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Dear Friends,

"I’m thrilled." "I’m excited." "I can’t wait." I’ve sounded like a broken record in the past few weeks as I’ve responded to questions about how I feel about my appointment as the dean of the University of Denver Sturm College of Law.

There is so much to be excited about. The Sturm College of Law has a superb faculty committed to providing the best possible education for our well-qualified students; they produce scholarship of the highest rank while serving the local, regional and national communities. The staff works tirelessly to support the education of our students and the work of the faculty in countless and often unseen ways. Our students learn in a state-of-the-art facility that is the envy of law schools across the country.

DU Law faculty members have worked very hard over the past few years to implement changes to the curriculum that provide our students with the skills they will need as lawyers in the 21st century. Our students continue to learn the fundamentals of law in the United States, even as they enhance their writing skills, acquire practical training in the Student Law Office and through internships and learn about the legal issues our nation will increasingly confront as globalization continues. They have the opportunity to take advantage of nationally ranked programs in environmental law, international law and tax law.

Most importantly, the College of Law is fortunate to have the support of its alumni. As a new...
come to the College of Law community, one of the things I have been most impressed by is the deep-seated commitment of the alumni. That commitment has been evident in the past few weeks as I have been approached by alumni—and by individuals who are not graduates of the College of Law—to offer their support to the law school.

The Sturm College of Law is a great law school. As I have talked to faculty, students, staff and alumni over the past few months, the commitment to make the College of Law an even better law school has been evident. That effort stands on the shoulders of so many who have worked very hard to develop the College of Law into the great law school it is today. I want to especially acknowledge the work of Dean Mary Ricketson and Associate Dean John Reese, who have begun a well-earned respite from their administrative responsibilities.

I have been overwhelmed by the warm welcome I have received from so many of you. I look forward to meeting you in the coming months, and hearing your views about how the College of Law can continue to develop and improve. I'm eager to work with each of you. I'm thrilled. I'm excited. I can't wait!

José R. “Beto” Juárez, Jr.
Dean and Professor of Law
Institute for the Advancement of the American Legal System Now at DU

In January, DU unveiled the Institute for the Advancement of the American Legal System (IAALS)—the only university-based entity of its kind in the nation—created to develop and promote solutions to problems within the American legal system from an objective, non-partisan and non-ideological viewpoint.

“The legal system is too cumbersome, costly and inefficient,” said IAALS Executive Director Rebecca Love Kourlis, former Colorado Supreme Court Justice. “We haven’t been able to come together to implement solutions and the situation is getting worse. Through collaboration and collective insight, we hope to propose answers to some of the real problems.”

The IAALS will address such complex problems as increasing the timeliness and efficiency of a legal system often considered complicated, bureaucratic and slow to resolve cases; improving access to a system often viewed as available only to the wealthy and powerful; improving methods for selecting judges; and improving the tools available to judges to manage their cases.

“We want to be perceived in the legal and court community as a dynamic, thoughtful source of solutions to what ails the legal system. We want to be a part of implementing those solutions,” Kourlis said. “If we can accomplish those goals, we will deem ourselves to be moving toward success. Ultimately, what we want is a legal system that truly provides fair, predictable and cost-effective outcomes—a system where the courts and the attorneys serve the users.”

IAALS Assistant Director and two-time DU alumna Pamela Gagel, BA’75, JD’85, echoes Kourlis’ sentiment. “I believe in our legal system but there are some glitches in it,” Gagel said. “Sometimes the system fails people, and I want to help restore confidence in it. I believe that the work we’re doing through the institute will make a difference in Colorado and across the nation.”

In addition to Kourlis and Gagel, the IAALS is staffed by Policy Analyst Mac Danford, also a Sturm College of Law alumnus. The institute’s Board of Advisers features some of the foremost legal and business professionals state- and nationwide. Additionally, Senior District Judge Richard Matsch, of the Federal District Court for Colorado, will serve as consultant to the IAALS.

For more information about the IAALS, visit www.du.edu/legalinstitute.
Victory for Environmental Law Clinical Partnership

On April 15, 2005, taxes weren’t the only things being filed. DU’s Environmental Law Clinical Partnership—through its partnership with the Center for Biological Diversity—and Friends of the Earth teamed up to file a case against the federal government mandating the development of an attainable plan to implement greater use of alternative fuel vehicles (ATFs)—vehicles that burn non-petroleum fuel. In March 2006 the case was resolved in favor of the plaintiffs.

“This case is an effort to force the government to put its money where its mouth is,” said Jay Tutchton, director of DU’s Environmental Law Clinical Partnership. “To force it to set a realistic goal and then figure out how to actually achieve the goal instead of just talking and doing nothing.”

An earlier round of litigation required the federal government to purchase and use thousands of ATFs. With this latest win, the federal government must determine if it should require private and local government fleets to buy ATFs to help promote the nation’s goal of using more non-petroleum fuel.

Domestically produced, ATFs have cleaner emissions than vehicles burning petroleum. If less is being used nationwide, there will be less need to drill for oil, fewer accidents resulting from the transport of oil and fewer disputes over the possession of oil.

“Anything we can do to reduce petroleum use is good for the environment and good for the nation,” Tutchton said.

Alumni Mentoring Program

The Sturm College of Law’s Alumni Council completed its first year of the Alumni-Student Mentoring Program this spring. Designed to initiate a potential lifetime relationship between mentor and student, the Mentoring Program uses a class curriculum to prompt discussions between participants. Students discuss the topic at hand with their mentors in each session, which allows relationships to develop naturally and if appropriate. In its inaugural year, the Mentoring Program attracted nearly 50 alumni mentors and used the curriculum of a legal writing class taught by Professor Michael Massey.

“This program enriches both parties involved by bringing value to each other,” Massey said. “It specifically advances the student’s law school experience through a mentoring relationship with a practicing attorney-alumna/us. We look forward growing this program to its full capacity over the next few years.”

Individuals interested in serving as alumni mentors can contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 303-871-6398.
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DU Law Students Head to New Orleans for Spring Break

For a group of intrepid DU Law students, New Orleans was the place to spend spring break this year—not in spite of the damage caused by Hurricane Katrina, but because of it.

In March, seven DU Law students traveled to the Big Easy to assist individuals left with legal problems in the wake of Katrina, and to help with clean-up efforts. Michael Goldstone (2L) was the driving force behind the DU contingent, part of the national Student Hurricane Network, formed to provide volunteer assistance to overworked public interest lawyers and relief agencies.

“After spending some time in New Orleans, I realized how important the city is to the history and culture of this country,” Goldstone said. “New Orleans is a treasure that must be rebuilt.”

Goldstone was surprised by the positive attitude he encountered among hurricane victims, despite how little progress has been made reconstructing the city. “Rebuilding in New Orleans is spotty and very dependent on wealth,” he said. “Where people had money, houses were being gutted and fixed, and where people didn’t have money, houses were still rotting.”

Dramatically affected by his recent experience in New Orleans, Goldstone opted to spend his summer interning at Loyola University, and doing his part to help revive the troubled city. “Disasters create opportunities for rebuilding and creating new systems that can eliminate problems inherent to the old systems,” he said. “I’m returning to New Orleans to learn how to take advantage of this disaster.”

DU Law Review Doubles Issues and Gets Facelift

2005 proved to be a good year for the Denver University Law Review. In addition to sending eight issues to press—twice its usual four—the journal’s cover was redesigned and now features the Sturm College of Law clock tower.

According to members of the journal’s 2005 editorial board, internal reforms helped make the publication process more efficient, including computerizing the cite/source process, and enhancing internal communication and member training.

The current issue of the Law Review—Vol. 83, Issue 3—features articles on Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia and public lands; executive power in the war on terror; and payday lending in Colorado.

The Denver University Law Review dates back 83 years to 1923, when its predecessor, the Denver Bar Association Record, was introduced. Since then the publication has had several iterations: In 1928, it became Dicta; in 1963, the Denver Law Center Journal; in 1966, the Denver Law Journal; and finally, in 1985, the Denver University Law Review. For more information, visit www.law.du.edu/lawreview.
Indian Law Has Deep Roots at DU

Because of its strong academic opportunities and vibrant Native American community, DU is rapidly becoming a top choice for those interested in Indian Law. The University’s ever-expanding curriculum includes courses offered on a regular basis such as Federal Indian Law, Advanced Indian Law, and Native American Natural and Cultural Resources Law. Additionally, DU offers Indian Water Law and Indigenous Peoples in International Law on occasion, and allows students to pursue a directed research project within the field.

According to Kristen Carpenter, Sturm College of Law assistant professor, students are exposed to Indian Law in other courses as well.

“Because the field is so interdisciplinary, students often find that professors cover Indian law cases in courses ranging from Property, Constitutional Law and Federal Courts to Taxation, Environmental Law and the Civil Litigation Clinic,” she said.

Enhancing DU’s curriculum is its location. “Denver is located at the center of Indian country and we have a dynamic Native American Law Students Association with over 40 Indian students and others interested in the field,” said Carpenter.

DU’s Indian Law curriculum has close ties to the University’s nationally ranked Environmental and Natural Resources Law Program (ENRLP), illustrated in part by the recent Cultures of Ownership on the Western Landscape Symposium, a joint effort of Indian Law, ENRLP and the DU Law Review. The symposium dealt with land use issues affecting Indians and non-Indians in the West. Another important alliance is the school-supported internship established with the Native American Rights Fund, the first of its kind in the nation. “It comes down to the community and the opportunities here at DU Law,” said Carpenter, who highlighted the Indian Law curriculum’s many facets including relationships with organizations throughout Denver and the Rocky Mountain West. “With so many of our students and several faculty members devoted to the field, and our close connections with tribes and Indian organizations, we aim to develop one of the nation’s top Indian Law programs.”

Sturm College of Law Achieves Highest Ranking in School’s History

U.S. News & World Report ranked the Sturm College of Law 70th in the nation in its 2007 listing of “America’s Best Graduate Schools,” the highest ranking in the school’s history. DU Law jumped 25 places from its 2006 ranking of 95th in the nation, tying with Loyola University Chicago, Seton Hall University, University of Houston, University of Kansas, University of Nebraska-Lincoln and University of Oregon. Additionally, DU’s programs in Environmental Law and Tax Law were ranked 14th and 19th in the nation, respectively.

Rankings in U.S. News & World Report are based on expert opinion and statistical indicators that measure the quality of a school’s faculty, research and students. Bar passage rate, student-faculty ratio and the percentage of students employed at graduation are some of the criteria that determine a school’s ranking.
Professor Uses Podcasts to Reach Millennials

DU Law Lawyering Process Professor David Thomson realizes that for the “millennials” in his classes—students born in 1982 and later—technology is an intrinsic part of life. “Our students are changing and we as teachers have to respond appropriately to reach them,” said Thomson. “Technology for these students is like air, it’s not something separate.”

Operating under this rubric, Thomson made extra content for his spring lawyering process course available via podcast. “Podcasting is just another form of time shifting and delivering information,” said Thomson, who cited the VCR and TiVo—or digital recording—as technological forbearers to the podcast. To create each podcast, Thomson recorded himself reviewing various material, lessons and exercises. He then posted the audio recording, or file, on an electronic forum that DU Law students could access and download to their iPods or their computers.

Thomson ensured that students realized his podcasts were not mandatory—all the material covered in them was supplemental. “Students don’t need to run out and buy iPods for my class. It’s not required,” said Thomson. “I’m always looking for ways to add to my students’ understanding and this is just another resource for them.” Thomson also made sure that his students understood that the podcasts did not change his attendance requirement.

Given the positive response he received from students, Thomson plans to use podcasting in the future when appropriate. He also plans to branch out and make videos—or “vodcasts”—of his classes downloadable. “As I tell my students, I’m preparing them for their future, not my past,” Thomson said.

Privacy Foundation Explores Patriot Act in Spring Seminar

In April, the Privacy Foundation attracted University of Denver Sturm College of Law alumni, students and faculty, as well as professionals throughout the greater Denver community to its spring seminar, “Legal Ethics, Privacy & the Patriot Act.” Seminar panelists included Brett Tolman, chief counsel for the U.S. Senate’s Crime and Terrorism Senate Judiciary Committee, and Dick Reeve, Denver Deputy District Attorney’s Office, chief of the Economic Crime/Computer Crimes Unit.

An educational, non-profit organization, the Privacy Foundation—based at the Sturm College of Law—was developed to research new technologies, and associated privacy and security implications for individuals, businesses, the law and society. The foundation also assists media outlets in its efforts to inform and educate the public about privacy and security issues. Offering three seminars annually, the Privacy Foundation publishes all of its research findings on its Web site.

“Our seminars provide exceptional, comprehensive and timely information about privacy for the legal, business and computer professional,” said John Soma, Sturm College of Law professor and Privacy Foundation executive director. Earlier this year, the foundation offered seminars that explored privacy and copyright issues, and the corporate perspective on privacy.

DU alumni, faculty and students receive free admission to all Privacy Foundation seminars. For more information, visit www.privacyfoundation.org.
Attendance High at RMLUI Annual Land Use Conference

With a keynote address delivered by Greenpeace co-founder Patrick Moore, the Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute’s (RMLUI) annual Land Use Conference garnered its highest attendance in recent years. Nearly 600 individuals flocked to the 2006 conference, which each year unites DU Law faculty with participants from across nation for discussion and debate of critical regulatory, environmental and land development issues. “I’m proud of the diversity and quality of opinions expressed at this year’s conference,” said James van Hemert, RMLUI executive director. “We continue to challenge our conference attendees and encourage further dialogue and debate on critical issues facing the Rocky Mountain West, and that’s our mission. We’ve also significantly increased the diversity and number of conference sponsors, which indicates growing community support for the event.” In addition to the keynote address, highlights of this year’s conference included a series of in-depth presentations on the U.S. Supreme Court’s decision in Kelo v. City of New London, an eminent domain case that has received national attention; the introduction of early morning “Meet the Expert” sessions that allowed interaction between conference attendees and panelists; and the introduction of mobile workshops that brought select conference sessions to locations outside the Sturm College of Law. “DU should be proud of the eager and able support we received from our student volunteers, the majority of whom are DU Law students,” said van Hemert. Established in 1992 to develop education and research programs about legal and public policy issues related to land use and development, RMLUI is widely recognized for its interdisciplinary conferences, workshops, research projects, and nationally-marketed publications and videos. RMLUI operates under the guidance of both regional and national advisory boards, the members of which are leading academics and practitioners in the fields of law, planning, development and design. Two officers govern RMLUI’s board, both of whom are appointed by the dean of the Sturm College of Law.

