

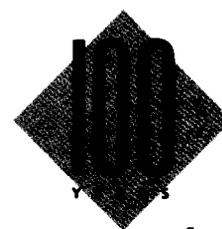
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NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL DOCUMENTARY TO BE BROADCAST NATIONALLY

A documentary featuring New York Law School is scheduled to be broadcast on Financial News Network in May. The telecast is part of "American Spotlight - Education in the Nineties," a series created by CSTV, an independent production company.

CSTV has created numerous programs on major companies in the United States. New York Law School is the second educational institution CSTV has featured in the "American Spotlight" series.

The program will explore New York Law School's first hundred years of legal education and its plans for continuing in to its second century. Many students, faculty, trustees and alumni are interviewed, and the Law School's history is examined in the program.

The documentary will serve as an effective marketing tool for the Law School, providing nationwide exposure through the broadcast and serving as a multi-use video presentation for selected audiences.

"American Spotlight - Education in the Nineties," is scheduled to be shown on Financial News Network on Sunday, May 26 at 8:00 a.m. Check local listings for exact broadcast information.

SUNUNU JOINS MAYOR DINKINS AS COMMENCEMENT HONOREE

White House Chief of Staff John Sununu will join New York City Mayor David N. Dinkins as a speaker and receive a honorary Doctor of Laws degree at the Law School Centennial Commencement Ceremony on June 9, Dean James F. Simon announced. Mr. Sununu is a former three-term governor of New Hampshire.

"Mayor Dinkins' outlook is that of the leader of a major American metropolis facing an array of daunting challenges. Governor Sununu brings the insights of someone at the decision-making heart of the Bush Administration. Our graduates are fortunate, I believe, to be entering the 'real world' with

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such diverse perspectives on pressing national and urban issues and the role and the importance of the law in resolving them," said Dean Simon.

The New York Law School Centennial Commencement will be held Sunday, June 9 at Avery Fisher Hall at Lincoln Center.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR GRADUATION

Volunteers are needed to assist with the Law School's Centennial Commencement Exercises on Sunday, June 9th. The ceremony will be held at Avery Fisher Hall in Lincoln Center at 2:00 p.m. Students and staff members interested in serving as hosts and ushers should contact Jeannette Richardson in the office of Development and Public Affairs, 6th floor, 57 Worth, or at ext. 806.

STUDENT LEADERS HONORED

Frances Chan, Michael D'Angelo and Sonya Rogers were awarded the second annual Award for Outstanding Contribution to Student Organizations at the third annual Student Awards Ceremony on April 30. The ceremony was co-sponsored by the Office of Student Affairs and the New York Law School Alumni Association.

In addition to her activities at the Law School, Ms. Chan was cited for her role as chair of the Commission on Women and Minorities of the American Bar Association Law Student Division. Mr. D'Angelo was honored for helping to "resurrect" the Media Law Project and the Environmental Law Society, while Ms. Rogers was hailed as "the backbone of the Black Law Students Association.

In addition to the Outstanding Contribution Award, the Richard Organisciak Award for Service and Leadership by an Evening Student was awarded to Joy Schwartz and Lee Gordon received the first Helen Dokas Award for Excellent Achievement.

Following welcoming remarks by Dean James F. Simon and Alumni Association Board Member Larry Silverman '77, Dean Simon inaugurated the newly elected officers of the Student Bar Association. Certificates of Merit were presented by Dean Matthew Wilkes and Director of Student Services Helena Prigal 45 graduating students who served on student organization executive boards and by Dean John Farago and Director of Academic Affairs Stephen Goot to the 41 Moot Court Association members and the 88 Journal Editors graduating. In addition Stephen Goot announced the Order of the Barrister Recipients.

ENTERTAINMENT LAW SYMPOSIUM HOSTED BY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

A distinguished panel of entertainment lawyers will discuss "The Business of Entertainment: What, Why, and How Things Happen From Acquisition To Exploitation" on May 2 at the Law School. The panel, sponsored by the Alumni Association's Practical Legal Education for Attorneys (PLEA) program, will provide an overview of the legal issues in the record, music publishing, television, cable and motion picture industries.

