Babcock to U.S. Court; Other Alumni Receive Judicial Appointments

The Hon. Lewis T. Babcock, JD’68, Boulder, became Colorado’s newest federal jurist November 22, 1988, when he was sworn in as a U.S. District Court Judge in Denver.

In 12 years the Rocky Ford, Colorado, native has moved from a district court judgeship in Colorado’s 16th judicial district, La Junta, to his present post. In the interim, he served from 1983-88 on the Colorado Court of Appeals.

Prior to his first judicial appointment in 1976, Judge Babcock was in private practice in La Junta.

In other judicial news:

Kenneth M. Plotz, JD’73, Salida, has been named a District Court Judge for Fremont County, in Colorado’s 11th judicial district. He had been serving as the district’s chief public defender and previously practiced in Leadville.

John D. Herron, LLB’59, of Meeker, has been appointed to the Rio Blanco County Court bench by Governor Roy Romer.

David A. Cole, JD’73, Pueblo, has been appointed a Pueblo County Court Judge. He has been in private practice and formerly served in the Pueblo County district attorney’s office and as an assistant city attorney.

Everett L. Cuskaden, JD’73, has been appointed to a two-year term as per diem judge for the First Circuit District Court, Honolulu, Hawaii. He has been in private practice there since 1978 after serving three years with the Office of the Attorney General.

The Hon. Theodore J. Soja, JD’48, retired in January as Denver County Court Judge, after reaching mandatory retirement age. He had served on the court since 1979.

The Hon. Morris E. Cole, JD’60, Denver juvenile court judge, has retired because of illness. He had served 17½ years on the bench.

Law School Approves Semester Schedule Beginning 1990-91

Law School Will Host IRS Visiting Professor

The University of Denver College of Law has been selected by the U.S. Department of the Treasury to be a host school for the Visiting Professor Program of the Internal Revenue Service, for the 1989-90 academic year.

Under this program the IRS assigns one of its senior attorneys to be in residence at the host school, at the expense of the treasury department, to teach and engage in research during the period of the visit.

Alumni Fund Scholarships Correlate to Rise in Student LSAT Scores

Increased scholarship support provided by the Law Alumni Fund can be correlated to the rise of the mean LSAT (Law School Admission Test) scores of the school’s first-year class.

College and Fund officials report that the Alumni Merit Scholars Program has greatly assisted efforts to attract highly qualified students. This success has boosted the first-year class mean LSAT over the last three years, to the 81 percentile nationally.

“It is important that law alumni know that 100 percent of all Alumni Fund monies in excess of expenses remains with the Alumni Merit Scholars Program at the College of Law,” emphasized Fund Co-Chairman James C. Owen, Jr., and Glen E. Keller, Jr.

“An outstanding student body, a faculty and innovative curricular programs of national distinction deserve and encourage alumni support of a proud tradition at our law school,” they said.

Final approval has been given to move the College of Law from a quarter to a semester academic schedule. The switch will be effective with the start of the 1990-91 school year.

The change coincides with a comprehensive curricular review currently being conducted by the law faculty and administration.

Under the semester system, law school officials expect to offer students greater opportunity for in-depth course work, adding several weeks between each course’s opening weeks and the pre-exam rush. At the same time the faculty remains committed to a curriculum offering focused electives in less traditional, specialized subjects—notably in international, transportation and natural resources law.

Semester scheduling will allow more generous review and reading periods preceding less crowded exam periods. Semesters, officials point out, also offer students more realistic opportunities to complete meaningful clinical and research undertakings.

DU is one of only seven law schools on the quarter system. Conforming DU to most other law schools’ calendars generates substantial advantages in student recruitment and financial aid, and should make DU students more competitive in summer clerking programs often geared to the predominant semester model. The semester system also reduces many administrative tasks, such as registration and examinations.

The change to a semester system will not change tuition costs. Officials are investigating a staggered-payment tuition schedule to ease students’ cash flow concerns.

A study of the quarters-to-semesters move at the law school was undertaken in 1978, and renewed by the faculty two years ago.

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Law School Applications Increase at DU, Nationally

The University of Denver College of Law is sharing in the good news experience of a continuing national major upward swing in law school applications.

As of March 1, 1989, the DU Admissions office had received applications for 1989 fall admission from 1,300 prospective students, a 10 percent increase over a year ago. Over the last two years applications have increased 21 percent at DU.

According to Claudia L. Tomlin, Director of Admissions and Financial Aid at the law school, DU’s total applicant pool is expected to reach 2,000 by June 1. The school will accept only about one-third of these applicants and will enroll a class of 290 for its day and evening divisions.

Nationally, the number of applicants for fall 1989 admission is expected to total 86,659, a 15.7 percent increase over last year, according to the Law School Admission Council (LSAC). These applicants are vying for 41,055 entering class seats at the nation’s 176 law schools approved by the American Bar Association (ABA).

“In a good year such as this one, applicants also tend to apply to more law schools, an average of five,” Ms. Tomlin said. LSAC officials estimate there will be a total of around 359,000 applications filed nationally in 1988-89, a 25 percent increase over the previous year.

Ms. Tomlin said the reasons for the renewed interest in law school remain an enigma for her and her colleagues across the country.

Television’s LA Law, the Iran-Contra hearings, the economy, and persons in other professions switching careers are viewed as the most plausible reasons for the increase.

“The best and the brightest are considering law school. A law degree is perceived as a good thing to have for personal and intellectual growth,” Ms. Tomlin said.