Winning Season for DU Trial Teams

In February, students in DU’s Native American Law Students Association (NALSA) made a strong showing at the national NALSA Moot Court Competition in Seattle, Wash. All three DU teams advanced into the top 16 out of a field of 58 teams nationwide. Additionally, the team of Amy Bowers (2L) and Helen Hoopes (3L) placed second in the Best Brief and Best Advocates categories.

For the first time, DU’s Black Law Students Association (BLSA) competed in the Rocky Mountain Regional Convention for the National Black Law Student Association Fredrick Douglass Moot Court Competition held in Houston, Texas. The team won the competition’s Best Petitioner Brief Regional Award.

At the American Bar Association’s Mock Trial Regional Competition held in Topeka, Kan. and Feb. 8-12, DU’s trial team of Cara Morlan and Tyler Eaton defeated all challengers to win the competition and advance to the national competition to be held in Dallas in March.

Finally, it was win, place and show for DU at the ABA’s Regional Client Counseling Competition held in January in Waco, Texas. Taking first place was the team of Amanda Farnsworth and Christine Zema; second place, Stephanie Becerra and Brandon Saxon; and third place, Eric Sutton and Beau Trotter.
McGrath Gift
$459,000 gift to Bruce B. Johnson Memorial Scholarship

Bruce Johnson, JD'70, was more than just an attorney; to many clients he was like family. In March, the estate of Forrest and Patricia McGrath donated $459,000 to support the Bruce B. Johnson Memorial Scholarship Fund, now among the University of Denver Sturm College of Law’s largest endowed scholarship funds. He had been a partner with Otten, Johnson, Robinson, Neff & Ragonetti before his death in 2000.

“My father, Forrest, struck up a great friendship with both Bruce Johnson and Bill Neff,” recalls Bruce McGrath, CEO and owner of Elder Equipment Leasing. Johnson and Neff did more than just represent the family business, he says; they became an extension of the family. McGrath and his three sisters believe their parents would heartily approve of the gift honoring Johnson’s memory.

“The thing I really like about the way the scholarship is run is that the people involved in the screening process include some of the past recipients,” McGrath adds. “It’s a great idea that brings a lot of meaning and intimacy to that scholarship program.”

Bruce McGrath earned a bachelor of science degree in business administration from the University of Denver in 1976, and his stepdaughter, Lindsey Simonds, currently is a DU junior majoring in international studies. His sister, Ann McGrath Peña, graduated from the university in 1970 with a bachelor’s degree in elementary education, and returned to earn a master’s degree in special education in 1976.

More than 90 donors have contributed to the fund, which was established in 2001. The scholarship supports continuing law students with a minimum 3.0 grade-point average who demonstrate a strong interest in upholding the highest ethics in the practice of law, as well as an interest in using the practice of law to serve others. Four students received a Bruce B. Johnson Scholarship for 2005-2006: Melissa Fiebelkorn, Jeffrey Felder, Steven Rotter and Meghan Saleebey.
Faegre & Benson establishes scholarship honoring Joe Montano, JD’53

Faegre & Benson LLP has established a new annual scholarship to benefit law students of under-represented ethnic backgrounds who are attending the University of Denver Sturm College of Law. This scholarship is established in the name of Joe Montano, a University of Denver law alumnus, and one of the firm’s most prominent and respected former partners. The total gift will be in the amount of $100,000. In addition, Faegre & Benson lawyers, who also are DU alumni, have agreed to contribute additional individual contributions totaling more than $30,000.

Recipients of the Joe Montano Scholarship will be chosen based on a number of factors, including academic performance, community service and financial need. Scholarships should range between $5,000 to $10,000 annually.

Joe Montano is a fourth-generation Coloradan who can trace his family’s North American heritage back to 1598. He was born in the San Luis Valley of southern Colorado where he and his brother worked hard on the family farm. While attending high school, Joe excelled in basketball, football and track. After graduating, he served in the Navy as an air controller. With the help of the G.I. Bill, Joe later enrolled at the University of Denver, where he majored in personnel and industrial relations. From there, Joe went on to the DU College of Law, graduating with his law degree in 1953.

Joe’s specialty, eminent domain law, was honed during 18 years as Chief Counsel for the Colorado Transportation Department, then known as the Department of Highways. In that capacity, he helped the state acquire hundreds of thousands of acres of land, including the right-of-way that now constitutes I-25 and I-70. He also managed the contract for construction of the Eisenhower Tunnel.

In the mid-1970s, Joe joined the private firm of Gorsuch Kirgis, becoming the first Hispanic partner of a large, downtown Denver law firm. He joined the Denver office of Faegre & Benson in 1985, where he worked until his retirement in 1999. He now enjoys spending time with his wife of 22 years, Janice, and his three grown children and numerous grandkids. He is also active in DU alumni affairs.

Over a legal career that spanned five decades, Joe tried more than 300 condemnation cases, on behalf of both governmental entities and private parties. One of his most notable cases involved representation of private landowners in the condemnation of a large tract of land for the construction of the Denver International Airport. Joe was able to obtain a condemnation award and other monetary benefits on behalf of the owners totaling nearly $70 million. Joe’s litigation experience ultimately led to his becoming a member of the prestigious American College of Trial Lawyers.

During his lengthy career, Joe argued more cases before the Colorado Court of Appeals and Colorado Supreme Court than any other eminent domain lawyer, earning the nickname, the “Dean” of eminent domain law. He wrote numerous articles on the subject and lectured extensively throughout the U.S. for the ABA, the Practicing Law Institute and other organizations. Colorado eminent domain law, as we know it today, owes much to the contributions of Joe Montano.

“Faegre & Benson has a strong diversity program and is committed to strengthening diversity in the communities where we live and work. We also have a well-known eminent domain legal practice,” says Faegre & Benson partner Leslie Fields, whom Joe mentored. “For those and many other reasons, we are extremely honored to provide this scholarship in his name.”
THE PREMIER GIVING SOCIETY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF DENVER STURM COLLEGE OF LAW...THE DEAN'S CIRCLE

The Dean’s Circle is a community of University of Denver Sturm College of Law alumni and friends who care deeply about the Sturm College of Law and understand the importance of private giving to its success.

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- To assist in interpreting the responsibilities of the College of Law to its alumni.
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Law Firms Step Up

Support from alumni continues to set records in fiscal year 2006, and the Law Firm Alumni Challenge Campaign is one of the key ingredients to this success.

In this, our inaugural year, 16 law firms participated in the Challenge, and the overall percentage of alumni who made an annual gift grew by 270 percent, from an average of 13 to 36 percent.

The College of Law extends a special acknowledgement to the firms of Fogel, Keating, Wagner, Polidori & Shafner and Bennington Johnson Biermann & Craigmile for reaching 100 percent participation among DU Law alumni. We would also like to thank Paul Karlsgodt of Baker & Hostetler, Ron Zall of Berenbaum Weinshienk & Eason, and Chris Little of Montgomery Little Soran Murray & Kuhn for their assistance in increasing the participation levels at their respective firms.

Each year, DU Law and the other 192 accredited law schools report alumni participation figures to the American Bar Association. For law school administrators, who cast ballots in the national rankings with U.S. News & World Report, a school’s alumni participation rate is a factor in the overall reputation of each law school.

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NOBODY ELSE WILL TAKE

BRIAN METZLER | PUBLIC INTEREST LAW

What do endangered sea birds, unpaid day laborers and a prisoner challenging a federal Bureau of Prisons regulation on First Amendment grounds have in common?

In some way or another, they've been deemed expendable, at least when it comes to legal representation. Combined with the notion that there is sometimes little financial upside and sometimes risky political implications to their cases, the people and groups behind these causes often have trouble finding someone to defend them in court.

But those are exactly the types of cases DU law professor Christine Cimini and her colleagues are eager to have the aspiring, young attorneys tackle in the Student Law Office. It's where law students cut their legal teeth and earn their first glimpses of real-world experience, but it's also where they develop a sense of ethics and compassion for the clients they are representing.

“The clinic provides students the opportunity to develop lawyering skills by representing real clients in actual cases,” says Cimini, interim director of the Student Law Office. “Within the clinic context, the substance of the classroom suddenly comes to life. For most students, their clinical experience is a sharp contrast to the practice of reading and analyzing appellate cases.”

Clinical education dates back more than 100 years at DU. In 1904, Dean Lucius W. Hoyt had the foresight and vision to recognize that poor and underserved communities need legal help, and that students could provide that help while simultaneously learning important practice skills under the guidance of faculty who were also experienced lawyers.

Although such a program was rare back then, clinical legal education is now a critical part of all law school curriculums. And DU's progressive Student Law Office, which offers clinical education in criminal, civil, tax, environmental and civil rights law, and mediation and arbitration, has developed a reputation as one of the most respected programs in the nation.
PART I: ENVIRONMENTAL LAW CLINICAL PARTNERSHIP

Early in her law school career, Amy Beattie, JD’00, was frustrated and a bit disillusioned.

She had a friend in medical school who had started her two-year rotation, giving her a chance to experience several different fields of medicine from obstetrics and gynecology to anesthesiology and emergency procedures.

What was Beattie doing? Reading page after page of appellate court cases, going to laborious lectures and listening to hypothetical situations in mock courtroom settings. Then she had a chance to study and work in DU’s Environmental Law Clinic Partnership under the guidance of director Jay Tutchton.

During the clinic, she worked with the Wyoming Outdoor Council on a case that encouraged responsible coal bed methane development under the Clean Water Act. The experience not only changed her outlook about law school, it helped her develop a passion for advocacy work and define her career path.

“I kept thinking that law school had seriously missed the mark by putting students in a scenario where they’d leave school with no practical experience whatsoever,” says Beattie, who, as a lawyer with Denver-based White & Jankowski, works in water and natural resource law. “I learned more in the earth law clinic and the jobs I had because of the clinic than I did in the rest of my time in law school. I wouldn’t trade that experience for anything, and I think it should be mandatory for everyone.”

As much as the Student Law Office has made a local impact, it’s also had significant national and international results in the partnership on behalf of numerous environmental advocacy groups.

Over the last 10 years, students have gone up against big logging and mining operations, multinational petroleum companies and numerous state and federal agencies, all in the name of environmental causes and the non-profits they represent. To date, it has filed more than 50 lawsuits to ensure the protection of various animal species on the Endangered Species list. The battles are usually big in scale and often extend beyond the semester-long clinic. The victories are important and meaningful, but often fleeting in nature.

“You win, but then laws change, budgets are cut and things don’t remain the same,” Tutchton says. “So you have a lot of temporary success. But hopefully, at the end of the day, the environment has been benefited.”

That’s the hope with DU’s latest victory, a case against the U.S. government to enforce a standard of implementing alternative fuel vehicles (ATFs) in its light-duty vehicle fleets. It stems from a 1992 law passed by Congress that mandated that 75 percent of the federal fleet of light-duty vehicles would be capable of running on alternative fuels rather than on gasoline. But seven years after the deadline, the
government is nowhere close to that figure. Why? Because a reasonable and achievable plan was never developed.

Partnering with the Center for Biological Diversity, DU's Environmental Law Clinic Partnership sued the government in 2005, charging that 15 federal agencies are in violation of the Energy Policy Act of 1992, either for failing to comply with the requirements of that act or by failing to post their compliance reports.

In March, the court said the federal government must determine if it should require private and local government fleets to buy ATFs to help promote the nation’s goal of using more non-petroleum fuel.

Other cases that the environmental partnership has played a role in recently include:

- A case to discourage the construction of a Chevron Texaco liquefied natural gas production facility 15 miles south of the U.S. border in a Mexican national park. The case alleges that the construction of the facility is skirting regulations of the North American Free Trade Agreement and would destroy the natural habitat of endangered sea birds and various marine life.

- A case against the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to remove exemption of captive-bred North African antelope species, including the nearly extinct scimitar-horned oryx, from the Endangered Species Act, ultimately to prevent canned hunting operations at private ranches in Texas.

- A case against the U.S. Forest Service that challenges the approval of a new road that could ultimately give Texas billionaire Red McCombs the ability to put a massive residential and retail development on a 287-acre piece
of land at the base of Wolf Creek Ski Area in southwestern Colorado.

- A case aimed at shutting down logging operations in parts of New Mexico and Arizona in order to protect Mexican spotted owl habitats. Although logging has persisted, the DU clinic helped its client win an injunction that reduced, at least temporarily, the impact on the owls.

- A case against the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources to eliminate trapping on public lands known to be the habitat of a variety of endangered species, including bald eagles, grey wolves and Canadian lynx.

The latter case was worked on by Melissa Hailey, who graduated in May and took a job with Forest Guardians, a non-profit environmental advocacy group in Santa Fe, N.M. She attended Seattle University School of Law but transferred to DU for her final year solely for the purpose of participating in DU’s environmental partnership with Tutchton, whose passion and diligence to environmental causes is contagious.

Now Hailey has a feeling she’ll one day be a clinician and help other young law students hone their skills. For the time being, she’s eager to start making a difference in the real world.

