported the arts in public schools, establishing the Jack J. Isgur Foundation to award college scholarships to those interested in teaching art, literature and humanities in rural Missouri school districts. He was an Eagle Scout and a member of DeMolay, Masonic Lodge and Alpha Epsilon Pi fraternity.

**James H. McLarney, '62**, of Kansas City, Mo., died July 8, at age 77. He served in the U.S. Air Force in Okinawa before attending law school. He practiced law at Swanson Midgley until 2009, serving as managing partner for 15 years. McLarney was a member of many civic and professional groups, including the Estate Planning Association, the Rotary Club, Alpha Gamma Sigma Fraternity, the Carriage Club and the Missouri 4-H Foundation. He was the brother of **C. Patrick McLarney, '68**.

**Allen I. Harris, '64**, of St. Louis, died Feb. 25, at age 71. During his career, he served in the City of St. Louis prosecuting attorney's office and practiced criminal defense law.

**Richard L. Wieler, '68**, of Lincoln, Neb., died April 14, at age 70. He worked in the Missouri Attorney General's Office for more than 20 years before his retirement.

### 70s

**William J. Stewart, '73**, of Bolivar, Mo., died April 18, 2010, at age 65. He taught high school and coached in Ellsworth, Kan., before being drafted into the U.S. Army. Following graduating from law school, he served an assistant public administrator in Kansas City for five years before returning to his hometown of Bolivar. He was in private practice in Bolivar and was a former Polk County, Mo., prosecuting attorney and a public defender for the 30th Judicial Circuit of Missouri. Stewart was a former member of the board of directors of Legal Aid of Southwest Missouri.

### 80s

**John Benjamin Neher III, '86**, of Higginsville, Mo., died April 6, at age 50. He effectively briefed and appeared in numerous cases before the Missouri Court of Appeals for the Western District, the Supreme Court of Missouri and the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals, and had a 100 percent acquittal rate for clients that went to jury trial. Neher was a member of the Missouri Association of Trial Attorneys, the Higginsville Rotary Club, Lafayette County (Mo.) Bar Association, the Association of Trial Lawyers of America, the Higginsville Country Club and Ducks Unlimited.

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Fall 2011 & Spring 2012

### SEPTEMBER

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#### Annual Alumni Luncheon

*held in conjunction with The Missouri Bar Annual Meeting*

The Hyatt Regency Crown Center  
2345 McGee Street in Kansas City, Mo.  
12:15 pm ▶ **INFO 573-882-4374**

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#### Dean's Tour Reception in Washington, Mo.

Generously hosted by Zick, Voss & Politte  
Office of Zick, Voss & Politte  
438 West Front Street in Washington, Mo.  
5:30-7 pm ▶ **INFO 573-882-4374**

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#### Open House for Prospective Students

John K. Hulston Hall  
10:15 am - 3 pm ▶ **INFO 573-882-6643**

### OCTOBER

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#### Dean's Tour Reception in Chicago

Generously hosted by Thompson Coburn LLP  
Thompson Coburn Conference Center  
55 East Monroe Street, 37th Floor, in Chicago  
5:30 - 7:30 pm ▶ **INFO 573-882-4374**

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#### Dean's Tour Reception in Washington, D.C.

Generously hosted by Walter B. McCormick Jr., '79, President & CEO of the United States Telecom Association  
Office of the United States Telecom Association  
607 14th Street, NW, in Washington, D.C.  
6 - 7:30 pm ▶ **INFO 573-882-4374**

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#### 100th Anniversary of MU Homecoming

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#### Dean's Tour Reception in Chillicothe

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Home of David & Darla Macoubrie  
2116 Woodcrest Drive in Chillicothe  
5 - 6:30 pm ▶ **INFO 573-882-4374**

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#### 2011 *Journal of Dispute Resolution* Symposium

*Border Skirmishes: The Intersection Between Litigation and International Commercial Arbitration*  
John K. Hulston Hall  
8 am - 1 pm ▶ **INFO 573-882-5969**

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#### Dean's Tour Reception in Dallas

Generously hosted by Justice Douglas S. Lang, '72, & Martha Lang  
Home of Douglas & Martha Lang  
4661 Southern Avenue in Dallas  
5:30 - 7:30 pm ▶ **INFO 573-882-4374**

### FEBRUARY 2012

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#### 2012 *Missouri Law Review* Symposium

*Cyberbullying: Emerging Realities and Legal Challenges*  
John K. Hulston Hall  
▶ **INFO 573-882-6381**

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Offices of Lathrop & Gage  
1845 South National Avenue in Springfield  
5 - 6:30 pm

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Ruth Towne Museum and Visitor's Center  
Truman State University in Kirksville (corner of Franklin and Normal Streets)  
5:30 - 7 pm ▶ **INFO 573-882-4374**

### March 2012

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#### Dean's Tour Reception in St. Louis

Generously hosted by W. Dudley McCarter, '75, & Beth McCarter  
Home of Dudley & Beth McCarter  
338 Peekskill Drive in Creve Coeur  
5 - 7 pm ▶ **INFO 573-882-4374**

### April 2012

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#### The Law Society Dinner St. Louis

TBD ▶ **INFO 573-882-4374**

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