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### 91st Commencement

The 91st Commencement of New York Law School was held on June 12th at Avery Fisher Hall, Lincoln Center. 416 graduates were greeted by a cheering, standing-room-only gathering of family, friends, and members of the NYLS community. The Commencement address was delivered by the Honorable Harry A. Blackmun, Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court.

Hailed by standing ovations both before and after his speech, Justice Blackmun has received increasing attention and respect from legal academic circles since joining the High Court in 1970. He is best known for writing the 1973 majority opinion in *Roe v. Wade*, which legalized abortion.

Dean Pro Tem Simon introduced Justice Blackmun as a man with great "capacity for growth as a jurist" and one with great openmindness. "His opinions reflect the man: loyal to his country and its institutions, caring and sensitive to the needs of its individual citizens."

In his address, Justice Blackmun advised the new lawyers to concern themselves with "the little person"; to teach others, "if not in the classroom, then by example," and to dedicate themselves to public service and not to the sole pursuit of money.

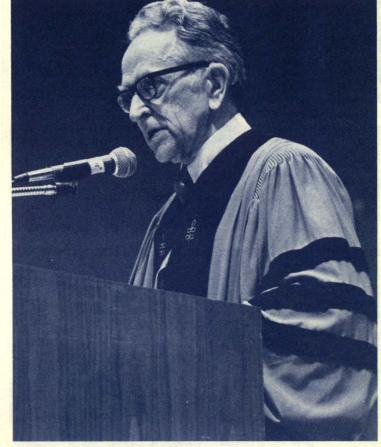
"For those in the legal profession there comes a time when one must choose what he or she intends to make out of life," he said. "In our profession, what we know today is the result of the effort and thought and experimentation, imagination, courage and disappointments of a long list of names."

"If I had really wanted to make money, I would never have left my firm in Minneapolis, never have gone to Rochester and never gone on the bench. That's no place to grow rich, and it's certainly no place to become very popular." The Supreme Court Justice was one of four people who received honorary Doctor of Law degrees. Justice Blackmun's degree was conferred ''in recognition of his unique contributions to our nation's jurisprudence.'' The other honorary degress conferred were:

The Honorable Constance Baker Motely, Chief Judge of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, "in view of your brilliant mastery of the law, your tireless energy as a dynamic jurist and your beneficial influence upon the laws of the nation."

Albert Parker '21, Senior Partner of the distinguished law firm of Parker Chapin Flattau & Klimpl, ''a direct man of monumental strength, wisdom, humanity and decency, in recognition of his uncompromising standards of excellence and inspired leadership.''

The Honorable Lowell Palmer Weicker, Jr. United States Senator from Connecticut, "in view of your unshakable and formidable commitment to a just and humane society and your dedication to the common interest."



The Honorable Harry A. Blackmun

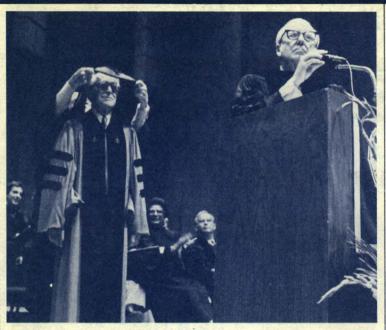


Dean Pro Tem James F. Simon

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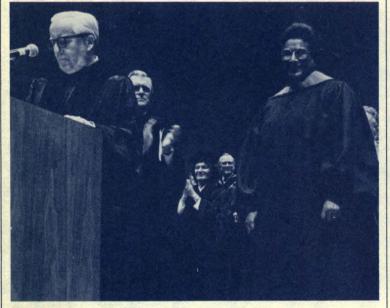
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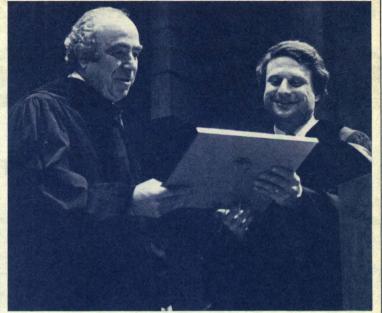


The Honorable Harry A. Blackmun receiving honorary degree.

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The Honorable Constance Baker Motley steps forward to receive honorary degree.





Hon. Frederic S. Berman '51 receives Adjunct Faculty Certificate for 25 years of service.