“With a background in biology, I understood the science, and I knew if I could understand the law as well, maybe one day I could be in a position to actually change something,” she says. “That may sound very naive and very idealistic, but that’s what I believe. And going through the environmental clinic reinforced the notion that there is a great need to do this kind of work.”
PART II: CIVIL RIGHTS CLINIC

When school begins in the fall, one of the cases the Civil Rights Clinic will tackle is the case of Mark Jordan, a prisoner at the federal Supermax prison in Florence, Colo. Jordan is serving time for robbery and murder, but he’s going to trial on October 30 over a First Amendment issue that stems from articles about his prison experience that he has written for various magazines.

When the prison found out about the articles, it disciplined him for violating a Bureau of Prisons regulation that prohibits an inmate from “acting as a reporter” or “publishing under a byline.” Jordan filed a lawsuit challenging the constitutionality of the regulation in 2002 and has been litigating it pro se ever since. The federal court approved the clinic’s representation of Jordan in the spring, which means students will have their hands full once school begins in the fall.

“Despite the complexity of the cases and how big they are, I still take the position that these are the students’ clients and the students’ cases,” says professor Laura Rovner, who heads up the Civil Rights Clinic. “It’s up to them to do the work. They interview and counsel the clients, develop the case theory, conduct fact investigation, take the depositions, draft the motions, conduct the trial. In doing so, they develop a sense of ownership of their cases and that, more than anything, is what makes them ready to go into the real world.”

In the spring, the clinic helped secure a favorable result for a Jewish man who alleged he had been discriminated against for his religious beliefs by his employer. The Denver-area resident had been hired by a medical publishing company in 2002, as an editorial manager. After a few months on the job, he was recognized for his quality of work and strong work ethic. He received positive employment reviews and was respected in the workplace for his diligence for meeting project deadlines.

But later that year, his employer was purchased by another company, and that’s when things started to take a turn for the worst, he said. Shortly after the change in ownership, the new company replaced most of its management staff, including the supervisors to whom he reported. He started experiencing adverse changes and open hostility toward people of the non-Christian faith. His new manager made it clear that evangelical Christian beliefs and practices would have a significant presence and play an important role in the workplace. Numerous Christian symbols were placed throughout the office and the company’s director prominently displayed quotations from a Christian Bible. Furthermore, the company allowed prayer meetings to be held on company property during normal work hours and during regular meetings, and managers pressured employees to convert to fundamentalist Christianity.
Although the employee had complained to the company’s human resources department, his charges weren’t investigated and he was never asked any additional questions about his complaints. Instead, he was fired in August 2003.

With the help of a private attorney, he filed a discrimination lawsuit against the company, but after about a year of litigation, his attorney announced that she was closing her practice and couldn’t continue with the case. With no other alternatives, he was about to give up the case—until he was referred to the Student Law Office.

When Rovner arrived at DU two years ago, she was charged with creating the Civil Rights Clinic, which would allow students to get hands-on education with cases similar to these two. But she knew it would require the ability for law students to practice in federal district court. She and fellow professor Marcia Levy and Dean Emeritus Bob Yegge advocated for such a rule, and it was approved by the federal court in 2005.

“My goal was not just to give students the opportunity to work on civil rights cases, though there is significant community demand in that area, but also to provide our students with an additional forum in which to learn to practice law,” Rovner says.

Rovner assigned the case to third-year law students Ari Krichiver, Mary Walsh and Mary Barham, who eagerly jumped into the discovery process and motion practice. Aside from their experience in law procedures, the threesome gained many aspects of real-world experience that would never be conveyed in the classroom, including how to communicate with opposing counsel and how to manage time-sensitive deadlines. And because the original company had been acquired, Krichiver, Walsh and Barham had to dive into nuances of corporate law with which they had no prior experience.

But their passion and perseverance, combined with Rovner’s guidance and reassurance, kept them on track. After much negotiation, in March, the publishing company finally agreed to resolve the matter out of court and pay the plaintiff a substantial settlement.

“I feel like it was the best thing I did in law school,” says Krichiver, JD’06, who won the Outstanding Student Lawyer Award for 2006. “I feel like I can go to a firm and say, ‘Here’s something I filed with the court in a real case. It’s as real of an experience as you can possibly get. And I don’t have to say, ‘Yeah, I took a class on this or that.’”
Four years ago when community advocate Minsun Ji developed the El Centro Humanitario para los Trabajadores day labor center in Denver, she realized the center had an immediate need for a legal services clinic. There was a growing number of workers—most of them Mexican immigrants who weren’t fluent in English—not being paid for the work they completed for companies in the construction, landscaping, automotive and ranching business.

Ji contacted DU law professor Christine Cimini to see what help the school might be able to provide. With the large number of cases that began piling up, Cimini knew there was no way the Student Law Office’s Civil Litigation Clinic could handle them all.

Given the limited resources, Cimini asked the students to define the larger problem, brainstorm a range of solutions and then decide from those potential solutions which best met their clients’ goals.

“One of the things we’re trying to do in the Civil Litigation Clinic is teach the students to have a broad vision of what it means to be a lawyer and what it means to advocate on behalf of disadvantaged people who, inevitably, are never going to have equal access to lawyers.”

Under the guidance of professors Cimini and Tamara Kuennen, the students began to think about systemic ways to address the problem of unpaid wages. The students drafted and lobbied for a state bill to increase the statutory penalties for unpaid wages. Because of the work of many students, the proposed bill passed both the House and the Senate, but was ultimately vetoed by the Governor. Undeterred, the students turned their attention to the Denver City Council. The students, working under the direction of a coalition of community advocates, helped successfully advocate for the passage of a city ordinance that makes it a crime to fail to pay wages. This ordinance provides workers another tool in their fight to receive wages.

In an effort to help empower the client community, Kuennen and the students created a self-help video designed to help workers effectively present their own cases in small claims court. “Creation of the video, which was made in Spanish, was an opportunity for the students to help a larger number of people than they could by representing individual clients in traditional civil cases, while at the same time supporting the Center’s mission of empowering clients to educate and represent themselves, rather than relying on attorneys,” professor Kuennen says.

In addition to the systemic advocacy, the clinic also represents individual clients in court. The students recently filed a complaint in Federal Court against a Denver-area construction company alleging violations of the Fair Labor Standards Act on behalf of four immigrant laborers. The complaint alleges that the four plaintiffs worked for months but were only paid a fraction of what they were owed.

Ji says the informal relationship with the Student Law Office has been a blessing. In the past several years, she estimates workers have been able to recoup more than $35,000 in wages.

As the center continues to grow—it now sees more than 600 people every month—its legal clinic becomes more and more valuable. “The process can be really frustrating for a lot of reasons, but we do our best to recover those wages,” Ji says. “We are dealing with
very low-wage workers who already lack the power to enforce their rights. But with the help that DU has given us, we're in a much better situation."

While many students have played a role in helping El Centro Humanitario para los Trabajadores since 2002, none has made as much of an impact as Chris Newman, JD'04. A Chancellor's Scholar while at DU, he volunteered to work with the day labor center during his first summer of law school and then participated in the Civil Litigation clinic for two semesters, during which he continued to focus his work on the center.

Fluent in Spanish, Newman honed a strong passion for helping the center develop solutions to systemic challenges and advocating on the workers' behalf. It wasn't long before the workers recognized his sincerity and not only trusted him, but relied on him to get the help they needed.

Upon graduating, he was awarded with a prestigious New Voices Fellowship, which enabled him to continue in a similar capacity as Legal Programs Coordinator for the Los Angeles-based National Day Laborer Organizing Network (NDLON), the largest day laborer rights advocacy organization in the U.S.

This summer he's been immersed in the national immigration debate, educating politicians in Washington D.C. on behalf of the countless immigrants and grassroots organizations the NDLON represents. His fellowship expires at the end of the year, but he's committed to staying onboard with the organization at this crucial juncture.

Newman has had numerous life experiences that have helped shape his path—including living in Mexico City in his twenties and bicycling across South America—but he credits the focus of his budding legal career to the experience he gained in the SLO under Cimini's direction.

"What's cool about the clinic system at DU is that you develop skills necessary to learn how to be a legal advocate," says Newman, 31. "But it also affords you a space to be creative and learn by doing as opposed to learning by being told. So much of law school to me is indoctrination. It's about 'Do this because this is the way it has to be' or 'Do this because this is the way it's always been done.' I think the clinic gives you the skills you need to do that, but it also allows you to think differently and understand the role of legal services to the community."

DU's Civil Clinic also represents clients facing eviction, those threatened with the loss of a housing subsidy, or those who have been discriminated against in the housing context. Through the work of Professor Kuennen, the civil clinic also takes referrals from Project Safeguard and represents victims of domestic violence to obtain civil protection orders against their abusive partners.

"Representation in these cases changes people's lives," says Kuennen. For the tenants the Clinic serves, an eviction doesn't simply mean that they have to move out, but that they may face homelessness and lose a lifelong subsidy. For victims of domestic violence, representation may mean the difference between staying in an abusive relationship or leaving it." In both of these substantive areas, the students help impoverished individuals who would otherwise go to hearing without counsel.
PART IV: FUTURE LAWYERS

Inspired by their experience in the Student Law Office, Hailey and Newman are among the many shining examples of how DU is helping shape and encourage public interest lawyers in the 21st century.

“Lawyers have a really unique power to effectuate change,” Hailey says. “People listen to them, especially if they’re speaking for people who don’t have voices.”

Only a small portion of the students who spend time in civil litigation, environmental, civil rights law clinics pursue public interest jobs after graduation. Some, like Hailey and Newman, are invigorated by the experience. Others view it as a necessary step on the way to their professional careers.

Regardless, the benefits to all students can be wide-ranging, Cimini says. “It’s a very eye-opening experience,” she says. “Exposure to poverty and the daily struggles of people who lack economic resources is a learning experience in and of itself.”

The Student Law Office serves a multi-fold purpose. It gives all students who work within one of the clinics priceless experience that they can take with them to their first job and beyond. It helps build skills—everything from case management to trial skills—that they’ll have forever.

And, of course, the Student Law Office provides an invaluable resource to the community, offering legal service to people and organizations that desperately need it. That instills in impressionable young lawyers an idea of how important the law is and a sense of ethics that will help shape their professional careers, Cimini says.

“The amount of learning they do in a semester is really incredible,” Cimini says. “We hope that the clinical experience instills in students an ethic of client-centeredness and an ethic of care for people who might not have the resources others have. And, we are confident that the students will make positive contributions to the legal profession once they leave DU.”

DU’s Loan Repayment Assistance Program

For those who are eager to start a career in public interest law, there can be very real limitations. Working for a large corporate firm might fetch a $100,000 salary right out of school. But going to work for a non-profit usually means a salary of $40,000 or less, and that can make it difficult to pay the bills, especially for students who have accumulated $50,000 to $100,000 in student loan debt from law school and graduate school.

Two years ago, the Sturm College of Law launched its Loan Repayment Assistance Program (LRAP) to benefit alumni who make a commitment to working in the public interest. The goal of the program is to enable students to accept and remain in public interest positions by helping to pay law school debt. They help public interest organizations keep their employees, as the low salary they pay is offset by the loan forgiveness.

A committee of faculty, administrators, students and alumni review the applications of eligible applicants, and make selection(s) of recipients of LRAP funds. To date, the program has awarded funding to several students working in public interest jobs. For more information about LRAP, call or e-mail Julie Spradley, Assistant Director of Financial Management at 303-871-6362 or jspradley@law.du.edu.
When the Ved Nanda Center for International and Comparative Law kicks off its first programming in spring 2007, it promises to “institutionalize” its namesake’s passion for teaching, scholarship, publishing and the law.

The new University of Denver Sturm College of Law resource was announced this past spring in commemoration of Nanda’s 40 years of teaching at the University of Denver. (See photos from the celebration in Legal Affairs, Page 50.) As DU’s vice provost for internationalization and as the Thompson G. Marsh Professor of Law, Nanda has authored or co-authored 20 books and served as a tireless advocate for human rights. Just as important, he has mentored hundreds of students, everyone from Secretary of State Dr. Condoleezza Rice to R. James Nicholson, U.S. Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

Many of those students consider Nanda an unparalleled influence in their careers and even their personal lives. “My metaphor for Ved is that he is a magnet,” says Sturm College alumnus
Douglas Scrivner, JD '77. "He attracts people to the law school and to the study of international law." Along with his wife, Mary, Scrivner launched the center's fundraising drive with a $1 million challenge gift. By June, Scrivner's challenge had already raised an additional $700,000 toward the $2 million goal.

That brisk pace testifies to the high regard to which his students hold Nanda. Connie Cox Price, JD '78, remembers Nanda as much for his humane values as for his classes. "He's sort of a Dalai Lamaesque person," she says, noting that she donated to the center in hopes of perpetuating his values.

The vision for the Nanda Center, Scrivner recalls, grew out of a sense that Nanda’s remarkable career merited far more than a plaque and banquet. "It really was a product of conversations Dean [Mary] Ricketson and I had started last fall when she mentioned the celebration of Ved's 40 years of teaching," he explains. "She said they were thinking about naming the clock tower in the building after Ved, and I said, 'That's not Ved.'"

So Scrivner put his mind to dreaming up a proper tribute—one that would, as he puts it, "institutionalize" Nanda's legacy. "We wanted something lasting and alive that would reflect what Ved has meant to so many of us as a teacher and scholar and writer," he says. In addition, Price says, Nanda's former students wanted to create something that Nanda himself could influence, as well as enjoy. "He's alive, so he can shape this," she says.

Scrivner, who currently serves as general counsel and secretary at the Palo Alto offices of Accenture, believes that a center should accomplish four critical purposes: first and foremost, honor Nanda; second, contribute to the field of international law; third, enrich the intellectual life of the Sturm College of Law; and finally, provide incentive for alumni to reconnect with the law school. As chair of the law school's visiting committee, Scrivner puts special emphasis on the center's importance for Nanda's former students, noting that it fosters emotional, as well as professional, associations.