The panel members are: Nancy P. Rosenfeld, Corporate Vice President and General Counsel of Viacom Pictures; Stan Soocher '83, Editor of Entertainment Law & Finance; Charles Stanford, Vice President, Legal & Business Affairs, Broadcasting, Capital Cities/ABC, Inc., and Heidi Title, Vice President, Business Affairs, Jellybean Productions, Inc./House of Fun Music, Inc. (BMI). Harris Gordon Miller '82, manager and advisor to talent in the music, television and film industries and PLEA Program Chairman, will moderate.

The panel will be held on Thursday, May 2 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Faculty Dining Room at the Law School. Students are invited to attend without charge but are requested to register in advance with the Office of Alumni Affairs. For more information please contact the Office of Alumni Affairs, 6th Floor, 57 Worth Street or at ext. 808.

STUDENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR JUNE PHONATHON

Volunteers are needed to make calls to alumni as part of the June 18 Phonathon. Students wishing to assist should contact Christina Bishop, Office of Alumni Affairs at ext. 809.

NEW LEXIS AND WESTLAW PROCEDURES FOR SUMMER

The Mendik Library has received notice from LEXIS and WESTLAW that all student "Personal Passwords" for both systems will be deactivated on June 1. However, students with valid educational reasons for using LEXIS and WESTLAW over the summer will be permitted to maintain personal passwords.

Students who wish to continue using LEXIS should contact Karla Gaffney at (212) 309-8194. To continue using WESTLAW, students must fill out a form requesting a new password and return it directly to West. Student may pick up request forms at the Library Reference Desk.

During the summer the Library will continue its usual practice of lending LEXIS and WESTLAW passwords to students who present a valid NYLS i.d. at the Circulation Desk.

NEW COMPUTER OPTIONS

Ten new computers were installed in the Mendik Library word processing rooms last month. The computers, equipped with a hard disk drive as well as 3 1/2" and 5 1/4" high density floppy disk drives, replaced the dual-floppy disk systems. In addition ten Panasonic dot matrix printers and four HP DeskJet printers were installed. The computers are equipped with WordPerfect 5.1, New Print Shop and Anti-Virus Utilities.

WordPerfect Corporation has announced a new "School Software Program for 1991" for all faculty and full-time students. For more information contact Monica Coen in the Office of Student Services, or at ext. 851.

STAFF UPDATE

Lisa M. Primus has joined Faculty Services as an Administrative Assistant/WordProcessing Operator. She holds a B.A. in English from Oakwood College in Alabama.

Andrew Young has joined the Faculty Services Office as an Administrative Assistant/WordProcessing Operator, providing evening services. He holds a B.A. in Business Administration from Rutgers University and is a playwright.

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Professor Joseph Arenson moderated a panel on estates law and Surrogate Court practice at the Brooklyn Diocese's 14th annual Lawyer's Conference on April 20.

Professor Robert Blecker's historical play, "Father Anonymous," about Samuel Adams, the American Revolution and the Constitutional Ratification received a professional cast public reading at Ensemble Studio Theatre on April 8. On May 18 he will deliver a talk, "Punishment: Theory and Experience," as the keynote speaker for the annual meeting of the judges of the Washington D.C. Superior Court.

Professor James Brook has signed a contract with Little, Brown and Company for an offering in their student guide series to be entitled Sales and Leases: Examples and Explanations. In March he was a participant in a conference on "Decision and Inference in Litigation" at Cardozo Law School.

Professor Lung-chu Chen was the lead speaker on "Self Determination and World Public Order" at a symposium on "The Rights of Ethnic Minorities," sponsored by the Center for Civil and Human Rights and the Notre Dame Law School Law Review in March. He will be a principal speaker at a conference on "International Relations and Ethnic Tension" sponsored by the Institute for World

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Affairs this summer. He recently became a member of the Committee on Immigration and Nationality Law of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York and is an active member of the Governing Council and the Executive Committee of the International League for Human Rights, and as a member of the Executive Council of the American Society of International Law.

