

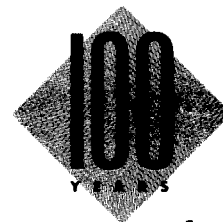
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## SUMMER RENOVATIONS TRANSFORM LAW SCHOOL BUILDINGS

Students and faculty returning to classes on August 20 will notice dramatic changes which took place during the summer in the various buildings of the Law School.

The most changes were made in 57 Worth Street where new classrooms and offices were added. The third floor Moot Court Room and adjoining classroom have been converted into one large classroom seating over 100 students.

On the fourth floor, classroom A-400 was renovated to resemble the layout of the LeFrak Moot Court Room and will seat 117 students and a seminar room, seating 20-25 students, was completed. The staff lounge was also renovated.

The fifth floor now includes classroom A-500, and a seminar room, which will double as a conference room for fifth floor offices. The Financial Aid Office has expanded to make the heavy student traffic areas - the Offices of Financial Aid and Admissions - more accessible for students.

The large classroom on the sixth floor has been converted into two smaller classrooms. Room A-600 is now a 45-seat lecture room and room A-602 is a seminar room for 25 students.

The new classrooms were equipped with their own cooling systems which will help maintain a comfortable temperature in both the classrooms and other areas on the same floors. Each floor has been re-painted, re-wallpapered and had new carpet installed to give the floors a more unified look. New restrooms accessible to the handicapped have been added on the fourth and sixth floors.

"The new classrooms and alterations were completed to meet the changing needs of the academic program. The idea was to make everything more comfortable for the students, faculty and staff. The larger classrooms were built on the lower floors to make the rooms easier for students to reach," George Hayes, Director of Facilities Management, said.

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Before any construction began on the inside of 57 Worth Street, the exteriors of 47 and 53 Worth Street were repaired and re-painted to prepare the buildings for weathering that often takes a toll on older buildings. The sidewalk outside the Mendik Library on Church Street to Leonard Street was re-paved.

### **STILL UNDER CONSTRUCTION...**

The notoriously-slow elevator in 47 Worth Street will be closed and completely reconstructed between August and late October. During that time, please use the elevator in 53 Worth Street and walk through the connecting doors (located on each floor) to enter 47 Worth Street.

Access to the 53 Worth Street elevator is now limited only to the lobby entrance inside the building. Entrance directly from Worth Street is now reserved for handicapped access and requires the assistance of a security guard.

The Froessel Room is a part of the Law School's "five-year construction plan" and will be closed until further notice. The room is to be extensively renovated to "capture the essence of a true reading room," according to Mr. Hayes.

## **SOLOMON PUBLIC SERVICE ENDOWMENT FUND ESTABLISHED**

The Joseph Solomon Public Service Fellowship and Endowment Fund has been established to encourage students to enter public service careers by helping to alleviate the financial struggles often associated with such a career, Dean Simon has announced.

Every year, a committee composed of faculty, administrators and an attorney practicing in the field

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of public service will review applications. Finalists will then be interviewed by Dr. Solomon before final selection by the dean.

The students awarded the externships will receive \$400 per week for usually unpaid summer internships with legal aid offices, City and State regulatory departments, not-for-profit public advocacy groups and other agencies.

In addition, The Joseph Solomon Public Service Fellowship Program will be awarded to one graduate pursuing a career in public service each year. The Fellowship Program will provide an annual salary supplement of \$5,000 per year, for up to three years.

Joseph Solomon '27, is an honorary trustee of the Law School and is of counsel to the Manhattan law firm of Gallet, Dreyer & Berkey. In addition to the Fund, The Joseph Solomon Distinguished Professorship of Law and The Rita and Joseph Solomon Professorship in Wills, Trusts and Estates and The Joseph Solomon Lecture are all named in his honor.

For additional information, contact the Director of Career Services, Deborah Howard, at ext. 345.

## **CENTENNIAL EXHIBIT TO OPEN AT SUPREME COURT BUILDING**

An exhibit planned in honor of the Law School's centennial will open at the New York State Supreme Court Building on September 11th. The exhibition will trace the history of the School from its early days in 1891 to the present through many photographs, newspaper articles and memorabilia.

The exhibit will be displayed at the Rotunda of the New York State Supreme Court Building on Centre Street from September 11 to October 4. It will then be moved to the New York County Lawyers' Association at 14 Vesey Street and be on display from October 7 to November 1.

For more information please call the Office of Development and Public Affairs at ext. 800.