In the months since the center was announced, Nanda, who will serve as its first director, has been busy envisioning its programming and plotting its operation strategies. Its resources, he says, will be directed to three primary areas: scholarly publications; conferences and colloquia; and fellowships for young scholars. In addition, Nanda notes, "the one thing that will distinguish the center from others is that it will have some practical applications. We'll bring in practitioners in residence."

In planning the center, Nanda and Scrivner reviewed comparable organizations at universities across the country and around the world. Nanda also examined the strategies and successes of trade associations, which offer field-tested models of how to educate and communicate with members and the larger public. Although the center's blueprint remains a work in progress, it reflects the best ideas extracted from all the models—a combination that should make the Nanda Center distinctive. "It's not that we have to reinvent the wheel, but I would like to see that we have our own niche," Nanda says.
The center will be governed by a small board of directors, whose connection with the Sturm College dean and the center’s leadership is modeled on the relationship between DU’s Graduate School of International Studies and the Social Science Foundation. Scrivner expects the board will include 15 to 20 directors representing the University community, the city of Denver and agencies and firms from outside Colorado.

The board will, of course, have oversight responsibilities for the center’s projected $100,000 operating budget. Just as important, Nanda says, “the board will decide each year what themes we’ll pursue.” The themes will determine the topics for symposia and the practitioners invited to campus, as well as the papers and articles slated for publication.

In keeping with Nanda’s interests and career focus, the themes will undoubtedly cover what he calls “human survival issues”—war and peace, human rights, environmental challenges and trade. “My ideal outcome would be that on some of the challenges humanity faces, that this center will have some contribution,” Nanda says.

As Scrivner sees it, the center also has an opportunity to illuminate “the intersection between private and public international law”—in other words, “the laws that underpin globalization and that make international business work.”

Given the expertise in international business and relations at DU’s Daniels College of Business and Graduate School of International Studies, Nanda envisions a number of cross-disciplinary efforts that could extend the center’s reach and make its work valuable for economists, entrepreneurs, diplomats and others working across borders. Such projects might focus on corporate responsibility or perhaps sustainable development—topics that mesh policy, business and law, he notes.

While Nanda hopes that the new center will make a contribution to the international dialogue about these issues and perhaps even affect decision making, he also wants the center to play an invigorating role in the life of Sturm College of Law students and faculty. According to his model, symposia and colloquia will bring together experts and practitioners from throughout the region, providing valuable opportunities to network and share information. In addition, resident scholars and practitioners will be available for organized and impromptu discussions about their work. “The whole purpose of their being here at the school is that the intellectual appetite of the students is whetted,” Nanda says.

What’s more, Scrivner says, the center may offer funds to student researchers who will assist visiting scholars. That will provide yet another opportunity for intellectual exchange and professional development.

Scrivner hopes to extend these opportunities to the alumni diaspora. “I have been keen to give this a life in the virtual arena as well,” he explains, noting that the center’s Web presence will host chat rooms to connect alumni with guest lecturers, vis-
iting practitioners, Sturm College faculty and perhaps even Nanda himself. In fact, Scrivner says, one of the site's first postings may be a streaming video of Nanda's 2006 McDougal Lecture.

The cyber center also will feature special publications, all vetted by an editorial board, reflecting each year's themes. These would represent a hybrid product in scholarly publishing, a departure from the long, involved process associated with publishing in a journal. “At one extreme you have the law reviews,” Scrivner explains. “At the other end is the short op-ed piece in the Denver Post. In between, we thought there was room for the smaller piece — a five-, 10- or 15-page essay that others could react to. ... Being able to do that electronically is attractive.”

One of the center's biggest challenges will be realizing its goals with what Scrivner calls “limited resources.” The Sturm College will provide office space in the Frank H. Ricketson Jr. Law Building, and Scrivner is looking for in-kind support from other organizations. The Denver offices of Accenture might provide technical assistance for the center's Web presence. In addition, he says, the center could seek foundation grants and special sponsorship arrangements with publishing houses.

Although Scrivner looks to the center to conduct valuable work in the field, he also sees it as an overdue investment in the law school's long-term relationship with its alumni. If it works as planned, the center will provide a model for fostering intellectually rewarding relationships between former students and faculty. “The number of people Ved Nanda has touched as a professor,” he says rhetorically, marveling over the extent of his mentor's influence. “Shame on us for not doing something to maintain these relationships.”

Price agrees, noting that the relationships professors like Nanda have with their students continue to inspire over the decades. At their best, they shape a student's values and professional commitments. “My feeling,” Price says, “is he has done this for 40 years. And in 40 years you train a lot of people to worry about these kinds of issues. And to me, that is just what the world needs.”
RACHEL ARNOW-RICHMAN
PRESENTATIONS
Faculty Participant, Third Annual WorkLife Law Conference on Working Time at University of San Francisco School of Law (March 2006).

CHRISTINE CIMINI
PUBLICATIONS

PRESENTATIONS

CONFERENCES

KRISTEN CARPENTER
PUBLICATIONS
“Old Ground and New Directions at Sacred Sites on the Western Landscape,” 83 Denver University Law Review 981 (forthcoming 2006).
“Committing to Tribal Languages in 2006,” Winds of Change, Vol. 21, No. 2 (Spring 2006) (with Thatcher Wine). Book Review of “Recovering the Sacred: The Power of Court case that set new parameters on personal jurisdiction over non-resident parents for purposes of child support as well as recent Colorado Court of Appeals cases that set precedent on the standard to use for the allocation of parental responsibilities at permanent orders and on temporary attorney fees.

ARTHUR BEST
PUBLICATIONS
“Impediments to Reasonable Tort Reform: Lessons from the Adoption of Comparative Negligence,” 40 Ind. L. Rev. (forthcoming 2006).

PRESENTATIONS

PENELOE BRYAN
PUBLICATIONS

APPOINTMENTS
Served as an expert consultant on a recent Colorado Supreme Court case that set new parameters on personal jurisdiction over non-resident parents for purposes of child support as well as recent Colorado Court of Appeals cases that set precedent on the standard to use for the allocation of parental responsibilities at permanent orders and on temporary attorney fees.


PRESENTATIONS


“Peoplehood and Sacred Spaces,” Denver University Law Review Symposium, “Borrowing the Land: Cultures of Ownership in the Western Landscape” (February 2006).


**FEDERICO CHEEVER**

**PUBLICATIONS**


**PRESENTATIONS**


Guest Lecturer, “Litigation and the Environment,” undergraduate class in Environmental Dispute Resolution (April 2006).

“The Environmental and Natural Resources Law Program at the University of Denver College of Law,” UCLA School of Law Conference of Directors of Environmental Law Programs (April 2006).

**ROBERTO L. CORRADA**

**AWARDS**

Selected as co-recipient of the University of Denver Distinguished Teacher Award for 2005-2006.

**PUBLICATIONS**


**PRESENTATIONS**


**WENDY DUONG**

**PUBLICATIONS**


Articles on “Southeast Asian Women’s Rights” will be translated into Asiatic languages for use in Asian countries to further education efforts (forthcoming 2006).
PRESENTATIONS


NANCY EHRENREICH

APPOINTMENTS

Visiting Fellow at the Centre for Law, Gender, & Sexuality, University of Kent, United Kingdom (May 2006).

PRESENTATIONS

“Common Beds: Race, Class, & the Constitution of Reproductive Subjects,” “Intersectionality Interrogated,” and “Recognizing and Developing Common Themes in One’s Scholarship” lectures were delivered at the Centre for Law, Gender, & Sexuality, University of Kent, United Kingdom (May 2006).

BOB HARDAWAY

PUBLICATIONS


Lily Queen, a docudrama of the Triangle Fire Trial (Western Reflections Publishing Co., 2006).

The Papyrus, a novel (Western Reflections Publishing Co., 2006).

MEDIA


“Don’t Let Immigration Hurt America’s Poor,” Chicago Sun-Times (April 2, 2006).

PRESENTATIONS


MARTIN KATZ

PUBLICATIONS


PRESENTATIONS


MEDIA

Coverage of “Academic Freedom” panel, The Denver Post (page C4, April 23, 2006).


JAN LAITOS

PUBLICATIONS

Cases and Materials on Natural Resources Law, (co-authored) (West Publishing 2006).


ETC.

Member, Organizing Committee for the ABA Section of Environmental Energy and Resources, 2007 Annual Conference.
G. KRISTIAN MICCIO

PUBLICATIONS

PRESENTATIONS
“Castle Rock v Gonzales, Some are Guilty-All are Accountable: Accountability in the Age of Denial,” first international conference to be organized and held on Castle Rock v Gonzales since the U.S. Supreme Court decision was handed down in June 2005. The conference drew more than 225 participants (including participants from over 30 states and from Australia) who took part in workshops and plenaries. Jessica Lenahan, the mother of the three murdered children, was in attendance and spoke during the opening plenary. Held at the University of Denver Sturm College of Law (March 2006).

Speaker, the Judicial Conference by the National Association of Family and Juvenile Court Judges, on the effect of Nicholson v Scoppetta in New York and nationwide. Miccio’s scholarship formed the basis for the Nicholson decision in New York, her scholarship having been used by the litigants in the case. (Conference to be held in New Orleans, La. in Fall 2006).

MEDIA
Quoted on matters concerning state accountability in domestic violence cases in the Denver Post, Rocky Mountain News and on CNN.

VED NANDA

PUBLICATIONS
“Agriculture and the Polluter Pays Principle,” 54 American Journal of Comparative Law (Summer 2006).

PRESENTATIONS
Keynote Address, “Can the UN or Anyone Else Stop Genocide & Crimes against Humanity?” University of Montana, Missoula, Mont. (April 2006).
“Civil Society’s Role in Shaping the International Agenda,” University & Civil Society: Autonomy and Responsibility International Conference, DU-Bologna
International Center for Civic Engagement, Bologna (May 2006).
Lecturer, “International Trade,” McGill University, Montreal (June 2006).
“International Criminal Court,” Colorado Academy of Lifelong Learning (February 2006).
“Rules of War,” Graduate School of International Studies, University of Denver, Colo. (February 2006).
“International Criminal Court,” Colorado Bar Association, International Law Section (February 2006).
“International Law and Israel,” B’nai Brith (March 2006).
“Current International Affairs,” Montview Presbyterian Church, Denver, Colo. (April 2006).

MEDIA
Global Agenda, KBDI Channel 12, “WTO” (January 2006).
CLE Video Project, Colorado Bar Association, “Conflict of Laws” (February 2006).
Global Agenda, KBDI Channel 12, “Corporate Responsibility” (March 2006).
Inside Out with Peter Boyles, KBDI Channel 12, “Genocide” (April 26, 2006).
Live and taped coverage, Fox 31 and Spanish language channel, “Immigration” (May 1, 2006).
Several interviews on BBC World Radio, various topics in international affairs.
Several interviews on Voice of America, various topics in international affairs.
Monthly columns in The Denver Post.

HONORS & AWARDS
Myres S. McDougal Distinguished Lecture, Securing International Human Rights (March 10, 2006).
Co-Chair, University of Denver Founder’s Day.

JULIE NICE
PRESENTATIONS
Panelist, “Extending Life, Accepting Death,” for the Bridges to the Future discussion held at the University of Denver’s Newman Center (February 2006).
“Promoting Marriage: A Class Act?” Oxford University, Oxford, United Kingdom (March 2006).
“Prohibition or Protection? Debating the Legal Rights of Same-Sex Couples in Colorado,” debate with State Senator Shawn Mitchell at the University of Denver Sturm College of Law (May 2006).
“Marriage, Sexuality and Class” and “Constituting Constitutive Theory,” two works-in-progress presented to the Law and Society Association’s Annual Conference, Baltimore, Md. (July 2006).
JAMES OTTO

PUBLICATIONS


PRESENTATIONS
“Reforming a Country’s Mining Code,” India Mining Summit 2006, Bhubaneswar, India (February 2006).

APPOINTMENTS

ETC.
James Otto, the Director of Graduate Studies at the University of Denver Sturm College of Law, reports that the Environmental and Natural Resources Law Program (ENRLP) masters program has enjoyed a record enrollment of over 50 students this year. The program now offers between 30 and 40 courses annually to its students who can choose from six specializations including mining, energy, water, land use, environment and international business transactions. The ENRLP has this year entered into formal interuniversity agreements with law schools in Argentina, Chile, Mexico and Peru. The program has continued to increase the coverage of natural resources and environmental law accessible through its internationally acclaimed Web site (natural resources laws from over 100 nations are accessible at www.law.du.edu/naturalresources). The Web site is maintained by the masters program with the assistance of DU librarians, under the guidance of Martha Keister, and had over 1.25 million visitors in the past year.

STEPHEN PEPPER

PRESENTATIONS
Organizer and leader, “Symposium on the Meaning and Practice of Professional Ethics” at the Sturm College of Law. Professor Pepper, along with Professor Buie Seawell of the Daniels College of Business and Rick Martinez of the Denver Health Medical Center, gathered a distinguished group of 24 practicing lawyers, physicians and business executives for a day-long series of discussions on professional values, ethics and practice. The program was sponsored by the University of Denver’s Center for Professional Ethics (May 2006).

ROCK PRING

PRESENTATIONS

“How to Get a Land Trust Going,” briefing to members of the Cherry Hills Land Preserve, Denver, Colo. (April 2006).
ETC.
25 states have adopted “Anti-SLAPP Laws” based on Law Professor Rock Pring’s and Sociology Professor Penelope Canan’s 1996 book, SLAPPs: Getting Sued for Speaking Out, which first addressed the problem of “Strategic Lawsuits Against Public Participation” in government (“SLAPPs”)—lawsuits filed to punish or prevent citizens’ communications to their governments and public officials.
A total of 51 students completed legal internships for credit in the 2005-06 school year in the College of Law’s Environmental/Natural Resources (ENR) Law Internship Program, which Professor Rock Pring supervises. The students contributed over 7,650 hours of volunteer legal work to scores of ENR law firms, corporations, public-interest organizations, and federal, state, and local government agencies. Alumni practicing ENR law who would like to have student interns should contact Prof. Pring at rpring@law.du.edu.