Professor Carlos Cuevas was quoted on the New York State Attorney General's Office acting on behalf of New York residents who lost money on a bankrupt Florida firm in the March 10 Yonkers Herald Statesman.

Professor Paula Ettlebrick was quoted in an article in the April 5 Detroit News on the effect gay lawsuits are having on the definition of family and parenthood.

Professor B.J. George's case notes on Mu'Min v. Commonwealth, 1990-91 Term Preview of United States Supreme Court Cases 223-23 and Coleman v. Thompson, 1990-91 Term Preview of Supreme Court Cases 228-30 were published in the ABA Preview of United States Supreme Court Cases (Issue No. 4, February 19, 1991).

Professor Charles F. Gibbs' article "Taxes and Adjusted Taxable Gifts" appeared in the Wills, Estates and Surrogates Practice column of the March 21 New York Law Journal.

Professor Allen Hammond is Chair-Elect of the AALS section on Mass Communications.

Professor Arthur Leonard was quoted on employee's right to privacy and benefits provided to those with AIDS in the April 1991 issue of Occupational Hazards. He was quoted in an article in the April 5 Detroit News on the effect gay lawsuits are having on the definition of family and parenthood. On April 13 he delivered the keynote address at the annual dinner of the Ohio Human Rights Bar Association, in Columbus, OH. On April 5 and 6, he participated in the Lesbian and Gay Civil Rights Roundtable sponsored by Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund in San Francisco. He will be the guest speaker at the May meeting of the Brooklyn Women's Bar Association on May 16 speaking on a legal update on the AIDS Epidemic.

Professor Richard Marsico and his wife **Jean Marie Brescia**, Adjunct Professor in the Lawyering Skills Program, announce the birth of their daughter Christine on April 3. Professor Marsico was quoted by the Associated Press on a recent challenge to Manufacturers Hanover Trust for failing to meet the fair lending requirements of the Community Reinvestment Act. The challenge resulted in a commitment by MHT to lend \$250 million for housing and community development to low income neighborhoods. He spoke on "Financial Accountability for Fair Housing" at a fair housing conference sponsored by the NAACP and Suffolk Housing Services on April 23.

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Professor Martin Minkowitz's article "Employee Leasing: Better Benefits or Borrowing Trouble?" appeared in The Regulator, the publication of the Insurance Regulatory Examiners Society. He was quoted in the March 4 Albany Times-Union on the right of attorneys to criticize judges. On April 24 he will speak at an ADP Continuing Education seminar on "Confronting the Financial Nightmares of Workers' Compensation and Unemployment Insurance." He is chairman and speaker of the Practising Law Institute's seminar on "Handling Your First Workers' Compensation Case" on May 22.

Professor Stephen Newman received the New York Law School Journal of Human Rights' 1990-1991 "Outstanding Contributions Award" at the Journal's annual dinner on April 18.

Professor Michael Perlin he spoke to the clinical staff of St. Vincent's Hospital Prison Health Service on April 11 on "New Developments in the Right to Refuse Treatment: Interpreting the Supreme Court's Mixed Signals." His article, "Competency, Deinstitutionalization, and Homelessness: A Story in Marginalization" has been published in 28 Houston L. Rev. 63-142 (1991) in its annual health care symposium issue. His essay, "Foreward: New Directions in the Legal Regulation of the Mental Health Professions" will be published as an introduction to Psychiatric Malpractice: Cases and Comments for Clinicians (by Drs. Robert L. Sadoff and Robert Simon), to be published later this year by the American Psychiatric Press. He delivered the keynote paper on predicting future Supreme Court behavior in "right-to-refuse-treatment" cases and participated in a panel discussion on recent developments in mental disability litigation at the American College of Forensic Psychiatry annual conference. He was recently interviewed by the Boston Globe on the relationship between multiple personality disorder and competency to stand trial, by the Philadelphia Inquirer on the guilty but mentally ill verdict and by ABC News on the relationship between popular myths and insanity defense legislation.

