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CLASS PORTRAIT

TULANE LAW SCHOOL CLASS OF 2019

198 students

100+ colleges/universities represented

34 U.S. jurisdictions represented

20–52 age range

20 percent from Louisiana

9 percent have other graduate degrees



THE CLASS OF 2019 INCLUDES:

A speechwriter for a South American country's mission at the United Nations
The executive assistant to NBC Universal's general counsel
A New York City police officer
A sergeant in the Louisiana Army National Guard
A geologist with experience in environmental consulting
A senior field engineer who worked on oil rigs in the Gulf of Mexico
The first woman to compete on a previously all-male high school ice hockey team

DOMBALAGIAN ADDS ADMINISTRATIVE ROLE AS NEW VICE DEAN FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Tulane Law School has a new vice dean for academic affairs: Professor Onnig Dombalagian, an experienced lawyer who specializes in U.S. and international regulation of securities and derivatives markets and the relationship of federal and state law in the governance of public companies.

He follows Professor Ron Scalise (L '00), a civil law specialist who served four years as vice dean and was instrumental in expanding Tulane's offerings in practical training.

Dombalagian already is deeply involved in promoting innovation in the law school curriculum as co-director of the transactional practice track of Tulane Law's annual Intersession skills-training boot camp.

"I hope to build upon the extraordinary job Ron has done in developing new courses and curricular opportunities at the law school," Dombalagian said.

A popular classroom teacher who has a direct hand in the kind of securities regulation he teaches about,

Dombalagian joined the Tulane Law School faculty in 2003 and holds the George Denègre Endowed Professorship in Law. His early industry experience was as an attorney fellow at the Securities and Exchange Commission and in private practice as an associate at Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton.

He recently completed a three-year term as a member of the National Adjudicatory Council of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority and continues to serve as an arbitrator with FINRA Dispute Resolution. FINRA is the largest independent regulator of securities firms doing business in the United States.

In his scholarship, Dombalagian argues for better market structures and more transparency so that investors have a better understanding of what they're getting into, making it more likely that problems are detected early on rather than after there have been huge failures and billions of dollars lost. His 2015 book *Chasing the Tape: Information*



Professor Onnig Dombalagian, a 13-year Tulane Law faculty veteran, has added duties as vice dean for academic affairs.

Law and Policy in Capital Markets, published by MIT Press, examines how to promote efficiency and transparency in a regulatory framework that lags far behind technology and globalization.

The graduating class of 2007 chose him to receive the Felix Frankfurter Distinguished Teaching Award, and he was a visiting professor at the American University of Armenia in 2000.



Dean David Meyer, Mitchell Franklin Professor of Law

CONNECTED BY COMMUNITY, IN GOOD TIMES AND BAD

Over three days in August 2016, more than two feet of rain fell on parts of Louisiana, flooding more than 40,000 homes and claiming 13 lives. The natural disaster — covering a third of the state’s parishes — was America’s worst since Sandy ravaged the East Coast in 2012. And because the water hit areas not usually prone to flooding, most residents who lost homes, businesses and property were uninsured.

Though New Orleans itself was spared, the tragedy just upriver, coming two weeks shy of Hurricane Katrina’s

11th anniversary, hit close to home. And our community’s outpouring in response provided another vivid demonstration of what is so special about this place.

We reached out to our counterparts at LSU and Southern law schools to see how we could help. Students organized a drive to collect toiletries, cleaning supplies, diapers, pet food and other essential supplies for those who lost everything. The Student Bar Association raised money to help by selling Tulane Law sweatshirts and t-shirts. One of our staff members, Shari Vice Mellinger, was called into service through the Louisiana National Guard and spent several weeks providing security and assistance in flood-ravaged neighborhoods.

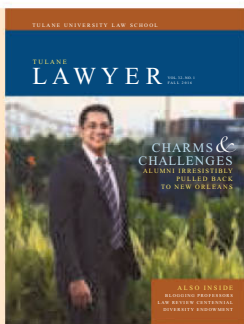
This powerful, unifying impulse to serve is part of Louisiana’s DNA and a defining trait of the Tulane community, not only in times of disaster but always.

Students working in Tulane Law School’s first-in-the-nation pro bono program have now provided well more than 300,000 hours of legal services to those in need (and that’s just the hours they bother to count). Faculty members

like environmental law Professor Oliver Houck and Mark Davis, director of Tulane’s Institute for Water Resources Law & Policy, dedicate much of their professional lives to advancing understanding of the conditions that make Louisiana vulnerable to such disasters and to identifying potential solutions. Others, like Professors Pamela Metzger and Katherine Mattes, director of Tulane’s Criminal Litigation Clinic, are playing leading roles in addressing the state’s crisis in indigent defense services.

This issue of the *Tulane Lawyer* features alumni who have elected to return to New Orleans and to invest their livelihoods in the city’s remarkable renaissance. Their stories capture aspects of New Orleans’ irresistible allure that will be familiar to every person who has spent time on Tulane’s campus.

But, as the response to the late-summer flooding reminds us, the most powerful draw of this uniquely vibrant and soulful place is not its cuisine, culture, architecture or music, but its fiercely generous people and the sense of community that connects us.



ABOUT THE COVER
Imtiaz Siddiqui (L'03) handled some legal work on New Orleans' new Crescent Park. Photograph by Tracie Morris Schaefer

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LABOR/EMPLOYMENT MASTER'S OFFERS ONLINE-ONLY OPTION FOR HUMAN RESOURCES FIELD

Tulane Law School ventured into the world of online-only legal education in 2016, offering a master's degree in labor and employment law to meet the needs of human resources professionals facing increasingly complex regulations.

This Master of Jurisprudence in Labor and Employment Law gives students high-quality legal education with the flexibility to study from anywhere around the globe.

Professor Joel Friedman, a 40-year Tulane Law faculty veteran who writes the major casebook that law schools use to teach employment discrimination law, leads the program.

He said it will “equip non-lawyers with the tools to understand and act upon current and future employment law.”

Tulane Law Dean David Meyer said the program meets a growing need: “Organization leaders and human resource professionals now require basic understanding in the legal architecture that frames every decision to

hire, train, promote or discipline an employee. This program will provide that understanding in a format that enables professionals at all career stages to benefit.”

The 30-credit-hour master's degree can be completed in less than two years, entirely online. The curriculum incorporates a comprehensive blend of learning tools: students can complete readings and listen to recorded lectures at a pace convenient to their schedules, while live virtual sessions allow for regular interaction and discussion. Everspring manages the online platform.

The first class started in May 2016 with 14 students from across the United States, ranging from new college graduates to professionals with 30 years' workforce experience. A second group started classes in early September.

Amanda Haddaway, managing director of HR Answerbox, said she enrolled because of the shift in emphasis she's witnessed over her 17 years in human resources — and



Professor Joel Friedman leads Tulane Law's new online master's degree program.

to enhance her expertise after starting her own firm.

“My clients ask me questions on a daily basis that require me to have a thorough understanding of the law,” she said. “This program will allow me to be even more valuable to my current and future clients. I've been looking for a program like this for a few years. I'm glad I finally found it.”

NEW ADMISSION DIRECTOR HAS INTERNATIONAL FLAIR



Maria Landry (LLM '10) has moved from coordinating international programs to a broader role as director of admission.

Maria Landry (LLM '10), well-known to Tulane Law's international students because of her energetic work as assistant director of international programs, moved during summer of 2016 — to the Admission Office.

As director of admission, she has an expanded role: overseeing the LLM and SJD admission process, counseling prospective students throughout the application process and attending recruitment events across the country for JDs and LLMs.

Previously, she coordinated Tulane Law's exchange programs for students and scholars, organized academic events for international students and coordinated the summer study abroad programs in six countries.

Landry, who grew up in Lisbon, Portugal, received her law degree from Universidade Católica de Lisboa — Faculdade de Direito. She worked two years in Portugal, then moved to New Orleans to pursue an LLM in Energy & Environmental Law. Before joining the Tulane Law staff, she worked at a plaintiffs' firm on litigation arising from the BP Deepwater Horizon disaster.

CANNON WINS TULANE'S SECOND BURTON AWARD FOR LEGAL WRITING

Laura Cannon (L '16), who as a third-year student was *Tulane Law Review's* senior managing editor, won a Burton Award for Distinguished Legal Writing in May 2016.

She was Tulane Law's second student winner in three years. Annalisa Cravens (L '14) was Tulane's first honoree in the highly competitive program, which celebrates writing across the legal profession. All U.S. law schools can nominate one piece of student writing; the selection committee includes some of the nation's top legal scholars. The other 2016 winners came from Case Western Reserve, Duke, Georgetown, Arizona State, Stanford, Syracuse, Iowa, William & Mary and Yale.

Cannon's piece, "Indecent Communications: Revenge Porn and Congressional Intent of §230(c)," was published in the *Tulane Law Review*. The commentary argues that the federal Communications Decency Act, which protects internet freedom, wasn't intended to provide

legal immunity for websites that allow individuals to post explicit and offensive material designed to harm others.

Cannon, who received an undergraduate degree in political science and history from Tulane University, worked as a research assistant to Professor Keith Werhan, served as Tulane Law Women president and sat on the Dean's Advisory Committee. She clerked for U.S. District Judges Nannette Jolivet Brown (L '88, LLM '98) and Sarah Vance (L '78). She began work as an associate for McGlinchey Stafford in September 2016.

The nonprofit Burton Foundation partners with the Library of Congress and the American Bar Association to host the awards.

Richard Page (JD/MBA '10), an Akin Gump associate, shared a national Burton Award for best law firm writing for an article he co-wrote, "How Can a Renewable Energy Plant Be Sold for a Capital Gain as Opposed to an Ordinary Gain?" It was published in Bloomberg BNA's *Daily Tax Report*.



New faces in the law journals offices include Kristy Christiansen, now publications supervisor.

NEW STAFF JOIN NEW EDITORS AT LAW JOURNALS

Turnover at student-run law journals is a constant: Third-years graduate, replaced by the next wave of editors. Faculty and staff advisers provide the infrastructure and institutional knowledge to keep operations going year to year.

But in 2016, Tulane Law journals saw longtime publications supervisor Lynn Becnel retire, other staffers depart and Professor Joel Friedman pass the baton as *Tulane Law Review* faculty adviser to Professor Ron Scalise (L '00). Scalise was articles editor of the *Tulane Law Review* as a student. In June 2016, he completed four years as vice dean for academic affairs.

Kristy Christiansen, who has communications experience in the government and private sectors, joined Tulane Law in March 2016 as publications supervisor overseeing production of *Tulane Law Review* (five times/year); *Tulane Maritime Law Journal* (twice yearly); *Tulane Environmental Law Journal* (twice yearly); *Tulane Journal of International and Comparative Law* (twice yearly); *Tulane European & Civil Law Forum* (yearly); *Tulane Journal of Law & Sexuality* (yearly); *Sports Lawyers Journal* (yearly); and *Tulane Journal of Technology and Intellectual Property* (yearly).

An LSU graduate, Christiansen led the Federal Emergency Management Agency's written communications effort in the Louisiana Recovery Office after Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. She also has operated her own company, handled communications for local governments and written numerous Louisiana travel features. She also worked as an editor for the Bureau of Labor Statistics in Washington, D.C.



Laura Cannon (L '16), who won a Burton Award for Distinguished Legal Writing, also was honored at the Tulane Law Review's banquet in April 2016.

TRACIE MORRIS SCHAEFER

SERVICE AND SKILLS LEARNING MERGE UNDER SEICSHNAYDRE'S LEADERSHIP

A pioneer in clinical education and pro bono service, Tulane Law School now is aligning those programs more closely as part of an ambitious leadership plan with a freshly coordinated approach to skills training.

Professor Stacy Seicshnaydre (L '92) took on duties as the new associate dean of experiential learning and public interest programs during summer 2016. The restructuring, which draws pro bono, legal clinics and other training opportunities under a single umbrella, aims to strengthen graduates' preparation for practice.

Seicshnaydre said the integration offers a chance to maximize the benefit to students by showing them how to take advantage of all available practical training opportunities.

"A skills program should not just be a cafeteria-style program where people are making menu selections without thinking about how one course can lay the foundation for another course," she said.

The idea is to advise students on ways to sequence pro bono, volunteer internships, for-credit externships, year-long clinical experiences and other options to develop increasingly sophisticated expertise, understand their professional obligations and identify practice areas they want to pursue. The growing array of skills-learning options — which include a weeklong boot camp, a new corporate counsel externship program and an innovative environmental-compliance partnership with Valero Energy — could expand with lab-style additions in transactions areas such as real estate finance and mergers and acquisitions.

Seicshnaydre was introduced to client representation as a Tulane Civil Litigation Clinic student-attorney then built a national reputation for her fair-housing advocacy work and scholarship. She led the clinic from 2004 until this year, experience that makes her a natural to lead the melding of legal theory and practice.



TRACIE MORRIS SCHAEFER

Professor Stacy Seicshnaydre (L '92) is overseeing a new integration of Tulane Law School's vast array of skills-building offerings as associate dean for experiential learning and public interest programs.

“ONE OF THE ESSENTIAL MISSIONS OF A LAW CLINIC IS ASSISTING PARTICIPANTS TO MAKE THE TRANSITION FROM STUDENT TO LAWYER. I SEE THE FORMATION OF PROFESSIONAL IDENTITY AS THE BROADER MISSION OF THE EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING PROGRAM.” —ASSOCIATE DEAN STACY SEICSHNAYDRE

Professor Lucia Blacksher Ranier now is directing the Civil Litigation Clinic. Blacksher Ranier, who joined the clinic in 2009, spent five years as a trial attorney with the U.S. Justice Department's Civil Rights Division and five years as the Greater New Orleans Fair Housing Action Center's general counsel.

The restructuring came about with the retirement of several longtime legal education leaders: Experiential Learning

Director Jane Johnson (L '74), a pillar of Tulane skills training for 37 years; and Assistant Dean Julie Jackson and program director Eileen Ryan, who together had led the pro bono and externship programs since Tulane Law added a first-in-the-nation pro bono requirement in 1988. In addition, Jim Letten (L '79), who was assistant dean for experiential learning, moved to the Butler Snow firm in New Orleans.