HOWARD ROSENBERG
HONORS
Honored as one of the founders of the “Thursday Night Bar,” a lawyer volunteer program that has been continuously operating since 1966, at the Denver Bar Association’s annual Barrister’s Ball. The award marked the 40-year anniversary of the program on Saturday, April 29, 2006.

LAURA ROVNER
PRESENTATIONS

ANN SCALES
PUBLICATIONS
Legal Feminism: Activism, Lawyering & Legal Theory (New York University Press, 2006).

KAREN STEINHAUSER
AWARDS
Karen Steinhauser, visiting professor of law, was honored this year at the 2006 ADL Torch of Liberty Awards. Professor Steinhauser’s father, Sheldon, “passed the torch” to his daughter; both were recognized as individuals who “exemplify the noblest traditions of the United States of America—people who care not just for themselves today, but for the generations of tomorrow—people who care enough to put their caring into action and who aid in community programs whose purposes are to build a future in which every citizen will benefit from the values of democracy.”

JOYCE STERLING
PRESENTATIONS


RESEARCH GRANT
Co-Principal Investigator, “After the JD: A Longitudinal Study of Legal Careers.” Received confirmation of funding of $1.85 million to conduct the “2nd Wave of After the JD.”

CELIBIA TAYLOR
PUBLICATIONS

DAVID THOMSON
PRESENTATIONS

GRANTS
“Expanding Collaborative Learning in the First Year Legal Research and Writing” course, CTL-sponsored grant during the 2005-2006 academic year.

JAY TUTCHTON
PRESENTATIONS

DAN VIGIL
PUBLICATIONS

PRESENTATIONS
“Lawyer Advertising: Ethical Considerations,” CLE presentation at CLE in Colo. Inc. (February 2006).


ELI WALD
PRESENTATIONS


CLE Instructor, “Financial Exploitation of the Elderly:

ED ZIEGLER

PUBLICATIONS

PRESENTATIONS
LEGAL AFFAIRS

SENATOR SALAZAR VISITS DU LAW

FEBRUARY 23, 2006

Top left: Dean Mary Ricketson and Senator Ken Salazar; Top right: Biray Dogan asks Senator Salazar a question; Bottom left: Poster from the event; Bottom right: DU Law Democrats with Senator Salazar: (l-r) Jeremy Loew (1st year representative); Todd Hildebrandt (president); Senator Salazar; Jonathan Schultz (treasurer); Maureen Martin (vice-president).
CASTLE ROCK v. GONZALES CONFERENCE

MARCH 16-17, 2006

Left: Emily Martin, Deputy Director, Women's Rights Project of the ACLU; Top right: (l-r) Plenary keynote speaker Prof. Joan Meier, George Washington Law School; conference keynoters Judge Marjory Fields, Consultant and Attorney, Retired Justice, New York State Supreme Court and Judge, New York State Family Court; and Judge Stephanie Seymour, 10th Cir. Court of Appeals; Bottom right: Honored guest and opening speaker, Jessica Lenahan (Gonzales) (at podium) speaks to those gathered at the conference while conference organizer and DU Law Prof. G. Kristian Miccio looks on.
Top left: Dean Mary E. Ricketson and commencement speaker R. James "Jim" Nicholson, JD'72, Secretary of Veterans Affairs; Top right: During the Alumni pinning ceremony, Ryan Beck and Justin Benore give one another a hand; Bottom left: Day student speaker Claude Anthony Jackson, Jr.; Bottom right: Evening student speaker Pax Moultrie.
Top left: A reason for celebration: new grads Angela Campbell, Nathan Carr and Matt Casady; Bottom left: Like mother like son: both Michelle and Matthew Linton were in the DU Law Class of 2006; Right: 2006 graduate Angie Bibens and her newborn wave to friends in the audience.
Top left: (l-r) Sara Yelton, JD'04, Kari Moreno, JD'04, Natalie Lucas, JD'04; Top right: (l-r) Ozzie Jaffery, JD'02, Jolyn Moses, JD'00, Aaron Levine, Jen Levine and Gene Branch, JD'00; Bottom left: (l-r) Georginne Dudash, JD'01, Ozzie Jaffery, JD'02, Becky Bye, JD'06, Dennis Kaw, JD'98; Bottom right: (l-r) Bret Hunt, JD'04, Mike Meaux, JD'04, Miro Kovacevic, JD'04, Rebecca Ament, JD'04, Lisa Hunt, JD'04.
Top left: (l-r) Jim Lyons, Paul Jacobs, JD'68, Steve Farber, Bruce Block, Alden Hill, JD'63, Kevin Shea; Top right: Dean Emeritus Hoffman in the training courtroom bearing his name; Bottom: (l-r) Dean Emeritus Daniel Hoffman, JD'58, and Dean Mary Ricketson, JD'78.
LEGAL AFFAIRS

CELEBRATION OF DEAN MARY RICKETSON’S TENURE AT DU LAW

MAY 6, 2006

Top left: Dean Mary E. Ricketson and Chancellor Emeritus Daniel Ritchie; Top right: (l-r) Susan Jackson, Scott Jackson, JD’71, Prof. Ved Nanda, Doug Scrivner, JD’77, Craig Joyce, JD’80; Bottom left: Jarvis Wyatt, JD’04 and Joanna Dunham; Bottom center: (l-r) Dr. Tonia Reese and DU Law Associate Dean John Reese, Katherine Nanda; Bottom right: Dean Mary Ricketson and Norm Brownstein.
Legal Affairs | Celebration of Dean Mary Ricketson's Tenure at DU Law

Top left: (l-r) Dee Wisor, JD'75 and Jan Wisor, Merry Low and John Low, JD'51; Top right: John R. Moran, Jr., JD'55 and retired Colorado Supreme Court Justice Rebecca Love Kourlis; Bottom left: (l-r) Joan Burleson, JD'85, and husband Jim Mulligan, JD'74, DU Chancellor Robert Coombe and wife Julanna Gilbert; Bottom right: (front, l-r) Alumni Council chair Erin Smith, JD'90 and Ralph Torres, JD'70. (Back, l-r) Lynn Torres, Tom Barrett and Diane Barrett, JD'83.
The Law Student Ambassadors exist to help foster interaction between the Sturm College of Law student body and its alumni constituency. This interaction is intended to build relationships between the Office of Alumni & Development and the Sturm College of Law alumni. The DU Law Student Ambassadors Program is comprised of an honorary group of students who are primarily responsible for representing the Sturm College of Law to Alumni and the Denver Community. Duties include conducting building tours, assisting with alumni reunions and events, serving as liaisons at the annual scholarship reception and assisting with the College of Law’s annual Law Stars gala. Pictured here are the 2006 Ambassadors: Left to right and top to bottom: Vice President Ryann Love, Meghan Kelly, Todd Hildebrandt, Catherine Spain, Adam Aldrich, Rachel Johnson, Jeremy Love, Kulani Moti, Tyler Drinkwine, Kelly Williams, Recruitment Officer Rachel Ellis, Danielle Derr, Communications Officer Vivian Chu, Megan Berry, President Megan Hayes.
Legal Affairs | '56 Reunion & Golden Barristers Induction

April 28, 2006

(I-r) Judge Anthony Vollack, Raymond Cody, William Kenworthy (all JD'56); Top right: (I-r) John Criswell, David Michael, Warwick Downing (all JD'56);
Center left: (I-r) Walter Gerash, Richard Eason (both JD'56); Center right: (I-r) DU Chancellor Robert Coombe, Bob Davenport, JD'56, Dean Mary Ricketson, JD'78; Bottom left: The DU Law Class of 1956; Bottom right: (I-r) Ann and Judge John Criswell, JD'56, Lynda Miller, Raymond Cody, JD'56,
Mimi and Albert Golbert, JD'56.
Top left: Prof. Ved Nanda presents the McDougal Lecture; Top right: (l-r) Ralph Lake, JD’73 and David Retsona; Bottom left: (l-r) Sudanese Ambassador to South Korea, Dr. Babiker Ali Khalifa and Vice Provost and Prof. Ved Nanda; Bottom center: Connie Cox Price, JD’78 and Tony Price; Bottom right: Doug Scrivner, JD’77 and Mary Scrivner.
Top left: (l-r) Judge Nancy Hopf, Judge James Klein, Judge Dolores Mallard; Top right: Douglas Brown, Robert Showalter, Howard Pincus, Cathy Cooper, Andrew Felser; Bottom left: (l-r) Prof. Jeff Hartle, Prof. KK DuVivier, Director of the Lawyering Process Program which sponsors Judges' Day, Judge Edward Nottingham, Judge Bruce Campbell, Lawyering Process instructor Tim Hurley; Bottom right: (l-r) Nora Pincus, Judge George Boyle II, JD'71 Chief Judge Janice Davidson, Judge Christopher J. Munch, Jr.
By J.L. Sommars

DU Law School Alumni

Dressed for Success in San Francisco

Billie Munro Audia chose the University of Denver Sturm College of Law because it was close to the mountains. "I love to ski," she confesses. "I figured I'd become a trademark attorney and live in Vail the rest of my life."

She figured wrong.

After graduating in 1989, Audia worked as a business affairs lawyer for the Smithsonian Institution in Washington D.C. Then she ventured to Milan, and later, to London, where she worked for 3Com Corporation, negotiating deals across Europe and the Middle East.

Today, Audia is Senior Corporate Counsel for Gap Inc., one of the world's largest specialty retailers, and her 13th floor office overlooks San Francisco Bay.

She credits her success to "a little bit of talent, a little bit of luck, a lot of networking, and my law degree at DU."

"The school's practical application really prepared me for what I wanted to do - negotiate global deals."

She recalls Steven Wright's Trial Tactics class.

"I was presenting to a mock jury and was reading from my notes on index cards. Professor Wright pulled the cards from my hand and told me, 'You know this better than anyone else in this room. Don't read it, have a conversation.' It was a great learning moment for me. When you tell your story, you make a personal connection with your audience and that makes your message come alive.

"I focused on classes that resonated with me," she says, "like John Soma's Computer Law course. That was back when I knew nothing about technology law. I was his research assistant and he got me interested in technology and how it interplays with copyright law. That's what I've built my entire career upon. Professor Soma has been a mentor to me ever since."

Soma recalls his bright-eyed protégé as, "always optimistic, a problem solver with a can-do attitude."

Gap, which markets products under the Gap, BabyGap, GapKids, Banana Republic, Old Navy and Forth & Towne brand names, has more than 150,000 employees and annual revenues of $16 billion.

Audia joined the company in 2003. A self-admitted "trailing spouse," she moved from London to the Bay area with her husband, Pino, a professor of management at the Haas Business School at the University of California, Berkeley.

The couple has a 2-year-old son, Gianluca.

"Gap's business is more complex than selling jeans and T-shirts," Audia explains. "Technology is critical to making sure the right merchandise gets to the right store at the right time. Our supply chain aspects are a huge component of our business strategy.

"A major part of my job is to negotiate and structure complex technology transactions with Gap's strategic partners."

One of those partners is IBM.

"These are multi-million dollar transactions. They're complex; the contracts are often more than 100 pages," explains Steve Garcia, an attorney for IBM who often sits on the opposite side of the negotiating table. "People get heated up and tensions can run high. One of Billie's strengths is her ability to mediate, to bridge gaps and broker resolutions.

"She understands the human side of a relationship," he adds. "For example, we were working on a major deal and everyone was stressed. Billie learned
it was my birthday and slipped out of the meeting. Later, when we took a break, a birthday cake Billie ordered was brought in. It lightened the mood and got us working together again.

"Billie doesn't bring a lot of ego to the job," he says. "She just brings a lot of talent."

But Audia knows a lot more about Gap than just its contractual verbiage.

"It's not enough to know the law," she says. "To be an effective in-house counsel, you need to know your company's business. You need to know the products and services you make and why customers buy them. If you can't explain your company's business, your legal advice is worthless."

Audia recently returned to Colorado and met with law students at DU (and to do some skiing, of course). She encouraged them to understand where their passions lie and get on a career path that combines those with their own unique skills. From there, she says, it's all about networking like crazy to find the great jobs before they are publicly announced. That's how she found her dream jobs at the Smithsonian, as European Counsel for 3Com and at Gap.

"If I had to do it over again, I'd get a joint degree, a JD and an MBA," she says, pausing and then smiling. "DU has a great business school, too."
1950 | ALLYN W. DAVIS

Allyn W. Davis writes: "Shortly after World War II, many, including myself, took advantage of our government's offer of free education to war veterans. The law school, at that time was housed in a small building (two story and yellow) as I recall. Across the street was 'our coffee shop,' where we traded war stories and even talked the law on occasion. After admission to the bar in 1950, for the next 53 years, I was a deputy district attorney in five counties for seven years, county attorney, attorney for four towns, two banks and local LHA attorney. I practiced in all courts except the federal Supreme Court. During the 53 years, due to ill health, we traveled worldwide for 10 years, and then, missing the law, I re-opened a law office. After finally retiring at age 83, two of my daughters received all of my law books, diplomas and whatever goes with a law office. My loving wife, Betty, and I now enjoyably reside in Pueblo, feeling we have seen or done it all."

1952 | JACK GREENWALD

Jack Greenwald is now in his third year of retirement but is still keeping busy as the volunteer president of the Rose Hill Cemetery Association. He is still involved with the Continuing Law Education publication of the updated treatise of Liens and Claims. And Jack says he expresses the feelings of all of the 1952 graduates in extending sincere sympathies to our longtime scribe, Robert Rottman, upon the passing of his beloved wife, Corrine Baron Rottman.