Professor Edward Purcell has signed a contract with Oxford University Press to publish his manuscript Litigation and Inequality: Federal Diversity Jurisdiction in Industrial America, 1870-1948. It will be published in the Summer of 1992.

Professor Joyce Saltalamachia has served on two American Bar Association site inspection teams, in November at William Mitchell College of Law and in April at Widener Law School.

Professor E. Donald Shapiro's article "DNA Testing in New York Paternity Cases," written with January 1991 NYLS graduate Barbara Rosenberg, appeared in the New York Domestic Relations Reporter.

Professor Richard Siegler's article "House Rules: The Impact of 'Levandusky'" appeared in the

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Cooperatives and Condominiums column of the March 6 New York Law Journal.

Dean James F. Simon will speak on October 3 at a faculty seminar at DePaul Law School. His essay, "Conflict and Leadership on the U.S. Supreme Court: From Marshall to Rehnquist," will appear in An Essential Safeguard: Essays on the United States Supreme Court and Its Justices, edited by D. Grier Stephenson, Jr. and published by Greenwood Press.

Professor Nadine Strossen was named one of "the 100 Most Influential Lawyers in America" in the March 25 edition of The National Law Journal. On March 12 she appeared at a press conference in Washington D.C. with Congressman Henry Hyde (R.-Ill.) to endorse his proposed "Collegiate Speech Protection Act." This appearance was widely covered in the press, including CNN and the New York Times. She was the featured guest on C-Span's morning interview program on March 19 and has recently interviewed by "Voice of America" radio, Newstalk Radio, and the Casper Citron radio show. She was quoted in the March 25 edition of U.S. News and World Report regarding increased governmental regulation of private matters, and her letter to the editor of the New York Times regarding Brown University's expulsion of a student for verbal harassment was published on March 16. She delivered public lectures on various constitutional law issues at the Cleveland City Club, Yale Law School, Brown University, the University of Dayton and the A.C.L.U. of Illinois. She was quoted on hate speech on campus in the March 31 Boston Globe and the March 18 Chicago Tribune.

She participated in a panel on "Safe Speech, Free Speech and the University" as part of the Columbia University Seminars on Media and Society held at Stanford University on April 10, which was televised on PBS. She lectured on Chinese Human Rights at Wake Forest Law School on March 28. On April 9 she debated FCC Indecency Rules at the American University School of Communications, which was televised on C-Span and broadcast over National Public Radio. She participated in an panel discussion on "Public Attitudes Toward Free Speech" at the American Society of Newspaper Editors National Conference on April 12. She delivered the keynote address at a April 13 conference of the North Carolina Civil Liberties Union and NAACP on "Who Got Left Out of the Constitution."

On April 16 she debated Free Speech and Pornography at the New School. On April 18 she delivered a talk on current academic issues at Princeton University. Her April 23 talk at the National Press Club in Washington D.C. on "Civil Liberties Issues in 1991" was televised on C-Span. On April 26 she delivered the keynote address at the International Conference on Media and Human Rights in Sintra, Portugal on "The Role of the Media in Protecting Human Rights." She addressed the International Conference at Essex University, England on "International and American Law Perspectives on Regulation of Hate Speech" on April 27. She will deliver the keynote address on "Politically Correct Speech on Campus" at Northwestern University Free Speech Symposium on May 4. She will deliver the keynote addresses at the annual meetings of the Westchester Chapter and National Capital Area ACLU on May 5 and 7, respectively.

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Thursday 2nd	Last Day of Class Alumni Association PLEA Program "The Business of Entertainment: What, Why, and How Things Happen From Acquisition to Exploitation" Location to be announced - 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Friday 3rd	Reading Period Begins
Wednesday 8th	Reading Period Ends
Thursday 9th	Final Examinations Begin
Thursday 23rd	Final Examinations End
Monday 27th	Memorial Day (Staff Holiday)
Thursday 30th	First Day of Class - Summer Session

JUNE DOCKET

Sunday 9th	Centennial Commencement Avery Fisher Hall - 2:00 p.m.
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