# **Prizes Awarded**

#### Tribute to PROFESSOR JOHN R. DUGAN '43

WALTER M. JEFFORDS, JR. DISTINGUISHED WRITING AWARD In Memory of Sylvester C. Smith, Jr. '18

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STUDENT AWARD Robert Alan Koenig

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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE Frederic S. Berman '51

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(Mid-Year Division For Three Years)
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Claire Zimmerman Durst

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Honoring the Memory of Daniel Grossman '25 Andrea J. Coleman

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LOUIS SUSMAN MEMORIAL AWARD

For Excellence in the Study of the Law of Evidence John Francis Carberry (Evening Division)

MILTON S. GOULD AWARD For Proficiency in the Law of Contracts

Stephen P. Cohen (Day Division)

#### ELSBERG PRIZE

For Proficiency in the Law of Contracts George W. Klein (Evening Division)

#### D. GEORGE LEVINE MEMORIAL AWARDS

For the Highest Grade in the Law of Real Property Peter A. Wilner (Day Division) Claire Zimmerman Durst (Evening Division) Winnie Wai-Ching Mok (Mid-Year Division) PROFESSOR JAMES P. KIBBEY MEMORIAL AWARD For Excellence in Commercial Law

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> DEAN'S AWARD For Student Leadership Lisa Ann Murphy

JOSEPH SOLOMON AWARD For Excellent Character and Fitness David G. Greene

FACULTY AWARD To Editor-in-Chief, New York Law School Law Review Vince L. D'Orazio

SYLVIA D. GARLAND AWARD For Excellence in Subjects Relating to Civil Litigation Christopher Nicholas Souris

LOUIS AND SYLVIA JACKSON AWARD For Outstanding Performance in Labor Relations Laws D. Scott Conchar

PROFESSOR HENRY B. ROTHBLATT CRIMINAL ADVOCACY WRITING AWARD

John Philip Weymar

PROFESSOR ALBERT KALTER AWARD For Excellence in Tax Law Wendy Clarkson Hart

> GABRIEL GALEF AWARD For Excellence in International Law David G. Greene

PROFESSOR PHILIP J. RUFFO LABOR LAW WRITING AWARD D. Scott Conchar

JOHN J. TORMEY AWARD For Excellence in Wills, Trusts and Future Interests Jon Henry Gartner

#### PROFESSOR JOSEPH T. ARENSON AWARDS

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(Day Division) John Martin Clancy (Evening Division) Norman Martin Finkelstein (Mid-Year Division)

PROFESSOR ROBERT R. ROSENTHAL AWARD For Excellence in New York Practice

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ALEXANDER D. FORGER AWARD For Distinguished Service to the Profession Carol Novack

NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION AWARDS Presented by Hon. Francis T. Murphy '52

President of the Alumni Association

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PROFESSOR VINCENT LO LORDO AWARD For Excellence in Administration of

Criminal Justice Mario Francis Mattei

#### PROFESSOR IVAN SOUBBOTITCH AWARD

For Excellence in Poverty Law and Civil Rights Babette A. Ceccotti

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Gary Paul Gross

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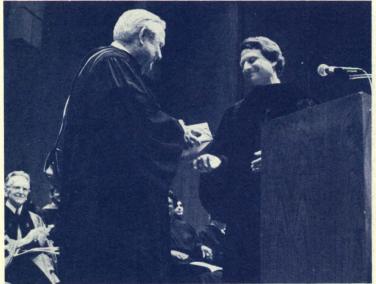
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> To Members of the AEQUITAS STAFF

Prof. B. James George, Jr. receives the Jeffords Writing Award from George M. Jeffords '76.



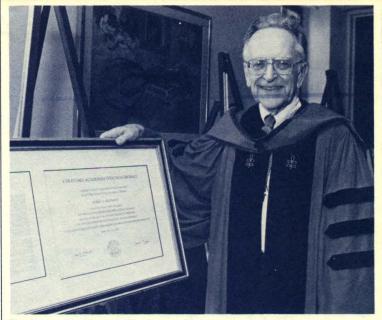




Prof. John R. Dugan '43 receives gift of appreciation from Dean Simon in recognition of Prof. Dugan's 34 years of service.



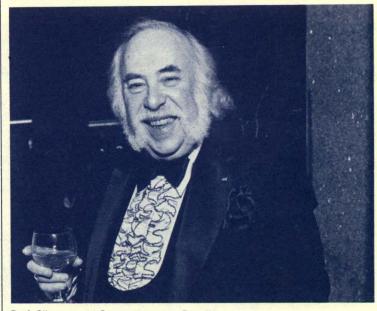
Mr. Albert Parker with honorary degree.



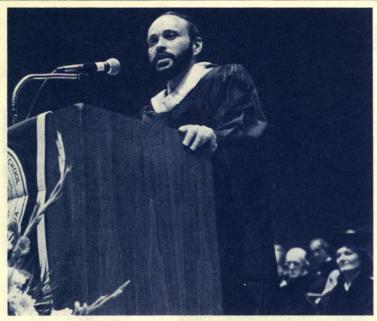
The Honorable Harry A. Blackmun with honorary degree.



The Honorable Constance Baker Motley receiving congratulations from Dr. John V. Thornton.



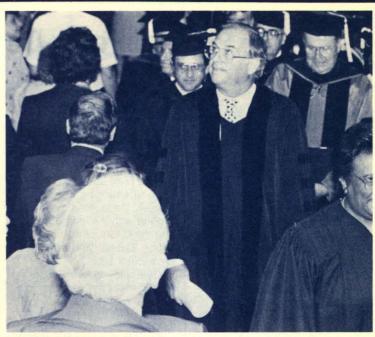
Prof. Silverman at Commencement Eve dinner.