The quality matches the quantity among DU’s applicants. The mean LSAT (Law School Admission Test) score of admittees to date for the fall of 1989 is in the 90th percentile.

Over the last nine years the mean LSAT of DU’s entering classes has been in the 81st percentile. The average Grade Point Average has been 3.21. About one-third of DU’s current student body hold graduate degrees.

The male/female breakdown of DU’s student body is presently about 52 percent female, 48 percent male. Women outnumbered men among last fall’s entering class by 171 to 135.

“The most obvious, significant change in national legal education since the 1950’s,” Ms. Tomlin observes, “has been the increasing significance of LSAT’s usefulness as a predictive tool for admissions decisions.”

Data from the June, October and December 1988 LSAT tests indicate there were significant increases in all score ranges (48 is perfect). There was a 22 percent increase in the number of applicants scoring in the 42-48 range. The largest increase was 40 percent, in the 38-41 score range.

On a national level, the percent of applicants with high and middle credentials as a proportion of the total applicant pool has remained fairly constant over the 1980-86 period.

According to ABA records, the total current enrollment at the nation’s approved law schools is over 123,000. Law school graduates in 1988 totaled 35,478, including 326 from DU.

Applications at DU peaked in 1983 at 2,604 and, following a national trend, decreased over the next three years.

Historically, DU draws less than one-third of its students from Colorado. The leading native states of DU students outside of Colorado are New York, Illinois, California, Michigan and Texas.

The move from open to selective admissions policies among the nation’s law schools over the past 35 years has changed the methods of recruitment, from none to very competitive, Ms. Tomlin reports.

DU concentrates its recruiting efforts by attending national recruitment forums in New York, Atlanta, Chicago, Boston and Los Angeles.

Claudia Tomlin joined the College of Law admissions staff in 1979 and was named admissions director in 1985. She brought with her a background and experience in secondary education and administration.

Ms. Tomlin is one of five law school admissions officers serving as liaisons to the Western Association of Pre-Law Advisors.

Appointed by LSAC, she reports on LSAC activities and interprets LSAC policies to the undergraduate school representatives in the Western Association.

She has gained further recognition by her appointment to the LSAC Pre-Law Advisors Subcommittee, which at its meeting in January discussed such matters as ethics in the recruitment of law students. Ms. Tomlin also advises the LSAC board in matters of applicant misconduct in admissions procedures.
Ms. Tomlin notes that of 13,000 prospective law students attending these forums last year, 11,500 were applicants at schools participating in the forums. About 90 percent of the law schools are represented at these activities.

DU officials have also maintained close contact with a select group of undergraduate school pre-law advisors. "DU was ahead of the times when in the 1970s the school hosted conferences for pre-law advisors from around the country," Ms. Tomlin noted.

With the great growth in law school enrollment over the years, expectations of scholarly productivity of faculty members have also increased, and student/faculty ratios have taken on greater meaning.

DU law school officials believe that both factors help determine the quality of legal education.

Under a program initiated three years ago, first-year class enrollment has been lowered at DU and by the fall of 1989 will be limited to 290 students.

Accordingly, the DU law student body, by design, has dropped from 1,013 in 1986, to 950 last fall. The projected total for the fall of 1989 is no more than 950, and a total of 925 by 1990-91.

A complement to the overall plan is to increase the law faculty. DU has made quality faculty additions over the last three years and at least five full-time faculty members will be added this fall, representing further authorized appointments as well as the filling of vacancies created by retirements.

This trend has reduced the student/faculty ratio at the law school from about 30:1 in 1985 to the present 25:1. The target is 21:1 by the 1990-91 academic year, according to Dean Edward A. Dauer.

In the most recent publication of The Gourman Report (1987), the DU College of Law was ranked 48th among the nation's law schools. The Gourman Report, published by National Education Standards, Los Angeles, California, is a rating of graduate and professional programs in American and international universities.

Hartje, Roche Assume Dean Posts; Wallace Returns to Fulltime Teaching

Professors Jeffrey H. Hartje, left, and Edward J. Roche, Jr., right, have been named to administrative posts at the College of Law. Hartje succeeded Professor James E. Wallace, center, January 1 as associate dean for academic affairs. Roche became associate dean for business affairs last September. Wallace had served in the academic post since October 1981. A member of the faculty since 1967, he has returned to fulltime teaching. Roche, a member of the faculty since 1982, replaces Professor William R. Creech, who resigned last summer to join the law faculty at the University of Puget Sound, Tacoma, Washington. Hartje joined the faculty in 1987 and will continue to serve as Director of DU's Advocacy Skills Program.

Alumni Fund Scholarships

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The Law Alumni Fund has made record progress in the last three years. Contributions reached an all-time high of $326,114 in 1987-88, a 160 percent gain over 1984-85.

The number of donors has more than doubled in three years — from 798 to 1,704 — an increase from 14 percent to 27 percent in alumni participation.

"Our alumni have responded to the need, they have proved it can be done," Owen said. He praised the work of all involved for the successes.

Goals for the 1988-89 Law Alumni Fund are $350,000 and 30 percent participation (1,950 donors). Contributions currently total $237,000 (68 percent of goal) from a total of 861 donors (44 percent of goal).

"As we move toward the successful completion of this year's Law Alumni Fund on June 30, we will strive to increase the number of donors among the younger classes," Keller said. "This will help build the base for future years."

The Fund Committee members will work to improve the giving of this year's Reunion Classes. Also, a second series of telefunds will be held in March.