FROM THE COURTHOUSE TO THE STATEHOUSE

After years of unsuccessful court challenges to the life prison sentences of two clients, students with the **Tulane Criminal Litigation Clinic** pursued a different path — and helped reform Louisiana sentencing law.

In June 2016, Gov. John Bel Edwards signed into law Act 469, which resulted from a bill student-attorneys Sara Norval and Toby Hasler (both L '16) drafted to permit inmates caught in a window of draconian sentences to seek a parole hearing.

In the late 1990s, Louisiana expanded its life-without-parole sentence to include anyone convicted of a third felony, even nonviolent offenders. The Legislature in 2001 limited life-without-parole to more serious felonies, but not before dozens of people had been sentenced to die in prison.

For two clients the clinic represented since 2007, legislation became the last possible option. Sen. Danny Martiny, a Metairie Republican, sponsored the bill in the 2016 regular session; Norval, Hasler and Clinic Director Katherine Mattes testified on it before legislative committees.

“It is important to teach young lawyers that advocacy need not be limited to litigation,” Mattes said. “To obtain relief for our clients, we must use all the tools in our toolbox.”

Student-attorneys in the Tulane clinics represented clients in a range of settings, including administrative hearings, state and federal courts and the Louisiana Supreme Court. Here are some of their 2015–16 accomplishments:

CIVIL LITIGATION CLINIC

- Engaged in wide-ranging activities, including handling an administrative appeal involving state disability benefits; representing a state inmate in a parole hearing; arguing against dismissal of a housing sexual harassment case; filing a housing discrimination complaint; preparing written discovery; taking depositions; and handling settlement discussions.
- Prepared a client at Angola State Penitentiary and two expert witnesses for

a jury trial and drafted cross-examination outlines, jury *voir dire* questions and a motion *in limine*.

- Negotiated a superseding consent decree in a housing authority case; and represented a fired employee on federal Family and Medical Leave Act claims.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CLINIC

Student-attorneys helped domestic violence survivors obtain a variety of legal remedies that increased their safety and stability, including protective orders, permanent injunctions, child custody orders, visitation restrictions on abusers and support. Student-attorneys handled all stages of pre-trial litigation and contested hearings, from discovery through oral arguments and witness examination, as well as evidentiary challenges involving admissibility of social media evidence and the limits of expert testimony.

As an example, student-attorneys represented a mother with two children younger than five; she was being stalked by the children’s father even after he was convicted for strangling her in front of them. Student-attorneys represented the mother in a hearing to obtain sole custody of her children and a permanent order of protection, then helped her navigate the criminal justice process to enforce the order. The students also found counseling for the children and helped the client relocate to a safe, confidential address.

ENVIRONMENTAL LAW CLINIC

- Secured a federal court ruling requiring reevaluation of a permit that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers had issued, without public notice or proper environmental review, allowing roadbuilding and other wetlands fill activities across south Louisiana.
- Presented oral arguments in U.S. District Court on behalf of the Charter Fisherman’s Association in successfully defending a federal rule governing red snapper fishing by charter boats and private anglers.
- Helped negotiate a settlement that resulted in a federal consent decree under which United Bulk Terminals Davant agreed to update its pollution-control technology and undertake other measures to prevent spills of coal and petroleum coke into the Mississippi River.

The clinic also received a Certificate of Appreciation from the Walter L. Cohen Alumni Association in March 2016 for helping derail a proposal to move the predominantly African-American Cohen school to the site of a former toxic waste dump.

JUVENILE LITIGATION CLINIC

- Filed a successful writ upholding a trial court’s dismissal of felony charges against a juvenile whose untreated mental health issues had led to an altercation with her mother.
- Got an expert’s testimony suppressed in a controlled-substance case because the state didn’t comply with requirements for certifying criminal lab reports.
- Got evidence that had been seized from two adolescent clients suppressed, avoiding trial and getting them admitted to the state diversionary program.
- Obtained court rulings dismissing the charges in three cases involving clients’ competency to stand trial.



Sara Norval (L '16) and Criminal Litigation Clinic Director Katherine Mattes

AROUND THE ACADEMY

Visiting Professor **Nicholas Almendares** published “Beyond Citizens United” (with Hafer), 84 *Fordham Law Review* 2756 (2016), and “Mixed Motives in the Equilibrium View of Joint Intention” (with Landa), 173 *Philosophical Studies* 733 (2016).

Presentations: Discussant, “Legislating in the Shadows,” by Christopher J. Walker, Conference on Political Economy and Public Law, Cornell University Law School, Ithaca, New York, June 2016; and “Presidents, Regulators and Policy Disagreement: A Framework for Estimating Audit Scores,” by Alex Acs, Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, St. Louis, October 2015.

Professor **Adam Bachich** was a panelist at several conferences: Oil and Gas keynote panel, Air and Waste Management Association Gulf Coast Oil & Gas Environmental Conference, New Orleans, June 21, 2016.

“Intellectual Diversity in Clinical Legal Education,” Southern Clinical

Conference, Memphis, Tennessee, Oct. 23, 2015.

Oil and Gas Environmental Legislation and Litigation panel, Air and Waste Management Association Gulf Coast Oil & Gas Environmental Conference, New Orleans, Sept. 23, 2015.

“Working with Administrative Records,” Environmental Law Institute Professional Practice Seminar (webinar), Sept. 16, 2015.
“Regulation of Greenhouse Gases,” Tulane Law School 26th Annual CLE by the Hour, New Orleans, Dec. 28, 2015.

Professor **Martin Davies** visited Shanghai Maritime University and Dalian Maritime University in China in December 2015, lecturing on multimodal transportation and discussing the Tulane Admiralty Program.

Other publications/presentations: “Cross-border insolvency: the competition between bankruptcy and admiralty,” International



Professor Martin Davies

Transport and Insurance Law Conference, Zagreb, Croatia, Oct. 16, 2015.

“Organizing shipping? The cautionary tale of the P3 Alliance,” 6th Annual Oslo-Southampton-Tulane Colloquium, Oslo, Norway, Sept. 23, 2015.

“International maritime trends and the future of shipping,” 42nd Annual Conference of the Maritime Law Association of Australia and New Zealand, Perth, Australia, Sept. 17, 2015.

“Forwarders, NVOCCs, Carmack, COGSA: a road map to multimodal transportation into and out of the United States,” at “Current

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STEEG PROFESSOR: SARU MATAMBANADZO

Professor **Saru Matambanadzo** was appointed to the Moise S. Steeg Jr. Professorship in June 2016. A nationally known authority on gender equality and workplace equity, she also was Tulane Law’s inaugural Gordon Gamm Faculty Scholar.

She is author of the newest edition of West’s *Sex Discrimination in a Nutshell*, to be published in 2016. And her article “Reconstructing Pregnancy,” examining the 1978 Pregnancy Discrimination Act, is scheduled for publication in the *SMU Law Review*.

She co-chaired a roundtable on “Personhood, Dignity and Citizenship: Inclusion, Exclusion and Constitutional Belonging” at the Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, June 2, 2016, in New Orleans. She also made presentations on “Reconstructing Pregnancy” at the Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting in New York City, January 2016; and in 2015 at LatCrit in Anaheim, California; the Lutie



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Professor Saru Matambanadzo chats with scholars at an international comparative law conference hosted by Tulane Law.

Lytle Black Women Faculty Writing Workshop at Vanderbilt Law School in Nashville, Tennessee; and the University of Tulsa Law School. She spoke on “Funding Your Research in the New

Normal” at Vanderbilt’s Lutie Lytle Black Women Faculty Writing Workshop and on “Pass through Personhood” at ClassCrits at the University of Tennessee College of Law in Knoxville.



GEOFF CAMPBELL

FROM MARDI GRAS TO JOHN OLIVER, LAW PROFS TEST IDEAS VIA BLOGS

By Geoff Campbell

Talk about legal hypotheticals: Professor Sally Brown Richardson used Mardi Gras ladders to discuss possession, King Cake babies to teach finders law, Muses' shoes to talk about property valuation and 8-year-olds' sleepovers to explain property law.

She might have been the only person in America to quiver with excitement when the finals of the Scripps National Spelling Bee turned on the Roman law word "usucapion."

Richardson, who writes at PropertyProf Blog, is among a core group of Tulane Law professors launching off current

events, pop culture and uniquely New Orleans tie-ins to share their scholarly expertise on blogs. They use the forums as an alternative platform to flesh out ideas — and demonstrate a deft ability to bring life and currency to the law, thereby enriching classroom discussions.

"My goals are to provide interesting and informative substance on property law in a relatively easy-to-read format," Richardson says. "Blogging isn't writing law review articles or books. I use the blog to get people thinking about an issue rather than provide a rock-solid answer to it."

In that vein, when comedian John Oliver purchased and forgave \$15 million in bad medical debt, Professor Shu-Yi Oei, posted a hot take on the potential tax consequences to the debtors on The Surly Subgroup, a new tax blog that features the work of a number of prominent tax law professors. Oei, the Hoffman F. Fuller Professor of Tax Law, also has written there about tax enforcement against vendors at Jazz Fest, a New Orleans institution. And after a no-parking sign appeared on her street to make way for several days of filming, she weighed the costs and benefits of Louisiana's film tax credit.

When Facebook announced it would issue a class of nonvoting shares, Professor Ann Lipton, who writes weekly at Business Law Prof Blog, quickly analyzed dual class share structures designed to rein in investors' power. She tackles heavy-duty topics but also lighter ones and has fun reviewing movies dealing with her field, including *The Big Short*, *Madoff* and *Money Monster*.

Richardson, the inaugural Charles E. Lugenbuhl Early Career Professor, says blogging can provide a useful classroom tool — and a springboard for law review articles. "I use the blog to highlight and develop issues I'm interested in exploring more," she says. "Then I can use a law review article to really dig into an issue."

A former aide to then-U.S. Sen. Mary Landrieu, Richardson sometimes blogs about politics, but she also finds fun in weaving property law into everyday life.

Consider her often-hilarious take on

LUGENBUHL PROFESSOR:

SALLY BROWN RICHARDSON

Professor **Sally Brown Richardson** was appointed to the new Charles E. Lugenbuhl Early Career Professorship in June 2016. The professorship was endowed by friends and former partners of the late Charles Lugenbuhl (L '51), a towering figure in the New Orleans admiralty bar and longtime Tulane Law adjunct faculty member.

Richardson, a comparative property law specialist, was the Gordon Gamm Faculty Scholar 2015–16 and organized the annual conference of the American Society of Comparative Law's Younger Comparativist Committee, hosting more than 100 scholars from across the world at Tulane.

In May 2016, she presented "Privacy and Community Property" at the Harry Krause Emerging Family Law Scholars Workshop at the University of Illinois College of Law and at the Association for Law, Property and Society at Queen's University in Belfast, Northern Ireland. She also presented at the Max Planck Institute and was a visiting professor at the University of Passau.

She published "Privacy and Community Property" in the *North Carolina Law Review* (2016), "Reframing Ameliorative Waste," in the *American Journal of Comparative Law* (2016) and in 2015 spoke at Aarhus University in Denmark, the New Orleans Bar Association and Louisiana State University's Paul M. Hebert Law Center.

chaperoning a Brownie troop camping trip. She taught the girls about, among other things: *the tragedy of commons*, when troop members gulped handfuls of chips; *the right to exclude*, when one girl laid on another's sleeping bag; and *adverse possession*, when one troop member accused another of taking her roasting stick.

Lipton, an experienced securities litigator, recently was named to the new Michael Fleishman Professorship in Corporate Law & Entrepreneurship. She says blogging allows her to “bounce thoughts around on a smaller scale” than if she were writing for a law review.

“Blogging appeals to the teacher in me, giving me space to explain important, current topics in corporate and securities law to an audience that includes nonexperts,” she says. “There are many business law issues that are incredibly important because they form the background structure of American life. I can provide a service if I can help illuminate even some of those issues to readers who are uninformed about them.”

Other Tulane Law faculty occasionally contribute to blogs, ranging from the mass-audience Huffington Post to more narrowly focused law blogs. Professors

FLEISHMAN PROFESSOR:

ANN M. LIPTON

Professor **Ann M. Lipton** was appointed to the new Michael Fleishman Professorship in Corporate Law & Entrepreneurship in June 2016. Fleishman (L '69), a senior partner at Bingham Greenebaum Doll in Louisville, Kentucky, endowed the professorship in 2016 to support an early-career scholar working in business law. (See more on page 29.)

Lipton, who joined the faculty in 2015, spent more than a decade handling securities and corporate litigation in New York, including a stint with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

She recently published “Manufactured Consent: The Problem of Arbitration Clauses in Corporate Charters and Bylaws,” 104 *Georgetown Law Journal* 583 (2016); “Slouching Towards Monell: The Disappearance of Vicarious Liability Under Section 10(b),” 92 *Washington University Law Review* 1261 (2015); and “Halliburton and the Dog That Didn't Bark,” 10 *Duke Journal of Constitutional Law & Public Policy* 1 (2015).

She participated in conferences at Duke University, Boston University, the University of Notre Dame and Loyola University Chicago law schools, among others. She's also Tulane Law's next Gordon Gamm Faculty Scholar, a rotating annual award that supports the research and engagement of a young faculty member.

Stephen Griffin, Amy Gajda, Stacy Seicshnaydre and Keith Werhan have contributed to Constitution Daily, the blog of the National Constitution Center.

The regular bloggers say the medium's

advantage is its immediacy — but that's also its biggest drawback.

“I fear I'll say something that turns out to be incorrect,” Lipton says. “Law review articles take a long time to write, but that means there's months of research behind them and extensive feedback from other scholars. But blog posts are written quickly, so there's a lot of room for error.”

The timeliness of blogs can be an asset to spur classroom discussion, however. When the presidential race was still crowded, Richardson used a series of posts on the candidates' views to engage her students on eminent domain.

“At the time, there were seven candidates still in the race, and they all had slightly nuanced views, not to mention some campaigns even had commercials highlighting their stance on the topic,” she says. “In that type of instance, the blog is a great classroom tool because it brings to life for the students an issue we study.”

— *Geoff Campbell is a New Orleans-based writer/editor and a former college journalism instructor.*

Professor **Shu-Yi Oei** organized the Tulane Tax Roundtable, an annual gathering of tax law specialists, along with affiliated Professor Steve Sheffrin, director of the Murphy Institute.