Vince L. D'Orazio '83 addressing those gathered.



Senator Lowell Palmer Weicker, Jr. with honorary degree.







### **Profile: Peter De Luca '53**



Peter De Luca is a company man. He is a Senior Vice President and the General Counsel of a large corporation. However, he is also a consumer activist, a proponent of government requlation of the food industry whenever self-regulation does not adequately protect the consumer and a staunch Civil Rights supporter. Happily, for both Mr. De Luca and his employer, the company is General Foods. According to De Luca, consumerism is probably the most important word you could use at General Foods. "It's not a nineteenth century robber-baron type corporation."

But then, neither is Peter De Luca the stereotypical twentieth century corporate executive. His success in the corporate world has been predicated upon his liberal ideals as upon his business savvy. While Liberalism and Capitalism may at times be strange bedfellows, such dualism is characteristic of De Luca's career.

He embarked upon his legal training, not with the intention of practicing law, but rather to earn enough money so that he could support himself as a writer. It took him very few weeks at Law School to fall in love with the law. "I guess," mused De Luca, "that's got to say something for the professors at New York Law School ... especially, Professors Asch, Dugan and Reich and Dean Reppy whose courses in Common Law served me well."

Admittedly, De Luca chose New York Law School for reasons of convenience. "It had a two-year accelerated program which appealed to those of us just back from the service. A lot of our life had disappeared, and we wanted to get some of it back." Remembering his Law School days, he described them as "stormy-a superb experience in dealing with conflict." He was President of his class and President of "what passed for the Student Council." Esprit de corps was apparently not the School's fine point in the early fifties. In retrospect, though, De Luca, who graduated first in his class, ranks his education at New York Law School "with the best."

Against the advice of Dean Reppy and his academic honors notwithstanding, De Luca decided to go into Criminal Law. He made the rounds of lawyers he had read about and got salary offers ranging from \$0-25 a week. Undaunted, he toyed around with the idea of going into the District Attorney's Office. But he "just was not the prosecutor type."

Unemployed and wondering how to meet the next month's rent, he was receptive to the advice of an alumna he met while she was visiting the Law School. Hearing of his plight, she queried: "Have you tried the Downtown firms? I hear they pay good money." It had never occurred to the young De Luca that the "Downtown firms might not speak to people from New York Law School, or indeed anyone in those days, other than those who had gone to the top seven or eight Law Schools.' The lure of \$3,000 a year was overpowering. Armed with his intelligence and charm and shielded by his naiveté, he knocked on the Downtown doors.

Much to his surprise, he got offers from four firms: Cravath, Swaine & Moore: Sullivan & Cromwell; Millbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy; White & Case. Mr. De Luca accepted the Cravath offer which he termed as the "greatest thing that ever happened to me professionally.' Recounting "seven really terrific years at Cravath," he again paid tribute to his New York Law School education, "Although my colleagues were from Harvard, Yale, Columbia, Michigan and Virginia, I never felt uncomfortable professionally or otherwise.'

Perhaps, eroding De Luca's confidence there lurked a spectre of the "old boy network" or a psychological distance from the Downtown scene. After seven years at Cravath, he was lured to the corporate world by a client, despite Cravath's attempts to dissuade him from leaving.

"They told me I was in the running for a partnership in the firm. I am not sure whether I was lacking in self-esteem or whether I didn't believe it, or whether I wanted the corpor-



ate position more. "Ultimately, De Luca's high regard for the client—the Pepsi Cola Company (now PEPSICO)—clinched his decision. Within four years he became Vice President and General Counsel for PEPSICO.

It seemed that De Luca had found his home at last. But, PEPSICO's subsequent move to Westchester, once again put this New York City boy in a strange backyard. When an offer from Charles Revson came along, De Luca was "vulnerable." The situation began to sound more and more attractive to Peter De Luca, who upon completing a "personal inventory," found that he "had accumulated enough ego to think" he could survive at Revlon. And survive he did. During his two years and seven months with Charles Revson, he was a member of its Board of **Directors**, Executive Vice President of the Company and General Counsel.

Although the Revion days were "a real class experience," the lure of lipstick and perfume proved too illusive for De Luca. An offer from General Foods in 1973 drew him back to the food and beverage business. As the Corporation's chief legal officer, Peter De Luca is now responsible for General Food's worldwide legal affairs and governmental activities as well as equal opportunity and minority affairs. De Luca not only practices law, but is involved in the strategic planning for the business, as a member of the Chairman's Committee.

In a sense, De Luca had come full circle; he was back in an industry he was committed to, and further more, his position at General Foods is "sort of like being the senior partner in a large law firm."

General Foods has 75 to 80 lawyers on staff to handle virtually all legal work in house. De Luca has structured the Law Department along the lines of a Downtown law firm with its own litigation department and its own labor department, among others. Approximately 22 staff lawyers are called "partners" by virtue of their position, rank and tenure. They share in the management of the department and participate in the year end "partnership" compensation. To complete the parallel, the Law Department has a lawyer's management committee, a training committee and a recruiting committee.

