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## LIBRARY MOVE IN PROGRESS

The Library staff is hard at work preparing The Mendik Library for its January 16 opening. Aided by National Library Relocations, Inc., they are moving each of the Library's 305,000 volumes as well as every piece of furniture and equipment to 240 Church Street.

During the move, there will be no access to the library facilities. Also during this time the main passenger and freight elevators in 57 Worth Street are needed to transport library materials. Members of the Law School community are asked to use the private elevator in that building.

This temporary inconvenience is the final step before the opening of the state-of-the-art facility which will fundamentally alter daily life at the Law School. During the first few weeks of operations, the Library staff will be working to help users to adjust to the new building with tours and informational materials.

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## MATTHEW WILKES NAMED ASSOCIATE DEAN FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS

Matthew Wilkes has been named to the newly created post of Associate Dean for Student Affairs, Law School Dean James F. Simon has announced. The position combines the responsibilities of the Assistant Dean for Student Affairs and the Assistant Dean for Admissions and Financial Aid. Joan Fishman, former Assistant Dean for Student Affairs, has been appointed Executive Assistant to the Dean.

Dean Wilkes had been Executive Assistant to the Dean at City University of New York Law School at Queens College, where he was involved in admissions, placement and student services. He has served as Special Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Special New York State Prosecutor; Special Assistant of the New York City Council President and Administrative Director of the Center for Law and Human Values.

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Dean Wilkes is an honors graduate of Dartmouth College and received his J.D. at the Columbia University School of Law in 1977, where he was a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar.

Said Dean Simon, "I am confident that Mr. Wilkes will serve at New York Law School with distinction.

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LEGAL AID SOCIETY FELLOWSHIP ESTABLISHED

New York Law School and the Legal Aid Society have announced a fellowship program designed to encourage law students to pursue public service careers and to help the Society recruit highly qualified young attorneys.

Under the program, funded by the Leonhardt Foundation, one third year student each year will be designated the New York Law School Legal Aid Society Fellow and serve a two-semester internship with the Society. Fellows must commit to three years of service with the Society during which they will receive an annual stipend of \$5,000 in addition to their regular Society salary. The first Fellow will be named this semester and begin service with the Society in the fall.

Such programs are not intended to make public sector salaries competitive with private practice, according to Suzanne Baer, Director of Career Planning and Placement who will coordinate the program at the Law School, but can help lessen the financial sacrifice of those committed to practice law in public service organizations.

The New York Law School Legal Aid Society Fellowship Program will offer fellows an opportunity to gain experience in the full range of criminal practice. During the internship period, fellows must work one semester with the Society's Criminal Defense Division and the other with the Criminal Appeals Division. Following graduation, fellows will spend one year in one division and two in the other.

Fellows will be chosen by the Society from a field of three finalists selected by a joint Law School-Society screening committee.

To be eligible for the first New York Law School Legal Aid Society Fellowship, students must expect to enter their final year of Law School in fall, 1990 and anticipate graduation in June, 1991. Students who wish to be considered for the first Fellowship should submit a statement of interest, a writing sample, and a resume to Suzanne Baer, Director of Career Planning and Placement, 5th Floor, 47 Worth Street, Ext. 345, by February 15, 1990.

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#### ROSENBERGER TO BE FEATURED SPEAKER AT MID-YEAR GRADUATION

The Law School will hold its Twelfth Annual Program for Mid-Year Graduates on February 4 in the Froessel Reading Room at 4 p.m. Featured speaker at this year's ceremony will be Hon. Ernst Rosenberger '58, Associate Justice of the Appellate Division of the New York Supreme Court, First Department.

Justice Rosenberger has been widely recognized as one of the state's outstanding judges since his elevation to the bench as a New York City Criminal Court Judge in 1972. In 1978 he took on the special assignment as Presiding Justice, Extraordinary Special and Trial Term, of the Supreme Court, for investigation of corruption in the Criminal Justice System in New York. In 1985 he rose to his current position on the Appellate Division.

Since graduation he has maintained a close relationship with the Law School, serving as an Adjunct Professor of Law since 1976, earning the Faculty Distinguished Service Certificate in 1981 and 1986, and as Alumni Association President from 1986 to 1988. He is currently a member of the Board of Trustees.

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#### NEW PARKING DECALS

If you park your car in the Law School parking lot be aware current parking decals expire on January 15, 1990. Effective Tuesday, January 16, 1990, a new decal will be required to enter the lot.

To obtain a decal, a vehicle registration form must be completed and filed with the Office of Facilities Management. One decal per person will be issued. This decal must be visible on the windshield at all times when the vehicle is parked in the Law School lot. All cars are subject to Law School policy and procedures.

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#### NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL FACULTY NEWS

Professor Robert Blecker's "Vote No!", was performed on November 5 at the Fraunces Tavern Museum in Manhattan.