Other publications/presentations: “Can Sharing Be Taxed?” 93 *Washington University Law Review* (2016, with Ring) and “Supply, Demand, and the Taxation of Knowledge,” 82 *University of Chicago Law Review Dialogue* 268 (2016).

“The Distributive Case Against Offshore Tax Enforcement,” Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting, Amelia Island, Florida, Aug. 7, 2016. Also at Law & Society Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, June 2–5, 2016, and Association for Mid-Career Tax Professors Conference, UC Davis School of Law, May 23, 2016.

“The Tax Lives of Uber Drivers: Evidence from Internet Discussion Forums,” Southwestern Law School Faculty Colloquium, March 29, 2016. Also at UC Irvine Tax Policy Colloquium and at Pepperdine School of Law Tax Policy Workshop, Malibu, California, March 28, 2016; Georgetown University Law Center Tax Law and Public Finance Workshop, March 22, 2016; Duke Law School Tax Policy Seminar, Raleigh, North Carolina, Feb. 18, 2016; Indiana University Maurer School of Law Tax Policy Colloquium, Bloomington, Indiana, Jan. 21, 2016; National Tax Association 108th Annual Conference on Taxation, Boston, Nov. 19–21, 2015; University of Virginia Invitational Tax Conference, Charlottesville, Virginia, Nov. 6–7, 2015; and Brooklyn Law School Faculty Workshop, Oct. 15, 2015.

“Peer-to-Peer Consumption: Emerging Legal Issues in the New Sharing Economy,” Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting, New York, Jan. 9, 2016.



TRACIE MORRIS SCHAEFER



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Professor **Robert Force**, an internationally known authority on admiralty and criminal law, was inducted into the Tulane Law School Hall of Fame in June 2016. (See more on page 24.) The graduating Class of 2016 also chose him for the Felix Frankfurter Distinguished Teaching Award, the law school's highest teaching honor.

He authored five chapters on admiralty procedure in *Benedict on Admiralty* (Matthew Bender, 2016). He also published "Understanding the Nonremovability of Maritime Cases: Lessons Learned from 'Original Intent'" in 89 *Tulane Law Review* 1019-1057 (2015), and "U.S. Maritime Law" (with Tulane Law Professor **Martin Davies**), in *International Maritime and Commercial Law Yearbook* (2015).

Issues in Freight Forwarding: Law and Logistics," Edinburgh Centre for Commercial Law, Edinburgh University, Scotland, Sept. 4, 2015.

"U.S. Maritime Law" (with Tulane Law Professor **Robert Force**), in *International Maritime and Commercial Law Yearbook* (2015).

Professor **Onnig Dombalagian** started a term as vice dean for academic affairs in July 2016. (See more on page 1.)

Publications/presentations: "The Volcker Rule and Regulatory Complementarity," 10 *Capital Markets Law Journal* 469 (2015).

"Exchanges, Listless?: The Disintermediation of Listing," 50 *Wake Forest Law Review* 579 (2015).

"Preserving Human Agency in Automated Surveillance," symposium on "The Role of Technology in Compliance in Financial Services: An Indispensable Tool as Well as Threat?" Brooklyn Law School, March 4, 2016.

Moderator, "The Securities Law Perspective," at *Tulane Law Review* Symposium on "The Promise and Perils of Convergence in Financial Regulation and Consumer Protection," Nov. 13, 2015.

Professor **Adam Feibelman** is spending the fall 2016 semester on a Fulbright Fellowship, hosted by the National Law School of India University, Bangalore, and studying the role of consumer and household insolvency law in Indian society.

Professor **Gabe Feldman** presented a white paper, "The NCAA and 'Non-Game Related' Student-Athlete Name, Image and Likeness Restrictions," before the Knight Commission on Intercollegiate Athletics in Washington, D.C., May 10, 2016. He proposed that the NCAA allow college athletes to receive compensation for the use of their name, image or

likeness for off-field uses such as endorsement deals, video games or trading cards.

Other presentations: "ADR in Sports — Turning Lose-Lose Disputes into WIN-WIN Resolutions," at "Collaboration in Action," Federal Bar Association New Orleans Chapter, July 13, 2016.

"An Overview of Recent Legal Developments in Sports," Sports Lawyers Association 42nd Annual Conference, Los Angeles, May 12, 2016.

Moderator, "League vs. Player: The Battle Off the Field," SXSW, Austin, March 12, 2016.

"Barristers and Baseball — Sports Law for the General Practitioner and Specialist," Peoria, Arizona, March 10, 2016.

Professor **Joel Friedman** lectured on "The Constitutional Crisis in the U.S. Over Same-Sex Marriage" at China Youth University School of Law, Beijing, May 3, 2016, and

presented a lecture series on American civil procedure at China University of Political Science & Law School of International Law, April 19–May 6, 2016.

Professor **James Gordley** received the inaugural Patrick Glenn Award from the American Society of Comparative Law in October 2015 in recognition of his groundbreaking career contributions to the field.

Publications/presentations: "The Parol Evidence Rule and Transnational Law: the CISG and the UNIDROIT Principles," in "Eppur si muove: The age of Uniform Law — Festschrift for Michael Joachim Bonell, to celebrate his 70th birthday" (Unidroit, Rome).

"Subjective and Objective Theories of Contract: From Savigny to Eisenberg," at UC Berkeley School of Law symposium honoring Professor Melvin Eisenberg.

Professor **Stephen M. Griffin** published "Justice Scalia — Affirmative or Negative?" *Minnesota Law Review* online, July 2016, and "Understanding Informal Constitutional Change," 1 *Journal of Institutional Studies* 1 (2015) (Revista Estudos Institucionais, Brazil).

Presentations: "Liberty versus Security or Democracy and Security," at "War Powers and the Constitution: 15 Years After 9/11," Drake University Law School Constitutional Law Center, April 9, 2016.

"Executive Power," An Argument Open to All: Reading The Federalist in the 21st Century Conference, University of Texas Law School, Jan. 21–23, 2016.

"Race, Federalism, and Constitutional Change," at "The Present and Future of Civil Rights Movements: Race and Reform in 21st Century America," Duke Law School, Nov. 20–21, 2015.



Professor Ron Scalise

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“Constitutional Change and Reform,” American Political Science Association meeting, San Francisco, September 2015.

Professor **Catherine Hancock** published *Principles of Criminal Procedure*, 5th edition (with Weaver, Burkoff, **Hoeffel**, Friedland and Singer) (West, 2016).

Presentations: “The Tsarnaev Interrogation and Resistance to the Enforcement of Due Process and Miranda Rights for Suspected Terrorists,” panel on “Miranda and the Police,” SEALS 2016 Conference, Amelia Island, Florida, Aug. 7, 2016.

Professor **Janet Hoeffel** published two articles (with Singer): “Elections, Power and Local Control: Reining in Chief Prosecutors and Sheriffs,” 15 *University of Maryland Law Journal of Race, Religion, Gender and Class* 319 (2016) and “Activating a Brady Pretrial Duty to Disclose Favorable Information: From the Mouths of Supreme Court Justices to Practice,” 38 *N.Y.U. Review of Law & Social Change* (2015).

Other publications/presentations: *Principles of Criminal Procedure*, 5th edition (with Weaver, Burkoff, **Hancock**, Friedland and Singer) (West, 2016).

“Male Sexual Arousal and Getting to No,” Symposium on Violence Against Women, Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting, New York City, January 2016.

Professor **David Katner** was a panelist for the Orleans Parish Juvenile Court’s program on “Early Exposure to Childhood Trauma,” Jan. 13, 2016.

Adjunct Professor **David Marcello**, director of The Public Law Center, trained legislative drafters in Vietnam May 10-17, 2016. His article describing earlier visits to Vietnam, “Mission to Hanoi: ‘Rule of Law’ in a Communist one-Party state,” was published in the February/March 2016 *Louisiana Bar Journal*. He also spoke at a conference in Bern, Switzerland, in November 2015 on how the United States, Canada, England, the Netherlands, Poland and Switzerland train legislative drafters.

Dean **David Meyer** was appointed in June 2016 as associate reporter for an American Law Institute project to draft a first-ever Restatement for Children and the Law.

He spoke about tuition and student debt at a plenary panel of law school deans on the challenges facing legal education at the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals Judicial Conference, Houston, May 12, 2016.

He visited China twice in 2015: discussing ways to adapt legal education for globalized

legal practice at Dalian Maritime University Law School, and moderating a panel at the Tulane-Yale-Zhejiang Conference in Hangzhou, both in December; and presenting remarks at a conference on global legal education at Tsinghua University Law School in Beijing in October.

Professor **Vernon Palmer** edited and wrote five chapters in *The Recovery of Non-Pecuniary Loss in European Contract Law* (Cambridge University Press, 2015).

Other publications/presentations: “From Private-Law Roots to International Norm: An Investigation into Moral Damage and Pecuniary Reparations in Transnational and International Law,” *Journal of Comparative Law* (2016).

“Dommages Moraux: L’Eveil Francais au 19eme Siècle” [translated: “Moral Damages: The French Awakening in the 19th Century”], *Revue Internationale de Droit Comparé* (2015).

“Empires as Engines of Mixed Legal Systems,” Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, June 2016.

“Magna Carta in America,” Round Table Club, New Orleans, November 2015.

“Through the Codes Darkly: Slave Law and Civil Law in Louisiana,” French Chamber of Commerce, October 2015.

Professor **Ron Scalise** completed four years as vice dean for academic affairs. He also served as reporter for the Trust Committee of the Louisiana State Legislature and led efforts resulting in the enactment of Act 544,



Professor Pamela R. Metzger is joined by Death Row exoneree John Thompson during a 2015 presentation on wrongful convictions.

AINSWORTH PROFESSOR: PAMELA R. METZGER

Professor **Pamela R. Metzger** was appointed to the Robert A. Ainsworth Professorship in the Courts and the Federal System in June 2016. A nationally acclaimed scholar who has been cited by the U.S. Supreme Court as an expert on the Sixth Amendment right to counsel and right of confrontation, she is on a short list of experts in managing public defender crises.

Her 2015 article “Defending Data,” published in the *Southern California Law Review*, established her as a leading authority on public defender service delivery. She has taken a leading role in litigation to resolve Louisiana’s public defender crisis and has been interviewed by national news media on improving indigent defense systems.

She published “Confrontation as a Rule of Production,” 24 *William & Mary Bill of Rights Journal* 995 (2016), and “Me and Mr. Jones: A Systems-Based Approach to Catastrophic Errors in Indigent Defense,” 78 *Albany Law Review* 1261 (2015).

The Ainsworth Professorship is named for Judge Robert A. Ainsworth, a former Louisiana state senator who served 15 years on the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals after spending five years as a U.S. District Court judge in New Orleans.

CLASS OF 1937 PROFESSOR: AMY GAJDA

Professor **Amy Gajda** was appointed to the Class of 1937 Professorship in June 2016. A former journalist, Gajda is an internationally leading expert on the intersection of privacy and media law and a frequent analyst who has written essays on the clash of press and privacy rights in *The New York Times*, *Slate* and the *New York Daily News*.

She co-authored *Mass Media Law*, 9th edition (with Franklin, Anderson and Lidsky) (Foundation Press, 2016) and *The Law and Higher Education*, 4th edition (with Olivas) (Carolina Academic Press, 2015). She also published “The Trouble with Dignity” in *Comparative Defamation and Privacy Law* (Cambridge University Press, 2016) and “Privacy and the Right to be Alone” in *First Amendment Law in Louisiana* (University of Louisiana Press, 2015). Articles: “Academic Freedom, the Presumption of Openness, and Privacy,” in *International Journal of Open Government* (2016) and “Academic Duty and Academic Freedom,” 9 *Indiana Law Journal* 17 (2015).

She participated in scholarly events at the University of Texas, Washington University in St. Louis, Yale University, the University of Notre Dame, the Sorbonne in Paris, Zhejiang University in Hangzhou, China, and at Pázmány Péter Catholic University and the Hungarian Academy of Sciences in Budapest, Hungary. And she co-chaired a roundtable on “What is Newsworthy and of Public Interest: A World View” at the Law and Society Annual Meeting, New Orleans, June 2, 2016.



PAULA BURCH-CELENTANO

which revised the Louisiana Trust Code.

Publications/presentations: “Classifying and Clarifying Contracts,” 76 *Louisiana Law Review* 1063 (2016).

“Intestate Succession in the United States of America,” in *Intestate Succession* 401-20 (Reid, de Waal & Zimmermann, eds.) (Oxford University Press, 2015).

Forward, **A.N. Yiannopoulos**, *Property*, Vol. 2 of *Louisiana Civil Law Treatise* (5th edition, 2015).

“Recent Developments in Trust Law,” Shreveport Tax and Estate Planning Council, March 24, 2016. Also at the Partnership for

Philanthropic Planning, New Orleans, March 1, 2016, and the ACTEC Fellows Fall Meeting, New Orleans, August 21, 2015.

“Classifying and Clarifying Contracts,” 2016 Symposium on the Civil Law, Baton Rouge, March 18, 2016.

Professor **Stacy Seicshnaydre** was named associate dean for Experiential Learning and Public Interest Programs. (See more on page 5.) She also was selected as a 2016 *CityBusiness* Leader in Law.

Publications/presentations: “Missed Opportunity: Furthering Fair Housing in the

Housing Choice Voucher Program,” 79 *Law and Contemporary Problems* 101 (2016).

“Furthering Fair Housing in the Housing Choice Voucher Program,” Bellow Scholars Panel, Association of American Law Schools Conference on Clinical Education, Baltimore, May 3, 2016.

“Fair Housing, Disparate Impact and Community Development after Texas Dept. of Housing & Community Affairs v. Inclusive Communities Project,” Nelson Symposium, University of Florida Law School, Feb. 5, 2016. Also at NAACP Legal Defense Fund Airline Conference, Warren, Virginia, Oct. 23, 2015.

“Continuing Relevance of Desegregation in an Artificially Divided Society,” at “The Present and Future of Civil Rights Movements: Race and Reform in 21st Century America,” Duke Law School, Nov. 20, 2015.

“Fair Housing and the LIHTC,” Novogradac Affordable Housing Tax Credit Conference, New Orleans, Oct. 1, 2015.

“Disparate Impact,” American Bar Association Forum on Affordable Housing and Community Development Law (webinar), Sept. 30, 2015.