The latter notwithstanding, how can the corporate legal entities compete with the starting salaries of the leading law firms? De Luca responded, "We compete with them, and yet we don't. We can't afford their salarieswe have no one to pass them onto ... But, oddly enough, we think that we have more independence as lawyers than a law firm lawyer has. The reason being that if a law firm rubs the client the wrong way, the client won't hesitate to fire the firm. Our Board and Chief Executive Officer expect creative independence and want counsel to

comply with the moral spirit as well as the letter of the law. We don't get demerits for saying 'I can't allow you to do that!'-as long as we're professional and correct. We can get fired to be sure, but it would probably be for being unethical or grossly incompetent-not for disagreeing. Greater independence translates into more ability to act totally within the spirit of the law and is in accordance with the highest professional ethics. The client will not look for another lawyer next week."

Neither it appears will De Luca be looking for another job. At General Foods, his activism and his ideals are integral to his functioning. Not being of a mind to divorce his philosophy from his salary, De Luca did a lot of homework before joining General Foods. "I wanted a place where I could comfortably spend the rest of my professional life. I found out that it (General Foods) has a long tradition of integrity, an awareness of its public responsibility and a code of ethics. Its Mission and Creed long predated the Watergate era when it became chic for corporations to have written codes. Ours is part of a culture going back several generations. Paternalism is probably the wrong word, but they really care about people, and that's one of the things that attracted me.'

But could a profit making institution harbor in its midst a General Counsel who not only defends enlightened consumerism, but is also the newly-named Vice Chairman and member of the Executive Committee and Board of the Council of Better Business Bureaus? Such a presence demands a reality beyond progressive rhetoric and slick P.R.

De Luca contends that General Foods is "miles ahead of the government" in the area of consumerism, adding that he and many of his colleagues ("few of whom were born with silver spoons in their mouths") consider themselves ombudsmen for the consumers. In empirical fact this translates into being the first food company to ingredient label products—*before* it became a requirement of law.

Most recently, the company is advocating that the government require packagers to enumerate sodium content on their labels. Such unorthodox stands occasionally cast General Foods as the "corporate bad boy" in the eyes of some other corporations. For instance, cited De Luca, "While some other corporations are fighting to lessen the powers of the Federal Trade Commission, we have taken a very strong position that the FTC is there to protect the consumer from unfair advertising."

On the topic of advertising, a recent ad campaign launched by General Foods was so fair that some competitors and consumers alike suspected a hidden agenda. The Company ran 10 full-page ads in major newspapers across the country. The message was balance and moderation in whatever you eat. The ad pointed out that even though many General Foods products contain sugar, people ought not consume it in great amounts. (There are, of course, natural sugars in a lot of foods as well.) Another full-page ad cautioned people about the use and abuse of alcohol. This piece was also presumably, absent of direct self-interest-General Foods does not sell alcohol.

In these days when we are not surprised to hear on the evening news that our favorite food, may not, indeed be contributing to our longevity, the consumerist efforts of General Foods are of increasing interest. The Food Safety Council-an organization consisting of consumer activists, government agencies, academia and private industry-was founded by General Foods. Its major objective is to come together and stop confusing people as to what constitutes safe food. This is certainly an area in which the consumer would be served by consensus.

Peter De Luca's personal commitment to fairness, or more accurately to distributive justice, mirrors his corporate endeavors in its divergence from the status quo. This is particularly true of his involvement with the NAACP Legal Defense Fund (since Brown vs. the Board of Education) and his more recent membership on the Board of the Fund for Modern Courts. The defense of equal rights has taken him into many arenas-Civil Rights marches in the south, the courts and the grocery aisle.

Like others of his ilk, De Luca is dismayed at the current Administration's response to minorities and the poor. "They say they have put a safety net under the poor," but he feels that, "safety nets under the rich are far more in evidence."

"The drying up of funding, whether it's for scholarships or for organizations that have traditionally relied on the government, particularly legal services for the poor, those in the arts and other types of civic or cultural organizations, is a horrible thing. It makes you wonder whether they have a proper perspective on what life is all about ... when you see the ultra heavy defense budget increases and the reductions elsewhere in quality of life areas."

As important as funding issues are. De Luca sees his primary mission as educative. Thus he points to the need to educate those universities who "brag if they have a 12 or 15% black enrollment," as to what constitutes equal rights, "What percentage," he asks, "of their faculties are black? Do they have black administrators who will relate to the every day problems a minority student has, just being in a white environment after growing up in his or her narrower environment? Is there a real understanding at the Harvards and Yales and Princetons of the world of the black student?" Recalling sentiments that have not been chic since the nineteen seventies. De Luca minimized the import of "toughness" on the effectiveness of the criminal justice system, championing instead, the "fearless and equal

distribution of justice." As a member of the Board of the Fund for Modern Courts, he is working toward the creation of a less political process for selecting qualified judges than those that have been traditionally employed.