## **CENTENNIAL CARNIVAL TO BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 15**

The Alumni Association, The Student Bar Association and the Law School have planned a Centennial Carnival to celebrate the School's 100th birthday for Sunday, September 15, from 1:00 p.m - 5:00 p.m.

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in the parking lot of 47 Worth Street. The carnival will take place rain or shine.

The day will be filled with food, drinks, games, clowns, prizes, music and dancing. Professor Robert I. Blecker's play "Vote No" will be performed at 2:00 p.m. and at 4:00 p.m. in the LeFrak Moot Court Room.

There will be something for everyone, and there is no admission charge, so mark your calendar for a fun-filled day!

For further information, contact the Office of Development and Public Affairs at ext. 800.

## **FOUR ELECTED TO SERVE ON HUMAN RIGHTS REVIEW BOARD**

Four members of the Law School community were elected to the newly formed Human Rights Review Board. They are: Jane Helm (ex-officio), Laura Stein (faculty), Kevin Downey (staff) and Joan Sutton (summer appointed student). The term is for one year and is renewable.

The Human Rights Review Board was formed as a result of a recommendation from the faculty which adopted the New York Law School Sexual Harassment Code in the early summer.

The Code lists what the faculty and administration view as sexual harassment and proper procedures to follow if one feels that he or she has been harassed in any form.

The role of the Board is to hear sexual harassment complaints, to assess whether or not the allegations have merit, and, if they do, to recommend a sanction.

## **STAFF UPDATE**

Michele Adams joined the Lawyering Skills Center as Administrative Assistant/Word Processor. She has a B.A. in Communications from Hunter College.

Ntow Adjei-Danso was promoted to full-time Security Officer for Facilities Management.

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**April Brown** is the new Assistant Director of Financial Aid. She holds a B.A. in Sociology from Kirkland College.

**Susan M. D'Ambra** has joined the Office of Career Services as Career Services Assistant. She holds a B.A. in Psychology from St. John's University.

**Carline Devis**, Mendik Library Assistant, gave birth to a son, Patrice - 8 lbs. 7 oz.

**Joan Fishman**, Executive Assistant to the Dean, gave birth to a son, Matthew Franklin - 8 lbs. 6 oz.

**Pamela A. Frohne** has joined the Office of Development and Public Affairs as Communications Assistant. She holds a B.A. from St. Bonaventure University.

**Deborah Howard** is the new Director of Career Services. She holds a B.A. in East Asian Studies from Harvard University and a J.D. from Northeastern University School of Law.

**Helena Prigal**, Director of Career Services, married Russell Hollander on May 26.

**Roy Seda**, Security Officer, married Veronica on July 5.

**Catherine A. Siemann** is the Assistant to the President of the American Civil Liberties Union. She holds a B.A. from S.U.N.Y.-Binghamton and a J.D. from New York University.

**Delores Taylor**, Mendik Library Secretary/Receptionist gave birth to a boy, Jamar - 7lbs. 14 oz.

**Robert Ward** is the new Audio-Visual Services Coordinator. He most recent employer was Irving Trust Company, where he was manager of the Graphics Department.

**Matthew Wilkes**, Associate Dean for Student Affairs, married Jacquelyn Goodrich on June 2.

## FACULTY NEWS

**Professor Michael Botein's** book Cases and Materials on Regulation of the Electronic Media was published by West Publishing Company on April 30. He was quoted in the May 1 issues of Telephone Engineer & Management magazine and Communications International magazine (London, England)

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on 2021 AD: Visions of Society, Technology, Information and Communications. On May 31, he gave a paper at the French Telephone Company entitled "Quelque Pistes de AT&T." On June 12, he gave a paper entitled "The Competitiveness of the U.S. Telecommunications Industry" at the University of Amsterdam Law School. During the late Spring and Summer, he was a Visiting Professor at the University of Poitiers Law School, teaching two courses: "Law and Economics of the U.S. Electronic Media" and "Regulation of the U.S. Broadcasting and Telecommunications." His paper entitled on Integrated Broadband Networks - The Public Policy Issues entitled "Regulatory Status: A Preliminary Inquiry" was published by Elsevier Science Publishers. His article "Allowing RBOC Information Services: An Invitation to Reversal?" appeared in the Outside Counsel column of the New York Law Journal on August 2.

Professor Carlos Cuevas was quoted in the May 7 issue of Yonker's Herald Statesman on bankruptcy laws that would allow victims of consumer fraud to seek higher reimbursements in bankruptcy proceedings.