Professor Emeritus **Ed Sherman** spoke at the American Bar Association’s National Class Action Symposium, New Orleans, March 11, 2016, on preparing complex cases for settlement or trial. He presented a preliminary draft of a new Louisiana Arbitration Act to the Council of the Louisiana Law Institute on Nov. 7, 2015. He is the reporter for the Institute’s Committee on Arbitration/ADR, which is rewriting the state’s 100-year-old act and civil code provisions to bring Louisiana arbitration law into conformity with other jurisdictions.

Forrester Fellow **Ashika Singh** was a visiting scholar at Melbourne Law School’s Asia Pacific Centre for Military Law in June 2016 and presented her work on the Convention Against Torture in Armed Conflict to the Australian Department of Defence legal office, the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and the Attorney General’s Office. She also spoke at “Should and Will Guantanamo Close?” a panel at UC Berkeley’s Center on Institutions and Governance, April 29, 2016.

Professor **Tania Tetlow** was appointed Tulane University chief of staff and vice president in October 2015. She also published “Criminalizing ‘Private’ Torture” in the *William & Mary Law Review*.

Professor **Mark Wessman** co-authored *Problems and Materials on Secured Transactions*, 3rd edition (with Professor Emeritus **Paul Barron**) (West 2016).

CHARMS & CHALLENGES

ALUMNI IRRESISTIBLY PULLED
BACK TO NEW ORLEANS

AFTER THREE YEARS AT TULANE LAW SCHOOL, Imtiaz Siddiqui (L '03) missed the East Coast — and a proper slice of New York-style pizza.

So, after graduating, he started his legal career in his native New York, hardly expecting that a decade later he'd be back handling legal work for post-Katrina renewal projects and remodeling a house off Freret Street.

But he's among a diverse and growing fellowship: Tulane Law alumni who left New Orleans after graduation, only to be lured back because the city never left them.

"I'm witnessing Tulane impact New Orleans in an entirely new way because of its alumni returning," said Siddiqui, who joined the New Orleans City Attorney's Office in 2013 and later moved to Coats Rose, where he represents clients in construction law cases. He returned with broad litigation experience, having worked in a small firm and then handled

ALUMNI PORTRAITS BY TRACIE MORRIS SCHAEFER
NEW ORLEANS PHOTOGRAPHS BY PAULA BURCH-CELENTANO



ATTORNEY IMTIAZ SIDDIQUI (L '03) HANDLED SOME DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS FOR PROJECTS SUCH AS CRESCENT PARK, WHICH RUNS ALONG THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER WITH A SWEEPING VIEW OF THE DOWNTOWN SKYLINE.

IMTIAZ SIDDIQUI

From Brooklyn to the Freret corridor

WORKING IN A LAB convinced Imtiaz Siddiqui (L '03) to go to law school.

He started out as an analytical chemist, testing pharmaceuticals, but realized the solitary work didn't suit him. A Staten Island native who grew up in New Jersey, he visited Tulane because of its specialization offerings and fell in love with New Orleans, he said.

He was especially taken with the friendliness of people when he walked around. "New Orleans, to me, was more like a small town, dressed up in city clothing," he said.

The Tulane Law network also was welcoming. Before enrolling, he contacted alumni in Los Angeles, San Francisco, Chicago, New York, Washington and Atlanta to explore the prospects for parlaying a Tulane degree into big-city employment. "Everybody I emailed was super-nice," he said; one contact later helped him with a summer job at the U.S. International Trade Commission.

Siddiqui returned to New York after graduation, but New

Orleans kept tugging: he returned for a Tulane Law reunion, to run the Crescent City Classic and later to visit his wife's brother, a chef who co-owns three New Orleans restaurants.

At his 10-year reunion, he was recruited to start teaching in Tulane Law's Intersession skills-training boot camp, held each January for second- and third-year students. It was a great fit for the complex litigation skills he'd developed. And it was shortly after he had relocated from Brooklyn with his wife, Laura, and their children (who now number three).

Siddiqui initially worked in the New Orleans City Attorney's Office on public works projects, learning the city in new ways by studying old maps, riding the bus to and from work and reading all he could. At the City Attorney's Office, he primarily handled design and construction contracts on projects, including Crescent Park and the conversion of the historic St. Roch Market into a food hall.

Since 2015, he's handled construction and surety law cases at Coats Rose.

"We're looking to plant roots," he said. "New Orleans has been growing so much as of late and seems to be changing constantly, with new opportunities presenting themselves all the time."



“I hope to take advantage of the close-knit nature of the community here to make a positive impact.”

IMTIAZ SIDDIQUI (L'03)

antitrust and securities class actions while in New York.

One friend from the Class of 2003 moved to South Carolina but now has his own practice in New Orleans; another worked in New York, moved to Eastern Europe, then started at a New Orleans firm in 2010.

“New Orleans is in your blood; it’s hard to get it out,” said Chris Williams (L ’03), who started his legal career in Charleston, where he received his undergraduate degree from the College of Charleston. He returned to New Orleans in February 2008, as the city continued recovering from Hurricane Katrina. Since 2014, he’s run a solo firm, representing plaintiffs in labor and employment cases, and has watched his Uptown neighborhood evolve like many other parts of town.

“It’s just amazing to be a small part of that,” he said.

In the 10-plus years since Katrina forced about half of New Orleans residents to leave the city, the size of the population gradually has rebounded, though it’s still smaller than in 2005, and the demographic mix has shifted. The regrowth includes displaced residents who were able to return; workers who came for the vital reconstruction jobs then stayed on; civic-minded newcomers eager to help restore the city; and young professionals who saw the renaissance


in many parts of town and wanted to join it.

The returning alumni reflect their Tulane Law training along with the school’s national reputation. Many are law clinic veterans. They started their careers far from Louisiana, often through connections made during law school summer jobs. They developed, refined and expanded their skills and now are applying them across a city they couldn’t stay away from.

“I really missed the spirit of New Orleans,” said Cashauna Hill (L ’05), who spent six years in Portland, where she was born.

She had enrolled at Tulane Law School after attending Spelman College in Atlanta and quickly felt at home in New Orleans. In Oregon, she represented clients in fair-housing cases, using the foundation she had gained in the Tulane Civil Litigation Clinic. When a staff attorney position opened at the Greater New Orleans Housing Action Center in 2011, she jumped at the chance to move back. She’s now executive director.

“I feel like New Orleans makes me a better person,” said Hill, who belongs to a Mardi Gras dance troupe and is engaged to marry a Louisiana native, fellow Tulanian Hardell Ward (L ’08). “I’m excited to give back to this city that’s given me so much.”



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CASHAUNA HILL (L ’05)

Ask returnees’ favorite aspect of New Orleans, and they might refer generally to architecture and history or specifically to red beans and rice on Mondays or the porch-sitting lack of hurry that infuriates the impatient but also can be an antidote to big-city frenzy.

Noah Kressler (L ’06) said he didn’t imagine living in New Orleans before he attended Tulane — or even later, when he specialized in capital markets work for Weil, Gotshal & Manges in New York.

But after years in New York, and a stint in London, he started mapping out long-term goals, and the French Quarter beckoned.

“You have to give up a lot to be a successful lawyer in New York working at a large law firm,” said Kressler, who joined Baker Donelson’s New Orleans office in the summer of 2015. “Working in New York, especially at the intensity I worked at for so long, makes you reassess what’s important and how you want to live your life and at what pace.”

Nicole Russell (L ’99) didn’t expect to return, either. She had attended Tulane Law envisioning a career in international law. But then she developed expertise in complex energy-trading transactions and regulation during a career that took her to Atlanta, Tampa, Charlotte, New York, Woodbridge, New Jersey, and Chicago, with assignments abroad, too. But now she’s New Orleans-based, running her own firm representing energy-trading clients. She and her husband also are developing

a craft brewery and tap room in Jefferson Parish.

“I left New Orleans crying but thought that I would find home elsewhere,” said Russell, who grew up on a sheep farm near Buffalo, New York. “I made my home elsewhere, but no place felt like home but here.”

Kevin Thibodeaux (L ’04), a patent lawyer who turned pub owner in Dallas, recently bought a fixer-upper shotgun house near Magazine Street with the goal of eventually relocating: “There’s some truth in the song ‘Do You Know What It Means to Miss New Orleans?’ For reasons I myself cannot fully answer, once the city takes a hold of you, it never lets go.”

Family ties proved too strong for Megan Kiefer (L ’09) to stay away long — even though that’s partly why she moved to California in the first place.

Kiefer said she wanted to start her career in a legal community where seemingly everyone didn’t know her father and grandfather, a prominent lawyer and former state senator (and both Tulanians).

“The best place to be a single professional and 30 is San Francisco,” said Kiefer, who was an associate at Morrison Foerster. “I got to do trials with people known as some of the best trial attorneys in the country.”

But she tired quickly of being a bit player in the lives of friends and relatives, she said. Now, she’s living in Bywater, handling personal injury cases at her family’s firm. In addition to pro bono legal work, she sought out



CASHAUNA HILL

Still advocating for fair housing

WITH ROOTS IN THE Pacific Northwest and long ties to Atlanta, Cashauna Hill (L '05) nevertheless had a sense she'd live in New Orleans at some point.

During high school in Atlanta and undergraduate years at Spelman College, she'd visit friends in New Orleans. And Tulane attracted her for law school in 2002 with its solid academics during an era of strong commitment to racial and ethnic diversity.

"I remember the supportive community that I found," she said. "It was a blessing beyond what I was expecting."

She developed deep, lasting friendships at Tulane Law, she said. Professors like Oliver Houck and Robert Westley helped shape her thinking about the law and a career in social justice work. Professor Stacy Seicshnaydre (now an associate dean) introduced her to fair-housing law.

"Stacy has continued to be a really strong source of encouragement and support," said Hill, executive director of the Greater New Orleans Housing Action Center, a nonprofit Seicshnaydre was instrumental in founding.

AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE GREATER NEW ORLEANS HOUSING ACTION CENTER, CASHAUNA HILL (L '05), HERE VISITING THE FAUBOURG LAFITTE DEVELOPMENT IN TREMÉ, WORKS TO ENSURE RESIDENTS' ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

"She's the reason I knew I could become a fair-housing lawyer."

After law school, Hill clerked two years for a trial court judge in Portland, her hometown. She later joined a legal aid office, handling housing discrimination cases across Oregon and building on the experience she had gained in the Tulane Civil Litigation Clinic. As a student-attorney, she had helped secure a settlement in federal court for a terminally ill woman whose request to change public housing apartments had been bypassed despite her medically based need.

Hill returned to New Orleans in 2011 because she missed its unique spirit, she said. "We work really hard, but people also allow themselves the luxury of having fun and being social."

Last year, the center led a coalition from across Louisiana to secure protections for domestic violence victims threatened with eviction. The agency also is dedicated to keeping New Orleans accessible and affordable to marginalized populations, even as the city continues its upward swing post-Katrina.

"I feel like New Orleans makes me a better person," Hill said. "I'm excited to give back to this city that's given me so much."



MEGAN KIEFER (L '09), WHO PRACTICES LAW IN METAIRIE, VOLUNTEERS AT THE SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK, INCLUDING TEACHING CLASSES THROUGH ITS COOKING MATTERS PROGRAM (OPPOSITE PAGE).

MEGAN KIEFER

Coming home from San Francisco

LEAVING NEW ORLEANS convinced Megan Kiefer (L '09) she had to come back. She recalls waiting tables at a sushi restaurant her senior year at the University of Georgia when a patron told her about Hurricane Katrina.

"It was not just this crazy news story," said Kiefer, who grew up in Lakeview. She finished at UGA as quickly as possible, headed home and enrolled to start Tulane Law School in 2006.

"I think a lot of us felt that starting as the first post-Katrina class was an act of defiance against those who said the city could not resurge and an act of participation in the revival of history, family, city and community," she said.

When the Saints played the Chicago Bears for the NFC championship in January 2007, Kiefer invited some 30 classmates over to cheer, and whatever their football loyalties were, everyone wore Saints jerseys, she recalled.

"Watching a group of people embrace our city in our rebuilt home at the time the city needed the most love is a memory I'll never forget."

Kiefer forged long-lasting friendships at Tulane but wanted to start her career outside the shadow of her father, Metairie attorney Nat Kiefer Jr. (L '82) and grandfather, the late Sen. Nat Kiefer Sr. (L '64).

This time, she left New Orleans for Morrison Foerster in San Francisco.

But she felt she only made cameo appearances in the lives of friends and family. When her youngest sister died unexpectedly, Kiefer returned to New Orleans.

"I knew I had to go my own way before coming back home," she said. "I value that I was able to import the training, knowledge and skills I garnered from a San Francisco law firm and interlace them with my family's practice here."

She's also intent on being involved, from dancing in second line parades to volunteering in political campaigns to teaching cooking at the Second Harvest Food Bank.

"What I learned from Tulane is that life is not just about a good education or a successful career. Life is about communing with people," she said.

volunteer opportunities unrelated to law, which led her to teaching cooking through the Cooking Matters program at Second Harvest Food Bank.

During a recent session, she prepared baked chicken coated with cornflakes, sweet potato fries and cabbage slaw with carrots, walnuts and raisins with a group of women who came over after their shift at the nearby Walmart.

“Participation in the city contributes to a place that is desirable for people to live,” Kiefer said.

“At least thus far, what I have learned is that we can try to make the world a better place all we want, but we really need to make sure we stop to enjoy it with those we care about, because that’s what life in this city is all about.”

Coming back means viewing a changing city not as a student consumed with law school obligations but more with an eye on local politics, maybe as a

homeowner and parent, and planting roots.

While living in Brooklyn, Siddiqui had visited New Orleans often (his wife’s brother is a chef and co-owns three restaurants). But it was at the City Attorney’s Office, where he worked on numerous construction projects, including road rebuilding, that Siddiqui got a crash course on neighborhoods, down to the names and locations of playgrounds and libraries. He also handled design and construction contracts for transformative projects such as Crescent Park, a 1.4-mile linear oasis on the Mississippi River accessible from the Bywater neighborhood by a gracefully rusted steel bridge arching over the riverfront railroad tracks.

“I’m excited to be part of such a vibrant and engaging city and am looking forward to our three kids enjoying all that New Orleans has to offer,” he said.