What type of liberal is Peter De Luca? He is not an armchair intellectual. He is not a political apologist, nor is he a cocktail party veteran. Rather, he is a man who has entered and profited from "the system," which, in his view is eminently worth perfecting. Writing in the early nineteen hundreds, Matthew Arnold put it quite succinctly in *Culture and Anarchy*:

"I am a Liberal, yet I am a Liberal tempered by experience and renouncement..."

More revealing, though, is De Luca's consistency. A native New Yorker, his tie and jacket come off the moment his corporate persona is discharged for the day. He admits that he loves "hanging around" with the people in the City who have nothing whatsoever to do with the people in the corporate world or in the legal world. Nor presumably does he spend much time in the Ladies Lounge of the University Club where this interview took place.

Aghast when asked if he resides in the suburbs, he told of his move up from Greenwich Village to the East 70's about twelve years ago, "That was enough of a geographic change for me."—L.M.W.



Peter De Luca addressing National Convention of the Organization of Industrial Centers with Dr. Elton Jolly (L.) and Rev. Leon H. Sullivan.

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# **Class Action**

#### 1930

Alfred K. Weiner has retired from practice and moved to Hawaii.

#### 1951

**Stephen F. Byrd** served as a judge in the Wagner Moot Court Competition at NYLS in March, 1983.

Hon. Albert E. Tait, Jr., was elected Supreme Court Justice, 6th Judicial District, in November, 1982. He was previously a Madison County Judge for 13 years.

Seymour Friedman left the Bench two years ago and is now the "resident lawyer," guest, and sometimes host of *Midday Live* and a regular commentator on the Channel 5 news at 10 o'clock.

Jay S. Goodman specializes in tax and estate legal matters and is also a non-practicing C.P.A.

#### 1953

Joseph M. Irom is a member of the Board of Directors of the New York State Trial Lawyers' Association, the Board of Directors and an officer of the Bronx County Bar Association, and a Diplomate of the American Board of Trial Advocates.

Burton R. Sax is president of Able Management, Inc., an investment advisory and computerized business systems consulting firm.

#### 1958

Judah Dick has retired from the Office of the Corporation Counsel and has formed a practice with Joseph Goldburd '75 in the Williamsburg section of Brooklyn.

Hon. Ernst H. Rosenberger (See Faculty and Administration)

#### 1960

**Abbott Simon** is in private practice specializing in the preparation of Co-op Plans and general real estate law.

#### 1961

Joseph Birstein has retired and now attends the Art Students League learning stone carving.

Leo Frischman has retired after 27 years as an Agent and Attorney with the Internal Revenue Service. He is now Special Counsel with Universal Publishing Resources.

#### 1963

Roderick J. Minogue was reelected Village Justice of the Village of Floral Park, New York, for the third time.

Lawrence Neil Field has a real estate development business called NSB Associates in Beverly Hills, California.

#### 1965

Alan M. Grosman will head the Alimony, Support and Maintenance Committee of the Family Law Section of the American Bar Association for 1983-1984.

Stanley J. Markowitz has been appointed Vice-President of Berman & Brickell, Inc., an affiliate of Lehman Brothers Kuhn Loeb, Inc. The move to this firm follows a career of 24 years with the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, most recently as general manager of rentals for the World Trade Center.

#### 1967

Joseph D. O'Neill is the only attorney in the Southern New Jersey Counties of Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester, and Salem who has been certified as both a civil and criminal trial attorney. He lectured on Personal Injury Law at a seminar in Atlantic City in April, sponsored by the Association of Trial Lawyers of America.

Elaine Rudnick Sheps was elected to the Board of Governors of the newly formed American Chapter of the International

can Chapter of the International Association of Jewish Lawyers.

#### 1968

**Robert A. Mallow** has become a member of the firm of Sage Gray Todd & Sims representing the firm in Miami.

Hon. Lorraine S. Miller was the program chairman of a six lecture course entitled, "Criminal Trial Advocacy in the Federal Courts" which was sponsored by the United States District Court and the Brooklyn Bar Association.

#### 1969

**Robert F. Bergsten** is president and chief executive officer of James King & Son and is also a C.P.A.

Anthony J. Titone is the city attorney and prosecutor for the city of Lauderhill, Florida and special counsel to the city of Sunrise.

#### 1970

Hon. Francis A. Nicolai has been appointed to the Westchester County Court Bench.

#### 1971

Martin Diennor recently argued the case of *People v. Curtis Bolden* in the Court of Appeals. This is the first case involving third-party negative identification testimony to be heard by the Court of Appeals.

Alan Lee Ingber is Vice President—Director of Taxes for Penncorp Financial Insurance in Santa Monica, California.

**Paul E. Newell** is now a certified civil trial attorney under the program established by the New Jersey Supreme Court.

**Hon. Gary Palmer** is Town Justice of the Town of Lloyd (Ulster County) and has announced he is seeking the Democratic nomination for the office of Ulster County Family Court Judge. Judge Palmer is completing his second four year term as Town Justice.