DU Alumni Chief Judges in 8 Colorado Districts

Eight of Colorado's 22 district court chief judges for 1989 are DU College of Law graduates. Appointed by Colorado Supreme Court Chief Justice Joseph Quinn were (by districts):


All but Judges Manzanares and Robb were reappointments.
Ian Bird, JD’76, Cites Environmental Imperialism
Regulation Need to Control Waste Exports to Third World

The industrialized world is sending millions of tons of potentially lethal waste to less developed countries each year, and if the practice continues without some regulation, the developing nations of the world will become the dumping ground of the toxic residue of our high standard of life.

That's the opinion of DU College of Law graduate Ian B. Bird, an expert on the legal issues of international waste management. He spoke on "Environmental Imperialism: The Problem of Waste Exports to the Third World" at a Law Alumni Luncheon in Denver, February 22.

Bird, associate general counsel for Waste Management International, Inc., Oak Brook, Illinois, is a 1976 DU law graduate. Since joining Waste Management in 1980, he has spent several years working with emerging countries, notably Argentina, on waste problems.

He defines environmental imperialism as an action that: must be transnational; takes advantage of differences in legal or regulatory regimes; is driven by economic considerations; and creates a major adverse environmental impact in the importing country.

Bird noted that the bulk of the international trade in waste is not between North and South. Rather, it is between developed countries” of the North and South." This trade, he said, does not constitute imperialism.

"Waste exports to the Third World have an entirely different genesis and effects," he emphasized. "Most developing countries have virtually no environmental regulation. Thus, wastes can be imported and disposed of at very low cost. Moreover, the dire economic straits in many developing states make the hard currency to be paid in such schemes attractive, if not impossible, to ignore.

"We can examine the many causes for the world-wide trade in wastes and we will discover, to very little surprise, that economics is the driving factor," Bird said. The poorest countries are those most susceptible to the lure of hard currency for allowing imports of waste.

He cited one estimate that Western (developed) countries in 1988 dumped 24 million tons of hazardous waste in West Africa alone.

One of the major costs of disposal of waste is what Bird called the NIMBY (Not In My Backyard) syndrome. "Just ask those who want to site a chemical plant, a nuclear power facility, or almost any other project that carries the slightest risk; no one wants a secured landfill or toxic waste incinerator in the backyard.

"The alternative to local disposal is to export the waste to some place where regulation and opposition are non-existent," he said.

"I have a theory," Bird continued, "that concern with the environment tracks the growth in per capita income. As national income increases, so does environmental consciousness."

Bird cited Taiwan as a good example of his thesis. He also noted that Malaysia, Hong Kong, Thailand and Indonesia have achieved a modicum of economic success and are conducting studies as a prelude to waste regulation.

Drawing on his South American experiences, Bird noted that Argentina and Venezuela have attempted to face the problems of regulation but plans there languish today in legislative committee. He cited endemic corruption as another existing problem.

To achieve certain minimal standards of environmental protection and economic development in international trade in waste, Bird recommended: no more NIMBY; exports should be subject to the same disposal criteria as in the country of origin; the generator or exporter must pay for inspection; the receiving state must be fully informed; and regulation should be standardized.

Writing Awards Presented

DU law students D. Brett Woods, left, and Lesly Solomon, right, have been named recipients of the annual Welborn, Dufford, Brown & Tooley Writing Awards of $500 each. The awards were presented by Philip G. Dufford, second from right, and are based on performance in the required Legal Research and Writing course, directed by Professor Edward E. Pringle, second from left.
Senator Wirth Delivers Appel Lecture

From left, U.S. Senator Timothy E. Wirth, Dean Edward A. Dauer, Robert S. Appel.

Colorado U.S. Senator Timothy E. Wirth delivered the inaugural Robert S. Appel Distinguished Lecture in Law and Technology at the College of Law February 16.

Wirth spoke on "Promoting Technological Solutions to Global, Environmental Dilemmas Through Legislative Initiatives." Over 300 persons attended the event held in the Davis Auditorium. A reception preceded Wirth's speech.

The lecture series is named in honor of Appel, a 1952 DU law graduate and a longtime member of the Denver firm of Rothgerber, Appel, Powers & Johnson. The firm, through a gift to the College of Law, established the lecture series to recognize Appel's dedication and service to the firm.

DBA President, Student Commencement Speakers

Charles L. Casteel, president of the Denver Bar Association, was the Commencement Speaker at the College of Law's midyear graduation December 3, 1988. A partner at Davis, Graham & Stubbs (Denver), he spoke on "Professionalism."

The Student Speaker was Patricia Dean, a member of the graduating class, who reflected on her law school experiences.

Degrees were conferred by University Provost Roy V. Wood upon 43 juris doctor and 15 graduate tax program candidates.

Preliminary Report Shows Job Market for '88 Grads is Favorable

Preliminary statistics indicate graduates of DU's 1988 law class have found a favorable job market.

Linda K. Bougie, Director of the College of Law Career Services Office, said that of those graduates who have at this time responded to an annual survey, 88 percent are employed in a full-time legal or career (non-legal) position, or are attending graduate school.

The results are based on responses from 237 of 332 graduates in the 1988 class. Additional responses are expected and will increase the employment percentage, Ms. Bougie said.

The survey shows that 51 percent of the graduates responding received their first jobs in private practice, including 4 percent who are self-employed. Business and industry attracted 7 percent while 17 percent opted for government service and 8 percent accepted judicial clerkships.