His first impression was that New Orleans was “like a small town, dressed up in city clothing.” Now, as a resident, he said, “I hope to take advantage of the close-knit nature of the community here to make a positive impact.”

Even with its enduring hallmarks and eccentricities,



“Participation in the city contributes to a place that is desirable for people to live.”

MEGAN KIEFER (L’09)



New Orleans continues to remake itself in conspicuous ways: The Central Business District is flourishing with new housing options, shops and restaurants. Developments such as the Ashé Cultural Art Center on Oretha Castle Haley Boulevard in Central City and the rejuvenated St. Roch Market have added new dimensions to their neighborhoods. A \$1 billion Veterans Affairs hospital is expected to revitalize a major corridor.

But large swaths of town that were severely damaged by Katrina still struggle. And debate swirls continually over the costs that development exacts along with its benefits. For one thing, the influx of new residents has driven housing costs up and many longtimers out.

Hill, through her advocacy for fair-housing opportunity, is among those working to ensure that the city can strike a balance between rejuvenating and maintaining its essential character.

“New Orleans will become and look a lot different if the people who made it what it is no longer have the opportunity to live here,” she said.

Katie Schwartzmann (L ’03) is another alum who’s focused on some of the city’s most-daunting hurdles. A New Orleans native, she moved to Tennessee for a couple of years only because public interest jobs were in short supply when she graduated. Since returning in 2005, she’s

been a key driver on social justice and civil rights issues, leading years-long litigation over conditions at the Orleans Parish Prison. As co-director of the non-profit Roderick & Solange MacArthur Justice Center New Orleans office, she’s also pursuing criminal justice reform, including cases involving jury discrimination and services for mentally ill defendants.

New Orleans “has its own magic and charming dysfunction,” Schwartzmann said.

“In some ways, it’s easy to love because of the music and the food and this special binding grit that makes it different from every place else. But it’s also difficult to love. We have profound challenges when it comes to poverty and crime and education.”

The challenge, she said, “is to see both sides of that and to embrace the whole of New Orleans.”

Thibodeaux said he hopes to return and find a way to contribute “to the overall betterment of New Orleans.”

“I view my law degree as a valuable tool to help make a meaningful and positive impact,” he said.

“The symbiotic relationship between Tulane and New Orleans is unique when compared to other universities. Tulane makes a positive impact on its home city, and I hope to do the same.”

“People have different lives and stories, and the French Quarter is a great mélange of people.”

NOAH KRESSLER (L ’06)



NOAH KRESSLER

Same kind of law, French Quarter pace

THE FRENCH QUARTER, WITH ITS ICONIC BALCONIES, HELPED DRAW ATTORNEY NOAH KRESSLER (L '06) BACK TO NEW ORLEANS AFTER NEARLY A DECADE IN NEW YORK.

NOAH KRESSLER (L '06) didn't see himself living in New Orleans.

He's an East Coaster: a Washington, D.C., native and Vassar College graduate who'd worked in Manhattan for a talent agency and as an entertainment law firm paralegal.

But when he spent a weekend in New Orleans on a whim — in August — he was enchanted.

Still, he envisioned attending law school in New York, California or Michigan.

But on a Tulane campus visit, he stayed at a hotel overlooking the Mississippi River — and got hooked.

At graduation, Kressler had a job waiting at Weil, Gotshal & Manges in New York, so that's where he spent the next nine years, doing capital markets work, representing companies issuing securities, investment banks and private equity funds.

But his deep affection for the French Quarter remained.

He had bucked common wisdom and lived in the Quarter while at Tulane Law, a choice that meant he returned to a largely unscathed apartment after the campus had closed for a semester following Hurricane Katrina.

"I really, really liked living in the French Quarter, despite the disapproving looks I got from people when I said I lived there," he said.

"The French Quarter reminded me that there are lots of different people in the world. People have different lives and stories, and the French Quarter is a great mélange of people."

Over the years, he visited New Orleans more and more often. His in-laws live in the city. He started teaching transactions skills in Tulane's annual Intersession boot camp, an intensive week designed to simulate real law practice.

Mapping out long-term goals led Kressler back to New Orleans and to Baker Donelson, where he handles securities law issues, corporate transactions and entertainment law. And he's living in the Quarter.

Kressler said his Tulane experience provided a strong foundation for his practice, which involves advising clients not just on the law but on business strategy.

"One of the things Tulane does very well is putting people in a room together," he said. "It's very important to be able to interact with people. Tulane helps you understand and appreciate how to be a lawyer who can communicate with everybody."

JUSTICE ALITO SHARES INSIGHTS AND SELFIES DURING TWO-CITY EUROPEAN TOUR WITH TULANE



Participants in Tulane Law’s summer programs in Paris and Berlin took home a rare souvenir: insights on the U.S. Supreme Court delivered by a sitting member of the court, Justice Samuel A. Alito Jr., and even selfies with the justice, who lectured and visited with students and alumni at receptions in both cities.

An appointee of President George W. Bush, Alito succeeded Justice Sandra Day O’Connor on the high court in 2006. He’s a Yale Law School graduate and had been a federal prosecutor and longtime federal appellate judge when he was elevated to the Supreme Court.

Alito taught with Tulane Law Professor Vernon Palmer at the Tulane-Paris Institute of International & Comparative Law and then with

Professor Jörg Fedtke at the Tulane-Humboldt Summer Program in Intercultural Negotiation and Mediation. (Tulane’s partners for the programs are Paris-Dauphine University and the Institut für Anwaltsrecht at Humboldt University in Berlin.)

Alito’s discussion of the Supreme Court included the justices’ use of international law and rulings from other jurisdictions in its decision-making. He also delved into topics specific to each program, such as comparing constitutional review in the U.S. and France and covering U.S. arbitration clauses at the program on negotiation and mediation.

Alito joined the Berlin group for a bus tour and spoke individually with students at both programs. Fedtke called it “a great opportunity for them to get really close to a U.S. Supreme Court justice.”

More than 40 people attended a Berlin reception hosted by Linklaters, where Tulane Law alumna Anna Burghardt (LLM ’06 and SJD ’09) is managing associate.



Left, top: Justice Samuel Alito addresses Tulane Law alumni during a reception at Linklaters law firm’s Berlin office.

Left, middle: Tulane Law student Anjana Turner (L ’17) makes a point to Justice Samuel Alito during his Paris visit.

Bottom: Justice Samuel Alito (center) joins students from Tulane and universities around the world at the Tulane-Humboldt Program in Berlin. (Professor Jörg Fedtke is to Alito’s right.)



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TULANE LAW REVIEW CELEBRATES A CENTURY

The *Tulane Law Review's* storied first century definitely has stories to tell: about students gone off to war and returned; cutting-edge scholarship published; romances sparked; and the resilience to keep production on schedule after Hurricane Katrina closed the campus in fall 2005.

More than 200 former and current editors connected in New Orleans in April to toast the review's first 100 years and its Alumna of the Year, 103-year-old Marian Mayer Berkett (L '37).

One of the oldest legal journals in the United States, the review started in 1916 as the *Southern Law Quarterly*. It took a hiatus because of World War I demands but has published continuously since 1929, led by students who later became federal judges, law school deans, professors and renowned attorneys.

"I don't remember a single time I ever was on the *Tulane Law Review*. They tell me I was," Berkett quipped to roaring laughter.

Berkett, the first woman hired at a Louisiana law firm and a member of Tulane Law School's Hall of Fame, is on the 1936–37 masthead.

To celebrate the anniversary, the advisory board of editors collected anecdotes for a centennial book covering decades of law review history.

One of the most gripping stories involves the team displaced by Katrina just a week into the fall 2005 semester. Then-editors Meredith and Jeremy Grabill (both L '06), who weren't yet married, didn't evacuate until two days after the storm shut down New Orleans. They



TRACIE MORRIS SCHAEFER



Top: Student editors cheer for departing publications supervisor Lynn Becnel. Above: Marian Mayer Berkett (L '37) was honored as Alumna of the Year at the Tulane Law Review centennial celebration banquet April 14, 2016.

ran out of gas in Mississippi, left his Jeep on the roadside to ride with passersby 100 miles to Jackson, then met up with his father, who arrived from Pennsylvania with 20 gallons of fuel.

After they retrieved the Jeep and drove to Pennsylvania, Jeremy proposed with the engagement ring he had left hidden in the abandoned vehicle.

Meanwhile, Meredith, the editor in



Former Tulane Law Review editors Meredith Grabill (L '06) and Aimee Quirk (L '00) spearheaded the collection of reminiscences for a centennial book celebrating the journal's history.

chief, contacted one of the professors scheduled for publication in the review, and he arranged for the University of Texas to enroll 12 *Tulane Law Review* students for the fall and provide office space, FedEx access and other support. Even with other team members scattered across the country, the review came together: the third of six issues went to press by January, when Tulane reopened for spring classes.

The review provided connection after the catastrophe, said Meredith Grabill, now a Gordon Arata associate. (Jeremy Grabill is a Phelps Dunbar associate.) And, she added, it "created unique bonds of friendship that endure."

TULANE LAW REVIEW CENTENNIAL PROJECT

The advisory board launched an ambitious drive to create an endowed fund capable of ensuring the law review's continued success and independence. To donate to the *Tulane Law Review* Centennial Fund, go to giving.tulane.edu/law or call 504-865-5909.



Tulane Law School Hall of Fame 2016 honorees Professors A.N. Yiannopoulos and Robert Force and U.S. District Judge Martin Feldman (L '57), Alabama Attorney General Luther Strange (L '79) and pioneering attorney Margot Mazeau (L '58) gathered with Dean David Meyer after the luncheon June 3, 2016.

PIONEERS, SCHOLARS AND LEADERS JOIN HALL OF FAME

More than 250 alumni and friends filled the Marriott Convention Center ballroom June 3 to honor seven 2016 inductees into the Tulane Law School Hall of Fame: U.S. District Judge Martin L.C. Feldman (A&S '55, L '57), Professor Robert Force, retired attorney Margot Lampe Mazeau (L '58), McGlinchey Stafford co-founder Dermot S. McGlinchey (A&S '54, L '57), National Organization for Women co-founder Sylvia Roberts (L '56), Alabama Attorney General Luther J. Strange III (A&S '75, L '79) and Professor A.N. Yiannopoulos.

The new members joined other leading jurists, civil rights pioneers, renowned scholars and luminaries of the practicing bar recognized for their achievements and dedication to Tulane.

The Hall of Fame was created in 2012 with the support of an endowment gift by Lake Charles attorney Mike Veron (A&S '72, L '74) and his wife, Melinda.

2016 HONOREES

Martin L.C. Feldman (A&S '55 L '57): A U.S. District Court judge since 1983, Feldman spent 24 years in private practice, handling tax law and complex commercial litigation cases, before then-President Ronald Reagan nominated him to the bench. Feldman chaired the *Tulane Law Review* Board of Advisory Editors from 2000–2013 and was honored as the

law review's 2015 Alumnus of the Year. In 2017, he'll complete a seven-year term on the 11-member Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court.

Robert Force: A Tulane Law faculty member since 1969, Force is a world leader in admiralty law and director emeritus of the Tulane Maritime Law Center, which he founded in 1984 and led for 20 years. He holds the Niels F. Johnsen Chair of Maritime Law, and his scholarship has shaped the field both in the United States and internationally. He prepared a monograph on admiralty and maritime law for federal judges and helped write the maritime codes for Panama and China.

Margot Lampe Mazeau (L '58): After coming to the United States as a German exchange student, Mazeau went on to graduate first in her Tulane Law class, practice at New Orleans firms and moved into international arms control during the Cold War. As assistant general counsel in the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, she helped lead delegations to conferences in Geneva and Vienna. She litigated maritime law cases at Phelps Dunbar from 1980 until retiring in 1992.

Luther J. Strange III (A&S '75, L '79): As Alabama Attorney General, Strange was coordinating counsel for the Gulf states in the landmark litigation arising



U.S. District Judge Martin L.C. Feldman with Tulane law clerks.



Professor Robert Force celebrated his Hall of Fame award with son Joshua Force, a Tulane Law adjunct faculty member, and daughter-in-law Mara Baumgarten Force.



New Hall of Fame member Margot Lampe Mazeau was a pioneering attorney in New Orleans and worked as an international arms control negotiator for the U.S. government during the Cold War.



Alabama Attorney General Luther Strange (right) chatted with 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals Judge W. Eugene Davis, a 2015 Hall of Fame inductee.

from the Deepwater Horizon disaster. He was elected to a second AG term in 2014. Before holding public office, he practiced corporate law at Bradley Arant Boult Cummings then founded his own firm, specializing in economic development. He attended Tulane University on a basketball scholarship, then served in the U.S. Merchant Marine before law school.

A.N. Yiannopoulos: A Tulane Law faculty member since 1979, Yiannopoulos is an internationally renowned scholar of civil law, comparative law and maritime law, and he is Eason-Weinmann Chair Emeritus. He has revised major parts of Louisiana's civil code and has influenced every aspect of property law. A native of Greece, he ran Tulane Law's summer program there for many years. He recently created an endowed scholarship fund to assist students focusing on civil and comparative law. (See more on page 31.)

POSTHUMOUS HONOREES

Dermot S. McGlinchey (A&S '54, L '57): Co-founder of McGlinchey Stafford, McGlinchey was a powerful advocate for equal access to the courts. He helped revitalize the Louisiana Bar



Dermot S. McGlinchey Sylvia Roberts

Foundation and was instrumental in forming its Pro Bono Project. He also served as Tulane University's Alumni Association president, Dean's Council member, vice chair of the Maritime Law Center's endowment program and chair of the law school's building fund.

Sylvia Roberts (L '56): A practicing lawyer for almost 60 years, Roberts was a pathbreaking advocate for the rights of women, victims of domestic violence and the mentally ill. She helped found the National Organization for Women and was vice president of the NOW Legal Defense and Education Fund, litigating landmark cases for equal rights, including *Weeks v. Southern Bell*, NOW's first victory applying Title VII to combat sex discrimination in employment.



Professor A.N. Yiannopoulos

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GRADUATION 2016: A MESSAGE ABOUT SERVICE AND PROVIDING A VOICE

Entergy Executive Vice President Rod West (L '93, B '05) urged Class of 2016 members to “remember that the law is a service profession.”