#### 1973

Anthony J. Minnitti is a Councilman in the Township of West Orange, New Jersey.

### 1974

Louis D. Mattielli has recently become General Counsel and General Partner of Mabon Nugent & Co.

**Paul D. Montclare** has relocated his offices of Montclare & Guay to One Whitehall Street, New York.

#### 1975

**Salvatore J. Bate** participated as a panel member in a special seminar entitled, ''A New York Attorney's Practical Guide To Residential Real Estate'' conducted by Esquire Abstract Corp.

Alan P. Fraade is a partner with the firm of Mintz, Fraade & Zeiger in New York City.

James J. Ruddy is a partner in the firm of Maloof, Walsh & Kennedy in New York. His specialty is maritime law.

**Richard Strauss** has been named a partner in the law firm of Werbel, Werbel & Strauss, P.C.

Edward John Acton was recently married to Rose Ellen Sedgwick. Mr. Acton, a literary agent, is also the owner and president of WAMK, an AM radio station in Brockton, Mass., and vice president of Columbia Professional Baseball Inc., an affiliate of the New York Mets in Columbia, South Carolina.

Anthony A. LaBella, Jr., was recently appointed an arbitrator for the New York City Small Claims Court.

**Stacy Olliphant** is Vice Chairman of the Family Law Section of the State Bar of Arizona and is a member of the Family Law Committee of the Maricipa County Bar Association. She has also been appointed as a Judge Pro Tem.

#### 1977

Steven Coren and his wife, Lana, have announced the birth of their son, Andrew Scott Coren.

Wilma P. Gottlieb, formerly associated with the office of May Glazer, has become a member of the firm now known as Glazer & Gottlieb.

Peter Rose has resigned from the Major League Baseball Players Association to open his own offices and is presently practicing in the areas of Sports and Labor Law. He also participated as a judge in the Wagner Moot Court Competition at NYLS this year.

#### 1978

Alan S. Cohen was recently married to Joni Ellen Mintz. Mr. Cohen is a corporate associate with the New York Law firm of Proskauer Rose Goetz & Mendelsohn.

Saul Feiger is associated with Sanders Sierchio & Schiff, P.C., in New York, specializing in commercial real estate and real estate syndications throughout the United States.

Edward C. Greenberg has his own practice and specializes in domestic relations and photography law.

James M. Kaplan is associated with Wilson, Elser, Edelman & Dicker and was married to Margarite Winer in 1982.

**Amy Kessler Kohn** and her husband announced the birth of Gregory Troy on April 16, 1983, their second child and brother to Jill Caroline born in 1980.

**Carla Lowenheim** and **Peter A. Weinberg** '81 are engaged to be married and plan a September wedding.

Arthur H. McGuire has become general counsel for Julius Blumberg, Inc.

**Carol Mentyka** is a tax planner and marketing officer for Mutual of New York covering sales territory in eight states.

**David B. Newman** was married in April to Candiss L. Cowan. Mr. Newman is associated with the New York law firm of Cole & Dietz.

Saul M. Shajnfeld authored an article entitled, "Original Issue Discount and the Foreign Investor—More Uncertainty About United States Treasury Bills," which was published in Vol. 36, No. 2 of *The Tax Lawyer* of the Section of Taxation of the American Bar Association.

Mitchell B. Tallis has opened his own office at 105 Court Street, Brooklyn.

#### 1979

Anthony M. DeStefano won the 1982 New York Press Club Features Award for a series on labor racketeering in New York. He is also a member of the special committee on communications and entertainment law of the New York County Lawyers' Association.

William B. Loyal has joined Allied Maintenance Corporation as Assistant Counsel. Jack D. Matza has opened an office for the general practice of law in Staten Island, New York.

Jonah Triebwasser appears in the June, 1983 issue of the American Bar Association Journal as the reviewer of the A.B.A. book, *The Judge's Chambers: Stories by Lowell B. Komie*, edited by David Martin.

Maxine H. Verne has been appointed to the Committee on Insurance in the New York County Lawyers' Association. Ms. Verne is legal counsel for Reed Stenhouse Inc., international insurance brokers.

#### 1980

Aspasia G. Comnas is associated with the admiralty law firm of Burke and Parsons. She married Bruce Neuman in November, 1982.

Patrick Barton Curran is associated with the Buffalo, New York law firm of Williams, Stevens, McCarville & Frizzell, P.C.

Vincent M. Del Giudice and his wife, Christina, announced the birth of their son, Anthony Joseph on December 23, 1982.

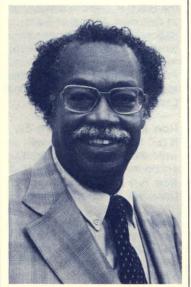
Gary S. Graifman was co-counsel for photographer Garry Gross, in the Court of Appeals recent decision *Brooke Shields*, *etc. v. Garry Gross*. In a case of first impression, the Court was asked to construe the clause of Civil Rights Law Section 50 which deals with obtaining consent from an infant for the use of the infant's photograph.