Beginning salaries for law firms ranged from $24,000 for a very small Denver law firm to $58,000 for a very large Denver law firm. The average salary of the 178 respondents to the salary question was $34,358, compared to $32,450 in 1987.

Based on a strong on-campus interview schedule last fall, and the current placement statistics which are higher than for this period last year, the outlook for 1989 graduates is encouraging, Ms. Bougie adds.

A total of 94 law firms and agencies conducted interviews at DU, seeking full-time and summer associates. During the three-month fall period these representatives conducted 1,037 interviews with DU law students. Recently nine tax firms conducted 205 interviews with students from the Graduate Tax Program.
Denver Attorney is AMAX Practitioner-in-Residence

Charles L. Kaiser, a partner in the Denver law firm of Davis, Graham & Stubbs, has been named the AMAX 1989 Distinguished Natural Resources Practitioner-in-Residence at the College of Law. He will teach a weekly seminar and present guest lectures to the law school community during the upcoming spring quarter.

The Program is supported by a special grant from the AMAX Foundation, Inc., Greenwich, Connecticut. AMAX and its Colorado subsidiary organizations have been pioneer supporters of the College’s natural resources program.

Kaiser, a 1977 graduate of the University of Southern California Law Center, joined Davis, Graham & Stubbs after serving as an attorney with the Office of Solicitor, U.S. Department of Interior, Washington, D.C., from 1977-81. The emphasis of his practice is in the public lands and natural resources law areas.

The Distinguished Natural Resources Practitioner-in-Residence Program was initiated in 1987, supported by law school funds. Don Sherwood, head of the natural resources department at Sherman & Howard (Denver), and a former adjunct professor at the law school, served as the first Distinguished Practitioner-in-Residence.

University officials noted that a hallmark of the school’s natural resources program has always been a close working relationship with the natural resources bar.

John Low Presented Learned Hand Award

John W. Low, JD’51, a senior partner with Sherman & Howard (Denver), and a longtime College of Law alumnus-leader, was honored January 26 with the prestigious Learned Hand Award, presented by the American Jewish Committee.

The national award is named for the distinguished jurist who served from 1924-51 as a judge with the U.S. Court of Appeals, 2nd Judicial District. It is only the second time since it was established in 1964 that the award has been presented to a Coloradan.

The American Jewish Committee is one of the country’s pioneer human relations organizations. It works to combat bigotry, protect the civil and religious rights of Jews here and abroad, and advance the cause of improved human relations everywhere.

Low was recognized for his lifelong devotion to the highest principles of the legal profession and to the entire community.

Low also gained civic recognition earlier this year with his election as chairman of the Denver Symphony Association board of trustees.

Raymond Burr, Perry Mason Crew, Visit DU

Actor Raymond Burr, a Perry Mason cast and a VIACOM production crew were a common sight on the DU College of Law campus recently. They were filming scenes for a Perry Mason television program that was shown nationally February 12. The story concerned a law student charged with murder.
ROSE BARBELLA
Age: 29
Day Division, graduating Spring, 1989
B.A. Rutgers University, summa cum laude, 1984
Day Division President of the Student Bar Association, Ms. Barbella immerses herself in the life of the law school. She did a for-credit corporate internship during her second year, and clerked during the summer following her first year, but otherwise has chosen not to work. "I started working when I was 16, and worked my way through Rutgers. I've never before had the luxury of being a fulltime student, and I want to make the most of it."

Ms. Barbella says she chose the University of Denver because she sought healthy competition, but not cutthroat competition. She says, "DU has met my expectations."

She entered law school intending to concentrate on commercial law, but has been rethinking that decision. "I might prefer an area of law that touches people's lives more directly." Ms. Barbella describes herself prior to law school as "a thinker, not a doer." She says, "being involved is the best thing that happened to me here. I want always to participate in the community in which I live and work and to make a difference in people's lives. I am studying law because it can make that difference."

JOHN A. DeSISTO
Age: 29
Evening Division, graduating Spring, 1989
B.S. University of Utah, magna cum laude, 1985
M.S. University of Utah, 1985

A geophysicist, John DeSisto worked fulltime for the Chevron Corporation during his first two years of law school, attending evening classes and ranking first in his class. Studying law, he says, represents both a career change and an intellectual decision; law offers the opportunity to do work that he expects to be more challenging and rewarding. He adds that his first two years of study have proved him right. Originally interested in natural resources law, he now aims at a commercial business practice or commercial litigation as a specialty.

In the summer of 1988 he resigned from Chevron to accept a summer associate's position with Kirkland & Ellis in Denver, an offer made during the fall recruitment interviews organized by the Office of Career Services. He intends to continue clerking as he accelerates what would have been a four-year program and graduates a year ahead of his original schedule.

Mr. DeSisto is married and the father of three children.

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he won an annual award for creativity and competency in work with groups, and presented a paper at the National Association of Social Workers annual state conference. At the law school he was awarded a Public Interest Clerkship grant enabling him to work fulltime in the summer of 1987 with the Colorado Coalition for the Homeless. He continued that involvement in the law school's Student Law Office, initiating a program to meet the legal needs of the homeless.

CAROLYN D. TILLERY
Age: 30
Day Division, graduating Spring, 1989
B.A. Tuskegee Institute, 1975

"I always wanted to be a lawyer," says Ms. Tillery, a former Captain in the U.S. Air Force, who managed one of the largest and most diverse Traffic Management Offices in the Strategic Air Command.