Class President Morgan Jackson told them to “Stand up. Speak up. And go change the world.”

Both focused on employing the law to help others.

“Successful lawyers become successful when they’ve mastered the art of being of service to other people through their craft,” West said at the May 14 ceremony, reminding graduates that “the impact of the law is ultimately borne by real people.”

West practiced law for two firms then joined Entergy in 1999. He was electric grid manager of the New Orleans region when Hurricane Katrina struck in 2005 and responsible for getting utilities restored to the devastated city.

Jackson inspired her classmates by recounting a lesson her young son taught her about speaking up.

“Speak up, because your voice is the most important tool you have, and there are people you will meet who haven’t found theirs yet, and it is your responsibility to speak up for them,” she said.

Tulane Law School conferred 193 JD degrees, with 12 graduates receiving dual degrees and more than 90 earning a certificate in a specialized area of law: maritime, civil, sports, international and comparative or environmental.

Forty graduates received LLMS, and 12 students in the Payson Graduate Program in Global Development completed either a master’s degree or PhD.

TEACHING AWARDS

Professor Robert Force, a 47-year faculty member and Maritime Law Center director emeritus, received the Felix Frankfurter Distinguished Teaching

Below: Entergy Executive Vice President Rod West (L '93) reminded graduating members of the Class of 2016 that “the impact of the law is ultimately borne by real people.”



CANDID CAMPUS PHOTOGRAPHY

Award, the law school’s highest teaching honor for full-time faculty.

John C. Herbert (L '77), Ceritas Energy general counsel, who teaches regularly in Tulane Law’s Intersession



boot camp, teaches a course in business planning and helped launch a corporate counsel externship, received the Monte M. Lemann Distinguished Teaching Award for adjunct faculty.



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NEW GRADUATES INITIATE DIVERSITY PROGRAM TO PROVIDE SCHOLARSHIPS AND MENTORING

Robert Waldrup (L '16) wasn't even graduated yet when he started asking about the mechanism for endowing a Tulane Law scholarship. But this U.S. Air Force officer's ambition met with such enthusiasm that it's laid the groundwork for guiding more first-generation students into legal careers.

Waldrup teamed with classmate Gary Crosby (also L '16) to establish the Waldrup-Crosby Endowed Law Scholarship Fund, with the goal of providing financial support along with robust mentoring networks and other resources to increase Tulane's racial diversity and help students break into elite opportunities in the legal profession.

"Tulane already is a great institution as it is, but it can go further" in opening pathways for diverse students, said Waldrup, an Air Force captain whose first post-graduation assignment is with the Judge Advocate General Corps in San Antonio.

Waldrup said part of his inspiration came from the mentoring he received from other African-American officers during his six years as an Air Force meteorologist, which included postings to Tucson, Arizona, Bossier City, Kyrgyzstan and Korea. He also hopes to attract more students from underrepre-



RYAN RIVET

Gary Crosby and Robert Waldrup (both L '16) started a scholarship fund to enrich diversity at Tulane Law School and guide more first-generation law students into legal careers.

sented groups to the *Tulane Law Review*, where he worked as a managing editor.

Crosby, who grew up in Jasper, Alabama, earned a master's degree from the London School of Economics and taught history in New Orleans schools through Teach for America before attending Tulane. He said the mentoring and networking aspects of the scholarship program are important for students who, like him, are the first in their

family to receive law degrees.

"The program will be designed to help them navigate through this unfamiliar territory and, we hope, lead to career opportunities," said Crosby, who's starting his career at Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy in New York.

After Waldrup and Crosby explained their goal to the Dean's Advisory Board in the spring, member Alan Stone (E '83, L '87) and his wife, Katy Stone (E '83), pledged a substantial matching donation.

"Katy and I were inspired by the willingness of Gary and Robert to give back at such an early stage in their careers and by their commitment to mentor recipients," said Alan Stone, a Milbank partner who focuses on corporate and business litigation.

"Supporting and expanding diversity is a top priority at the law school, and we are delighted to be a small part of that effort. Our hope is that other alumni and supporters are similarly inspired so we can raise the funds necessary to support a full scholarship."

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New Orleans litigator Miles Clements (L '79) established the Rault-Clements Endowed Scholarship Fund to honor his late stepfather Joseph M. Rault Jr. (L '50), who's pictured at center left, with Clements' son Jack at far left.

Above: Miles Clements celebrates his Tulane Law graduation with his mother, Bonnie Mossler Rault (N '52) and stepfather, Joseph M. Rault Jr.

RAULT-CLEMENTS SCHOLARSHIP CELEBRATES FAMILY AND TULANE

A lawyer who switched to business and built successful companies in shipping, oil drilling and real estate development, Joseph M. Rault Jr. (L '50) also was a devoted Tulanian. Before he died in 2014, Rault decided a scholarship would appropriately show his gratitude for his Tulane education.

To honor that wish, attorney Miles Clements (A&S '76, L '79), his stepson,

the South Pacific, then graduated from Massachusetts Institute of Technology and started law school at Georgetown University before transferring to Tulane. He practiced law for 10 years then founded a series of companies, in the transportation, oil production and commercial real estate development fields. For Clements, he became a client and mentor.

"He and I fought a lot of battles in his

After law school, Clements joined Lemle & Kelleher in New Orleans. In 1995, he co-founded the firm now known as Frilot. He's a widely respected litigator, handling a range of issues, including energy and environment, sports law, maritime, patent and commercial matters.

In one case, he represented his brother-in-law, Mike Dunleavy Sr., in a wrongful-termination claim against the Los Angeles Clippers. Dunleavy was successful in arbitration. Tulane hired Dunleavy in March as its new men's basketball coach.

Clements also has been a member of the Allstate Sugar Bowl board since 1984 and has served terms as president and executive committee chairman.

"Joe Rault was an outstanding lawyer, businessman and civic leader, and he remained a faithful and dedicated Tulanian throughout his life," Dean David Meyer said. "It seems especially fitting that Miles Clements, another great Tulanian, has chosen to honor his stepfather through this scholarship, and we are very grateful."

Meyer said the Rault-Clements Scholarship "will now help countless future generations of talented men and women to follow in their footsteps to careers of great accomplishment and service."

"I HAD A GOOD EXPERIENCE, AND IT WAS A GREAT CORNERSTONE FOR WHAT I'VE DONE PROFESSIONALLY."

— MILES CLEMENTS

established the Rault-Clements endowed scholarship fund to help law students interested in litigation careers.

"He loved Tulane, and that is something that he and I shared," Clements said.

Clements was a Tulane undergraduate when Rault married Clements' mother, Bonnie Mossler (N '52), and the two men became close personally and professionally.

A New Orleanian, Rault served in the U.S. Navy, including as a commander in

interests and in the interests of his businesses," Clements said. "We held each other in high regard. I had many, many conversations with him about my cases and legal issues."

Clements called the scholarship a way for him to give back, too. He attended Tulane on a football scholarship and spent a total of seven years on campus.

"I had a good experience, and it was a great cornerstone for what I've done professionally," he said.

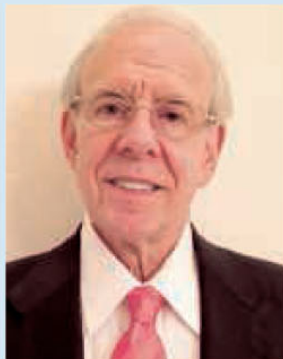
BUSINESS ATTORNEYS BOOST TULANE'S EXPANSION OF CORPORATE LAW OPPORTUNITIES

As a law student, Michael Fleishman (L '69) wasn't sure what direction to take. But he was intrigued by a business law class and studied labor and antitrust law with Professor David Bonderman, who went on to a famously high-flying career in private equity.

Fleishman joined Bingham Greenebaum Doll, a Louisville firm, where he's been a partner for 46 years. And he's found success both as an attorney and investor: handling legal work for clients such as Kentucky Fried Chicken, and helping restaurant companies thrive, including co-owning the largest Papa John's Pizza franchise at one time. He also helped create a small loan company with more than 300 offices and has served on the boards of a number of public companies.

Fleishman said his achievements "trace back to learning to think and analyze at Tulane Law School." In recognition of that, he endowed the Michael Fleishman Professorship in Corporate Law & Entrepreneurship in 2016 to support the work of an early-career scholar.

The new professorship is the second major infusion over the past year in Tulane's expanding business law emphasis. In fall 2015, Sher Garner Cahill Richter Klein & Hilbert founders Lee Sher (A&S '74, L '76) and Jim Garner (E '86, L '89) endowed the Sher Garner



COURTESY OF MICHAEL FLEISHMAN

Fund for the Advancement of Commercial Law, which will underwrite lectures, roundtables and other activities.

Fleishman said he was able to attend Tulane Law only because he received a scholarship. "I don't feel like I'm making a gift to Tulane but rather repaying a debt," he said.

Already married and the father of two as a law student, Fleishman was industrious in other ways while at Tulane: he sold shoes and insurance, worked in the law school library and served on the *Tulane Law Review*. He has continued to support his alma mater, and his son Jason is a 1994 Tulane Law graduate.

Fleishman said he hopes the holder of the professorship "will be able to stimulate young lawyers and provide them some of the tools they need to go out in the world and create new businesses."

Ann M. Lipton, who joined the Tulane Law faculty in 2015, was named the first Fleishman Professor. (See more on page 9.) Lipton spent more than a decade handling securities and corporate litigation in New York, including a stint with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and quickly is establishing herself as a major scholarly voice in the field.

The Sher Garner Fund supported its first event in November 2015, a keynote address on commercial law at the *Tulane Law Review's* symposium on "The Promise and Perils of Convergence in Financial Regulation and Consumer Protection."

Sher and Garner also are devoted Tulane supporters, hiring and developing Tulane Law graduates, volunteering their time to teach law classes and establishing the Sher Garner scholarship in 2012. Sher's wife, Karen (NC '74, L '77), daughter Rose Sher (L '10) and son-in-law

Michael Fleishman (L '69), a Louisville attorney and investor, endowed the Michael Fleishman Professorship in Corporate Law & Entrepreneurship.



Law partners Jim Garner (L '89) and Lee Sher (L '76) of New Orleans endowed the Sher Garner Fund for the Advancement of Commercial Law.

Jeremy Soso (L '08) also are law alums. Garner's wife, Tracie (UC '97), has a Tulane Continuing Studies degree.

Their firm melds the two key aspects of representing business clients: Sher's a premier transactions lawyer, and Garner's a renowned litigator specializing in trial work and appellate argument.

"Fortunately, we've had a fair amount of success practicing law, and we understand that Tulane Law laid the foundation for it," Sher said.

Garner said the fund will provide for examining issues beyond those raised in litigation, which is especially important in a field where most of the action never reaches the courthouse.

Dean David Meyer said the gifts are fueling a drive to make Tulane Law a leader in business law. "Tulane has always been a respected player nationally in business law," he said, "but these gifts are putting us in a position to lead."



Tulane Law Dean David Meyer congratulates retired Professor S.T. Hsieh (right), who was accompanied by friends Ted and Eddie Lee (pictured, center), on formalizing a major gift supporting law school initiatives in China.

ENGINEERING PROFESSOR'S GIFT BOOSTS CHINA CONNECTIONS

As a student, professor and researcher, S.T. Hsieh spent much of his life at Tulane. An engineer who has researched such areas as the biological effects of electromagnetic fields, he also has devoted time to nurturing multidisciplinary projects with Asia that involve the university's law and business schools as well as the engineering department.

Two years after retiring from the Tulane engineering faculty, Hsieh and his wife, Amy Lee, committed a gift of \$300,000 to support a wide range of Tulane Law School initiatives in China.

"We gave this gift in honor of our family and mentors that mean so much to us," said Hsieh, who grew up in Taiwan, completed a bachelor's degree in electrophysics at National Chiao-Tung University, then earned a master's in electrical engineering and a doctorate in engineering from Tulane.

Hsieh joined the Tulane University faculty in 1979 and led the Electrical Engineering Department from 1986–1992.

When Tulane first turned its attention to China in the late 1980s, Hsieh

helped forge a relationship between the two nations. He focused on promoting U.S.-China energy and environmental partnerships through the U.S./China Energy & Environmental Technology Center. The center built an effective network of government agencies, academic institutions and industries in both countries, helping to strengthen Tulane's relationship with China. Hsieh also played an early role in the law school's efforts to expand its involvement in China.

Today, Tulane Law has partnerships with several Chinese universities and

continues to enhance and expand them. Tulane also supports an array of activities in China, such as teaming with Yale Law School and Zhejiang University to host the annual International Conference on the New Haven School of Jurisprudence.

Tulane Law Dean David Meyer and maritime law faculty have traveled to China multiple times to teach or take part in conferences. And former City University of Hong Kong School of Law Dean Guiguo Wang joined the Tulane Law faculty in 2014 and then organized a visit by a delegation of 30 senior judges from across China who were studying U.S. law.

"Tulane University's intellectual capacities and academic disciplines mesh with China well," Hsieh said, adding that "Tulane is in a very unique position to engage China in many important academic fields, including medicine, law, business, political science, social works, wetlands and, most importantly, clean energy."

Meyer hailed the Hsiehs' gift as a major boost for the law school's efforts to build collaborations.

"S.T. was instrumental in opening doors for the law school's growing presence in China several years ago," Meyer said. "This generous and visionary gift will now enable us to accelerate and expand those initiatives in the years ahead."



Dean David Meyer and Professor Guiguo Wang attend the December 2015 7th International Conference on the New Haven School of Jurisprudence in China.

YIANNOPOULOS CONTINUES HIS CIVIL LAW INFLUENCE THROUGH ENDOWMENT

Professor Emeritus A.N. Yiannopoulos has helped shape generations of law students through his teaching and mentoring. But even though he's cut back on classroom time, he intends to influence generations more — through an endowed scholarship fund he plans to grow into a full-tuition award for a Tulane student focusing on civil and comparative law.

"I was educated by American taxpayers' money, and I want to discharge the debt of honor," said Yiannopoulos, a native of Greece who came to the United States on a Fulbright Fellowship to study for a master of comparative law degree at the University of Chicago.

He also received an LLM and JSD at the University of California, Berkeley, before completing another doctorate at the University of Cologne.