Professor Randolph Jonakait was interviewed by Arthur Miller on the Consumer News and Business Channel on November 3 on the validity of DNA fingerprinting as evidence in criminal trials.

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Professor Daniel Kornstein's essay, "A Lawyer's Lament" appeared in the December 26 New York Law Journal.

The Lawyer's Guide to Writing Well, by Professor Jethro K. Lieberman and Tom Goldstein, was excerpted in The California Lawyer and will be syndicated nationally by American Lawyer. The book was also included in William Safire's "On Language" column in the December 3 New York Times Magazine and reviewed in the December Harvard Law Journal.

Professor Arthur Leonard was among a group of American Bar Association members calling for changes in ABA's judicial ethics code at September public hearings prompted by comments about homosexuals made by a Texas State Judge in Dallas.

Professor Rudolph Peritz will take part in Duke University's "Frontiers of Legal Thought" symposium, January 25 through 27.

Professor W. Bernard Richland reviewed "The Law and Life Insurance" in the December 1 New York Law Journal.

Professor David Schoenbrod's "Environmental Law and Growing Up" appeared in the summer "Environmental Law Symposium" issue of the Yale Journal of Regulation. The January 1989 George Washington Law Review published his "How the Reagan Administration Trivialized Separation of Powers (and Shot Itself in the Foot)," as part of its issue on the Reagan Era.

He will speak at "The Presidency and Congress: Constitutionally Shared and Separated Powers," a conference sponsored by The Federalist Society on January 19 and 20 in Washington D.C.

Professor E. Donald Shapiro appeared on the PBS program "Innovation" on November 12 discussing new scientific evidence and the technology of DNA profiles.

Professor Nadine Strossen will take part in Duke University's "Frontiers of Legal Thought" symposium, January 25 through 27. She co-authored the Michigan ACLU's Supreme Court Brief in Sitz v. Michigan, which challenges the constitutionality of sobriety road blocks under the fourth ammendment. She was interviewed about the case on National Public Radio's "Weekend Edition."

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NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL STAFF UPDATE  
Additions and Advancements

Allison Felder has joined the Law School as a Receptionist, Administrative Assistant in the Office of the Dean. She received her B.B.A. in Business Management from Baruch College in December 1989. She had been employed as a secretary/receptionist at SUNY College of Optometry.

Stephen E. Goot was promoted to the position of Director of Academic Affairs. He had been Assistant Director of Academic Affairs.

Mark Knapp has joined the mailroom/copy center as a clerk. He most recently worked at the Law School through his employment with Daka Food Service. He has a B.A. in English from the University of Kansas.

Carolyn Kollmer has joined the Law School as a Staff Assistant. She is presently a communication design student at the Parsons School of Design. She was most recently employed as an art director at That Agency.

Priya Vardhan began working as Alumni Affairs Assistant in the Office of Development and Public Affairs. She has a B.A. in English from CUNY-Queens College. Most recently she had been a writing tutor at Queensborough Community College.

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ANNUAL ALUMNI LUNCHEON SET FOR JANUARY 19

Alumni, faculty, students and friends of the Law School will gather for the New York Law School Alumni Association's annual luncheon at noon on January 19 at the Plaza Hotel.

The luncheon, the premiere social event on the Association calendar, will feature an address by Stanley E. Grayson, former New York City Deputy Mayor for Finance and Economic Development, as well as the presentation of awards including the Judge Charles W. Froessel Award sponsored by the Class of 1925.

Mr. Grayson's topic will be "The Economic Future of New York City." As Deputy Mayor, Mr. Grayson was responsible for City programs and policies designed to make New York a more attractive place to do business, thereby creating jobs and increasing the City's tax base. Before being appointed Deputy Mayor in 1989, he had been the City's Finance Commissioner.

Kathleen Grimm '80 is chairman of the event. For more information, call the Office of Development and Alumni Affairs at ext. 800.

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JANUARY DOCKET

Thursday 4th	5:45 p.m. NYCLA hosts "Family Court, Crack and Society", a forum sponsored by the Committee on the Family Court and Child Welfare.
Wednesday 10th	12:30 to 2:00 p.m. NYCLA hosts "Trade Dress: An Amalagram of Protection", a luncheon forum sponsored by the Committee on Patents, Trademarks and Copyrights.
	Dining Room and Student Cafeteria facilities reopen (closed since December 22).
Monday 15th	Martin Luther King's Birthday (Staff Holiday - All Buildings Closed)
Tuesday 16th	The Mendik Library Opens.
Wednesday 17th	Spring Term Begins
Friday 19th	Noon to 2:30 p.m. Alumni Association Annual Luncheon Plaza Hotel
Thursday 25th	Noon Alumni Association Meeting

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