B.J. George published two articles in May: "United States Supreme Court 1989-90 Term: Criminal Law Decisions", 35 N.Y.L. Sch. L. Rev. 479-592 (1990) and Case Notes on "Chapman v. United States" 1990-91 term preview of United States Supreme Court Cases 291-93, issue no. 9. He was quoted in an article in the Detroit News on June 26, on the U.S. Supreme Court ruling on a Michigan law requiring a life sentence without parole for possessing large amounts of cocaine.

Janice Goodman was the General Editor for the three volume work entitled "Employee Rights Litigation: Pleading and Practice," published by Matthew Bender in May.

Professor Arthur S. Leonard participated as a faculty member in a Practicing Law Institute program titled "The Americans With Disabilities Act: Planning for Compliance" on June 18 in New York City. He spoke on a panel entitled "AIDS: The Continuing Challenge" at the Association of American Law Libraries Annual Meeting in New Orleans on July 23.

Professor Jethro K. Lieberman's revised edition of The Lawyer's Guide to Writing Well, co-authored with Tom Goldstein, was published in a paperback form by the University of California Press in May. The book was reviewed in the New York Law Journal on July 10.

Professor Richard Marsico was quoted in the May 27 issue of Crain's New York Business in an article entitled "CRA Ratings Pressuring Banks."

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**Professor Carlin Meyer** was interviewed for "The Real Story" on CNBC on June 6 on debates over abortion rights.

**Professor Michael Perlin** spoke on recent trends in mental disability litigation at a seminar sponsored by the Mental Health and Disabilities Task Force of Legal Services of New Jersey in June.

**Professor Stuart A. Schlesinger's** article entitled "Recall Notices; Concert of Action; Duties of Tire Recappers" was published in the Products Liability column of The New York Law Journal on May 15.

**Professor E. Donald Shapiro's** article "DNA Data Banking: The Dangerous Erosion of Privacy" was published by the Cleveland State Law Review (Volume 38, Number 3, 1990).

**Professor Richard Siegler** was quoted in the May 12 issue of The New York Times in an article on disputes resolutions. His article entitled "Developments Concerning Asbestos" appeared in the Cooperatives and Condominiums column of the New York Law Journal on July 3.

**Dean James F. Simon** was interviewed by Bernard Meltzer (WOR-AM radio) on June 13, on New York Law School. He was also interviewed on WABC-TV Eyewitness News on the resignation of U.S. Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall on June 27.

**Professor Nadine Strossen** was interviewed for two question-and-answer articles on the threats of free speech for the ACLU - in the Atlanta Journal on June 1 and the Boston Globe on June 2. She was profiled in the "My first job was..." column the July issue of Glamour Magazine. She visited Atlanta to help celebrate the Bicentennial of the Bill of Rights with a fundraising reception in June. She also attended a convention in Burlington, Vt. to debate issues including reproductive freedom, AIDS-infected health care workers, the right to die and police brutality in June. She was interviewed by ABC News on June 23 on abortion and the U.S. Supreme Court. Also on June 23, she was a guest on the "This Week With David Brinkley." On July 14, she was interviewed on CBS News This Morning regarding the Supreme Court's individual liberties.

## **FACULTY RECEPTION SET FOR AUGUST 26**

All members of the full-time and adjunct faculty are invited to a reception to mark the beginning of the 1991-92 academic year in the Faculty Dining Room on August 26 at 6 p.m. The reception, planned jointly by the Office of Development and Public Affairs and the Office of the Dean, will be an opportunity to welcome new colleagues and catch up on summer activities.



### AUGUST DOCKET

Tuesday  
20th                      First Day of Class - Fall Semester  
                                 Add/Drop Week Begins

Wednesday  
21st                      Legislative Monday (All classes will adhere to  
                                 Monday schedule)

Monday  
26th                      Full-time Faculty Meeting - 4:30  
                                 Full-time and Adjunct Faculty Reception - 6:00  
                                 Faculty Dining Room

Tuesday  
27th                      Add/Drop Week Ends

### SEPTEMBER DOCKET

Sunday  
1st                      Graduation for Summer '91 Class

Monday  
2nd                      Labor Day, Legal Holiday  
                                 No Classes

Monday  
9th                      Rosh Hashanah  
                                 No Classes

Tuesday  
10th                      Rosh Hashanah  
                                 No Classes

Wednesday  
11th                      Opening of the Centennial Exhibit  
                                 Rotunda of the New York State Supreme Court Building

Sunday  
15th                      Centennial Carnival  
                                 Parking Lot of 47 Worth Street - 1:00 p.m to 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday  
17th                      Yom Kippur  
                                 No Classes

Wednesday  
18th                      Yom Kippur  
                                 No Classes