Yiannopoulos made his way to Louisiana in 1958 as a law faculty member at Louisiana State University, but Paul Verkuil, Tulane's dean at the time, convinced Yiannopoulos to move to New Orleans in 1979.

At Tulane, he helped launch the admiralty law program, continued to write the most-influential treatises available on Louisiana property law, brought international conferences to campus and taught a wide variety of civil law courses to thousands of students. He's revised major parts of the state's civil code and has influenced every aspect of property law, from the basics of possession and ownership to the intricacies of servitudes, which can govern the relationships between adjacent property owners.

"He's got an encyclopedic mind and knows not only the subject matter he teaches inside and out, but anything ancillary to it," said Professor Ron Scalise (L '00), a civil law specialist and one of Yiannopoulos' former students.

"There isn't a significant property case decided in Louisiana that doesn't cite, consult or refer to his work."

As the Eason-Weinmann Chair Emeritus, Yiannopoulos has done extensive international work, bringing his knowledge of French, German, Greek and Roman law into his analysis of Louisiana statutes.

He was elected a titular member of the International Academy of Comparative Law and ran Tulane Law's summer program in Greece for many years.

In 2016, he was inducted into the Tulane Law School Hall of Fame. (See more on page 24.)

Lafayette attorney Amy Allums Lee (L '01) called Yiannopoulos "the most remarkable person" and an intellectual genius.

"His classroom instruction was extremely challenging, but always with a delightful spirit," said Lee, who practices energy and environmental law with Johnson Gray McNamara.

As Yiannopoulos' research assistant for two years and assistant editor of the *Louisiana Civil Code* and the *Louisiana Civil Law Treatise* volumes 2-4, she

learned to value precision in a way that has served her well in her career, she said. Their friendship has continued, and they've worked together on Louisiana State Law Institute committees, Lee said.

"He is ever an inspiration to dig deep into the issues, to understand and appreciate them and their relationship to the law as a whole, and to live and enjoy the law as an art, rather than 'just a job.' I am eternally grateful to him for that."



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Eason-Weinmann Chair Emeritus A.N. Yiannopoulos, who helped shape Louisiana's civil code and generations of law students' understanding of it, has created an endowed Tulane Law scholarship.

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CLASS NOTES

1960s

In May 2016, **David Campbell (L '60)** of Folsom, Louisiana, received the Harnett T. Kane Lifetime Achievement in Preservation Award from the Louisiana Landmarks Society.

The Louisiana Film and Entertainment Association named **Robert A. Vosbein (L '67)**, CEO of Silver Screen Group, as its new president in September 2015. Vosbein, a longtime attorney at Adams and Reese, is of counsel in the firm's litigation group. **Will French (L '98)** continued as a board member after leaving the president's post. He is co-founder and president of Film Production Capital and special counsel at Fishman Haygood.

James J. Coleman Jr. (L '68), former chairman of International-Matex Tank Terminals in New Orleans, received the inaugural Alexander Hamilton Award from the National Coast Guard Museum Association. Coleman chairs the association's board and has been instrumental in efforts to build the museum on the historic downtown waterfront in New London, Connecticut.

Judge **Ian Forrester (MCL '69)**, who sits on the General Court of the European Union's Court of Justice, delivered Tulane's Eason-Weinmann Lecture on Comparative Law in March 2016.

1970s

Liskow & Lewis litigator **Lawrence Simon (L '72)** received the Institute of Energy Law's Lifetime Achievement in Energy Litigation Award in November 2015.



Edward B. Poitevent II (L '74) joined Stone Pigman Walther Wittmann as special counsel in the firm's New Orleans office in the natural resources and energy practices group.

Stephen L. Spomer (L '74) retired at the end of 2014 after 36 years on the Illinois bench: 26 years as a trial circuit judge and 10 years on the Illinois 5th District Appellate Court. Before serving in the judiciary, he was a public defender and then was elected State's Attorney in Massac County, Illinois.

Kendall P. Green (L '77) received a 2016 President's Award from the Louisiana State Bar Association in June in recognition of his 32-year career as a public defender in New Orleans.

John C. Herbert (L '77), vice president for legal and regulatory at Ceritas Energy in Houston, received the 2016 Monte M. Lemann Distinguished Teaching Award, Tulane Law's highest recognition for adjunct faculty.

The Louisiana Bar Foundation presented U.S. District Judge **Sarah S. Vance (L '78)** with its 2015 Distinguished Jurist Award in April 2016.

Victoria Reggie Kennedy (L '79) joined Greenberg Traurig's Washington, D.C., office as senior counsel. She is co-founder and president of the board of the Edward M. Kennedy Institute for the United States Senate in Boston.

1980s

The Tulane Alumni Association presented National Organization for Women President **Terry O'Neill (L '80)** with its International Achievement Award in March 2016.

Judy Barrasso (L '81), a founding member of Barrasso Usdin Kupperman Freeman & Sarver, has served as New Orleans Bar Association president during 2016. And in April 2016, the Louisiana Bar Foundation presented her with its 2015 Distinguished Attorney Award.



Reed Smith partner **J. James Cooper (L '84)** was inducted as a fellow of the American College of Coverage and Extracontractual Counsel. He is a member of the firm's insurance recovery and shipping groups in the Houston office.

Chaffe McCall elected New Orleans attorney **E. Howell Crosby (JD/MBA '84)** as the firm's managing partner. He represents lenders and



California Gov. Jerry Brown appointed **David E. Hizami (L '92)** as a judge for the Los Angeles County Superior Court in June 2016. Hizami, of Encino, had been a deputy public defender in Los Angeles County since 1993. Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge **Lisa Chung (L '91)** swore him in, and he was joined by his wife, **Cindy Hizami (also L '92)**.

developers in business and real estate matters and is past president of the American College of Mortgage Attorneys.

Hirschler Fleischer named **M. Jay Yurow (L '85)** head of its real estate finance and transactional practices in Tysons, Virginia, when the firm merged with another Virginia firm, Leach Travell, in January 2016.

Christopher Staring (L '86) was appointed to the Arizona Court of Appeals in October 2015. He had served as a Pima County Superior Court judge since 2010.



Joseph K. West (L '86) joined Duane Morris in 2016 as a partner in the Washington, D.C., office's trial practice group and became the firm's chief diversity & inclusion officer in May. He previously was president and CEO of the Minority Corporate Counsel Association.

Frank Turner Hollon (L '88), a partner at Hoiles, Dasinger & Hollon in Robertsdale, Alabama, published his 10th novel, Jamestown, Alaska, in June 2016.



COURTESY OF JOE ETTINGER

In October 2015, the Scottsdale, Arizona, City Council appointed **Joe Ettinger (L '56)** to the Scottsdale Human Relations Commission for a three-year term. Ettinger also volunteers with the civic group "For Our City," through which he organized a partnership with the Arizona Bar Foundation to provide a pro bono legal advice table at Scottsdale's downtown Farmers Market.



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Professor **Jane Johnson (L '74)**, who retired at the end of June 2016 as Tulane Law's director of experiential learning, received a Louisiana State Bar Association's Citizen Lawyer Award in October 2015. She also was named to the New Orleans CityBusiness 2016 Leadership in Law class.

In October 2015, the Louisiana State Bar Association presented a Citizen Lawyer Award to **Kim S. Sport (L '88)** for her fundraising and legislative work for nonprofits. She founded and chaired Jefferson Dollars for Scholars, which has awarded public school students more than \$15 million in scholarships for college and summer camp. A three-time cancer survivor, Sport also started Breastoration to assist women diagnosed with breast cancer, and she has helped strengthen state law aimed at helping survivors of domestic violence.

Jeff Frost (L '89), executive vice president for U.S. business affairs at Sony Pictures Television, hosted a reception and discussion of free speech issues for Tulane Law alumni at the Sony Pictures Studios complex in Culver City, California, in March 2016.

1990s

California-based attorney **Lisa Kaas Boyle (L '90)** was instrumental in pushing a ban on microbeads through the California Legislature in September 2015. That bill helped lead to the federal Microbead-Free Waters Act of 2015, signed by President Barack Obama Dec. 28, which will remove microbead-containing rinse-off cosmetics from store shelves starting in 2017.

Juan David Morgan Jr. (L '90), a partner at Morgan & Morgan in Panama, received the Tulane Alumni Association's International Award for Exceptional Achievement in March 2016. He is the firm's partner in charge of maritime litigation practice.

John Donnelly Jr. (L '91) joined the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development in November 2015, working as a hearing officer for the Housing Appeals Committee and legal counsel on affordable housing development. He previously was an assistant Massachusetts Attorney General handling civil litigation.



In May 2016, Andrews Kurth partner **Neil Kelly (L '92)** became president of the Houston Bar Association, the fifth largest in the United States.

Jonathan M. Gottsegen (L '93), previously general counsel and corporate secretary for United Rentals Inc., joined BrightView, a portfolio company of Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. and MSD Capital, as executive vice president, chief legal officer and corporate secretary.

Stephen Herman (L '94), managing partner of litigation at Herman Herman & Katz, has been named to senior fellow status with the Litigation Counsel of America.



Jared R. Clark (L '95) joined Phillips Nizer in New York as a partner in the firm's bankruptcy and restructuring and litigation practices. He previously was a partner at Bingham McCutchen.

In January 2016, **Ugo Colella (L '96)** joined Duane Morris as a partner in the firm's trial practice group in the Washington, D.C., office. He previously was a partner at Thompson Hine.



John Overby (L '96) joined Stone Pigman Walther Wittmann as special counsel in its New Orleans office's estate planning and tax practices. He previously practiced at Blue Williams in New Orleans and Evans, Jones & Reynolds in Nashville.

Nicholas Tsoudis (L '96) joined Invesco as chief compliance officer of WL Ross & Co. and Invesco Private Capital in June 2016. Located in New York City, he oversees and administers day-to-day operations of the compliance programs for the two registered investment advisers.



Jennifer Adler (L '98) joined the Atlanta office of Weinberg, Wheeler, Hudgins, Gunn & Dial as partner of counsel. She previously spent 17 years with Robins Kaplan's Atlanta office.

Steve Huang (L '98) joined the in-house legal department at Panasonic as lead counsel overseeing the company's energy services.

In June, Phelps Dunbar partner **Chris Ralston (L '99)** received a 2016 President's Award



The U.S. Senate confirmed Judge **Luis Felipe Restrepo (L '86)** to the 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Philadelphia, and he took his seat Jan. 13, 2016. He served as a U.S. Magistrate Judge in Pennsylvania's Eastern District from 2006-13, then as a U.S. District Court judge until elevated to the appellate court. He was joined at his June 17, 2016, investiture by **Kyle Satterfield (L '16)**, who'll clerk for Restrepo in 2018; **Dean David Meyer**; and fellow class of 1986 members **Glenn Duhl** (with wife Peggy), **Steve Jacobs** and **Ann Boyd**.

from the Louisiana State Bar Association for his efforts to promote access to justice and diversity in the legal profession. In April, he received the 2016 Louisiana Bar Foundation President's Award.

2000s

During 2016, **Staley Heatly (L '00)**, district attorney in Texas' 46th Judicial District, is serving as board chairman of the Texas District and County Attorneys Association. He is also a member of the Texas Exoneration Review Commission, which is charged with reviewing wrongful conviction cases to identify the main causes and make recommendations to prevent future occurrences.

Ryan E. Long (L '00) published his third book, *Outsourced to Lucifer*, in December 2015. It's available through amazon.com, iTunes and Barnes & Noble. Another novel, *The Naive Daring of Outsiders*, is scheduled for release in December 2016.

In November 2015, Shreveport attorney **Andrew Randall Jr. (L '00)**, owner of Krimson Kook Katering, published a cookbook, *Simple Gourmet*, which is available at amazon.com.

Kenneth Schwartz (L '00) was promoted to partner at Skadden, where he practices antitrust and competition law in the New York office.

In October 2015, **Gary Carter Jr. (L '02)**, a partner at Kelly, Hart & Pitre in New Orleans, won election to the Louisiana House of Representatives in District 102, which includes Algiers. He previously was senior counsel at Entergy Corp.

Zebulon Winstead (L '02), managing member of Crowell and Owens in Alexandria, received the Louisiana State Bar Association's Children's Law Award in June 2016.

Daniel Angel (L '03) was elected partner at Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher. He handles intellectual property transactions and strategic sourcing in the New York office.

Wiley Richmond Beevers (LLM '03) started a detail assignment as an attorney-advisor in the General Counsel's Office of the U.S. Trade Representative in Washington, D.C., advising on questions of admiralty and maritime law, customs and international trade law, comparative civil and common law, European Union law, and international trade litigation and negotiations.

Professor **Joshua Fershee (L '03)** is associate dean for faculty research and development at West Virginia University College of Law, where he has been a member of the Center for Energy and Sustainable Development



Peter Schloss (L '85), managing partner and CEO at CastleHill Partners in Beijing, China, hosted more than two dozen Tulane Law alumni from Beijing, Chengdu, Sichuan, Shanghai and Seoul, South Korea, in April 2016 at a party honoring Professor Joel Friedman, who was lecturing as a visiting professor at China University of Politics and Law.



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and director of the LLM in Energy and Sustainable Development Law.

Professor **Kendra Fershee (L '03)** is associate dean for academic affairs at West Virginia University College of Law, where she has been a faculty member since 2012, teaching family law, civil procedure and professional responsibility. She also is editor in chief of the *Family Law Quarterly*, an American Bar Association publication.

S. Jason Comer (L '04) joined Adams and Reese as a partner in the transactions and corporate advisory services practice group in February 2016.



Erin Houck-Toll (L '04), a stockholder in the business and tax division at Henderson, Franklin, Starnes & Holt in Fort Myers, Florida, is serving a three-year term on the Florida

Bar's Tax Certification Committee. She is board certified in tax and health law.

Jacqueline Simms-Petredis (L '04) was elected partner in the Tampa office of Birmingham-based Burr & Forman. She

practices in the financial services group with a focus on financial litigation and compliance.

Maria J. Wing (L '04) was appointed deputy chief executive officer of the Delaware River Port Authority Board of Commissioners in October 2015. She previously was counsel at Stradley Ronon in Philadelphia.

Katie Hall Giannasi (L '05) was promoted to partner at Husch Blackwell, where she is a member of the technology, manufacturing and transportation group in the Chattanooga, Tennessee, office.