1954 | DOLORES KOPEL

Dolores Kopel and her husband, Jerry Kopel, JD'58, celebrated their 54th wedding anniversary on June 16. A cum laude graduate of the law school, Dolores continues to be active in legislation and administration. Dolores, who served as U.S. Trustee in bankruptcy for Colorado and Kansas, has been appointed a delegate to the Colorado Bar Association Board of Governors from the Denver Bar Association. Both Dolores and Jerry previously served on the board. Dolores also serves as an office volunteer for Denver Councilman-at-Large Doug Linkhart. She has also studied and become fluent in French.

1954 | Jerry Kopel and his wife, Dolores Kopel, JD'54, celebrated their 54th wedding anniversary on June 16. A cum laude graduate of the law school, Jerry continues to be active in legislation and administration. Jerry, who served 22 years in the Colorado House and retired at the end of 1992, has for the last 14 years continued to assist state legislators by reviewing and suggesting amendments to bills introduced. He also drafted six successful bills beginning in 1988 to remove obsolete provisions from the state constitution. The seventh bill will be voted on in the November election. Most DU Law students from late 1958 through July of 1985 prepared for their bar exams at Bar Refresher courses directed by Jerry. He now writes a weekly legislative column for the Colorado Statesman newspaper and has received
seven annual awards from the Colorado Press Association, most recently first place for public service columns in 2005.

1960 | SHELDON E. FRIEDMAN
Sheldon E. Friedman (LLB) has been appointed to the faculty of the University of Colorado School of Law as a part-time clinical professor. He will teach Legal Assistance-Federal Courts. The course is part lecture and part will-be-law students handling pro-bono cases in the Federal Court.

1964 | JAMES COOPER-HILL
James Cooper-Hill (formerly known as James D. Hill) is currently Visiting Professor of Law at Seattle University School of Law, where he teaches a course on the law of sovereign immunity based on his experience during the past 14 years litigating on behalf of victims of terrorism against Iraq, Libya and Sudan. James authored the text for the course, The Law of Sovereign Immunity & Terrorism, published by Oceana Publications, a division of Oxford University Press (2006). His final case, Rux v. Sudan, in which he represents the families of all 17 victims in the bombing of the U.S.S. Cole, will go to trial in late 2006. Along with his two partners, James lobbied Congress for two bills which ultimately were passed: The Anti-Terrorism & Effective Death Penalty Act of 1996 (which allowed the U.S. to bring suit against foreign terrorist countries) and the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002 (which allowed the U.S. to satisfy its judgments from the frozen assets of the defendant countries).

Harold (Hal) Neufeld writes: “Hard to believe, [I’ve been] retired 11 years from ALJ in HHS. Much traveling since, and right now enjoying the Albuquerque springtime. Family is spread around the world, but all three sons and the two grandsons here for Christmas. Look forward to going to
Denver and checking out the new College of Law building.” He can be reached at 1804 Pedregoso Court SE, Albuquerque NM 87123 or (505) 294-9816.

GEORGE S. KONDOS

George S. Kondos spent much of the past year completing his third novel, *The Curse of Aphrodite*, a novel of romance and adventure that unfolds the myth of the Trojan War. Publication is expected in 2007. His first two novels, *The Paths of Love and Glory* and *Vengeance Trail*, can be ordered through local bookstores or through www.amazon.com. George served on a destroyer as a Navy seaman near the end of World War II and later as an Air Force officer with the Strategic Air Command during the Korean War. Before attending DU Law, he supervised development of computer programs in the design and development of ballistic missiles and rocket boosters and was manager of a computer center. Later he applied his legal education as an information systems manager with the U.S. Department of Justice and on special assignments as a federal prosecutor. Jean and George were married 50 years ago and have two “wonderful” grandchildren. They spent three weeks in Greece last fall, vacationing in Athens, Naflpio and Tripolis and on the islands of Cefalonia and Aegina.

BUD MADIGAN

Bud Madigan is retired and living with his wife, Sandy, in Evergreen, Colo.

JEROME C. ROSE

Jerome C. Rose is now the EEO Consultant for Lehr, Middlebrooks, Price and Proctor in Birmingham, Ala., following more than 20 years as regional attorney for the Birmingham District Office of the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. “During my term as regional attorney, I supervised the litigation of over 850 cases in the Federal District Courts of Alabama and Mississippi involving the statutes enforced by the Commission,” Rose reports. “Of those cases litigated, 98 percent were won or settled favorably on behalf of the Commission, and more than $23.5 million in direct payback or other monetary relief was obtained on behalf of approximately 8,500 charging parties or class members.” During his last year of law school, Rose was elected to serve in the Colorado House of Representatives. Following graduation, he served a second term. He is currently licensed to practice in the state of Colorado and the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals.
1973 | DONALD E. MIELKE

Donald E. Mielke is in his 14th year as a commissioner on the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws, one of six representing Colorado. This past year he has been on two study committees to determine if a uniform law is warranted for medical examiners and for emergency health care services. After the Hurricane Katrina response, the conference was asked to study and draft a uniform act for emergencies. He was appointed to the new drafting committee to draft the Uniform Interstate Emergency Healthcare Services Act. He can be reached at Watrous Ehlers Mielke & Goodwin, LLP, 7472 S. Shaffer Lane, Suite 100, Littleton, CO 80127-7404; (303) 932-1222; rmielke@wemglaw.com

James "Jim" Nelson retired as general counsel of The Gates Corporation in 2003 and joined the firm of Lindquist & Vennum. "My practice continues to emphasize international business development and transactions and technology transfer," he says. He has been appointed to the Rocky Mountain District Export Council and to be one of the eight U.S. delegates to the NAFTA (2022) Advisory Committee on Private Commercial Disputes. He currently serves on the boards of the Colorado Judicial Institute, the Rocky Mountain World Trade Center, the Rocky Mountain Institute of International Education.

1974 | DANIEL CHRISTOPHER

Daniel Christopher resigned as a shareholder in Kennedy & Christopher PC in December after 25 years with the firm and is now general counsel for Beta Health Association in Denver. He can be reached at dan47christopher@yahoo.com or (720) 320-4349.

Randall Roth, a professor at the University of Hawaii School of Law, recently co-authored a book, Broken Trust: Greed, Mismanagement & Political Manipulation at America’s Largest Charitable Trust. His co-author, Samuel P. King, is a federal district court judge.

1975 | GUY ROBERTS

Guy Roberts was appointed to the Deputy Assistant Secretary General for Weapons of Mass Destruction Policy and Director, Nuclear Policy, at the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) in Brussels, Belgium, in June 2005. In that capacity he supports the Secretary General of NATO in establishing the Alliance’s counterproliferation policy and goals and oversees the Alliance’s nuclear deterrence posture. Prior to that Roberts was the Principal Director for Negotiations Policy in the Office of the Secretary of Defense in Washington, D.C., where he was responsible for overseeing all nonproliferation, counterproliferation and arms control negotiations for the Department of Defense. “It has been a while since I’ve had any contact with the law school,” he says. “I very much appreciate the work the Alumni Association is doing in keeping us posted on what’s happening with the University and the law school. Frankly, I find it hard to believe it’s been 31 years since I graduated from DU!” Roberts can be reached at 922 Ridge Drive, McLean, VA 22101; (703) 587-9949 (mobile); olsenr@cox.net; rolsen@sidleyboa.com
1976 | SUNWOLF

Sunwolf (formerly Linda Hotes prior to 1991) returned to graduate school at the University of California to take both a master's and doctoral degrees in communication, studying jury dynamics. Dr. Sunwolf formerly served as clinical education faculty at DU Law and training director for Colorado's Public Defender Office (1978-1993). She is now a tenured social science professor at Santa Clara University, teaching interpersonal communication, persuasion, group processes and conflict. Her research on juries has won national scholarly awards. She is the author of three new LexisNexis books: Practical Jury Dynamics, Jury Thinking and Juror Competency Juror Compassion. She has lectured at CLE programs in more than 30 states and is currently a Visiting Professor at Santa Clara University School of Law, teaching "Jury Law and Strategies," which may be the nation's first law course devoted exclusively to thinking about juries.

4th Annual Battle for the Barrister’s Boot Golf Tournament

DU Law Takes Back the Boot! (Front row l-r) Dave Murphy, Frank Patterson, Ramsey Myatt, JD'70, Stu Bennett, JD'71, Jim Caputo, Lea Kerneis, Howard Kenison, JD'72, Joel Mayo, JD'95, Brent Warkentine, JD'93. Back row: Dave Dennis, Tom Seaman, Dave Little, JD'58, Greg Lindsay, JD'02, Howard Tallman, JD'75, Pete Willis, JD'68, Chris Little, JD'87
Pamela McClune just completed a 2-1/2 year U.S. Navy active duty assignment as legal advisor to the Canada-U.S. Bi-National Planning Group for enhanced military cooperation at Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado. For her service, Pamela was awarded the Defense Superior Service Medal.

1975 | KEN KAY

Ken Kay (JD’76), and Karen Christensen have moved to Tucson, Ariz. Ken opened an office of his consulting firm, Infotech Strategies, in Tucson, which does strategy, public relations and marketing for IT companies that sell into the education, health care and government markets. Ken is also serving as president of the Partnership for 21st Century Skills, a national group focused on defining and advocating the skill sets high school graduates need to be successful citizens and workers in the 21st century. Karen serves on the board of the Tucson Museum of Contemporary Art, the Public Art and Community Design Committee of the Tucson/Pima County Arts Council and on the advisory board of the local public broadcasting TV and radio stations. Their oldest son, Jeff, and his wife, Sarah, work for the “Hole in the Wall” Camp in Connecticut. Their son, Braden, graduated from Carleton College and is now teaching middle school in St. Louis with Teach for America. Their daughter, Bergen, will be a senior at Trinity College in Hartford, Conn.

1977 | SUE FOX

Sue Fox continues her real estate law practice in the Cherry Creek section of Denver. In July she will join the Board of Directors of the Rotary Club of Denver, and will also serve as chair of its World Community Service Committee. She recently traveled to Bangkok for the birth of her second grandchild, Samuel Robert DiStefano, who was born on April 2. Sam’s dad, Dave, and mom, Amy Fox DiStefano, both work for the U.S. Embassy in Bangkok. Fox says her granddaughter, Paige DiStefano, is “an impossibly cute and bright 22-month old.” Sue’s son, Brian, teaches English in a Bangkok high school. Sue and her husband, Bob Martin, did a bicycle trip in Costa Rica early this year and travel whenever they get the chance.

1978 | DENNIS J. JACOBSON

Dennis J. Jacobson continues to practice law in Lakewood, Colo. Between dive trips to Maui and the Florida Keys, he and his wife, Debra, recently celebrated their daughter Rebecca’s election to Phi Beta Kappa and graduation from the University of Colorado in Boulder.

Randall Vehar is an assistant general counsel for the United Food & Commercial Workers, International Union, at their Chemical Council headquarter in Akron, Ohio. Throughout the fall of 2004, Randall supervised 31 volunteer attorneys for the Ohio Non-Partisan Voter Protection Project and helped supervise
about 180 non-attorney volunteers, who assisted voters that were having problems with voting in Akron and Canton. The Project provided legal assistance that resulted in nearly 900 challenged registered voters retaining their right to vote. Randall would enjoy hearing from “old” law school friends. He can be reached at RVehar@ufcw.org or at ICWUC/UFCW Legal Department, 1799 Akron-Peninsula Road, Akron, OH 44313; (330) 926-1444, Ext. 146.

1979 | RICHARD PENNINGTON
C. Richard Pennington is Of Counsel in the Government Contracts Practice Area currently at McKenna Long & Aldridge LLP. Previously he served as director of the Division of Finance and Procurement at the Colorado Department of Personnel & Administration.

1980 | JIM BURGHARDT
Jim Burghardt was elected to succeed John Moye as the managing partner of MoyeWhite LLP (formerly known as Head, Moye, Carver & Ray). Burghardt was a student of Moye at DU and began practicing with his firm upon graduation. The firm now has 40 attorneys and is growing in numbers and depth in each of its three major areas of practice: Business, Litigation and Real Estate. “We have fabulous offices in LoDo, and continue to enjoy a reputation as an entrepreneurial firm where teamwork is highly valued,” Burghardt says. “It is an honor to succeed John as managing partner, although nobody possibly can fill his shoes. John continues in full-time practice with us and is busier than ever with civic and law-related activities beyond the representation of clients.”

Doris Truhlar and Bob Truhlar (1981) were both recognized as Super Lawyers in the fields of family law and employment law, respectively, in the April issue of 5280 Magazine. They can be reached at Truhlar and Truhlar, L.L.P., 7340 E. Caley Ave., Suite 310, Centennial, CO 80111; (303) 794-2404; roberttruhlar@att.net

1981 | LAURIE HUNTER
Laurie Hunter became a shareholder at the Denver firm of Wade Ash Woods Hill & Farley, P.C. on Jan. 1. She also led a Senior Girl Scout Troop (including her 16-year old daughter, Melanie) to Our Cabana, one of the four Girl Scout World Centers, in Cuernavaca, Mexico in June 2005. The group plans to go to Our Chalet in Switzerland in June 2007.

Shirley Fillas, MSJA '81, went to Santa Fe for a graduate internship and has really been there ever since, except for a year of consulting back home in Denver. Right now she works at Los Alamos National Laboratory in the Performance Surety Division. Shirley has been at the lab a long time but is actually considering returning to her beloved Colorado. Shirley will be so happy to have contact information from her class as a means of networking and getting back in touch with everyone. Shirley can be reached at her home email: squirlyann@earthlink.net or work email: sfillas@lanl.gov
Jill Asher Buckley will be a speaker at the ABA Annual Convention in Honolulu on August 5. She will be a part of a panel discussing laws impacting senior citizens and their companion and service animals sponsored by the Animal Law Subcommittee of the Torts and Insurance Practices Committee. Specifically, Jill will be discussing dog owner liability, breed discrimination by insurance companies and breed specific legislation. Jill is the Western Regional Legislative Liaison for the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and is a noted authority on laws related to companion animals.