Amirali Y. Haidri received the degree of Master of Science in Organic Chemistry from New York University this June. He is a patent attorney in the legal division of Lever Brothers.

Howard Protter is Deputy Village Attorney for Cornwall-on-Hudson, New York.

Robert J. Conroy has been chosen Vice-Chairman of the Competency Committee of the American Bar Association, Section on Legal Economics for 1983-1984. He was also admitted to practice law in the State of California. **Robert E. Dowd** was elected to the Board of Governors of the Association of Trial Lawyers of the City of New York.

**Eric W. Janson** has become associated with the firm of Baker & Hayes in Lebanon, New Hampshire.



#### 1982

**Eugene S. Callender** has been appointed by Governor Cuomo as Director of the Office for the Aging. Mr. Callender was president and chief executive officer of the New York Urban League from 1969 to 1975. Most recently, he served by appointment of President Carter, as the New York City Director of "Cities-in-Schools," a federally

funded experimental program for disruptive and emotionally disturbed students. Mr. Callender is a Presbyterian Minister and community leader with experience in housing, education, and employment initiatives. Ralph D. Clifford has formed a partnership with Carol Hendricks Rodriguez in Stamford, Connecticut for the general practice of law.

Andrew M. Drogen is associated with the real estate department of Kelley, Drye & Warren.

Howard C. Edelman is engaged to be married to Leslie A. O'Connor and plans an August wedding. Mr. Edelman is a labor arbitrator in Baldwin, Long Island.

Steven R. Linn has recently become a partner in the law firm of Levinson & Linn, P.C.

Thomas A. Rigilano is newly associated with the firm of Gusrae Kaplan Lowy & Bruno.

**Susan Saltz** has opened an office for the general practice of law in Huntington, New York.

Joan M. Wiesen has been appointed as a contract specialist, business affairs by RCA Records. Ms. Wiesen joined the firm after having been associated with the New York law firm of Silfen and Glasser, P.C.

#### 1983

Kenneth L. Aron is a Law Clerk for U.S. Magistrate Ruth Washington of the Southern District of New York at Foley Square.

**Ronald Balter** has been elected to the Board of Directors of the University of Buffalo, the Metropolitan New York Alumni Chapter and also named chapter liaison to the athletic department.

### SAVE THE DATE

THURSDAY—NOVEMBER 10, 1983 GALA REUNION CLASSES OF '23, '28, '33, '38, '43, '53, '58, '63, '68, '73, '78 VISTA INTERNATIONAL HOTEL

# **Faculty and Administration News**

# In Memoriam

It is with great sadness that the New York Law School community notes the passing of these distinguished alumni and friends.

1924 **Aaron Greengord** Hon, Alfred Ritter

1926 **George Perper** 

1930 Herbert W. Aronson

1931 **Kalman Schindel** 

1938 Martin Rindsberg

1951 **Daniel E. Costigan** Howard G. Gamser Ralph Masters, Sr.

1956 Israel N. Golden 1957

William H. Curran 1959 George A. Brown, Jr.

**Professor George Armstrong** is the author of "Financing a Sale of Goods in a 'Planned Market': Buyer, Seller and Bank in the U.S.S.R.," which appears in 21 Columbia Journal of Transnational Law (#2). He has also written "Transferring U.S. Technology to the Soviets: Some Practical Legal Problems" which was published in 16 International Lawyer 737 (#4, Fall 1982).

Hon, Frederic S. Berman '51, NYLS Adjunct Professor will write the "Local Government" article for the 1983 Survey of New York Law for the Syracuse University Law Review.

Professor Arthur Best has written "Shortcominas of Administrative Agency Lawyer Discipline" for 31 Emory Law Journal 535 (#3, Summer, 1982).

Professor Robert Blecker wrote "What Hinckley's Stunt Doesn't Prove," with Roy M.Cohn, for the New York Post, February 22, 1983.



**Professor Michael Botein** spoke before the New York Legislative Commission on Science and Technology in April on 'State Legislative Concerns in Bypass Technology."

**Professor Barbara S. Brodlieb** '80 delivered a speech at Atari Laboratories in April on "Protection of Intellectual Property in Computer Hardware and Software."

Professor James Brook has an article, "Contractual Disclaimer and Limitation of Liability Under the Law of New York," in 49 Brooklyn Law Review 1 (Fall 1982).

Professor David Chang, who will be joining the NYLS faculty in the Fall, has written "The Bus Stops Here: Defining the Constitutional Right of Equal Educational Opportunity and an Appropriate Remedial Process." published in 63 Boston University Law Review 1 (#1, Jan. 1983).

Mr. William Cogswell of the Library staff is the recipient of the 1983 American Association of Law Libraries scholarship award. He will begin studies for a Master's Degree in Library Science this Fall.



Professor B. James George, Jr. testified in May on behalf of the American Bar Association before the Subcommittee on Criminal Law of the Senate Judiciary Committee concerning S. 829, Comprehensive Crime Control Act of 1983. Mr. George is chairperson of the Standing Committee on Association Standards for Criminal Justice.