Hongjun Shan (LLM '05, SJD '07) was promoted from dean of Dalian Maritime University Law School in China to the university's vice president of international affairs.

Francesca Ciliberti-Ayres (L '06) joined Greenberg Traurig as an associate in Washington, D.C. She previously was an attorney with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and with El Paso Corporation's Western Pipeline Group.

Philip B. Sherman (L '06) was elected partner at Chaffe McCall, where he concentrates on real estate and business law.

P. Andrew Spicknall (L '06) was named partner at Ballard Spahr, where he is a member of the public finance department, practicing in the Washington, D.C., office.

Justin Alsterberg (L '07), a litigator at Quinn & Alsterberg, serves on the executive leadership committee of evacuteer.org, which helps recruit and train volunteers to evacuate New Orleanians without their own transportation in the event of hurricanes threatening the city.

Stephen Jacobson (L '07) was named partner at Vinson & Elkins, where he handles executive

compensation and benefit matters in the Houston office.



Shailendra "Shay" Kulkarni (L '07), an associate in San Diego-based Sullivan Hill's construction, insurance and litigation practice groups, is serving as chair of the San Diego County Bar Association's Construction Law Section for 2016.

Ryan M. McCabe (L '07) was named partner at Steeg Law Firm in New Orleans.



Alicia E. Thompson (L '07) was elected shareholder at the McNair Firm, where she practices in the Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, office, focusing on disputes involving contractual and real property rights, commercial litigation and corporate governance.

Nikky Williams (L '07/MBA '08) was made lead trademark counsel at Facebook in October 2015.

Denton, Texas, lawyer **Scott Bodkin (L '09)** was elected to the Denton Animal Support Foundation board of directors.

2010s

Stephen W. Grant Jr. (L '10) joined Thompson & Knight's Houston office in April as an associate in the corporate and securities practice group. He previously was an associate at Vinson & Elkins.

Akin Gump associate **Richard Page (JD/MBA '10)** received a national Burton

Rebecca Dietz (L '02) became New Orleans' City Attorney in November 2015 after a year as Mayor Mitch Landrieu's executive counsel. A former King, Krebs & Jurgens partner who practiced oil and gas and environmental litigation, she also had served as a deputy City Attorney leading the contracts division, then was general counsel and deputy director of legal affairs for the Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport.



CHERYL GERBER

Award for best law firm writing in May 2016 for an article he co-wrote, "How Can a Renewable Energy Plant Be Sold For a Capital Gain as Opposed to an Ordinary Gain?" It was published in Bloomberg BNA's *Daily Tax Report*.

Brian McNamara (LLM '11), an adjunct assistant professor at Tulane Law, was promoted to U.S. Coast Guard commander in

December 2015. He is deputy staff judge advocate for the Eighth Coast Guard District.

Ethan Minshull (L '11), a litigation attorney with Wick Phillips, co-chairs the Dallas Bar Association's Home Project, which has partnered with Dallas Area Habitat for Humanity for 25 years to build homes for low-income families. The DBA is the longest running whole-house sponsor in Dallas.

Jack Shelton (LLM '11), an associate at Harris Shelton Hanover Walsh in Memphis, Tennessee, was named to the West Tennessee District Export Council by the U.S. Secretary of Commerce.

Jonathan Cardosi (L '12), a commercial litigator, joined Duffy & Sweeney in Providence, Rhode Island. He previously was an associate at Higgins, Cavanaugh & Cooney.



Gillian Egan (L '12) joined Phelps Dunbar's New Orleans office as an associate practicing labor and employment law.



Jenny Rigterink (L '12) joined Baldwin Haspel Burke & Mayer in New Orleans as an associate in the transactional section.



The Tulane Sports Law Society hosted **Mike Tannenbaum (L '95)**, the Miami Dolphins executive vice president of football operations, and **Tandy O'Donoghue (L '97)**, WWE executive vice president of strategy and analytics, in March 2016 to share insights about their industries.

Zachary Rosenberg (L '12) joined Steeg Law Firm in New Orleans as an associate in the transactional practice.

Chris Walker (L '14) joined the Houston office of USI Brokers specializing in the marine and energy areas.

Andrew Baker (L '15) moved to the Brooklyn Nets as strategic planning coordinator (from the San Antonio Spurs), and **Marshall Rader (L '15)** became basketball operations quality assurance assistant at the San Antonio Spurs.



Phelps Dunbar's New Orleans office added associates **Sarah Faris (L '15)** in litigation and **Talbot Quinn (L '15)** in business law.

Will Lindsey (L '15) joined the Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance in the federal facilities program.

Jacob Ludwikowski (L '15) was named associate athletic director for external relations at the University of New Orleans.

Igor Pak (LLM '15) joined the Colibri Law Firm as an associate in Tashkent, Uzbekistan, focusing primarily on corporate

Janis van Meerveld (L '87) took the bench as a U.S. Magistrate Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana on Aug. 1, 2016. She previously was a partner at Adams and Reese specializing in labor and employment law. She joins three other Tulane Law alumni serving as U.S. Magistrate Judges in New Orleans: *Joseph C. Wilkinson Jr. (L '80)*, *Karen Wells Roby (L '87)* and *Michael North (L '97)*.



and project finance issues within the energy and subsoil industries.

Nicole Swartz (L '15) had sugar body scrubs from her Sweet Cheeks Beauty Company included in celebrity gift bags at the Golden Globes in January 2016, after the products had been in New York Fashion Week swag bags and featured in a *Condé Nast Traveler* magazine holiday gift guide.

In July 2016, **Caroline Wick (PHTM '14, L '15)** started as a staff attorney at Children's Law Center in Washington, D.C., working in its medical-legal partnership, Healthy Together.

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Abraham Bernard Kupperman (A&S '38, L '40), 96, of New Orleans died March 21, 2016. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. He later became president of his family's furniture business, practiced law at Baldwin & Haspel (now Baldwin Haspel Burke & Mayer) and became a certified financial planner.

Robertine Rhymes Cobb (NC '40, L '42), 95, of Rayville, Louisiana, died Jan. 11, 2016. She practiced law and later managed Louisiana farms. She helped plan the restoration of the Rhymes Library, the oldest parish library in Louisiana.

Robert M. Fleming (L '48), 90, of Franklin, Louisiana, died Oct. 16, 2015. A pilot and lieutenant in the Army Air Corps during World War II, he later was a partner in the firm that became Bauer, Darnell, Fleming and McNulty. He served in the 16th Judicial District Court from 1968 until retirement.

Philip "Phil" C. Ciaccio (A&S '46, L '50), 88, of New Orleans died Nov. 12, 2015. A U.S. Air Force judge advocate during the Korean War, he went on to serve in the Louisiana Legislature and on the New Orleans City Council before spending 15 years on the Louisiana Fourth Circuit Court of Appeal.

Carruther J. Davis Jr. (A&S '49, L '51), 91, a retired attorney in Terry, Mississippi, died Oct. 17, 2015. He served as a U.S. Navy aviator during World War II and stayed in the Naval Reserve until 1961. He worked as a private attorney, an Internal Revenue Service agent and as a special agent for the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Edgar "Sonny" G. Mouton Jr. (A&S '51, L '53), 86, a former state legislator, died March 24, 2016. He represented Lafayette in the Louisiana Legislature for 16 years, 14 of them in the Senate. He was executive counsel to Gov. David Treen, special counsel to Gov. Edwin Edwards and was inducted into the Louisiana Political Hall of Fame in 2004.

Abraham P. Friedman (B '51, L '56), 85, of Houston died Oct. 20, 2015. He served in a U.S. Army medical battalion during the Korean War and later practiced law for 51 years. When his firm Dow, Cogburn and Friedman merged with Winstead in 2001, he practiced there until retiring in 2007.

Henry "Bernie" B. Alsbrook Jr. (A&S '52, L '57), 85, of Mandeville died Nov. 13, 2015. He served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War and later was managing partner at Adams

Sarpy Scholarship Provides Vital Aid

Aaron "Lester" Sarpy Sr. (B '44, L '45), a longtime New Orleans businessman and philanthropist whose scholarship fund has helped more than 50 students attend Tulane Law School, died June 22, 2016 at age 91.

Sarpy, owner of Canal Mortgage & Finance Co., established the A. Lester Sarpy Scholarship Fund, one of Tulane Law's oldest scholarships, in 1980.

One of his sons also graduated from Tulane Law: Developer Chris Sarpy (L '91) is a force behind such projects as the renovation of Arabella Station bus barn into an Uptown Whole Foods Market.

"My father was very grateful for the education he received at Tulane. Our family would not be enjoying the success it has now without Tulane University," Chris Sarpy said.

Dean David Meyer said Lester Sarpy added generously to the Sarpy Scholarship endowment fund every year. Recipients "have gone on to success as lawyers, public officials, business people, federal judges and more, and each of them has given back to the community," Meyer said. "Lester Sarpy's quiet, unassuming generosity will continue to open doors for students in perpetuity and vividly illustrates the impact that donors can have on future generations."



and Reese. He was president of the Louisiana State Bar Association in 1982-83.

Donald Kent (L '59), 88, of Lafayette died Dec. 10, 2015. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and the Korean War and remained in the reserves until age 73. He worked as a U.S. government attorney, retiring in 1997.

W. Boyd Reeves (L '59), 83, of Mobile, Alabama, died Jan. 18, 2016. He served as a U.S. Army tank company commander and later was a partner at the Armbrecht Jackson firm in Mobile, practicing admiralty and maritime law.

Elizabeth Spink Karmazin (L '60), 93, of Charlotte, North Carolina, died Jan. 1, 2016. One of the first women lawyers in New Orleans, she started practicing in 1960. She worked 26 years for the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeal presiding judge, running for the bench herself in 1972.

William "Bill" Norris III (L '62), 79, of West Monroe died July 13, 2016. He served 28 years as a judge, including three years as chief of Louisiana's Second Circuit Court of Appeal.

George Gary Janis (A&S '63, L '65), 74, of Saratoga Springs, New York, died May 22, 2016. He was a retired New York State administrative judge.

Richard W. Bussoff (A&S '63, L '67), 73, of Biloxi, Mississippi, died May 13, 2015.

John H. Butler II (L '68), 73, of New Orleans died Nov. 3, 2015. A former NASA engineer,

he spent most of his legal career with the firm of Barker, Boudreaux, Lamy & Foley.

Michael F. Little (A&S '66, L '68), 72, of Highlands, North Carolina, died Feb. 29, 2016. He was a past president of the World Trade Center of New Orleans.

James G. Kambur (L '71), 72, of New Orleans died July 2, 2016. A former U.S. Army medic, as well as an engineer and pilot, he practiced law for 45 years.

Robert "Rob" Burns Fisher Jr. (A&S '66, L '73), died April 25, 2016. An admiralty lawyer at Chaffe McCall, he was founding editor in chief of the *Tulane Maritime Law Journal* in law school. He served as a U.S. Navy deck officer and navigator from 1966-70.

Amber Huffman Watt (L '05), 36, of Shreveport died May 7, 2016. She practiced at several Louisiana firms, most recently Cook, Yancey, King & Galloway.

Rebecca Brownstone (L '06), 34, a deputy district attorney in the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office, died Nov. 4, 2015.

Anthony Pijerov (L '06), 35, of Fort Mill, South Carolina, died June 8, 2016. He had practiced at Hunton & Williams then worked as capital markets counsel at Wells Fargo. His wife, Brooke (Shultz) Pijerov, also graduated in the Class of 2006.



WEINMANN'S LIFE OF SERVICE LEAVES ENDURING LEGACY

By David Meyer, Tulane Law School dean

John Giffen Weinmann's name resounds across Tulane Law School, from its very location to its signature academic and scholarly activities.

But in 1946, as a Tulane University freshman, Weinmann (A&S '50, L '52) could be found on the back of a garbage truck.

When a garbage strike hit New Orleans, Weinmann and classmates rallied to the mayor's call for volunteers

to clean up the streets and keep the city working. There was the future diplomat and King of Carnival, hanging on for dear life as the truck careened through the narrow streets of the French Quarter, pausing outside bars and night spots to heave rotting rubbish into the truck.

That episode captured Weinmann's essential traits: good humor, a taste for adventure and a passion for service.

Weinmann died June 9, 2016, at 87, leaving an enduring legacy marked by love of family and devotion to Tulane.

Known to friends as "Jack," he reached the pinnacle in a dizzying range of pursuits.

He was a respected lawyer, practicing at Phelps Dunbar for almost three decades and serving as longtime general counsel of *The Times-Picayune*. He was president and director of the Waverly and Eason Oil Companies and served as U.S. Ambassador to Finland from 1989–91, then as White House chief of protocol from 1991–93.

Former President George H.W. Bush, in whose administration he served, called Weinmann "a true Southern

gentleman" who "loved his family and the United States of America."

Weinmann chaired the Tulane University Board, counseled a succession of law school deans and lent his name to Weinmann Hall, the law school's home since 1995.

Jack and Virginia Eason Weinmann, his beloved wife of 61 years, were not only generous benefactors, but visionary partners in building the law school's global reach. They endowed the Eason Weinmann Center for International and Comparative Law and supported it personally, hosting dinners for visiting scholars and faculty candidates at their lovely Old Metairie home and faithfully attending each year's Eason-Weinmann Lecture.

They also helped recruit Professor Guiguo Wang, a world-renowned scholar on international economic law and former law dean in China, to the Tulane Law faculty, where he holds the Eason-Weinmann Chair of International and Comparative Law.

Without Ambassador Weinmann's generosity, Tulane Law School would not be known around the world today as a leading force in international and comparative law.

It was a pleasure to recognize his many contributions by honoring him in the first Tulane Law School Hall of Fame class in 2013.

Throughout his extraordinary, improbably full life, Jack Weinmann was many things to many people: diplomat, lawyer, businessman, civic leader, Carnival's Rex and, to his 16 devoted grandchildren, simply "Pop." To the countless Tulanians he counseled, supported and championed, he was, above all, a true and dedicated friend who will be very dearly missed.





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28–29	Reunions/Homecoming	Classes of 1971, 1976, 1981, 1986, 1991, 1996, 2011	lawalumnirelations@tulane.edu or 504-865-5909

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18	25th Estate Planning Institute	Westin Canal Place Hotel	law.tulane.edu/cle, 504-865-5900
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