Terri Harrington is now a recovering family law litigator. She served as president of the Colorado Collaborative Law Professionals in 2005 and her practice is now limited to collaborative law, family law mediation and unbundled legal services. The firm of Harrington, Brewster and Clein, P.C. is proud to announce the formation of the Denver Center for Mediation and Collaborative Divorce. Terri and her partners make it their goal to help parents resolve conflict so their children are not permanently damaged. Read more about the firm at harringtonbrewsterclein.com. Terri is very proud of her son Tyler Joyce, who will be a junior at the University of Montana in the fall. Tyler is studying journalism and is the leading tackler on the football team.

Mike and Debra (Bauer) Ley live in Grand Rapids, Mich., and are getting ready to send son Brendan off to Western Michigan University in the fall. Daughter Courtney will be a junior in high school. Mike is Chief Deputy Clerk of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court and Debi works for the Department of Justice, Office of U.S. Trustee. “Our days at DU were the best,” Mike says. “We miss the good times and great parties we had with our classmates.”

Joan McWilliams (MSJA’76/JD’82) has published a book, *The PeaceFinder: Riley McFee’s Quest for World Peace.* Based on scientific principles and traditional global wisdom, *The PeaceFinder* combines the magic of poetry with the practicality of a “how to” handbook to show the reader how to create world peace—one person at a time.” Great for gifts and book clubs, it is available at the Tattered Cover in Denver or online at www.peacefinder.com.

Albert Mrozik is the chair of the Municipal Court Practice Section of the New Jersey State Bar Association as of May 22. He also serves as the Bar Liaison to the New Jersey State Municipal Prosecutor’s Association.

John Works was appointed as president and chief executive of Rancher Energy in the spring. John brings more than 23 years of experience in the global oil and gas industry as a corporate executive, investment banker and lawyer who has focused on originating, structuring, financing and implementing domestic and international gas projects. Before joining Rancher Energy, John was the founder and managing director of Emerging Markets Finance International, LLC (EMFI) of Denver, where the firm is positioned as a leading emerging markets international financial advisor and arranger, with oil and gas projects as its core area of expertise. In 2005,
John served as president and chief operating officer of American International Depository & Trust, a specialized financial institution providing foreign clients with traditional depository banking and trust services as well as privacy and protection features typically provided by offshore financial institutions and private banks. John is a U.S. national and is fluent in English and French. He currently resides in Denver.

LUCIEN J. DHOOGE

Lucien J. Dhooge has been named an International Scholar by the Open Society Institute of the Soros Foundation. Lucien has been assigned to the law faculty at the University of Tirana in Albania, where he will work on curriculum development, pedagogy and research methodology. Lucien is an associate professor of business law at the University of the Pacific. Lucien and his wife, Julia, live in San Francisco.

DENNIS D. HEALY

Dennis D. Healy was recently inducted into the New Mexico State University Golf Hall of Fame.

STUART D. MANN

Stuart D. Mann is currently in sole practice doing personal injury and business law and loving it. His office is in Broomfield, Colo., where he can service clients all across the Front Range. Stuart has three beautiful children: Remy 6, Kaila, 10, and Siena, 14. Over spring break the Mann family took a great trip to Italy to visit relatives we had never met before. They visited Rome, Siena, Perugia and more. “All is well,” Stuart says.

Barbara Jensen is a partner at the family law firm of Litvak Litvak Mehrtens and Epstein, P.C. Two of her partners are DU Law classmates Ron Litvak and Tim Mehrtens. Another classmate, Paula Smith, is an associate with the firm.

Jerry N. Jones was appointed to the Colorado Court of Appeals by Gov. Bill Owens on May 3 and was sworn in on July 5.

Sandra Shwayder Sanchez married Ed Sanchez in 1994, and the couple now lives in Nederland, Colo. Sandra is a co-founding member of an author’s publishing collective: www.wessexcollective.com, a nonprofit collective dedicated to “promoting understanding, building empathy and practicing cooperation among people across classes, cultures and generations by the work that we publish and the way we do business.” Sandra can be contacted at sansan542000@yahoo.com or P.O. Box 1088, Nederland, CO 80466.

VICKY PARKS

Vicky Parks has been with the federal Court of Appeals in Denver for more than 15 years and currently serves the court as Deputy Circuit Executive, an administrative position. Her youngest daughter (born while Vicky was in law school) is now 20 and in college in Florida. Her oldest daughter is contemplating medical school. Vicky lives in Denver with her partner of seven years, two crazy dogs and an old cat. She can be reached at United States Courts for the Tenth Circuit, 1823 Stout Street, Denver, CO 80257; (303) 335-2630.
Beth A. Klein was named a Superlawyer 2006 for the State of Colorado. Additionally, she was named as one of the top 25 Women Lawyers in the state. She has also been admitted to the Million Dollar Advocates Forum, a select group of lawyers who have received verdicts or settlements in excess of $1 million. Klein started as a criminal lawyer but soon began working as a trial attorney, focusing on personal injury, product liability, wrongful death and class actions for corporations and, later, for individuals. She was trial counsel for a Fortune 50 corporation during the 1990s. Her recent cases include a $1 billion dollar settlement over a defective hip implant device, the largest PIP Bad Faith verdict in Colorado history, and a $15 million dollar class action settlement for defective roofing shingles. Klein, who also teaches law and lectures extensively, particularly enjoys challenging, untested issues. She can be reached at 1120 Lincoln St., Suite 1304, Denver, CO 80203; (303) 448-8884; www.lawcolorado.net

Sheila Gutterman J.D., M.A. is the president and a shareholder in the law firm Gutterman Griffiths & Powell PC. Sheila and the firm hold an AV Preeminent status ranking in Martindale Hubbell, the highest rating available to lawyers and law firms. Sheila is a prominent family law litigator, mediator and credited with being the “Mother of Collaborative Law” in Colorado. She is an Advanced Practitioner in the Association for Conflict Resolution (200+ mediated cases). For 17 years, Sheila has given the BARBRI BAR Review lecture and video for lawyers who are studying for the Colorado Bar exam. She has taught and mentored thousands of law students and new attorneys in family law. Sheila has chaired and held all offices in the Colorado Bar Association’s Family Law Section. She has served on numerous commissions, including the Colorado Supreme Court Commission on Families and Children. She chaired the Denver Bar Association’s Barristers Benefit Ball (for two years), which raises money to provide legal assistance to the poor and needy. She is currently the Membership Chair for the Colorado Judicial Institute, which is a non-profit group dedicated to maintaining the independence and excellence of our court system. Since the early 1990s, Sheila has lectured on offering clients a range of options as they go through the divorce process. Sheila advocates using the medical concepts of: First, Do No Harm; Informed Consent and Triage. In the field of mediation, Sheila was a pioneer, helping to establish mediation as a viable process. Today, she has done the same for collaborative law. Sheila founded the Colorado Collaborative Law Professionals as a state umbrella organization to oversee this new process. She conducted or sponsored 27 collaborative law workshops, published dozens of articles on the subject including two in the Colorado Lawyer and wrote the definitive textbook Collaborative Law: A New Model for Dispute Resolution, which is currently being used in law schools nationally.
Debora Jones retired from the Attorney Regulation Counsel’s office in 2004 after 13 years of service. As mother of three children (then ages 28, 9 and 7), she found plenty to keep her busy. In April 2005, Doris Truhlar, of Truhlar & Truhlar, L.L.P., requested her help on a part-time basis until that firm found “the right person” to replace the associate who was leaving. Well, the search for the “the right person” was terminated and Debora remains there a year later, working with Doris in family law. “The work is still approximately part-time and is close to home, plus the people are great,” Jones says. “So the temporary part-time position has turned into permanent work because it’s such a good fit.

1988/1997  Bruce Plotkin and Dr. Debra Schneider, JD’97, with daughter Lilly, 6 in front of Mt. Everest (Disneyworld version), March 2006.

1989 | VIVIENNE KRAMER

Vivienne Kramer has “‘retired’ from the practice of law and for the past eight years has worked with CPA firms as a Marketing Director—first with BDO Seidman LLP, and for the past three years with Gordon, Hughes & Banks, LLP (GHB) as Client Development Director. GHB is one of Colorado’s largest and oldest CPA firms with offices in six locations throughout the state. The Denver Business Journal recently voted the company the No. 1 Best Place to Work, Medium Company category.

1990 | JOSEPHINE BAIAMONTE

Josephine Baiamonte is currently residing in Maryland with her husband and four children—3 boys (ages 12, 9, and 7) and a little girl (2-1/2 yrs old). Josephine works full-time as a consultant with Sandler Travis Trade Advisory Services and am currently working on a project with U.S. Customs and Border Protection. “It has been so many years since I was in Denver,” she says. “There are so many wonderful memories and great friendships I still treasure. Like everyone else, since leaving Denver, I’ve hit the ground running and have yet to stop to catch my breath! I love working as a consultant as it affords me the luxury of both professional and personal satisfaction. I am planning to visit Denver sometime soon with my entire family so that they can see why I miss it so much!” Baiamonte can be reached at jbaiamonte@strtrade.com or josephine.baiamonte@associates.dhs.gov.
Leslie F. Kline Capelle began working with Health Advocates, LLP in June 2005, representing individuals in disability determination appeals (administrative hearings and federal court appeals). Prior to that position, she had worked for the HIV & AIDS Legal Services Alliance, Inc. for more than seven years. She still speaks at the National Social Security Claimants’ Representatives and the ABA AIDS conferences on HIV/AIDS disability issues. She became an aunt in September 2004 and is doing her best to spoil her young nephew. “Otherwise,” she says, “I’m still living in Venice, Calif., with three cats, a lot of plants and far too many weeds.” She can be reached at: Health Advocates, LLP, 13412 Ventura Blvd., Suite 300, Sherman Oaks, CA 91423; (818) 461-5881; leslie@healthadvocates.com.

Erika McWilliams’ new book, *Life After Death: A Legal and Practical Guide for Surviving Spouses* was recently published by Bradford Publishing Company of Denver. The book was written to assist men and women whose spouses have died. McWilliams is a partner at Moye White LLP, where her practice focuses on estate planning, estate administration, trusts and business succession planning.

Susan Nies graduated from Denver Seminary’s M.A. in Counseling (for Licensure) program on May 13. She says she is looking forward to finding work as a counselor in the fall. She’ll continue to keep her status as a lawyer but will not practicing at this time.

1992 | DAVID WEIDEN

David Weiden welcomed his first child, David Weiden, Jr., on November 13, 2004. The family recently moved to Normal, Ill., so that David could take a position as Assistant Professor of Politics and Government and Director of the Legal Studies Program at Illinois State University. David also recently co-authored his first book, *Sorcerers’ Apprentices: 100 Years of Law Clerks at the United States Supreme Court* (NYU Press, 2006). The book has garnered substantial national attention, and received an excellent review by Richard Posner in the June 12 edition of The New Republic and was also the subject of a column by Charles Lane in the March 6 edition of the Washington Post. The book’s thesis is that, over the last century, Supreme Court law clerks have gained much more authority and that the influence of the clerks is detrimental to the functioning of the Court.

Sorcerers’ Apprentices: 100 Years of Law Clerks at the United States Supreme Court

1991 | TODD JUDD ERICKSON

Todd Judd Erickson opened his own law practice in April 2005 in Littleton, Colo., doing criminal defense, family law and probate work. Prior to that, he spent 10 years as an editor for hi-tech/Internet magazines. His office address is 7852 South Elati Street, Suite 201, Littleton, CO 80120. He can be reached at (303) 325-5586; todd@toddjudderrickson.com; or www.toddjudderrickson.com.

Sheryl Cook Williams has left the practice of law and started her own business. She now owns Ignite Matchmaking Services, Inc., a personalized matchmaking service based in Arvada, Colo. She can be reached at sheryl@ignitematchmaking.com.
1995 | CHUCK VAN DEVANDER
Chuck Van Devander, JD (’95), LLM (’97) and his wife, Beth, welcomed a new baby to their family. Don Cooper Van Devander was born on February 6. Chuck is vice president of New York Life Insurance Company in charge of their Advanced Planning Group. Chuck, Beth, daughter Emma and son Cooper live in Frisco, Texas. Chuck encourages any classmates visiting the Dallas area to look him up at cvandeva@newyorklife.com.

1996 | LISA WEISZ
Lisa Weisz and Barrett Weisz had a son, Andrew Weisz, born August 31. They also have a daughter, Madeline, who is 3-1/2 years old. As of January 1, Barrett Weisz became a named partner in the firm of Ridley, McGreevy & Weisz, P.C., specializing in criminal defense and civil litigation. Barrett’s contact information is: 1800 15th Street, Suite 101, Denver CO 80202; (303) 629-9700; weisz@rmwpc.com. Lisa Weisz is a sole practitioner specializing in appeals.

1997 | JEFF JOSEPH
Jeff Joseph and Kirby Gamblin Joseph are enjoying their 5-year-old twin boys and just welcomed their second set of twins—girls this time (5-1/2 months old). Kirby and Jeff are still partners in life and in business and together run a full-service immigration law firm based in Colorado. They have three associate attorneys (one of whom is a DU law graduate), a paralegal who has been accepted to DU Law in the fall and also have a DU Law clerk. With the birth of the girls, Jeff took a hiatus from teaching immigration law as an adjunct at DU, but he looks forward to getting back to it. Jeff Joseph can be reached at Joseph Law Firm, PC, One Broadway, Suite A235, Denver, CO 80203; (303) 297-9171; jeff@immigrationissues.com.

Margaret (P.J.) Webb is active in ocean and wildlife conservancy issues and enjoys rescuing stranded marine mammals and working towards healthy coastal communities. She is currently serving on the federal advisory council for the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary and is President Emeritus of the Women Lawyers Association of San Luis Obispo County in California.