Concerned about such conditions as the under-representation of minority women in and by our legal institutions, she says she undertook the study of law from a desire to interact with people in social systems and bring about change. She expects to do this as a litigator and chose to attend DU because of its outstanding litigation program. She has taken part in two Moot Court competitions, and is President of the Black Law Student Association and Dean of Delta Theta Phi legal fraternity.

Ms. Tillery lives in Colorado Springs with her husband, a Commander at the U.S. Air Force Academy, and her eight-year-old daughter. She alternates between commuting the 65 miles to the law campus and keeping a dormitory room to alleviate the burden of daily travel.

DAVID M. FURMAN
Age: 28
Day Division, graduating Spring, 1989
B.A. Wheaton College, 1982

A dual degree student, Mr. Furman expects to complete both his J.D. and Master of Social Work degrees in June of 1989. "I entered the Graduate School of Social Work initially, and added law school because law is the best forum for the social work philosophy of empowerment for the disadvantaged. My strongest inclination first was toward social work, but now I am more interested in practicing law, preferably as a public defender."

Mr. Furman has been outstanding in both of his specialties. At GSSW
1941
John A. Love, LLB, and his wife Ann were honored with the 1989 Citizens of the West Award, presented at a January dinner kicking off the National Western Stock Show in Denver. The award is presented by the Roundup Riders of the Rockies and honors service-minded citizens who uphold and perpetuate the tradition of the West.

1946
Robert G. Bonham, LLB, retired executive vice president of the Gates Corporation, has been elected president of the Denver Zoological Foundation Inc. board of trustees.

1947
Theodore J. Kuhiman, LLB, has retired from the active practice of law but will remain of counsel to Kuhiman & Kuhiman, Englewood, Colorado.

1948
Hon. Paul H. Buchanan, Jr., JD, Indianapolis, Indiana, has been recognized by the Indiana State Bar Association for 20 years of extraordinary service in writing a monthly feature article, “Ex Parte Line” in the Association’s magazine “Res Gestae.” He began writing the column while in private practice in Indianapolis and continued the column after selection as judge of the Court of Appeals in 1971 and through a nine-year term as Chief Judge of that court from 1978-87.
Hon. Aldo G. Notaranni, JD, Lakewood, has been named secretary of the St. Joseph Hospital board of directors, Denver.

1949
Fletcher Thomas, LLB, is now of counsel with Kelly, Stansfield & O’Donnell, Denver.

1951
Edward Lehman, JD, head of Lehman Communications Corporation, Longmont, and publisher of three Colorado newspapers, has received the Ralph D. Casey Award for distinguished service, presented by the Inland Daily Press Association. The award, sponsored and judged by the University of Minnesota, is the highest honor given by the press group.

1952
Hon. Sherman G. Finesilver, LLB, Chief Judge of the U.S. District Court of Colorado, received an honorary doctor of laws degree from the University of Colorado in December.

1953
Leland Huttner, LLB, and his wife Marilyn were honored January 26 at the 92nd annual dinner of Beth Ha Meqshos Hagodol Congregation, Denver. Huttner is a member of the BMH executive committee and during 28 years on the board of trustees has served in a number of capacities, including BMH president from 1974-77.

1957
Roger Cisneros, JD, was one of three persons sworn in recently by Mayor Federico Peña for two-year terms on the Denver Civil Service Commission.

1959
Martin J. Haley, LLB, a sole practitioner in probate and estate planning, Sacramento, California, is serving a one-year term as president of the National Alumni Association of St. Mary’s College of California.
Robert B. Yegge, JD, was elected chairman of the approval commission of the ABA standing committee on legal assistants during the annual ABA meeting last August in Toronto.

1960
Retired U.S. District Court Judge John L. Kan, Jr., JD, Denver, is presently serving as a visiting law professor at Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland. “The 200th anniversary of the Bill of Rights is coming up, and I’ll be delivering a series of lectures on the formulation of the Bill of Rights and civil rights law as it has developed during the past 200 years,” Kane was quoted regarding his lecture topics.

1964
Sanford Zisman, JD, Denver, is serving as treasurer of the board of directors of St. Joseph Hospital, Denver.

1966
Mildred E. Kamine, JD, retired January 1 as a relief municipal judge for the city of Aurora, Colorado.

1967
Harry N. MacLean, JD, Denver, is the author of In Broad Daylight, a book about the 1981 killing of a citizen in the rural northwestern Missouri community of Skidmore. The first-time author and labor arbitrator got the idea of writing about the event from reports of the solved killing in the newspapers.

1968
Kenneth J. Burke, JD, and Michael G. Massey, JD’71, are principals in the firm of Massey Burke & Showalter, Denver, a new firm formed with the merger of Burke & Burke and Massey & Showalter.

Robert L. Guthrie, JD, is president of Associated Insurers Inc., Raleigh, North Carolina. Along with local investors he helped found a new bank in Raleigh and serves on its board of directors.

1969
James E. Buresh, JD, Oak Brook, Illinois, was honored as State and Local Taxpayer of the Year by Panel Publishing and the Journal of State Taxation for 1988. He was chosen from a list of 15 nominees from industry, public accounting, law firms and state government. In making the selection, Panel Publishing editors stated that Buresh had been the “spokesman for American industry in the state and local tax area.” He currently serves as national director, state and local taxes, for Sears, Roebuck & Co. in Chicago.