#### **Professor Gustave Harrow**

was on the faculty for the Practicing Law Institute's program "Representing Artists, Collectors and Dealer," given in New York in July.

#### Adjunct Professor Roger

Jacobs was the moderator for a New York County Lawyers' Association Forum Evening in May on "Title VII and OSHA-Helpful or Harmful to Working Women?'

**Adjunct Professor Sidney Kess** 

was the moderator for a May program on "Current Developments in Financial and Estate Planning' which was part of the Eighth Annual Women's Financial and Estate Planning Conference sponsored as a public service by the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York.



Professor Arthur S. Leonard is the author of "Collective Bargaining on Issues of Health and Safety in the Public Sector: The Experience Under New York's Taylor Law," which appears in 31 Buffalo Law Review 165 (#1, Winter 1982).

Professor Roy M. Mersky was the Mitchell Lecturer at the Law School of the State University of New York at Buffalo in April. He spoke on "Law Libraries and Legal Research in the Future."

**Adjunct Professor Lester** 

Nelson is a member of the New York County Lawyers' Association Committee on Professional Ethics which recently issued a report responding to the American Bar Association's review of current lawyer disciplinary systems in New York State.

### **Alumni** Authors

The Law School Library is eager to receive books on any subject written by alumni. Any alumnus(a) who is uncertain whether the Law Library has a copy of his or her book should write or call: Law Librarian, Prof. Roy Mersky, New York Law School, 57 Worth Street, New York, N.Y. 10013. Donations of books should also be sent to Prof. Mersky's attention.



Professor David M. Rice had an essay on "Legal Considerations in the Refranchising Process" which was included in a book of essays entitled, "Cable Television Renewals and Refranchising," published by Communications Press, Inc.

Hon. Ernst H. Rosenberger '58 NYLS Adjunct Professor was a panelist in a discussion on the Appointment of Conservators at the Annual Meeting in May of the American Psychiatric Association in New York.

Adjunct Professor Sanford J. Schlesinger was a panelist at the New York County Lawyers' Association's Evening Forum entitled, "New York State Estate and Gift Tax Conformity(?)" in April.

#### Adjunct Professor Otto L. Walter was appointed Vice President 1983-84 of the Consular

Ident 1983-84 of the Consular Law Society.

# Student Newsmakers

The Moot Court Executive Board has announced the selection of its officers for the 1983-84 school year:

Carol Santangelo, Chairperson

Peter Cohen, Secretary Marc Lasry, Treasurer Donald Dickson will serve as Chairperson of the 1983-84 Wagner Committee.

The following have been elected as officers of the Legal Association for Women (L.A.W.) for the school year 1983-84:

President Louis Zito '85 Administrative Vice President

Patricia Oveis '85 Procedural Vice President

Cindy Kouril '85 Financial Vice President Cynthia Carpenter '85 Program Vice President Drew Britcher '84

### NYLS In Brief Receives National Recognition

CASE, the Council for Advancement and Support of Education, of which the Law School is a member, sponsors an annual recognition program honoring "those institutions and advancement professionals who excel in the presentation of programs and attain superior achievement in fund raising and communications." On a nationwide basis, 4000 entries were submitted and judged by 40 separate panels consisting of over 250 professionals. Three hundred and two institutions received recognition.

Competing with 77 other schools in the Newsletter Publishing Program category, New York Law School In Brief received one of eight Exceptional Achievement awards. The other seven schools so honored include: Cornell University, Emory University, Georgetown University, Harvard University, Seattle Pacific University, the University of Kansas, and the University of Maryland.



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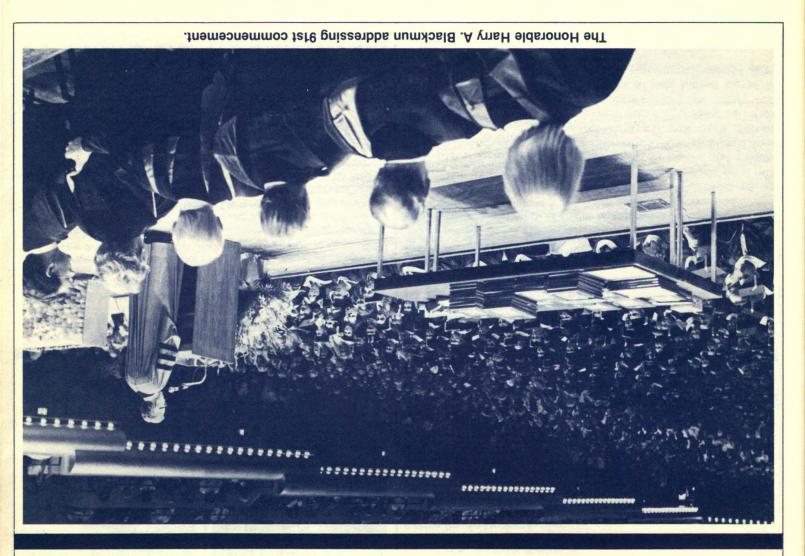
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