Roger A. Jackson is practicing Intellectual Property Law (Patents, Trademarks, Copyrights, Licensing, Litigation and Trade Secrets) as a solo with assistants, which precipitated a move to a bigger office. Roger works with two DU Law student interns who have an interest in intellectual property law and is also involved with PALS (Partners at Law) at the law school and “having a great time.” He can be reached at: (303) 271-9468 (office); (303) 915-9831 (mobile); rogerjackson@ricochet.com; www.jackonesquire.com. The firm’s addresses are 800 Pennsylvania, Suite 1504, Denver, CO 80203-3185 and 1115 Grant Street, Suite 305; Denver, CO 80203-2351.

1998 | BRIAN CARLSON
Brian Carlson is currently working at a non-profit agency in Skowhegan, Maine, as a social worker and children’s education advocate.
1999 | MELANIE J. GRANBERG

Melanie J. Granberg, Esq., is a lawyer with Gablehouse Calkins & Granberg, LLC, 410 17th St., Suite 1375, Denver, CO 80202; (303) 572-0050.

Jeff Collier is transferring from Greenberg Traurig’s Tallahassee, Fla., office (Environmental and Land Development department where he has worked for the past two years), to the firm’s West Palm Beach office, where he will continue to practice environmental and land use law.

Zachary Cook and his wife just had their first child, Gibson Daniel Cook. Zach continues to practice law in Denver, specializing in criminal defense, domestic relations and civil litigation. He can be reached at (303) 753-6581, (303) 960-6580 or zjclaw@aol.com.

2000 | MICHAEL D. GREEN

Michael D. Green is currently practicing in Sonoma County, California, at the law firm of Abbey Weitzenberg Warren & Emery, where he has been since graduating from DU. Mike has been litigating plaintiff's medical malpractice, product defect and personal injury cases. His practice also focuses on representing residential and personal property owners in construction defect matters. Mike, his wife, Heather, and their 2-year-old son, Corbin, live in Santa Rosa. They are eagerly awaiting the birth of their second child. You can drop Mike a line when you are in Northern California at mgreen2111@sbcglobal.net or mgreen@abbeylaw.com.

Douglas W. Black is in Fort Worth, Texas, at Taylor, Olson, Adkins, Sralla & Elam, L.L.P. He and his wife, Jill recently adopted Douglas Wynton Black (“Wyn”). Wyn was born on November 14, and has been with Doug and Jill since he was two days old. Their daughters, Turner, 7, and Avery, 4, are apparently being excellent big sisters to their new baby brother.

Thomas C. Hall and his wife, Brinda, got married last October and spent an enjoyable honeymoon in San Francisco and Napa drinking great wine. In January, Tom was named a member of his firm, The Cavanagh Law Firm, in Phoenix, Arizona. He’s been with the firm for almost five years doing civil litigation. His practice continues to focus on insurance defense and commercial litigation, but he has also handled some family law cases. Tom can be reached at thall@cavanaghlaw.com.

Mark O. Kuehn passed the New York Bar, returned to Germany (he had also passed the German Bar), and began working in the Frankfurt office of Rittershaus (www.rittershaus.net), a mid-sized German law firm headquartered in Mannheim. Mark’s practice focuses on computer, intellectual property and information technology law and international legal transactions. Because his firm focuses mainly on corporate and commercial law, he is frequently involved in corporate and commercial transactions. He was made a partner of Ritterhaus in January.
2001 | JILL (DAVIS) BROWN

Jill (Davis) Brown and Evan Brown ('00) were married on August 10, 2002 and live in Naperville, Ill. On October 14, they welcomed their first child, a son, Austin Evan. After relocating to the Midwest, Jill worked for the Chicago-based nonprofit Between Friends as the director of the court advocacy program. Her full-time job now is taking care of Austin and their cat Chloe. Evan practices intellectual property and technology law in the Chicago office of Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP. Jill and Evan maintain a website of family photos at www.jillandevan.com. Jill Brown: jdbrown1974@hotmail.com; Evan Brown: ebrown@internetcases.com.

2002 | MARK FIDEL

Mark Fidel and his wife, Carol, of Albuquerque, N.M., welcomed their son, Josiah James Fidel, into the world at 11:20 p.m., April 16. Mark is a visiting professor at New Mexico Highlands University (www.nmhu.edu) at the Rio Rancho campus near Albuquerque. He teaches courses in the undergraduate and graduate business program including business law, employment law and business ethics. Mark also has a successful consulting business, Applied Records Management (www.appliedrecords.com). He works with record-intensive businesses on developing and maintaining their records management policies and procedures. He also serves as a consulting expert to small and medium-sized law firms and manages discovery in 10,000+ page cases. Carol owns a growing massage therapy practice and will be taking about three months off while she and Mark figure out how to raise Josiah.

2003 | TIA CAULDWELL

Tia Cauldwell and her husband, Scott, welcomed their second son into the world, Beckham Scott Cauldwell, on November 28. Additionally, Tia will be officially starting her solo practice on May 1, specializing in traffic, DUI, collections and general matters. Tia M. Cauldwell, Law Office of Tia M. Cauldwell, LLC, 3700 Quebec Street Suite 100-205, Denver, CO 80207; (720) 318-7994; tmcauldwell@gmail.com.

Daniel Ackerman is living in Boston with his wife Stacy. They were married on May 29, 2004 on New York's Long Island. Daniel is working in the Intellectual Property Department of Edwards Angell Palmer & Dodge in Boston and enjoying all that Boston has to offer.

Crystal S. Biggerstaff is currently practicing as corporate counsel for Wire One Communications, Inc. in Westminster, Colo.
ANTON L. JANIK is a trial attorney in the Department of Justice’s Tax Division in Washington, D.C. On October 19, Anton was awarded the Attorney General’s Outstanding Attorney Award. Anton is also working on his LL.M. in Taxation at Georgetown University Law Center.

Joe Ramirez was named the Outstanding New Hispanic Lawyer of the Year by the Colorado Hispanic Bar Association.

DENNIS L. CARDER

Dennis L. Carder as worked for Dakota Plains Legal Services on the Rosebud Reservation in South Dakota and the Office of Chief Counsel for Homeland Security in Denver. He got married in June of 2005 and currently works for Silvern Law Offices, where he practices Indian Law, Civil Rights Law, Personal Injury and Bad Faith Insurance. He is also currently the advisory attorney for the Indian Law Clinic at the University of Colorado School of Law. Says Carder: “I really love being a lawyer!”

TAMI GOODLETTE had been clerking at the Colorado Court of Appeals for Judge Robert M. Russel since graduating in 2004 but recently took a job as a litigation associate with Rothgerber, Johnson, & Lyons in their Denver office in late June. She will be married in August.

SEAN KENNEDY began a position at Thomson West as an attorney editor in January and received a mayoral appointment to the Minneapolis Commission on Civil Rights. In 2005, Sean served in AmeriCorps VISTA with the Legal Aid Society of Minneapolis and created an expungement clinic at the Hennepin County Housing Court. In May Sean and his partner and purchased their first home in Minneapolis. This summer Sean will go on tour with the Twin Cities Gay Men’s Chorus, singing in Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi, and Louisiana, including a concert at the Grand Ole Opry in Nashville.

JOEL LAUGHLIN, MD, lives near Gulf Shores in Coastal Alabama, where he practices medicine and concentrates on maintaining balance and serenity. Joel utilizes his law degree by consulting with law firms in nearby Mobile on cases primarily involving medical malpractice. He has also researched and wrote a concise “how-to” manual on preparing condominium declarations under the Alabama Uniform Condominium Act. He finds the slower pace and Southern gentility of the area he lives in to be a refreshing change from Denver.
Carmen Reilly practices in the litigation department of Montgomery Little Soran Murray & Kuhn, the firm she joined after graduating from the Sturm College of Law. During her time in law school, Carmen served as a student advocate representing low income clients in all aspects of criminal defense matters. Since joining Montgomery Little Soran Murray & Kuhn, Carmen's litigation practice has focused primarily on the representation of hospitals, physicians, nurses and attorneys in professional malpractice actions and administrative proceedings. Her practice also includes personal injury defense and insurance defense litigation. She can be reached at: Montgomery Little Soran Murray & Kuhn, PC, 5445 DTC Parkway, Suite 800, Greenwood Village, CO 80111; (303) 773-8100.

Gabriela Sandoval was married on April 28. After passing the Colorado Bar in 2004, she moved to Virginia. She still resides there, but plans on moving back to Colorado at the end of the year to be with her husband. On the job front, Gabriela recently passed the Virginia Bar and has a new contract position negotiating corporate contracts for Capital One.

Gabriela Sandoval

Bradley T. Smith is currently in Minneapolis, Minn., in the final months of his federal clerkship with the Hon. James B. Loken, Chief Judge for the 8th Circuit Court of Appeals. In September, he will take on a new role as an associate for Dorsey & Whitney in the Trial group. He and his wife, Rachel, just celebrated their fourth anniversary and are expecting their first baby in late July.

Meagan Pitt Partilla is an associate attorney with Polidori, Franklin & Monahan, a family law firm in Lakewood, Colo. Shortly after graduating from DU, Meagan was married at the Denver Botanic Gardens. Many Sturm College of Law alumni were present. She and her husband, Ian, recently moved to Denver's new Stapleton neighborhood.

Left to right: Andrew Sandomire, Shareholder, Gabriel Schwartz, Shareholder, Colin Moriarty, Independent Associate, and Andrew Stein, Independent Associate.
IN MEMORIAM
TRIBUTE TO DICK SCHMIDT

BY THOMAS B. KELLEY, JD’72

Richard M. Schmidt, Jr., JD’45, was a relentless champion of the First Amendment and worked much of his life defending freedom of the press. When he passed away on October 17, 2004, we lost one of the greatest media lawyers this country has ever known.

Schmidt was the founding chair and member of the Editorial Board of the American Bar Association Forum on Communications Law. In the Chair’s Column for the Fall 2003 issue of Communications Lawyer, I wrote of Dick’s many exploits and accomplishments. It is now fitting to remember that Schmidt was the one who conceived of the Forum and persuaded the ABA Board of Governors to accept it as a new entity. He believed that communications and media lawyers needed a home in the ABA for conversation and collegiality.

A native of Winfield, Kan., Schmidt worked several years in Denver as a deputy district attorney and as a lawyer in private practice. He served on several governor’s commissions and was president of the Denver Bar Association.

In 1955, when the Colorado Supreme Court commissioned a hearing to determine whether it should permit cameras in courtrooms, Schmidt represented the broadcasters who supported it. When Justice Otto Moore asked a TV technician how he knew cameras could be used in the courtroom without causing a distraction, the witness replied, “Well, we are televising this hearing, and it isn’t interfering with the proceedings.” He then turned on a TV set, and to Justice Moore’s astonishment, a live picture of the courtroom appeared. Schmidt, with the assistance of the court clerk, had a hidden camera bay constructed in the courtroom prior to the hearing. Justice Moore pulled the same stunt when the full court assembled for argument and the court quickly adopted the rule.

In the early 1960s, Schmidt left for Washington D.C., where he accepted a number of appointments under the Johnson administration. After turning down the opportunity to
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REMEMBERING THOSE WE HAVE LOST


Herman Rothstein, LL.B. 1956, B.A. 1954, died November 4, 2005 in Denver, Colo.

H. Stoddard Whire, J.D. 1950, B.S.L. 1949, died February 8, 2006 in Denver, Colo.


Dr. Ralph J. Warren, J.D. 1972, died February 13, 2006 in Englewood, Colo.

Dr. Ruth L. Gouge, J.D. 1965, A.B. 1948, died April 10, 2006 in Aurora, Colo.

Professor Murray Blumenthal, 1970 – 1989, died April 13, 2006 in Las Cruces, NM

Hon. James J. Delaney, J.D. 1942, died April 20, 2006 in Cherry Hills Village, Colo.


be appointed to the Federal Communications Commission, he joined the firm of Cohn & Marks, where he worked for 35 years. He helped get the Freedom of Information Act passed and had a long tenure as general counsel for the American Society of Newspaper Editors, often representing newspapers and broadcast media in trials concerning freedom of the press.

"Dick truly understood that the First Amendment was the bulwark of our democracy," Charles Goldberg, former Denver district judge and former law partner of Schmidt, told The Denver Post. "He could hold his own with any luminaries."

Schmidt was one of those rare practitioners who Copley Newspapers chief legal officer Hal Fuson once said, "suffered fools gladly" when it came to helping younger lawyers learn the ropes. (Of course, he was not nearly so charitable toward older fools.) Speaking as one of the dozens for whom Schmidt once served as "father confessor," I have never encountered an individual of such brilliance, focus and wit, who was so truly selfless as Dick Schmidt. We all miss him.
TUESDAY-FRIDAY, AUGUST 15-18
Law School Orientation

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24
SBA Westminster Nights

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26
SBA Derby Days

THURSDAY-SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7-9
2006 Tenth Circuit Bench & Bar
Conference,
Broadmoor Hotel, Colorado Springs

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9
Job Search Strategies for Second-Career
Lawyers

THURSDAY-FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14-15
Advanced Elder Law Institute

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15
Rocky Mountain Diversity Legal Career Fair
Broomfield Renaissance Hotel at Flatirons
Crossing

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28
14th Annual DU Law Stars dinner

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6
Business Law Society Fall Banquet

FRIDAY-SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20-23
Hoffman Trial Advocacy Competition

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24
Colorado Lawyers Committee Panel
Discussion

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27
Privacy Seminar

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27
SBA Trick or Treat Street

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4
Alternative Careers Workshop

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9
Fall P.A.L.S.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10
CBA Health Law Conference

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11
Natural Resources Appellate Advocacy
Competition

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1
Administrative Law Judges’ Conference:
Judicial Ethics

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15
Commencement

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27
Client Counseling Moot Court
Competition

Note: All events to be held at the Sturm College of Law unless otherwise noted.
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