1970
Christopher D. Blair, JD, has joined Axem Resources, Inc., Denver, as vice president-land and general counsel.

Richard G. McManus, Jr., JD, formerly of Miles, McManus & Epstein, has established his own office in Denver.

1971
J. Scott Hamilton, JD, has been honored with induction into the Colorado Aviation Hall of Fame of the Colorado Aviation Historical Society. His aviation background is broad. A licensed pilot in seaplanes, as well as more conventional aircraft, he has flown gliders, balloons and ultralight aircraft. Formerly an avid skydiver, he has made 2,500 parachute jumps, and served with the Army Green Berets. Hamilton limits his practice to aviation law and has offices at the Jefferson County Airport, Broomfield, Colorado. He teaches at the DU law school and at Metropolitan State College, Denver, and has authored hundreds of published articles in legal and aviation publications.

1972
Herbert A. (Chip) Delap, JD, has joined with Jeremiah B. Barry, JD’80, to form Delap & Barry, Denver.

Jan A. Larsen, JD, is a partner in the new firm of Bullard, Larsen, Plock & Wade, Fort Collins, Colorado.
R. James Nicholson, JD, Englewood, was cited as the 1988 Builder of the Year by the Home Builders Association of Metropolitan Denver. Nicholson is president of Renaissance Homes of Douglas County, Inc., and a former HBA president, who served as Colorado Republican national committeeman and was recently appointed to the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Armed Forces.

Stephen J. Poindexter, JD, is president of MediCare, Inc., Rochester, Minnesota.

Gary H. Tobey, JD, is a partner in the new Denver firm of Tobey & Pelz.

1973

Gary R. Brown, JD, Estes Park, Colorado, was appointed last September to his third term as U.S. Magistrate (part-time) in the District Court of Colorado.

Donald E. Mielke, JD, district attorney for Colorado's First Judicial District, has been named chairman of a committee to study and draft a law concerning victim rights. The appointment was announced by the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws. Mielke has served as a commissioner for the past six years. His Crime Victim Compensation Program recently received the 1988 national award for achievement from the National Association of Counties. Mielke has also been involved in the drafting of a Pre-Trial Detentions Act and the redrafting of the Uniform State Laws Controlled Substances Act.

Harlan P. Pelz, JD, is a partner in Tobey & Pelz, a newly formed Denver firm.

1974

Richard L. Everstine, JD, is a partner in the new Denver firm of Dickinson, Everstine, Kelly & Prud'Homme.

James M. Mulligan, JD, has joined Shaw, Spangler & Roth, Denver, as special counsel on complex real estate negotiations. He continues to serve as a commercial arbitrator for the American Arbitration Association and chairs Gov. Roy Romer's Unified Housing Task Force.

Kathryn P. Reimer, JD, has joined the Boulder, Colorado, firm of Terrill, Pizzi, Stevens & Ridgway, as of counsel, emphasizing estate planning.

1975

Lt. Col. Richard F. Currey, JD, is currently stationed in Panama and will complete a three-year South American tour this summer. "Please pass on a special hello to Ved Nanda, who first taught me international law. I've been practicing that specialty at the U.S. Southern Command, sometimes wearing the same tropical fatigue I wore in Vietnam, before I went to law school."

John S. Finn, JD, formerly with Nelson & Harding, Denver, has been named a partner with Stettner, Miller & Cohn, Denver.

A. Grant Nicholson, JD, and Theodore Z. Gelt, JD, have joined Harry M. Sterling in forming Gelt, Fleishman & Sterling, Denver.

James M. Graziano, JD, has joined Dorr, Carson, Sloan & Peterson, as an associate.

1976

Bruce C. Anderson, JD, has joined Stettner, Miller & Cohn, Denver, as a partner. He was formerly with Nelson & Harding, Denver.

Hon. Thomas L. Brownfield, JD, serves as Resident Circuit Judge, 8th Judicial Circuit, Mason County, Havana, Illinois. He was elected to the post after serving two terms as Mason County States Attorney.

Kathleen T. Kavanaugh, JD, is a partner in the new Denver firm of Kavanaugh, Celeste & de Stiger, a practice emphasizing worker's rights, damage litigation, bankruptcy and family law.

John D. Parr, JD, has returned to Denver with the move of the offices of the National Civic League to the Mile High City. He serves as president of the League.

Christopher R. Paulson, JD, received the 1989 Special Recognition Award presented by the American Institute of Architects, Colorado chapter. A Colorado state legislator, Paulson was cited for supporting AIA legislative issues.

Janice K. Ranson, JD, and Judy Hamilton, LLB'82, have formed the firm of Hamilton & Ranson, San Diego, California. The firm will emphasize business, transnational and tax law.

Kevin E. Ready, JD, is a principal in the new Aurora, Colorado, firm of Monson, Ready & Bryant.

Kenneth D. Willis, JD, has resigned from Roath & Brega to become a partner at Phelps, Singer & Dunn, Denver.

1977

Patrick J. Delaney, JD, is serving as secretary/treasurer for Colorado's Sixteenth Judicial District Bar Association. He serves on the district attorney's staff in La Junta.

Michael A. Maxwell, JD, has been named a partner and the firm name has been changed to Hasler, Fenfara & Maxwell, Fort Collins, Colorado.

1978

Maureen A. Cain, JD, has become of counsel at the Denver firm of Moya & Recht.

Theodore E. Dann, Jr., JD, serves as secretary-treasurer and general counsel of Ferro Alloys Services, Inc., Niagara Falls, New York. He is also secretary and director of Exolon ESK Co., Tonawanda, New York.

Gale A. Norton, JD, has established her own practice in Denver, emphasizing federal and state regulation, environmental and antitrust law, and appellate litigation. She formerly served as associate solicitor, U.S. Department of the Interior, Washington, D.C.

J. Mark Richmond, JD, continues his association with the Frisco, Colorado, firm of Richmond & Smock.

1979

Roy A. Adkins, JD, has become a partner with the Denver firm of Eibenzer, Stacy, Smith & Martin.

Charles H. Brownman, JD, has returned to Denver after practicing the last two years in Texas. He serves as corporate attorney for Apache Corporation, a major independent oil and gas producer.

Lisa (Oyler) Nelson, JD, serves as a program analyst with the Environmental Protection Agency, Washington, D.C.

1980

Sue A. Fitch, JD, has joined the Denver firm of Ruther & Kutner as an associate.

James B. Gigax, JD, has joined the Englewood firm of Banta, Hoyt, Banta, Green, Harnew & Everall.

Jill C. Weiss Lester, JD, is owner/president of Home Uniquely Yours, a Boulder, Colorado, building firm.

Anthony L. Sokolow, JD, has joined Ozer, Kiel, Trues, Pribila & Kullman, Denver, as an associate.

Charles E. Stuart, JD, is a member of the new Denver firm of Tobey & Pelz.

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Mark H. Boscoe, JD, has been named a partner at Arnold & Porter, Denver.

Warren N. (Nate) Ecklof, JD, has joined Hanifen, Imhoff Inc., Denver, as vice president, public finance department.

Matthew R. Giacomini, MSJA, has joined the Denver firm of Bug & Eldredge.

Bonnie J. McLaren, JD, formerly a shareholder with Downey & Guiley, has joined the Denver firm of Miles & Epstein.

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Sandra Spencer Coleman, JD, has been named a shareholder at White & Steele, Denver.

Mary C. Harlan, JD, Dallas, Texas, is serving as national vice president, fifth circuit, Federal Bar Association for 1988-89. In only three years of FBI membership, Harlan has served as president, president-elect and vice president of the Dallas chapter, in addition to her two-year role as Federal Practice Seminar chairperson. She is also active in the Texas and Dallas Young Lawyers associations. Harlan is an associate with Strasburger & Price, Dallas.

Carrie L. Kramlich, JD, has joined the Denver firm of Grant, McKendrie, Haines & Crouse.

James M. Otto, JD, has been appointed United Nations Chief Technical Advisor, United Nations Development Program, and is posted in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

Daniel W. Patterson, JD, has rejoined Holland & Hart, Denver.

Katherine A. Raabe, JD, has become a partner with the Denver firm of Stettner, Miller & Cohn.

John W. Works, Jr., JD, was recently listed in the twenty-second edition of Who's Who in the East. He is an associate in the corporate department in the New York City firm of Cahill Gordon & Reindel.

1983

Terry Bernuth, JD, formerly general counsel of The Clayton Foundation, Denver, has joined the firm of McGuane & Malone.

Peter H. Blair, Jr., JD, formerly of Stutz, Dyer, Miller & Delap, has formed Blair & Associates, Denver.

Patricia H. Clark, JD, has joined Rotherberger, Appel, Powers & Johnson, Denver, as an associate. She previously served with the Denver district attorney's office and the Colorado attorney general's office.

Greg Danielson, JD, has been named a partner at Poulsen, Odell & Peterson, Denver.

Steven J. Dawes, JD, has become a partner at the Denver firm of Greengard & Senter.

Gregory T. Ireland, MSJA, is the court administrator, 11th District Court, Aztec, New Mexico.

James B. Mallon, JD, has become associated with the firm of Cohen Brame & Smith, Denver.

Anthony Melonakis, JD, has been named of counsel with the offices of Frank W. Visciano, Denver.
Helen M. Baldwin, JD, is an associate at Eibeger, Stacy and Martin, Denver. Eric J. Besch, JD, and Michelle D. Conklin, JD, have joined the Denver firm of Shaw, Spangler & Roth, as associates. Wendy Bliss, JD, and Gene R. Thornton, JD, were married last August in Whately Chapel on the law school campus. Wendy is associated with the Denver Symphony as assistant director of development and special events. Gene continues to practice securities litigation with Hopper, Knouff, Smith, Peryam & Terry, Denver. Lynn M. Chesler, JD, is working for the New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development's Housing Litigation Bureau, prosecuting housing code violations in the Bronx. She is admitted to the bar in Colorado, New York and Massachusetts. Leonard M. Cooper, JD, is an associate with Dickinson, Evertstein, Kelly & Prud’Homme, Denver. Ann D. Goodman, JD, has started her own practice in Denver. Linda A. Shubeck, JD, is an associate with Jenkins & Percy, San Diego, California. James R. Walker, JD, has been named an associate at Rothgerber, Appel, Powers & Johnson, Denver. Steven M. Zapiler, and John P. Ferris, JD'87, have formed the Denver firm of Zapiler & Ferris.

Kathleen A. Boland, JD, has been named an associate at Rubner & Kutner, Denver. Jean M. Christman, JD, has joined Hopper, Kanouff, Smith, Peryam & Terry, Denver, as an associate. Paul E. Collins, JD, has been named an associate at Greengard & Senter, Denver. Madeline A. Colison, JD, and David W. Killmer, JD, have been named associates at Denver firm of Feiger & Hyman. Jacquelyn Kilmer, JD, has been named an associate with the Denver office of Faege & Benson. Molly K. Myer, JD, has moved to New York City where she is an associate with O'Melveny & Myers. John R. Sleeman, Jr., JD, is an associate at Dowseny & Guiley, Denver. Debra K. Wilcox, JD, has been named counsel with Jay M. Finesilver, JD'80, Denver.

Cynthia L. Camp, JD, formerly deputy state public defender, Arapahoe County, has opened her own practice in Crested Butte, Colorado, emphasizing criminal defense and juvenile law. David M. Cover, JD, serves as a member of the Chevron Corporation legal staff, San Francisco, California. Amada L. Cruz, JD, is a sole practitioner in Denver, emphasizing personal injury, workmen's compensation, traffic and domestic relations. Gregory J. Cucarola, JD, has been named an associate at Shaw, Spangler & Roth, Denver. Kimberly L. Curtis, MSJA'84, was recently named director of the new Salt Lake City, Utah, office of the American Arbitration Association. She had served as a Tribunal Administrator with the ABA Denver office and in 1987 was named regional coordinator of the ABA's Insurance Dispute Resolution Program. Lisa Hogan, JD, formerly deputy district attorney, Denver, has joined Brownstein Hyatt Farber & Madden, Denver. Michelle L. Keist, JD, has been named an associate with Cohen Brame & Smith, Denver. Todd A. Myers, JD, has joined the Denver firm of Zarlengo, Mott, Zarlengo & Winbourn, as an associate. Gary D. Nichols, JD, has joined Kenneth Lampkin & Associates, Denver, as an associate. JoAnne V. Salazar, JD, law librarian at Denver's city and county building for the past four and one-half years, was featured in a recent Rocky Mountain News article regarding the problem of missing books. Thomas H. Stocker, JD, has opened his own practice with offices in Lakewood, Colorado. He formerly was an associate with Sherman & Howard and most recently with Radetsky & Shapiro.
In Memoriam
Wesley W. Kemp, '17, Denver, October 1, 1988.

Seymour L. Mathews, JD’26, Costa Mesa, California, December 3, 1988.


Marion D. Sell, JD’57, Scottsdale, Arizona, January 8, 1989.
Roger C. Wilkenhol, JD’72, Cleveland, Ohio, May 27, 1988.

DU Law Grads Serve Colorado Legislature

Seven DU College of Law graduates were elected to posts in the Colorado state legislature in November’s general election, including one newcomer and six incumbents.

The newcomer is Guillermo A. DeHerrera, JD’80, Aurora Democrat. An attorney and human resources development professional, he will represent district 30.

Returned to office by voters:
In the Colorado senate, Republican Alvin J. Meiklejohn, Jr., JD’51, Arvada, was re-elected unopposed, from district 19.

In the House of Representatives, Republican majority leader Christopher R. Paulson, JD’76, Englewood, was the choice of voters in district 37.

Veteran Democratic legislator Gerald H. Kopel, LLB’58, Denver, was re-elected from district 6. Richard F. Mutzbaugh, JD’70, Morrison, Republican, was re-elected from district 28. Stephen R. Ruddick, JD’80, Aurora Democrat, was the district 36 winner.

Timothy E. Foster, JD’83, Republi-
can from Grand Junction, was elected to his first full term in the House. He was appointed last June to fill a vacancy in district 54.

Martha Ezzard, JD’82, Democrat, Englewood, former member of the Colorado legislature, was unsuccessful in her bid for a U.S. congressional seat losing to incumbent Dan Schaefer. Ann Ducket, JD’83, Denver, Democrat, was defeated in her bid for a seat in the Colorado House of Representatives.

Seven Law Graduates in Colorado DA Posts

During the November election seven DU College of Law graduates were re-elected and two were newly-elected to district attorney posts in Colorado. Re-elected unopposed were: Donald E. Mielke, JD’73, Lakewood, 1st district; Victor Reichman, JD’73, Durango, 6th; Gregory F. Long, JD’71, Granby, 14th; Gary R. Stork, JD’74, La Junta, 16th; James F. Smith, JD’58, Brighton, 17th; Robert R. Gallagher, LLB’60, Littleton, 18th.

Re-elected, with opposition, was Douglass F. Primavera, JD’66, Alamosa, 12th district.

Newly-elected, with opposition, were: Peter F. Michaelson, JD’82, Breckenridge, 5th, and George R. Buck, Jr., JD’63, Cortez, 22nd. Buck was elected over Peggy Witty, daughter of the late Mack Witty, JD’48, former Salida judge. She had defeated incumbent Dean R. Johnson, JD’73, in the primary election, in her bid to become Colorado’s first woman district attorney. Buck was Cortez DA from 1973-81.

In Colorado’s 4th district, incumbent Barney Lippa, JD’73, of Colorado Springs, was defeated in November in his bid for re-election. Reid C. Pixer, JD’76, Montrose, incumbent DA in the 7th district, lost a primary election bid to be the GOP candidate.

DU Graduates Among Law Deans Visiting Campus

Two University of Denver College of Law graduates, W. Jeremy Davis, JD’70, left, and Lawrence Rafal, JD’75, right, were among 85 law school deans attending a reception hosted by Dean Edward A. Dauer, center, on the DU law campus February 2. Davis is dean of the University of North Dakota School of Law, Grand Forks, and Rafal is dean of The Creighton University School of Law, Omaha, Nebraska. The deans were in Denver attending the mid-year meeting of the American Bar Association.

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